Comrades:

As we reach the end of another year of challenges and successes, I would like to take this opportunity to THANK all of you for your continued dedication to your Branch and the aims and objectives of the Legion.

You have continued to recognize and support our Veterans especially those who have had major milestone birthdays. The support to the Ruck to Recovery was overwhelming with Branches raising an amazing amount of $113,000.00 Leo and his team where ecstatic and we surpassed any previous donations.

Branches continue to support our regular programs as well as remaining active within their communities. Remembrance Day services were held in most communities and were well received. Membership continues to be concerning however we are slowly creeping up. Many Branches have been creative in raising funds and the grants received have been a big boost to many. Some Branches have had major repairs and are working diligently to do the necessary work to remain open or re-open.

Seminars have been held with reasonable participation and we all look forward to when again we can all meet in person. Elections are still up in the air and we have our fingers crossed that we can move forward with them in the spring as this affects all levels of the Legion.

As we are once again met with a new and more contagious strain of COVID I ask that we remain diligent in following all Provincial protocols. The health and well- being of not just our members but our families, friends and community is first and foremost.

Again, **MANY THANKS TO EVERY ONE OF YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!!!**

On behalf of Deputy District Commander Dave Harnden, myself and all members of District Council I would like to wish all

**A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**AND**

**A HAPPY HEALTHY NEW YEAR**

Yours in Comradeship

Lynn Deering

District Commander