

Atlantic Report 2020-2021

Hello everyone from beautiful Cape Breton. It has been a different year for many of us and has changed how we do many things. Our membership numbers have been staying the same as previous years but losing a few each year. Again, it has been a rather quiet year in the Atlantic region. With restrictions in where we were allowed to travel I was unable to visit Mr Fredette.

We still have one remaining veteran in Nova Scotia (Mr. Hormidas Fredette) and he turned 104 this past April. Mr. Fredette celebrated a big birthday in these COVID times, he deserved the appreciation and recognition that we can afford to do in a "COVID friendly" acknowledgement of a life well-lived. I have the pleasure of calling him now and again and is always willing to talk and is quite an avid reader still. Many individuals visited with Mr. Fredette while the drive-by took place: representatives of the Municipality, Village, Senior Government, and RCMP (outdoors, of course). He is still living with his son, Brian, at home. He is still mobile but gets around with a walker. Whenever this virus allows, I will try and go visit him and spend time with him. His memory is still sharp for his age. He has many recollections of some of the events.

We have one veteran in New Brunswick; Eugene Lapointe RRC who is presently living in a Long-Term Care facility in Dalhousie, New Brunswick. Talked to the daughter (Marsha McGraw) of Eugene LaPointe (RRC) and she informed me that Mr. LaPointe, now 96. He is living in a home and is well taken care of. His daughters pay visit to him as often as possible in these troubled times.

I hope all have a wonderful fun and safe summer and hope to see many at the next Convention.

Yours truly,

Bernard LeBlanc
Atlantic Region Director.