



**Kin Canada**

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**District 1 • Zone J**

Zone Conference 2026

Saturday March 28

Walkerton Kin Hall

Chair: Dan Nicholson

Clubs Represented: 4 Chesley Kinsmen, 3 Chesley Kinettes, 2 Walkerton Kinettes, 4 Walkerton Kinsmen, 1 Teeswater Kinsmen

Guests: National President and Sackville, Nova Scotia Kin, Patrick Bowers, Governor and London Kin Dave Heimpel, Vice Governor and St Thomas Kin Matt Sharpe, Team Driven 106 Co-ordinator and London Kin Chrissie Heimpel, CF service director and Ridgeway Crystal Beach Kin Martina Post

- 1) A motion by Teeswater Kin Carl Benninger to accept the credentials reports as presented was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darren Cook and passed by all.
- 2) Teeswater Kin Carl Benninger motioned to open fine session 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chesley Kin Jeff Holding passed by all.
- 3) 5 Clubs were represented by members and accredited delegates,
- 4) Lisa Wells gave service report and activities from Walkerton Kinettes Fill the fridge, Bruce County IPM., Dress Sale, Fairy Tale Feast, Public Skate, Support at Little Royal Fair
- 5) Teeswater Kin Carl gave run down of club events Men's night out, Fishing Derby, Funfest, Elimination Dance, Casino Night, Food Bank, Sun Shine funds toward Sunday public swim and lessons for less fortunate families.
- 6) Chesley Kinette Toni Klages made a motion to open nominations to host Zone conference 2027, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chesley Kin Jeff Holding.
- 7) Lisa Wells Made a motion to open nominations for Zone J Deputy Governor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chesley Kin Jeff Holding.
- 8) Lisa Wells made a motion to accept 2026 financial report 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chesley Kin Tom

## **New Business**

Resolution # 1 Remove reference to Delegates at Large. The following persons will automatically

become accredited delegates at large

Change to include past national presidents, past district Governors, past zone D.G, the current zone D.G. moved by Jeff Holding,

2<sup>nd</sup> by Teeswater Kin Carl and carried by all.

Resolution # 2 intent to change and clarify the process of paying for zone conference. The levy is set at \$ 5.00 per rostered member

and \$10.00 per voting delegate the motion was moved by Walkerton Kinette Lisa Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Walkerton Kin Darren Cook, and carried by all.

A) The levy will be no more than \$ 25.00 per person, b) The levy will be for a min. of 2 members and max. 25% of the clubs roster c) Clubs will receive a

Detailed invoice 30 days before conference day.

This will spread the cost of hosting the zone conference to the entire zone. Part 2 of this Resolution; The treasurer of the host club is to submit

a detailed budget including all revenue and expenses by Dec 15.

Resolution # 2 To confirm and formalize the process of recording zone conference minutes. The host club is responsible for providing the

secretary for zone conference. The secretary shall provide to deputy governor the minutes within 14 days.

Resolution # 3 To clean-up grammar and spelling and update Zone J house rules. Motion made by Jeff Holding to clean-up house rules

2<sup>nd</sup> by Toni Klages. Motion carried by all.

Spring 2027 Zone J conference will be hosted by Chesley Kinsmen in Chesley.

Zone J Deputy Governor for the next term will be Dan Nicholson for a second term.

**For the good of Kin**

Governor Dave talked to us on Kin Canada's program to promote 30 under 30, a program that promotes and recognizes new members that are under 30. With younger members, we grow with new ideas and a younger energy.

June 5,6,7 2026 marks spring Convention in Leamington Ontario at the Best Western Kin has booked the entire hotel Leamington is near Point Pelee the south most point of Canada and famous for bird watching. The Best Western features indoor pool Pool tables and arcade, Etc.

Martina Post spoke about CF and Kin Canada. Canadian Blood Services, and Hal Rogers Endowment

Bursaries this year there are 120 available \$2500 will pay for 2 bursaries.

Matt Vice Governor Matt Sharpe talked about the importance of building ways to build on existing clubs

With Facebook ads, promote Kins clubs as 100% Canadian, possibly local radio ads on (Bluewater Radio)

Maybe a feel good story on radio program, Community Day in the park meet and greet, be visible in the

community by wearing your Kin swag jackets and shirts etc.

Criminal back checks can be done on line now much easier than before.

Sargeant- at- arms/fines \$ 24.50 to be donated a motion by Chesley Kinettes Toni Klages to donate to

Kin Canada Bursary 2<sup>nd</sup> by Walkerton Kin Darren Cook and carried by all.

Next meeting at Kin Hall  
Nov 3,2025

Dates to remember;

May 9 2027 Chesley Kinettes hosting Trivia Night at Cedar Rail Camp  
Score On.

Walkerton Kinettes Fill the Fridge tickets available for \$ 5.00

