This report is a summary of our Club’s activities and community involvement over the past year.

The Club is chartered by and affiliated with the United Senior Citizens of Ontario (USCO). We have 138 members and meet monthly on the last Thursday of the month either at the Calabogie Community Centre (CCC), Barnet Park or at a local establishment in Calabogie such as Valley Food and Drink and Fiddlers Green at Calabogie Highlands. The catering is done by local establishments such as Annette Charbonneau, Calabogie Pizzeria and Shooters.

Our Club is what we make of it – not more, not less. For some, it is a nice venue to meet socially at frequent intervals which serves to form new friendships, strengthen old ones and welcome new residents. We also take part in activities of interest and community engagement.

As this report outlines, many members choose to take the lead in very varied activities. Their contributions are highly appreciated as they help to enrich the experience of all.

It has been a great year! Members participated in numerous activities and community events. Your Executive appreciates your support.

We hope you had a safe holiday season and we wish you all the best in 2019.
Executive Committee for 2018

President: Denise Lavallée
Past-president: Dave Larabie
First Vice-President/Dining Coordinator: Jean Libbey
Second Vice Presidents: Lucie Perrier and Heather Morlan (January to August 2018)
Secretary: Val Trotter
Treasurer: Robert Lavallée
Membership Coordinator: Phyllis Wagorn
Executive at Large: Mary Beth Faloon
Directors at Large: Jean Koopman and Vicky Chantler

Executive Committee for 2019

Past President: Denise Lavallée
President: Jean Libbey
Vice-President: Heather Morlan
Secretary: Val Trotter
Treasurer: Sue Beaton
Chair, Dining: Marjorie Watts
Chair, Membership: Marilyn Warnock
Chair, Social Committee: Debbie Murphy

Sub-committees for 2018 & 2019

Golf - Marjorie Watts
Newsletters - Val Trotter
Senior Games - Don Strachan & Dave Larabie
Bogie Lights - Jean Libbey
Santa Clause Parade - Lorna Johnston
Website - Rick Brown
Barnet Park Gardens - Heather Morlan

Activities

Arts & Crafts – (coordinated by Jean Libbey) – 19 people. Meet every 2nd Monday of the month at the CCC and well attended.

Bowling – (coordinated by Debbie Murphy & Rick Copley) – 36 people. Meet every Tuesday morning (excluding summer months) at Opeongo Bowlodrome in Renfrew.
**Classic Theatre in Perth** – Over the summer a few members carpooled to the Classic Theatre in Perth to see two excellent plays and enjoyed great picnics in the Park before the show. The members had such a great time that they plan to do this on an annual basis.

**Cards and Visits** – Ursula Strachan sent more than a dozen cards (condolences, get well and thinking of you cards) and made several visits to club members. Ursula has decided to step down. Many thanks, Ursula, for your invaluable contribution and dedicated service over the past several years. Welcome to our new volunteer, Jane Benoit. We thank you Jane for stepping up to send out cards and visit our members in times of need.

**Constitution and By-Laws** – Over the summer months, the executive committee worked diligently at revising the 2008 constitution and by-laws. At the September 20th dinner meeting, members were informed that we obtained a quorum (37%) and that 98% voted in favour of the newly updated constitution & by-laws.

**Elections** – There is a big executive turnover in 2019. Congratulations to our new President (Jean Libbey), new Vice-President (Heather Morlan), new Treasurer (Sue Beaton), new Chair-Dining (Marjorie Watts), new Chair-Membership (Marilyn Warnock) and new Chair-Social Committee (Debbie Murphy). Many thanks to Val Trotter for agreeing to remain as secretary for one more year. We thank you for stepping up and we wish you all the best on the executive committee. We know you will do great!

We thank our outgoing committee members Denise Lavallée (three-year term as President), Robert Lavallée (three-year term as Treasurer), Mary Beth Faloon (three-year term), Phyllis Wagorn (two-year term as Membership Chair), Lucie Perrier (one-year term as Vice-President), Jean Koopman (one-year term on Social Committee), and Vicky Chantler (one-year term on Social Committee) for their contribution and dedicated service over the past several years.

**Exercise program for seniors** (given by Susan Veale) – Held every Monday and Wednesday at the CCC and well attended.

**Golf** (coordinated by Marjorie Watts) – Held at the Highlands Golf Club once a month on a Friday during the summer and well attended.

**Indoor curling** – Equipment is now available and for use. The Club was the driving force for the township to purchase this equipment.

**Kingston Penitentiary** (coordinated by Phyllis Wagorn) – Twenty-five club members had quite an eventful day on May 25th. Although there were some unforeseen complications with the motor coach members made the best of an unfortunate situation. The day trip started at 8 am and ended at 10 pm. Tired and weary members were all smiling when they clamoured off the bus because, after all, it was a beautiful day and they now have memories and stories to tell.
their grandchildren...the day they went to prison and survived the Narrow Locks Bridge. (Please note that our Club subsidized a portion of the cost of the trip.)

**Meeting and Dining** (meals coordinated by Jean Libbey) – 12 monthly meetings/dinners including a Halloween party and a Christmas party.

**Schedule for 2018**

January 25 – potluck held at CCC – 36 attended
February 22 – potluck held at CCC – 34 attended
March 29 – potluck held at CCC – 28 attended
April 26 – potluck held at CCC – 46 attended
May 25 – held at Frisco – 42 attended
June 21 – held at Barnet Park – meal catered by Shooters – 50 attended
July 27 – held at Barnet Park – meal catered by Annette Charbonneau – 39 attended
August 24 – held at CCC – held at Valley Food & Drink – 19 attended
September 20 – held at CCC – meal catered by Anne Charbonneau – 34 attended
October 26 – held at CCC (Halloween party) – meal catered by Annette Charbonneau - 48 attended
November 30 – held at CCC – meal catered by Calabogie Pizzeria – 40 attended
December 8 – held at CCC (Christmas Party) – meal catered by Annette Charbonneau – 69 attended

**Mixed Bridge at Shooters/Valley Food & Drink** (coordinated by Marie Kennedy) – Meet every Friday (except 3rd Friday of the month and summer months). This bridge is for learners as well as those who want to improve their game or just simply play bridge. On average 20 people attend on a weekly basis.

**Mixed Bridge at Shooters/Valley Food & Drink** (coordinated by Dona Lamoureux and Lorna Johnston) – Every 3rd Friday of the month except summer months. Mixed bridge is well attended by both club and community members. On average 40 people attend. The Mixed Bridge Club made a generous donation to the Calabogie Food Bank.

**Newsletters** (Val Trotter) – This is an avenue to keep our club members informed of upcoming events and important issues.

**Pickle Ball** – Every Monday and Wednesday at 6 p.m. at St. Joseph School Gym.

**Renfrew County 55+ Games** (coordinated by Don Strachan) – There was a good turnout from our club at the Renfrew Seniors games. In Calabogie, James Murphy won two gold medals for his participation in both Nordic Walk and Prediction Walk. Linda Cloutier won a silver medal in Nordic Walk and a bronze medal in Prediction Walk. In Nordic Walk, Sue Beaton won a gold medal and Val Trotter won a bronze medal. Don Strachan and Debbie Murphy each won a gold medal in Prediction Walk. Sue Beaton won a gold medal in Nordic Walk. Val Trotter
received a bronze medal in Nordic Walk. In Renfrew, Marilyn Warnock won a silver medal in
Pickleball. For their participation in Golf in Eganville, Marjorie Watts won a gold medal, Sue
Beaton won a silver medal, John Watts and Sue Lanthier each won a bronze medal. In Barry’s
Bay, the team of Marjorie and John Watts won a silver medal in Shuffleboard. Congratulations
to all the winners and thanks to all participants! Photos of teams and winners can be viewed
on our club’s website.

**Ottawa Senators Game (coordinated by Jean Libbey)** – Ten members attended the exciting
February 17th game where the Ottawa Senators beat the New York Rangers 6 to 3. Afterwards
members spent an enjoyable evening dining at Milestone Restaurant.

**Website** (Rick Brown) – Our website contains information on our activities and involvement in
the community, our newsletters, photos of recent events, useful links and a contact form
where members can send their comments and suggestions about the site. Many thanks to
Rick for his continued support and expertise in maintaining our website.

**Community Involvement**

**Barnet Park gardens** (coordinated by Heather Morlan) – Several club members helped with
the weeding, mulching and planting of annuals at the Barnet Park gardens. Our Club
contributed $192.10 for plants and upkeep. Thanks to the volunteers who helped make the
gardens vibrant and enjoyable.

**Bogie Lights** (coordinated by Jean Libbey) – Many club members helped with the installation
of lights and baking of delicious cookies. There was a great turnout at Heritage Point! Approx.
80 people attended the turning on of Christmas Lights.

**Canada Day, July 1st** – Approx. 10 club members volunteered to assist in games and at gates
for donations.

**Children’s Christmas Concert** – Our Club supported and attended the children’s Christmas
concert held December 1, 2018 at St. Joseph’s Catholic School. A donation of $100.00 was
made by the Club to the St. Joseph’s Catholic School for children’s school activities.

**Christmas float** (coordinated by Lorna Johnston) – More than 15 club members designed and
created our Club’s float entitled Mrs. Claus’ Kitchen. Our Club’s amazing float came in 1st
Place.

**Food Bank Support** (coordinated by Anne McMillan) – 150 pairs of socks were collected at the
Club’s Christmas dinner meeting. The Calabogie Food Bank thanks members for their
generosity.

**Remembrance Day** (Cenotaph in Calabogie) – A beautiful day! Special thanks to John Watts –
Phyllis Wagorn laid a wreath purchased by the Club.
Financial Report 2018

Report submitted by Robert Lavallée. For the sake of this report, we are giving the starting budget and the year-end amount to be carried over to the 2019 Executive for planning.

On January 1, 2018, the Club started with $2,143.07 and our balance as of December 31, 2018 is $2,193.95. A more detailed report will be available for viewing at the upcoming dinners/meetings.

Special thanks to the Lions Club for giving the Club all of the proceeds of the 50/50 draws. In 2018, a total of $829.00 was raised from the 50/50 draws.

Final Comments

We appreciate your support and we would like to thank all of our members who volunteered and were instrumental with the success of our Club.

We truly hope that you all enjoyed yourselves this past year and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Warmest Regards,

Your Executive Committee
Calabogie 55+ Club #971