

June 22 to 28 and July 1 Proclaimed as "Legion Week" in Parksville

Parksville, BC — Mayor Marc Lefebvre has proclaimed June 22 to 28, 2018, and July 1, 2018, as “Legion Week” in the City of Parksville.

The Royal Canadian Legion/BC Yukon Command is a non-profit organization consisting of 147 branches, 67 ladies' auxiliaries and nearly 44,000 members. The Legion is dedicated to remembrance of veterans and continues to serve veterans, ex-service personnel, seniors, youth and many aspects of community life. Legion Week provides an opportunity to raise awareness and educate residents about the important work and role of the Legion in today's society.

The local Royal Canadian Legion, Mount Arrowsmith Branch No. 49, has a longstanding history of community service in Parksville. The branch operates a medical equipment loan program which provides items like wheelchairs, walkers and crutches to residents with mobility challenges at no cost. Through fundraising efforts like the annual poppy campaign, the local Legion provides significant financial support to veteran advocacy and support programs, scholarships and bursaries, youth and sports organizations and other charitable organizations in the Parksville area.

New members are welcomed at the local Legion branch. Anyone 19 years of age or older may join the Royal Canadian Legion; no military service is required. The local branch hosts many activities, including cards, pool, dances, dinners and other special events and is home to a full service lounge which serves as a community gathering space.

More information can be found at www.legionbcyukon.ca or on the Facebook page for the local [RCL Branch No. 49 – Mt. Arrowsmith](#).

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