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LARGEST CONVENTION EVER FOR ST. JOHN'S JUNE 11-14, 2016

The Newfoundland and Labrador Command of the Royal Canadian Legion is preparing to host the 46th Bi-Annual Royal Canadian Legion Dominion Command Convention to coincide with the 100th Anniversary of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment's tragic advance on the first day of the Battle of the Somme.

In many respects this will be a special year for the convention. It will be the first convention in the new Convention Centre and by far the largest to-date to have been held in St. John's with an expected 1500 delegates and up to 4000 participants.

This year's convention theme is Looking Back to See Ahead, a nod to the importance of history in learning for the future. The Royal Canadian Legion is proud to help preserve the legacy of our military in Newfoundland and Labrador.

From 11-14 June 2016, delegates from Legion branches across Canada, Europe, the USA and Mexico will gather at the St. John's Convention Centre to develop the policies and direction that will guide our way into the future. A parade and Remembrance ceremony at the National War Memorial will officially start the convention on June 12. The Royal Canadian Legion will also elect a new Dominion Command President for the next two years.

1st Vice President, Chair of the Convention Committee Berkley Lawrence & President Frank Sullivan are available for interviews.

For more information please visit:

www.convention.legionnl.ca

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The Great War Veteran's Association of Newfoundland was founded in 1918 to assist returned soldiers and sailors and to remember the sacrifices of our fallen heroes.

In 1949 the GWVA joined the Royal Canadian Legion when Newfoundland joined Canada. Today the Provincial Command has more than 4000 members serving the needs of the military community.

