



Canadian Pacific Pensioners Association of Calgary

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Message from the President

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Greetings everyone and welcome back. I hope everyone had a wonderful summer.

Our last General meeting was held on June 9th and we had 75 people in attendance. As always, we would like to thank all our members involved in sourcing, preparing, organizing, serving and cleaning up lunch. Congratulations to the winners of the 50/50 (\$150.00), and the wine draws. As always, we appreciate your continued support and participation!

Earlier this year, you should you would have received two letters from CPKC regarding the position of Pensioner Representative. The first letter in June was for candidate nominations and included the duties of the Pension Representative. The second letter in July was a ballot to vote on the nominated candidates. There were three nominated candidates in the election ballot. They were Robert Cameron (incumbent representative), Louis Wilson and Roger Gallant. There were 2,602 pensioners that cast their ballots. The election results were recently released, and the results are as follows: Robert Cameron = 1314 votes; Louis Wilson = 986 votes; Roger Gallant = 302 votes. On this basis, Robert Cameron of Revelstoke, BC has been re-elected as the Pensioner Representative for three more years.

This fall, we plan on two outings. The first outing is a 5 Pin bowling event since everyone has such a good time with lots of laughs and fun! The second outing is for an afternoon of indoor mini-golf. We are researching information for both events now and will have lots more information and a sign-up sheet for the October general meeting.

As you recall, last spring we organized a T-shirt order. At the September general meeting, we will see if there is enough interest to go forward with a ball cap order as well as a bomber jacket order. The ball caps come in three colors (black, maroon and grey) and will have the CP Pensioners Logo on the front. The hats are \$24 each and we need at least 72 ball caps for the order to proceed. The bomber jacket features black molten and maroon leather sleeves with the CP Pensioners logo on the breast.





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The jackets are \$315 each and we need a minimum order of 12 jackets to proceed. We will have photos, more information and a sign-up sheet for each product at the at the September general meeting.

Before summer break, some members expressed interest in a mid-summer get-together for coffee. On this basis, we got together on Tuesday, July 21st for coffee and sandwiches with 16 members attending. We got together again on Tuesday, August 11th and we had ten people in attendance for sandwiches and cake. Thank you so much to Monique Kovacs for organizing both events.

With respect to member updates, we have 159 active members. There are 120 paid; 3 new; 25 Gold; and 11 not paid. For those 11 unpaid members, you have a few options to renew your membership; you can see Arthur at the general meeting on September 7th, or you can contact him by phone at 403-262-1238 or cell at 403-870-1897, or by email at cp.pensioners.association@gmail.com. Thank you to all of you that have renewed your membership recently.

We are saddened by the losses of the following pensioners and members. Tony Thompson passed away on Jan 19th. Tony was an electrician at Alyth and left CP to start Q-Tron Electronics. Dave Seal, a Carman, passed away on April 9th, and his celebration of life was July 25th. Dave joined the Pensioners Club only last year. Jerzy Galas, an Electrician, passed away on June 17th, and his service was on July 24th. Bernie Supinski worked in Costing and Budgeting in both Montreal and Calgary, he passed away on June 28th. Our deepest condolences go out to their families.

As a reminder to all members, we welcome all CPKC pensioners, spouses or survivors as guests to our monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of every month except July and August. I am excited to tell you that the semi-annual newsletter has been revived. The last semi-annual newsletter went out in 2021. This fall we will be releasing the newsletter once again which will recap previous meetings from this year as well as some feature articles. A big thank you goes out to Don Seymour for his hard work.



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Finally, our next meeting is Tuesday, September 7th. Lunch will include croissants and cold cuts. You probably will not notice, but the wheelchair ramp from the parking lot into the Pensioners Club was completely refurbished. The railway crossing at 69 Street is still open and the parking lot at the top of the hill is open as well. See you next week.

With warmest regards, your President

Joseph Dragani

June Meeting:

