



Markham District Veterans Association Newsletter

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President's Remarks – Brian Fazackerley

Greetings Comrades. I hope you have thawed after our prolonged deep freeze. A special thanks to Karen Kearns who has been tireless in checking-in with and visiting our members who are sick or have mobility issues or have been shut-in.

Your Board is working through many critical issues at present, so much so that we had to adjourn the most recent executive meeting to be continued next week, due to the late hour. For this reason the Notice of Motion in relation to Constitution and By-Law changes to be considered at the March 11 general meeting will have to be sent out by supplemental Newsletter on that topic in a week or so. For those who do not have e-mail, binders containing the materials will be available in the Club for perusal well ahead of the 14 day notice window. My personal thanks go to all board members and officers who are giving up so much of their time to advance the interests of MDVA.

Super Bowl was great fun and Laura has some other great events planned which you will see below.

Please talk up your colleagues and friends about membership in our Club. It all starts with an invitation to come in as a guest and experience our congenial and welcoming atmosphere
....**Brian**

Entertainment Chair – Laura Chalmers

Hello again Comrades. Here we are in February and just getting over our first snow storm and wasn't it a beauty? I know we should be ready for more but let's not think about it....the days are getting longer and spring will be here before we know it.

Our last event was Robbie Burns and it was a great success. Our entertainment was "Forty Something" and they really put on a show for us. I was told by Alan Kennedy that they enjoyed it as much as we did, which is always nice to hear.

Our next club event is on February 16th and will be the ever popular "Meat Draw" followed by our always great "Karaoke with Bobby" (Ashmore). This event Please come out and support your club, we are struggling to find ways of getting people to come out. Not just the regulars who always attend functions, but the new members and perhaps older members who never attend our club except to come in to have the odd beer or two. Please come on out...you will enjoy it, I promise!

That's all for this month, except to say that St. Patrick's is coming up soon and the details will be forthcoming, most likely in the next newsletter. Thank you to all you members who support our efforts to put on great functions for you.

....**Laura**

Mark Your Calendar – January

- **General Meeting on Monday February 11th, 2019**
- **Meat Draw / Karaoke – Saturday February 16th, 2019**



8-Ball Pool League Winners



Service Bureau – Karen Kearns

January has been a busy month. Don Rattle sick in Hospital but is doing well now at home. Bill Laphorne had knee replacement and is home doing well. John McQuade is still in Hospital after hip replacement with a lot of pain . he was finally up today for a short walk. Mike Felip had orthoscopic knee surgery and is doing well. Gerry Milligan had a fall last week but she said she is ok but very sore. IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE SICK PLEASE LET ME KNOW
KAREN K 905 471-5913

....Karen K

Membership – Dan Quigley

Let's hope the Groundhog was right and we see a shorter winter. Cold or not we would like to see you all visit the club often !!! Don't forget to bring your family or friends with you and encourage them to become a member. Currently we have 265 Members who have paid their 2019 dues or are not required to pay.

The Membership numbers are as follows;

- 86 Associate Members
- 7 Honorary Members
- 19 Life Members
- 55 Regular Members
- 98 Relative Members

55 persons have not yet paid. Their names have been removed from the Pot of Gold and Newsletter distribution and will need to be signed in when visiting our Association. See you soon

.... Dan Quigley

Building Chair – David Smith

Building Report

Well we certainly have seen winter these past few weeks and the snow plowing at the club has been busy. Please remember to walk slowly as it may be slippery. We do salt but it is difficult to keep everything clear with the weather we have been having.

We have received the Fire Department's orders that they want the club to comply with. They did go easy on us and most of the upgrades they want us to make are mostly minor. The biggest item will be the upgrade to the fire system to make it comply with current by-laws. I will provide an update at the meeting next Monday.

Web Site

We now have full control of the MDVA website and will be making changes to it over the next few weeks. When it is all said and done we hope to provide you and the community with a fully interactive website where we will be able to post all of our functions, hall rental availability, pictures of the events that our members attend and much more. See you next Monday.

..... David

Hall Chair – Paul Kearns

Hi Comrads

Just a few words to thank those of you who out and support the M.D.V.A. on a regular bases. As the Hall Chair for 2019 I would like to ask all 300 + members to promote the rentals of our hall Upstairs. We rely on the hall +bar upstairs to keep the M.D.V.A. Viable and in the Black financially. So please spread the News to family & friends who want to celebrate Birthdays, weddings, showers, Group meetings and Sort events.

Thank you your Hall Chair Paul Kearns 647 554-5913

..... Paul

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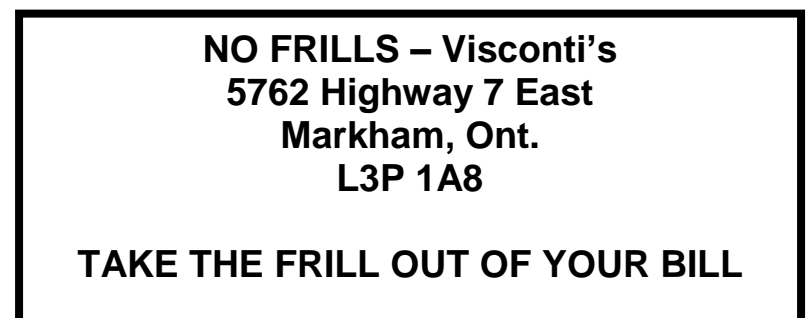
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