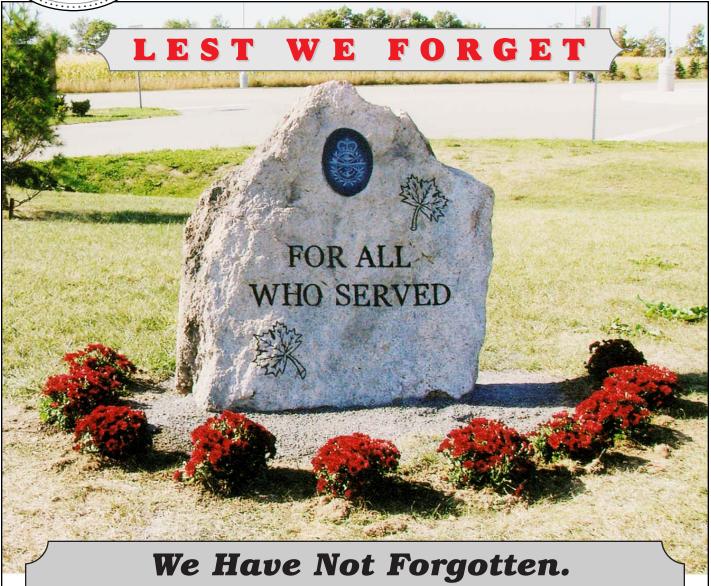


Leeds & 1000 Islands Historical Society



War Memorials in Leeds and Thousand Islands.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have a Then and Now section in the newsletter. This edition you also get Old and New presidents' letters.

How old does one have to be before you start looking back? I'm sure I'm well past that mark. I have just finished my fourth term as president. I had three terms from 1992 to 1998. I was followed by Alan Lindsay. Alan and I are the only two founding members still active. My most recent bout as president was 2007 – 2008.

I would like to thank all those who served along with me in those seven and a half years. They were all an active and supportive group. We have come a long way since the original seven met to discuss the possibility of doing something to save the history of the area.

There is still a difficult and winding road ahead. We still are searching for archives space. I am confident with the executive you have elected that these problems will be looked at closely.

Best of luck and much success to the new executive. "To you from failing hands we throw..."

Bill Boulton Past President

The Society starts off a new year with combined President's messages. As the new elected president I would like to reflect on the past success of the LTI Historical Society, largely due in part on the commitment of our past president, Bill Boulton, and the dedication of past and present committee members, and in other part to the positive response received from our membership. I aspire to continue on the set path in making every effort to serve you well.

Excellent programming for the winter includes a presentation by John Nalon in January, our famous Show and Tell in February exhibiting treasures you possess, in March Ken Willis will enlighten us on Heritage Gardening, and Bill Patterson will bring us the History of Pittsburgh Township in April.

I take this opportunity to extend our best wishes for the new year and have the pleasure of seeing you on the 3rd Monday of each month

Yolande LaPointe President



MEMBERSHIP FEES (Canadian Funds Please)

General (Family) - \$10.00 Association - \$10.00 Corporate - \$25.00 Our membership term is Sept. 1 to Aug. 31 Memberships available at any meeting or by cheque to:

LTI HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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NEWSLETTERS

As our newsletter binder was growing large, we have decided to split it into two.

Back copies of our newsletters are available for \$2.50 each

Copies 1 through 20 are now available in a three ring binder. Cost \$62.00

Copies 21 through 29 - Cost \$34.50 - Binders with all copies 1-29 are still available. Ask for price.

Due to the weight and high cost of postage, if these have to be mailed, postage will have to be added.

Also available now is a binder with a coloured cover insert or the coloured cover insert alone.

Ask the Executive for prices.



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THEN This stone house. built by the Findlay family in the early

1890's

NOW

THEN

and

NOW The home of Mrs. Margel Warren, 208 Edengrove Road



(Photo by Bill Boulton)

LEEDS and 1000 ISLANDS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Slate of Officers -2008 - 2009

President-Yolande LaPointe 1st. Vice-President-Pierre Mercier 2nd. Vice-President- Alan Lindsay Past-President-Bill Boulton Secretary-Ann Graham Treasurer-Duane Dillman

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Heritage Organization Grant

The Historical Society made an application to the Provincial Ministry of Culture for a Heritage Organization Development Grant.

Our application was approved, and we received \$466.00. This grant will be used to cover the cost of preparation and distribution of our Newsletters.

We wish to thank the Ministry of Culture for this assistance.



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YEAR IN REVIEW 2007-2008

FROM THE SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT



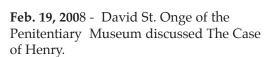


Sept. 17, 2007 - John McLeod illustrated the Construction of the 1000 Islands Bridge.

Oct. 15, 2007 - Eloda Wachsmuth talked of her restoration of Mother Barne's Cabin.

Nov. 19, 2007 - Gary M. Gibson explained How Canada Won the War of 1812.

Jan. 20, 2008 - Pam Buel of Parks Canada spoke of the Naming of the Rideau Canal as an UNESCO World Heritage Sight.



Mar. 20, 2008 - Joanne Flikweert spoke on Heritage Gardening.

April 22, 2008 - Members of the LTI Heritage Committee gave a pictorial overview of properties proposed to be listed on the Municipal Heritage Inventory.

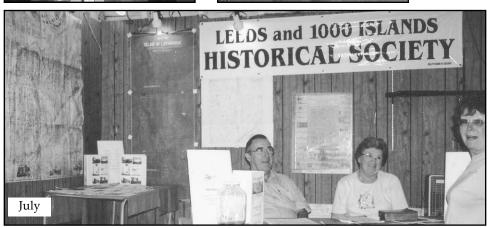
July, 2008 - We displayed Old Maps of the area at Lansdowne fair.













Photos in Sept. to Feb & July by Bill Boulton

Photos in March & April by Bruce Foley

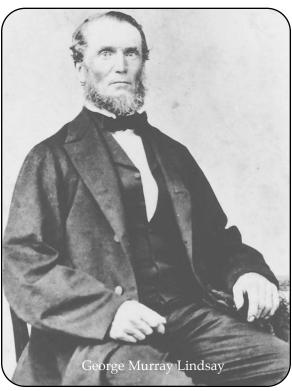
Sherriff and Lindsay's Point-Front of Leeds and Lansdowne

by Alan Lindsay

In 1798 William Sherriff patented the west of lot 8 on the St. Lawrence west of Gananoque. A large sandbar, which now carries the road to the Howe Island ferry, extended into the channel at that time. William Sherriff was married to Margaret Carey sister of Carey the Frenchman who helped Joel Stone become established in Gananoque. On the point to the east, now known as Lindsay's Point, which was on the east half of the lot there was an old inn that may have been Carey's Inn described by Lady Simcoe in her diary. It is quite possible that William Sherriff and his wife lived in this old building which may have survived from the French period. Until recent times Lombardy poplars grew on the point and these were often planted by the French to mark strategic points along the river. The remains of a French-Canadian style outdoor bake oven existed until quite recent times. The natives used this area too from early times. It was probably a stopping off point before entering the North Channel to Kingston. While ploughing, arrowheads often turned up in the furrows.

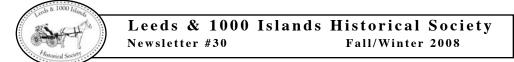
William Sherriff's heirs offered his land for sale in Kingston around 1830. It was undeveloped and heavily mortgaged at the time. The Lindsay brothers, Thomas, George, Robert and Alexander, who were working as stone masons in Kingston, were looking for a place to settle and came down to look at the property. They purchased it because the sand from the point could be barged to Kingston for mortar. They built a barn and made the best of living in the old inn. They soon discovered they did not own the land where they had built the barn or the point where the inn was located. They had to purchase it from the McDonald family. The old inn proved uninhabitable so they built a stone cottage and the inn was torn down and the logs used as a fortification on the point during the Rebellion of 1837. Colin Melville, married to their sister Marion, did much of the farming at first until he bought his own farm on the Marble Rock Road. By selling produce to the McDonalds you received "due bills" that could be used to buy goods from their store. Mortgages however had to be paid in cash so the family took produce by boat to Kingston for many years in order to get cash to pay the mortgage the McDonald family held on the property.





Photos courtesy of Alan Lindsay

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(Continued from Pg. #5) Sherriff and Lindsay's Point-Front of Leeds and Lansdowne by Alan Lindsay

Their sister Isabella (mar. William Waldie) and family and their parents Alexander and Marion arrived too from Scotland. Alexander Jr. had title to the property and when he was killed by a horse in 1854 title passed to his father according to the laws of the time. Alexander had married Hannah Simpson and they had a son Robert. Hannah remarried and went to Iowa and her son followed after being raised by his grandparents. Descendants still live in Rowley Iowa today. Thomas eventually inherited the farm from his father. Robert had died in 1844 unmarried. George married Catherine McInnis. She had come to Canada with her brother who left her with the only people he knew in Canada, the Lindsays, while he went further west. She never heard from him again. George and Catherine made their home in Gananoque and they with all their children eventually moved to Toronto. Only their son Alexander remained behind to help his bachelor uncle, Thomas, on the farm. Alexander's family still farm the property today.

The original road to the ferry landing on Sherriff's Point went down through the centre of the farm. Traces of it can still be seen today. William Beatty, in his diary, mentions going up to survey the current road for Thomas Lindsay.

Over the years more farm buildings were constructed and additions were made to the house to accommodate Alexander's growing family. The grove between the house and the Ferry Rd was a popular place over the years for picnics and dances. There was a large dance platform and many people set up tents. On the river bank near the house there was a large two storey building that was at one time a boat works where WXYZ Turner made boats. There are many stories about exploits on the river. Thomas spent one winter drawing rock to enlarge the shoal where Spectacle Light is located. During the Rebellion of 1837 a group of American sympathizers placed a cache of munitions on Bostwick Island. When they were discovered Thomas was hired by the government to dump them through the crack in the ice that forms beyond the island each winter. Remains of this cache were discovered by divers in the 1960's.

There was a family cemetery on the top of the hill. In the 1890's most of the graves were moved to Willowbank but the Dodds and Waldie families were moved to Gananoque Cemetery. At the time it was felt that there might be graves of people who died at the old inn that were undiscovered.

The family also owned Lindsay Island in front of the farm. It was sold to the Belfie family for \$25 and an Ayshire bull. They had used the island for sheep pasture in the summer.

Over the years the family lost title to Sherriff's Point and it was built up with cottages and the road was raised. At one time you could row across it at high water. The end of Lindsay's Point was sold off to a relative in the late 1800's who resold it to the Kent family from the U.S. They built a large stone cottage that is still there. In recent years a new cottage has been built over the hole where the old inn stood and the poplar trees have died out.

Special thanks to my aunt Agnes Cliffe for her help with this story.

Members of the family besides myself who belong to the Historical Society are
Robert Offord, Harold Haig, Ben Nuttall and Jay Nuttall.

30 CENTS and STX MONTHS for a STOVE

A few days ago Frank Seymour went down to the vicinity of Darling's Wharf and purchased the scow Gull from W.H.Hunt, taking John Soper with him to help bring the scow up. The purchase was concluded, and Seymour and Hunt came to Gananoque to have writings drawn, leaving Soper in charge of the vessel. Being left alone with nothing to do, Soper cast about for something in the way of business to pass the time. He is known for an irresistible desire for old iron; and on this occasion he discovered a cook stove in the cabin of a scow owned by Aaron Dano, moored nearby. As there was no one to prevent him, he proceeded to break up the stove and carry it piece by piece to the Gull's cabin, where it was stowed away. On the return of Seymour, the Gull sailed direct to Kingston with a load of sand, and there Soper disposed of the iron for 30 cents. In the meantime Dano had missed his stove, which he says was worth \$9, and had got track of the thief. He came to Gananoque, laid information against Soper, and an hour afterwards constable Hiscocks went up to the sand bank at Lindsay's Point where Soper was working, and arrested him. He admitted selling the iron, but said someone had given him permission to take it. He was sentenced to six months in the Central Prison.

Gananoque Reporter Oct. 8, 1892

ONTARIO VOLUNTEER AWARD

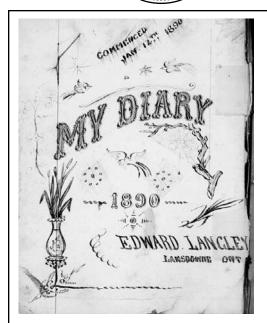
Our publishers, Ted and Pat Hewitt, were presented with Ontario Volunteer Service Awards for 10 years of producing this newsletter. The ceremony was held at The Ambassador Resort Hotel on June 27. Ted and Pat have actually been making this newsletter possible since Issue #5 in 1996. Without them, you would not receive this quality of Newsletter. Congratulations, Ted and Pat!



CORRECTIONS

Newsletter #27 page 4 The Moore Family Grace Moore married ROBERT ERNEST ABRAMS. Apologies for the mix-up with Thelma Moore

Newsletter #29 page 15 Our Corporate Members
A computer glitch omitted RONEY ENGINEERING LTD.
Roneys have been a valued corporate member for many years. We apologize.



<u>MY DIARY -</u> <u>EDWARD LANCLEY -</u> <u>1890</u>

This diary was recently given to us by Byron and Martha Landon. It belonged to a hired man working for Byron's grandfather at the farm on Fairfax Road.

The writing is beautiful, almost a work of art.

- Jan. 14 Quite a change in the weather. In the evening I went skating but the ice was too rough. District Lodge met in Lansdowne
- **Jan. 15** Snowed a little all day and towards evening a fine rain set in. People all busy fixing up after the storm. We moved the thrashing machine to the upper place from Willie Burns's so that he could fix the roof which got blown off. Collectors met to balance books for the church.
- **Jan. 16** At 6am a very stormy morning, snow falling, good sleighing at noon. Drew up three loads of wood in the afternoon, very bad in the woods the water had all run away from under the ice, and Horses would break through. Very cold towards evening the thermometer registered 8 above zero.
- Jan. 17 Clear cold frosty morning. 6 below zero. Took two loads of wheat to Lyndhurst for which 90¢ per bushel was paid, brought back 500 lbs. of bran. We went to a concert in the evening which was held in the Presbyterian Church in Lansdowne it was held in aid of the Library fund. There was very good sleighing in the evening. We spent a very enjoyable evening, the programme was well arranged. Miss Moxley & F.L. Tooker's pieces were worthy of comment. Mr. Macklereath, who was in the choir, moved a vote of thanks to the performers, and thanked the audience for their good attention.
- **Jan. 18** Snowed a little all day. The boys being away I attended to the stock. There was a meeting in the School house to see what was to be done with the money that was in the bank belonging to the Fairfax Cheese factory. It was resolved at the last meeting that the \$48.05 should be given to James Cochrane whose house & effects were destroyed by fire Dec. 31 1889. Received a letter from Gracie who is in New York.
- **Jan. 19** Church in the evening at seven o'clock which was well attended. Mr. Macklereath preached a very eloquent sermon from Mark XI, 13 "Nothing but Leaves".
- Jan. 20 Rained a little last night, and froze in the morning there was the best sleighing we have had this year. Wrote three letters, one to the Senate of Toronto and one to the Reporter & Journal both of Gananoque with list of officers of the district Loyal Orange Lodge, Escott. Cleaned up eighty bushels of wheat in the afternoon. Wind blew a gale all day but not quite as hard as last Monday. Sleighing all gone again. Froze a little towards evening.
- Jan. 21 Boys intended to go to Lyndhurst but the roads being so slippery it was postponed till better sleighing. We drew up nine logs and five loads of firewood. We all attended a meeting of the Congregation of the church to show how they were standing. The last Congregational meeting was in Feb. 1888 and then if all contributions had been collected there would have been a balance of \$9.70 in the Treasurer's hands as it is now we are in debt. The assets are \$138.02 and the Liabilities \$120.75 of which \$68.75 is uncollectible. In the evening the sky was illuminated in the north by a fire which turned out to be Running's barn.
- **Jan. 22** Drew up eight loads of logs for the drag saw. It was very cold. I copied a sermon of T. DeeWitt Falmage DD of Brooklyn on the "Surpreses of Religion" the text was "Behold the half was not told to me".
- **Jan. 23** Drew up six logs in the morning. Oscar went to the meeting in the Presbyterian Church at Lansdowne to see about getting a minister it was decided that Mr. Macklereath should get the call. Mr. Gracie of Gananoque was there as well as quite a few from Sand Bay, Fairfax and Lansdowne. "Sleighing once more".

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(Continued from Pg. #8) MY DIARY - EDWARD LANCLEY - 1890

- **Jan. 24** Went to Gananoque, left here a little after ten and got there by noon. I went down to the wharf and the river was all frozen over and you could look for miles and could not see an open place. The carriage works were making an ice rink they were going to have a carnival.
- **Jan. 25** Took two loads of wheat to Lyndhurst. Wheat has gone down to eighty-five and Flour is ten cents more than last week it now being worth \$2.60. Receive three Palettes from Cole, Lansdowne.
- **Jan. 26** There was no Church as they could not get a minister. I went out to Robert Donevans in the afternoon there is splendid sleighing.
- **Jan. 27** Snowing again but not enough for sleighing. We drew up four loads of wood two of logs and two of sled wood. We got it from over the creek the ice being strong enough to hold up a load.
- **Jan. 28** Another cold morning thermometer below zero again. Drew up eight loads of logs and sled wood from across Black Creek. Beautiful bright evening but towards eight o'clock it clouded over and there is signs of more snow.
- **Jan. 29** The weather is just the opposite from yesterday, instead of being cold, it was a mild pleasant day the snow is all gone off, and tonight the moon is quite bright. We drew up logs until 4 o'clock, as the boys had to go to Lodge. We could only draw two loads in the afternoon.
- **Jan. 30** A change in the weather again. Cold north east wind. We commenced drawing up wood from across the creek on the McKee farm, we drew up four loads of logs and four of sled wood. We came up the creek, the ice being good until evening when we broke through with the last load. Choir Practice but no Choir.

INTERESTING HISTORY LESSON

From The Common Bond, the newsletter of the Kingston Community Credit Union, Issue 01/08, February 2008. Used with permission..

The next time you are washing your hands and complain because the water temperature is not just how you like it, think about how things used to be. Here are some interesting facts about the 1500s.

Most people got married in June because they took their yearly bath in May, and still smelled pretty good by June. However, they were starting to smell, so brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odor. Hence the custom today of carrying a bouquet when getting married.

Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children. Last of all the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying, "Don't throw the baby out with the bath water."

Houses had thatched roofs – thick straw piled high, with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the cats and other small animals (mice, bugs) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip and fall off the roof. Hence the saying "It's raining cats and dogs".

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house. This posed a real problem in the bedroom where bugs and other droppings could mess up a nice clean bed. Hence, a bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. That's how canopy beds came into existence.

The floor was dirt. Only the wealthy had something other than dirt. Hence the saying "dirt poor". The wealthy had slate floors that would get slippery in the winter when wet, so they spread thresh (straw) on the floor to help keep their footing. As the winter wore on, they added more thresh until, when you opened the door, it would all start slipping outside. A piece of wood was placed in the entrance way. Hence the saying a "thresh hold".

In the old days, they cooked in the kitchen with a big kettle that always hung over the fire. Every day they lit the fire and added things to the pot. They are mostly vegetables and did not get much meat. They would eat the stew for dinner. Leaving leftovers in the pot to get cold overnight and then start over the next day. Sometimes stew had food in it that had been there for quite a while. Hence the rhyme "Peas porridge hot, peas porridge cold, peas porridge in the pot nine days old".

Sometimes they could obtain pork, which made them feel quite special. When visitors came over, they would hang their bacon to show off. It was a sign of wealth that a man could "bring home the bacon". They would cut off a little to share with guests and would sit around and "chew the fat".

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<u>INTERESTING</u> <u>HISTORY</u> <u>LESSON</u>

Those with money had plates made of pewter. Food with high acid content caused some of the lead to leach into the food, causing lead poisoning death. This happened most often with tomatoes, so for the next 400 years or so, tomatoes were considered poisonous.

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf. The family got the middle, and guests got the top, or the "upper crust".

Lead cups were used to drink ale or whiskey. The combination would sometimes knock the imbibers out for a couple of days. Someone walking along the road would take them for dead and prepare them for burial. They were laid out on the kitchen table for a couple of days and the family would gather around and eat and drink and wait to see if they would wake up. Hence the custom of "holding a wake".

England is old and small and the local folks started running out of places to bury people. So they would dig up coffins and would take the bones to the bone-house, and reuse the grave. When opening these coffins, one out of 25 coffins were found to have scratch marks on the inside and they realized they had been burying people alive. So they would tie a string on the wrist of the corpse, thread it through the coffin and up through the ground and tie it to a bell. Someone would have to sit out in the graveyard all night (the graveyard shift), to listen for the bell; thus someone could be "saved by the bell" or was considered a "dead ringer".

HAPPY 70th BIRTHDAY THOUSAND ISLANDS BRIDGE

(see page #11)



HAPPY 70th BIRTHDAY THOUSAND ISLANDS BRIDGE

A celebration of the 70th anniversary of the T.I. Bridge was held on August 16. While they did not achieve a crowd of 25,000 as they did when the bridge opened on August 18, 1938, I'm sure everyone enjoyed the party. The bridge "from nowhere to nowhere" certainly has proved the non-believers of the 1920-30's wrong.

A bridge crossing the river had been a dream for many years. The closest crossings were at Niagara Falls or Quebec. The Cornwall crossing was rail only until 1934. An attempt began in 1926 but was vetoed by the New York governor. In 1932 it was revived as a depression make work project. The New York governor signed into law the Thousand Islands Bridge Authority in 1933. With public funds not forthcoming, the Bridge Authority issued a \$2,800,00. bond issue.

When a site was suggested near Ivy Lea, crossing Hill and Wellesley Islands, Lansdowne native Jack Mitchell took an interest in promoting the bridge locally. When government approval to build the bridge as a public work failed, Mr. Mitchell along with David Haig, Harold Code, Arthur Boyce and George Atcheson founded the Thousand Islands Bridge Company.

They were granted provincial incorporation in 1933 and federal in 1934, and proceeded, along with their American partner, the Thousand Island Bridge Authority, to negotiate the bridge construction and engaged Robinson and Steinman of New York for the project.

Before the actual construction began, the five shareholders sold their franchise to their American partner in January 1937 for \$65,000, and the Company became a footnote in the history of the bridge.

On April 30, 1937, 5,000 gathered at Collins Landing, New York, for the ground breaking to start construction. It was completed in just over a year. The official opening took place on the International Rift bridge on August 18, 1938. President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Mackenzie King cut the ribbon to officially open the bridge. It is estimated 85,000 people lined the route from Kingston to the bridge to see President Roosevelt pass.

In his remarks, President Roosevelt said, "There will be no challenge at the border, and no guard to ask a countersign. Where the boundary is crossed, the only word must be, 'pass friend'."

How times have changed! Written with assistance from Alan Lindsay and Society files.

WE HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN! WAR MEMORIALS IN L.T.I.

Veterans of the two Great Wars, as well as those who have fought in later engagements, are well remembered by six monuments in the township of L.T.I. Seeley's Bay, Lillies Cemetery, Lyndhurst, Rockport, Union Cemetery and Lansdowne all have remembrances to the veterans. It is unfortunate that no record has been kept of all those from the township who volunteered and served during the wars. The memorials tend to list only those who lost their lives.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF
OUR HEROES
WHO FELL IN THE GREAT WAR

1914 - 1918

CHARLES MATHEWS
IVAN LANDON
WILLIAM DEIR
WILLIAM FREW
HARRY FERRIS

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LYNDHURST

WAR MEMORIALS IN L.T.I.

At the end of the First World War, the patriotic league of Lyndhurst proposed erecting "some suitable memorial in the municipality to the memory of those Sons who volunteered, fought, and bled in the Great World War just ended". In January 1920, in response to a petition, the council agreed to "bear the cost in total of the Memorial Monument" and cooperate with the Memorial Committee as represented by the Patriotic League of Lyndhurst in carrying out the work. The memorial, made from local red granite, was donated by A.C.Brown Granite Works in Lyndhurst and was placed on a plinth beside the eastern end of the stone bridge in Lyndhurst. It was the focus for annual Remembrance Day services. When the stone bridge was rebuilt in the late 1986, the memorial was moved to a location beside the municipal building at Sweet's Corners, in front of the Lyndhurst Legion

By the end of WW2, there was a joint Legion serving Delta, Lyndhurst and Seeley's Bay. Lyndhurst Legion, #504, received its charter in 1947. Its hall was built in Sweet's Corners, beside the municipal building. In 1976 Edward Brown donated rock from his property at Rock Dunder, and a red marble cross was erected in an alcove at the front of the Legion.

The following are honoured on the Lyndhurst Memorial

World War 1 1914-1918

World War 2 1939-1945

Leonard James McConnell

Harold George Young

Samuel Benjamin Green

Clarence Garfield Mainse

James William Edgars

John Hynde

Samuel Arthur Graham

J. Gordon Brown

Alfred C. Dean

Douglas H. Frye

Hubert McPherson

Daniel E. Perrin

Nelson R. Perry

Hilbert L. Sly

G. Osborne Tedford

Lawrence A. Williams

F/O Arthur L.Warren

Major Eric A. Willis



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LILLIES

WAR MEMORIALS IN L.T.I.

Hammet Lillie gave a piece of land to the township in 1937. It was adjacent to Lillie's Baptist Cemetery on Highway 15, near Seeley's Bay. The township, in turn, gave it to the cemetery. The township continues to this day to pay for the maintenance of the memorial and grounds. This memorial was erected by the Brockville Cemetery Works in 1946 after a delegation from the Legion petitioned the council to "erect a suitable memorial for the residents who lost their lives in World War II."

The following are named on the Lillies Memorial

World War 2 1939-1945

Sqdn. Ld (Chaplain) L/Bd. Hilbert L. Sly James C Brown

Ld. Sto. Alfred C Dean

F/Lt. G. OsborneTedford

Gnr. Lawrence A. Williams

F/O Douglas H. Frye

F/O Arthur L. Warren

Pte. Hubert McPherson Pte. Daniel E. Perrin

Major Eric A. Willis

P/O Nelson R. Perry



SEELEY'S BAY

Seeley's Bay had observed Remembrance Day at the memorial at Lillies. In 1948 Seeley's Bay Legion #491 received their charter. Another memorial was erected at the Legion Building.

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Alfred C. Dean	Daniel E. Perrin	
Hubert J. Dundon	Nelson R. Perry	
James W. Edgers	Hilbert L. Sly	
Douglas H. Frye	G. Osborne Tedford	
Samuel A. Greenham	Arthur L. Warren	
Samuel B. Green	Lawrence A. Williams	
John Hyde	Dr. Eric Willis	
Wayne Kenny	Harold G. Young	
Clarence G. Mainse		



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WE HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN!

ROCKPORT

WAR MEMORIALS IN L.T.I.

The Rockport memorial is at the waterfront beside the boat launch. It was erected during World War ll on the instigation of Todd Massey and Charles Lambert, who both lost sons in the war. At the same time they placed a memorial window in Rockport United Church. When the church closed, the window was moved to the Mallorytown United Church where it hangs to the right of the choir loft. The Mallorytown Legion places wreaths at the memorial each year.

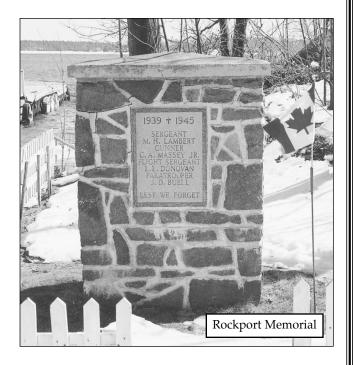
World War 2 1939-1945

Sergeant M.H. Lambert

Gunner C.A. Massey Jr.

Flight Sergeant I.L. Donovan

Paratrooper J.D. Buell



UNION CEMETERY

In December 1945 the cemetery board passed a motion to erect a suitable monument in memory of the boys who fell in the war. A committee was formed and decided that the memorial be placed north of

the memorial gate. R.M. Best of Kingston was chosen to produce the monument at a cost of \$250. On Sunday June 6, 1946, the monument was dedicated by Rev. E.F. Swayne, assisted by Federal and Provincial Members George Webb and W.B. Reynolds.

The monument honours service men from the Union and Escott area

World War 2 1939-1945

Jack D. Buell William G. McKee

Royden G. Bradley Donald Running

Gordon K. Grier Bernard Sanders

Morris H. Lambert William L.N. Simpson

Charles. A. Massey E. Reginald Waldie

R. Douglas Moulton William E. Webster

Union Cemetery Memorial

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LANSDOWNE

WAR MEMORIALS IN L.T.I.

The unveiling of the Lansdowne Community Veterans Memorial took place on Friday. November 7, 2007. It commemorates the many local men and women in uniform who have served and continue to serve in wars and peacekeeping missions. It especially honours those who lost their lives. The initial idea came some two years earlier from the Lansdowne Women's Institute, and was picked up by the Thousand Islands Elementary School Parent Council.



Situated in front of Thousand Islands Elementary School; the cairn, of local red granite, is tear drop shaped. Engraved by a local engraver, the Cairn carries the phrase "For All Who Served", plus two maple leaves and a Canadian Forces crest. It is set in a "Poppy" shaped coloured stonework encircled by interlocking stones. Surrounding it are park benches, trees and paths. The hard working organizing committee was chaired by Janet Gaylord. "The addition of this memorial will compliment both the Thousand Islands Elementary School and the village of Lansdowne". (Gord Brown M.P.)

At the end of WW ll, the Lansdowne Women's Institute gathered pictures of those who had served. They were framed in two large frames, and for many years hung in the old Township

Hall. When the hall was converted to a fire station, the pictures were moved to the Lansdowne Library. The Women's Institute has just completed a revamping of the pictures, and the three frames are back on display at the Lansdowne Library. Also in the lower level of the Community Building are two plaques dedicated to those who lost their lives in the two World Wars.

Some service personnel from the Township are named on the Gananoque Memorial and the Mallorytown Legion's Wall Of Honour.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them. "For The Fallen" Laurence Binyon

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