

Bow Valley Branch Navy League of Canada

Welcome to the 2010-2011 cadet training year for NLCC John A. Hamilton and RCSCC Calgary!

Bow Valley Branch is the supporting body for both NLCC John A. Hamilton and RCSCC Calgary, comprised entirely of volunteers. Some members have served on the board for two years or more, offering strong knowledge, drive and commitment to ensuring our children are provided with the best opportunities available.

Our meetings are held once a month on alternating Mondays and Thursdays in order to accommodate both corps parade nights which increases opportunities for parents/guardians to be able to attend. All meetings are open and we encourage you to attend as many as you can, as we are always looking to increase our board membership and parent/guardian involvement.

During our meetings we approve fundraising options, and discuss upcoming events for both corps. The President's, Treasurer's, Bingo, Casino, Navy League and Sea Cadet monthly reports are presented for the board's review and approval. We also have open discussion regarding process, policies and procedures which we are mandated to follow. We continually seek out suggestions for fundraising opportunities and volunteers to assist with all events.

Volunteers are the backbone of our programs. As such, we as Branch members also participate in Bingos to support our cadets and look forward to spending that time together to better get to know each other. If you have any questions regarding the Bow Valley Branch or volunteering, please contact branch President, Kathy Grigor at 403-248-5729.

Please find attached a list of executive members, meeting dates and Bingo dates.

Welcome Aboard!

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Bow Valley Branch Meeting Dates 2010-2011

The Bow Valley Branch meetings are held once a month on alternate Mondays and Thursdays to accommodate both corps' parade nights. This is a great opportunity to voice your opinion and have a vote on how your child's corp. is managed. The board is a vital part of this organization; without it, we could not have any corps. Parents who cannot attend all the meetings are encouraged to attend the meetings held on the nights that their child(ren) are on parade.

All meetings will be held in the Senior Officer's Mess Upper Level at 7:00pm unless otherwise stated

Sept 23, 2010	Thursday	
Oct 18, 2010	Monday	
Nov 18, 2010	Thursday	
Dec 13, 2010	Monday	Holiday Pot luck
Jan 20, 2011	Thursday	
Feb 28, 2011	Monday	
Mar 24, 2011	Thursday	
April 18, 2011	Monday	
May 19, 2011	Thursday	AGM <i>Please think about running for a position!</i>
June 20, 2011	Monday	
July 21, 2011	Thursday	
Aug 22, 2011	Monday	

The commanding officers will be notified of any date or time changes. If you have any questions regarding the meetings or would like more information on becoming involved with the Bow Valley Branch, please contact the President, Kathy Grigor at 403-248-5729.

We look forward to having you join us at the meetings!

Sincerely,

Bow Valley Branch Executive

Bow Valley Branch Members 2010-2011

President: Kathy Grigor

Vice-President: vacant

Treasurer: Ruth Anne Jelskey

Secretary: Tannis Broughton

Bingo Chair: Frank Steiner

Casino Chair: Frank Steiner

Membership: Vanessa Fernando

RCSCC Calgary Liaison: Margaret Parson

NLCC John A. Hamilton Liaison: Lisa Martin

Fundraising: Corrine Robertson

Awards and Scholarships: Danette Denty-Rietze

Volunteer Screening: Mary Ann Drinkwalter

Please feel free to contact the branch president, Kathy Grigor at 403-248-5729 if you have any questions.

Membership FAQ

As the name implies, Bow Valley is a Branch of the Navy League of Canada (NLC) and is therefore subject to all the National Rules and Regulations.

Q. Where can I find Polices, Bylaws and other publications about the Navy League of Canada?

A. <http://www.navyleague.ca/eng/admin/publications.asp>

Q. Who are members of Bow Valley Branch NLC?

A. As laid out in the bylaws, membership is open to several categories:

Individual Member – Any person 18 years or older (In Alberta) who supports the purposes and Objects of the League, may be enrolled as an individual member. Each Individual Member has one vote.

Associate Members – They have all the rights and responsibilities of Individual Members but cannot vote. All CIC Officers, Navy League Officers, Civilian Instructors of a Corps are granted Associate Membership and the fee is waived.

Cadet Members – All Cadets are “Cadet Members” of the Branch. Cadet members are not required to pay a fee, and are not allowed to vote (But their Parent/Guardians are as Individual Members)

Honorary Members – The Branch may appoint any Person who has provided significant service to the League or who is worthy of distinction. Honorary members do not have to pay a fee and do not have a vote.

Life members – Individual Members who complete 25 years of service , or have served as National President, or paid a fee as set down by the league may be granted Life membership (This can include Officers and Instructors – refer to the national By-Laws)

Q. Do both parents of a cadet have to be members?

A. No, see Membership Types above.

Q. How do I become a member of the Branch?

A. You must complete an Application Form and pay a fee that is set by the Branch from time to time. Contact any of the Board of Directors or the Membership Chairperson.

Q. Why should I become a member?

A. A strong Branch promotes the benefits of this outstanding organization and helps to fund many activities. By purchasing a membership, you will have a say in how the affairs of the Branch are conducted.

Q. What is done with my membership information?

A. Information is collected and only used by the Branch. Information is never sold or distributed to outside sources (Please note that membership lists are sent to National – their information policy can be found at http://www.navyleague.ca/admin/pubs/NL_21e.pdf or you can contact the Branch Privacy Officer) As laid out in the Administration Orders NL(21)e the Branch must comply with the “Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act”

Q. Do I need a child in the Corps for me to be eligible for membership?

A. No! (See Individual Membership)

Q. Who runs the affairs of the Branch?

A. The day to day operation is run by the “Branch Board of Directors” They consist of the following positions:

Branch President – Elected for a term of one year. – Presides over meetings, Can serve up to 3 consecutive terms and a forth by special resolution by the Branch.

Branch Vice President – Elected for a term of 1 year. If there is more than one, the 1st Branch President may speak for and conduct meetings in the absence of the Branch President.

Branch Secretary – Attend meetings and act as recording secretary. Record and maintain minutes. Supervise and maintain all Branch records. Track and report all correspondence. Provide a copy of assets and memberships lists to the Alberta Division Office.

Treasurer – Take charge of, be accountable for and supervises all funds, books, financial records securities and properties of the Branch. Track receipts. Complete a budget to be passed by the Branch.

Other Positions – From time to time the Directors may vote other members to such committees as Membership, Bingo, Liaisons to the Corps etc.

Q. How do I become more involved in the Branch?

A. By attending regular meetings and having your say/input. By helping with fund raising events, other Branch activities and by serving on the Board of Directors.

Q. How do I become a member of the Board?

A. Board members are elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) each Year. To be eligible members must be in good standing, have a paid up membership and be nominated. The general membership elects a Board of Directors

Q. What if I have more questions about membership or the Bow Valley Branch?

A. You can contact the Membership Chair, Vanessa Fernando (e-mail: Vanessaf@shaw.ca) or any of the Board of Directors.

***Come out and support your local
Branch!!!!***

Bingo!

Why volunteer at Bingos??

Bingos are a major source of income for our corps.

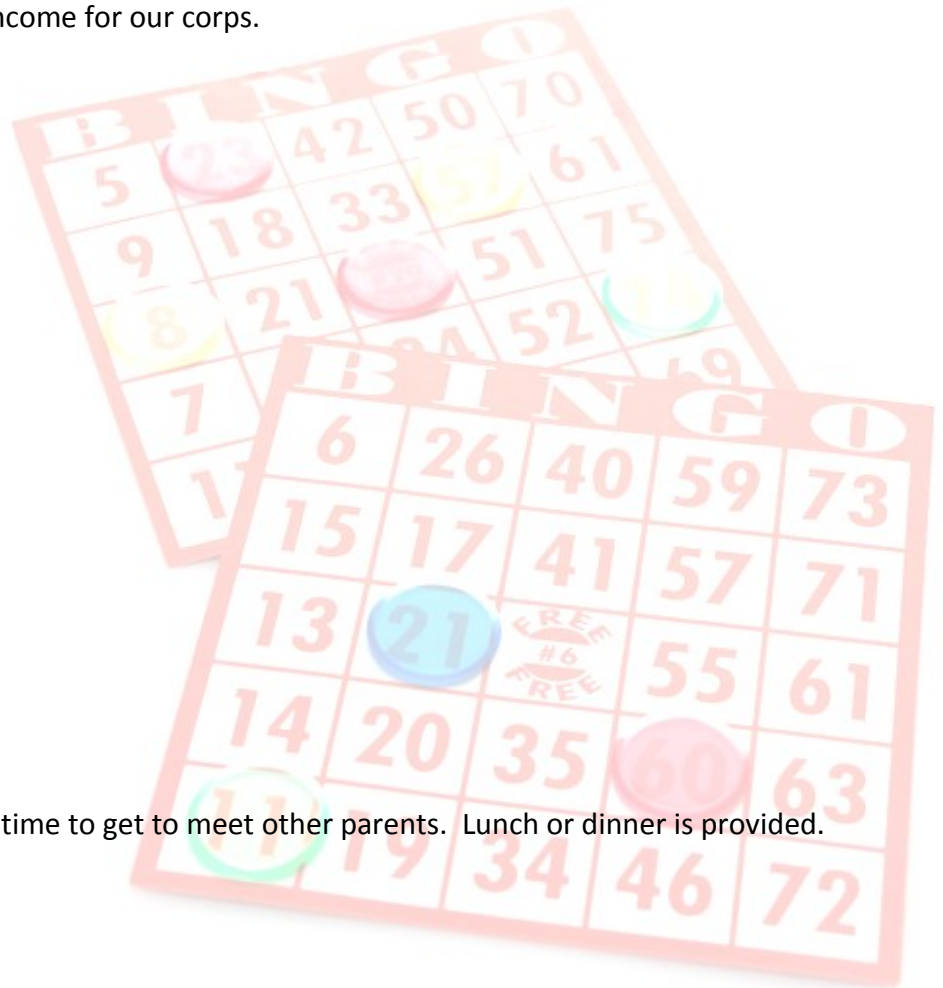
Where are the funds used?

- Camps
- Uniforms
- Band equipment
- Training
- Officer training
- and more....

Bingo *can* be fun!! It's a great time to get to meet other parents. Lunch or dinner is provided.

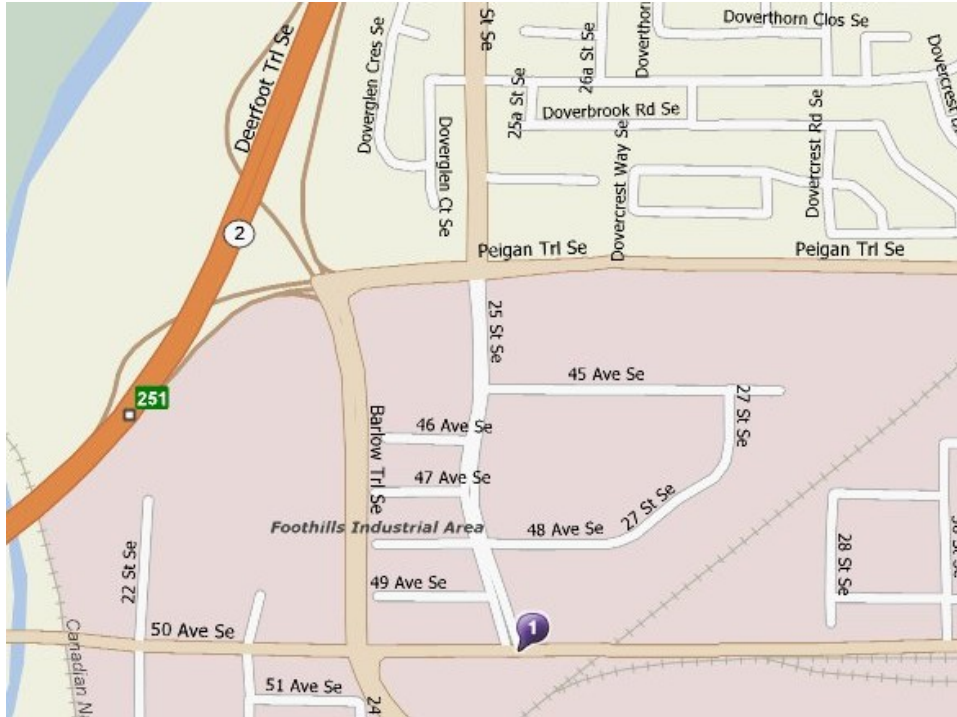
We ask that parents/guardians volunteer for 8 bingos per cadet. If you get a friend to help, that counts towards your child too!

Sign up, don't miss out. Most importantly, don't let the kids miss out!



Five Star Bingo – 4980 – 25th St. SE

Bingos are an important source of fundraising for our branch. Without the money raised by Bingo, the Bow Valley Branch will have no choice but curb the extra activities that are planned for the training year. Please make the time to volunteer for a few of the upcoming Bingos. We request that each family work at least 8 Bingos per cadet. Please keep in mind that our Bingo year goes from September to September. We are especially in need of help during the summer months.



The Bingo dates are as follows:

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| Sat. Sept 25 @ 4:30 | Sun. Oct 14 @ 10:30 |
| Sat. Oct 23 @ 4:30 | Sun. Nov 14 @ 10:30 |
| Sat. Nov 27 @ 4:30 | Sun. Dec 12 @ 10:30 |
| Sun. Jan 9 @ 10:30 | Sat. Jan 22 @ 4:30 |
| Sun. Feb 13 @ 10:30 | Sat. Feb 26 @ 4:30 |
| Sun. Mar 13 @ 10:30 | Sat. Mar 26 @ 4:30 |
| Sun. Apr 10 @ 10:30 | Sat. Apr 23 @ 4:30 |

To arrange your bingo dates please call Frank Steiner at 403-262-3594 or e-mail Frank at fs12369@shaw.ca

We need your support!