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TO: All Branches and Ladies Auxiliaries

For Information of Members of Command Executive Council

FROM: Michelle Courtney, Executive Director, BC/Yukon Command

SUBJECT: Military Service Recognition Book (2025 Stories)

Memo 49.25

Deadline: Friday, September 26, 2025

Comrades,

Thank you for supporting the Military Service Recognition Book publication. Your continued support and dedication have been instrumental in making this endeavour a success. The amazing stories and photographs published in this book would not be possible without your input.

If your Branch has stories about any of your members, please send them to us for inclusion in this year's publication. We also welcome submissions from any Veterans in your community who would like to be part of this book.

A special thank you to John Goheen, a long-time Legion Member, for his dedicated service as the Creative Director of the book. We also extend our gratitude to Markus Fahrner, our graphic designer, for his work on the book's layout and publication assembly.

What is the Military Service Recognition Book all about?

This annual publication serves as a tribute to the Military Service Members and Veterans of British Columbia and the Yukon. It goes a long way in helping us in our role as "Keepers of Remembrance" to ensure that the contributions made by our Veterans, Military Personnel and First Responders are never forgotten. The book is greatly appreciated by our Veterans and their families and serves as a valuable tool for promotion of the Legion's role in our communities.

Submission Deadline

The deadline for story and photo submissions is **September 26**, **2025**. This book will be published and delivered to Branches just ahead of Remembrance Day.

Submit a Story

There are two ways to submit photos and stories:

- By email: Send your submissions to info@legionbcyukon.ca
- By mail:

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Attn: MSRB

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Please also include a completed **MSRB Submission Form**, attached to this circular.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. Do we still gather stories from Veterans of any age?
- A. Yes! We continue to welcome stories from Veterans of all ages, with a new theme each year and also highlighting memorabilia held by Branches.
- Q. Do you want interesting stories or photos with captions of memorabilia for the 2025 book? A. Absolutely! Use your creativity and explore your Branch for interesting artifacts with stories, and be sure to take a picture.

Recognizing our Veterans is important to us all. Let's support this project and make the 2025 publication successful and memorable. If you have any ideas you would like to see in the book, please let us know at info@legionbcyukon.ca.

In Comradeship,

Michelle