



Next meeting:

Sunday, November 18, 2012

Branch 210 Royal Canadian Legion 110 Jutland Rd. Toronto

Meeting starts at 12:00 pm Doors open 11:00 am

**50th Anniversary Year
1962 - 2012**

2012 Executive

Guy Elliott
President

Scott Dummitt
1st vice president

Norman White
2nd vice-president

Gary Lenius
Secretary/Treasurer

Jim Matresky
Past President

Gail Stone
Member at Large

Eric Clarke
Program Chairman

Frank MacKay
Journal editor

Ian Pearson
Membership Chairman

Norman White
Annual Show Chairman

Scott Dummitt
50th Anniversary Chairman

Meeting Dates

November 18
December 9
- 2013 -
January 20
February 3
March 3
April 14
May 26
June 23
October 27
November 10
December 8

**Annual Show
Saturday September 7
2013**

Annual Auction

This month we will be holding our annual auction. This is your chance to sell off items you no longer need or want or to pick up some new treasures from your fellow members.

Note the earlier start time!

We will start the meeting at 12 noon so that we can complete the auction without running too late.

No vendor tables at this meeting.

Auction Ground Rules

1. You must be a member in good standing to put up lots for sale.
2. Bidders must register and receive a bidding number. There is a fee of \$1.
3. The number of lots will be limited to 100; first come, first served.
4. A minimum reserve bid may be placed on a lot.
5. There is no selling fee or commission.
6. Hobby related items only please.

Auction Description forms

Some members have asked to get the auction forms ahead of time so they can fill in the descriptions of their items. So included with this newsletter is a form you can use for this. Cut it along the dashed lines and it makes 4 copies of a form that can be completed ahead of time and then attached to the lot cards. Photocopy the sheet if you need more than 4.

December Meeting: Our Christmas Feast

The December meeting (December 9th) will feature our traditional Christmas luncheon. Gail Stone will be handling the catering for us once again. Tickets can be purchased from Gail at \$5.00 a plate. You can see her at the meeting.

If you can't get out to the meeting you can reserve your ticket with Gail at 905-332-0653 or email her at gstone4@cogeco.ca

Frank MacKay reports that the sale of books from the estate of our late founding member Bruce Boyd produced the sum of \$80. A donation has been made in Bruce's name to the Parkinson's Disease Society of Canada, in accordance with the wishes of his daughter. She has expressed thanks to all members for their generosity.

The newsletter is edited by Gary Lenius.

News items and notices can be submitted at omss@bell.net or 416-261-6494.

OMSS website: www.omss.ca



President's Column

From our President Guy Elliott...

Believe it or not this month I will be very brief. Why? Well, I've written another piece this month about the 2013 Annual Show, and the two main upcoming events (The November Auction and the December Luncheon) will be covered here by other folks. Scott Dummitt is working on golf shirt sales and Frank Mackay is working on the next issue of the Journal. The Awards Committees have made all their decisions, the Executive has approved them and the actual Awards are all done and ready to hand out. All next year's meeting dates have been set and confirmed with the Legion. I've even passed on the Kukri to Scott for the January meeting. I don't have much left to do – just a December President's Message for the Newsletter and hand out the Society's Awards at the December Luncheon. So I have two desires left: get some good buys at the Auction and stuff myself at the luncheon. See you there.

Executive Officers for 2013

At the October meeting the executive slate for next year was proposed and accepted by the membership. The following will take office as of January 1st:

Scott Dummitt, President

Norm White, 1st Vice President

Gail Stone, 2nd Vice President



Thanks to all three for volunteering their time to steer our club through the coming year. Note that Norm and Gail are both past president's of the Society and have been kind enough to step forward and serve again. Give them your support.

The rest of the Executive Committee have volunteered to carry on, with the exception of Ian Pearson who has had to resign as membership chairman.

2013 Annual Show - Guy Elliott

At this year's Annual Show in September I was stopped by a number of people who told me how much they preferred this September time to June for our Show. One member said to me, "In June my mind is turning to summer and outdoor stuff and my mind is less on the hobby. But in September I start to re-focus on model soldiers once again." At the September Show no one stopped me to say they preferred June. I raised this input to the Executive at the next Executive Meeting in October. Scott Dummitt said the people who run Fort York had spoken to him more than once about how they preferred we come in September. Norm White, who is in charge of our Show said that getting a date in September from the Fort was a great deal easier than a June date. He also said that the Friday set-up was much easier in September because there was not a constant parade of students on Field Trips going through our setting-up area. I then polled all the Executive about using September again in 2013. Everyone either said they preferred September or had no preference. No one suggested June. We then decided on a September date in 2013 for our Annual Show – if Norm could get a good date. A 'good date' meant after Labour Day (September 2) but not too close to the date of the Chicago Show (September 23). We were able to do that. Please note that the date for our 2013 Annual Show is Saturday, September 7.

Link of the Month

Royal Fanfare at the Toronto Public Library

Get up close and personal with yesterday's Kings and Queens of Europe. Rare engravings, photographs and souvenirs from the library's Special Collections are on display until December 2nd at the Toronto Reference Library on Yonge St. (just north of Bloor).

Check out the virtual exhibits at the TPL website:

www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/ve/royal-fanfare/index.jsp

Thanks to Jeff Duncan for this tip.

Raising a Flag at Sunnybrook

To mark Remembrance Day the Society has once again participated in Operation Raise a Flag at Sunnybrook Veterans' Centre. For info on this program see sunnybrook.ca/foundation/raiseaflag/

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Carefree Hobbies Now Stocking Britains

Member Nic Bax, owner of Carefree Hobbies in Oakville is proud to announce they are now an authorized dealer for W. Britain figures. They have brought in all the available Napoleonic, War of the Nile, WWI Somme and Zulu figures. Carefree is located at 1029 Speers Road, Unit 8 in Oakville. Check out their website at www.carefreehobbies.com



Seeking Composition Figures

Hans Doring is looking for composition figures from such makers as Elastolin, Lineol and Hausser. You can contact Hans at 416-421-9951 in the evenings. Hans is also looking for someone who can do some repairs to composition figures for him.

Looking for Painted Figures

Stanley Kershman is interested in buying painted connoisseur figures and flats. You can contact him at stanley3211@hotmail.com or 613-726-2999.

Albert LaBelle

A blast from the past... **Robin Ward** is looking for any historical material related to Albert LaBelle and his shop. Copies of any news articles, obituary, etc. would be appreciated. You can contact him at 905-836-2271 or swardn225@rogers.com



If you know of an upcoming show that might interest our members, drop Gary a line.

Looking out for each other

Know of a member who's been ill or in hospital? Let Gail Stone know so that we can send them the Society's best wishes. Contact Gail at 905-332-0653 or by email at gstone4@cogeco.ca

Contributions for the Journal

The Editor of the OMSS Journal has requested that all members write up a short paragraph on their comments, modeling interests, and feelings on their membership in the OMSS. It is hoped that enough of these short comments will be received to compile a sort of cross-section portrait of the OMSS as it was during our 50th Anniversary year. A special anniversary issue of the Journal will be published in January and all members are urged to participate. You can be part of this special issue which is sure to become one of the Society's most important historical documents--at the 100th anniversary, they will be reading your words.

The deadline for this is December and to date, only one contribution has been received. If you wish to participate, do not delay.

Please See Frank MacKay at the next meeting or email: Frank_mackay@hotmail.com or by mail: Editor, the OMSS Journal, 75 Gardentree St. Scarborough, ON. M1E 2G4.

OMSS Commemorative Figures Are Here

See Gary Lenius at the meeting to pick up your figure if you didn't pick it up at the show. We will have them at the next few meetings for pickup. (We will be mailing them out to members who can't make it out to meetings, just be patient.)

A limited number of extra figures are available through two of our vendors: Scott Dummitt and Henry Chow. The figures retail for \$32.00 each plus tax. Check with the individual retailers for offered discounts on the Anniversary figure and bring your membership card.

Moving? Send your change of address to: Gary Lenius 43 Saugeen Cres. Scarborough, Ont. M1K 3M8
or email: omss@bell.net Phone: 416 261-6494

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OMSS members...

We are putting together an order for club shirts. A number of people expressed interest at the last meeting. The manufacturer is offering a special price but we have to get the order in by November 26. So we need you to get your paid orders in at the November meeting (the 18th) or shortly after. To offer shirts at this price we have to have at least 24 orders.

These will be short-sleeve polo shirts (golf shirts) as shown here but with the OMSS logo and name embroidered on the left breast. The shirt will be in a Green Dill colour, allowing for the Society Crest to be displayed prominently. The lettering for "Ontario Model Soldier Society" will be done in a golden yellow. The shirts are Harriton 10 oz. Ringspun Cotton Pique Polos. They will look sharp. These shirts are available in sizes Small to 6XL, and are available in both Men and Women's style.



The shirts will be \$25.00 each. They will be available for pickup at the December meeting (Dec. 9). Members who wish to have their shirts sent to them through the mail will have to pay an additional \$12.00

(The shirts are priced basically at our cost. If there is any small profit left over it will go to the Society.)

If you are interested in one of these shirts, please either pay Scott at the next meeting on November 18th, or print the attached order form and mail it to him.

Scott can also take payment by credit card (by phone).

Be sure to indicate the size you want, Men's or Women's shirt, and quantity.

If you have any questions you can contact Scott at (705) 939-1028 or email: gijoe@kos.net.

Ontario Model Soldier Society Golf Shirt Order Form

Please print

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

I would like _____ shirts @ \$25.00 each = \$ _____. ____

For each shirt please circle

Style:		Size:								
Man's	Woman's	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL
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Man's	Woman's	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL
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Please ship my shirt(s) by Canada Post - add \$12.00.

If paying in U.S. Dollars please add \$3.00 more to cover exchange and additional shipping

Make cheque payable to Scott Dummitt

Mail to:

OMSS Golf Shirt
1754 Carmel Line,
Baillieboro, Ontario,
K0L 1B0

Orders must be received by November 23