

**Annual General Meeting
Alpine Club of Canada, Vancouver Island Section
Saturday, Jan 30, 2010
Mt. Washington Guest House**

Call to order: 7:30 pm

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved: Mike Hubbard Seconded: Roger Taylor Carried

Adoption of 2009 AGM Minutes:

Moved: Colleen Kasting Seconded: Judith Holm Carried

Reports

Chair Report (Cedric Zala):

- We currently have about 300 members. Membership continues to grow.
- Financial health is excellent. Continuing success of the Banff Mountain Film Festival -- sold out this year.
- The newsletter is very successful -- thank you to all, but a special thank you to Lindsey Elms for timely items every month.
- Distinguished Service Award for Peter Rothermel, and Don Forest Award for Mike Hubbard.
- Banquet March 26th, 2010 at McMorran's.
- New concept for summer camps -- suggested by Rick Hudson. Acquire a 14 person dome tent and practice no-trace camping as much as possible. Summer camp is well subscribed.
- In summary the Section appears to be healthy, active, and involved on many fronts.
- Thank you to everyone who has contributed to make this club the success it has become.
- The VI Section's centennial is coming up in two years -- a few ideas are ongoing -- one to digitize and put online all of the old editions of the Bushwhacker (coordinated by Judith Holm).

Treasurer Report (Geoff Bennett):

- Geoff Bennett delivered a PDF presentation. All material is online.
- 2009 was a good year on the monetary front. Revenues over \$16,666.00.
- Expenses in 2009 were \$13,306.00.
- In 2010 the Club will spend more than it takes in.
- We will charge users \$20.00 per trip for the summer camp, and other uses of this tent-- this will have us paying for the tent in three years.
- In 2010 we will have budgeted expenses of \$21,655. We will spend \$5500.00 in education subsidies. The Section will be subsidizing education events -- like first aid courses (for example).
- We will print at least 70 more Bushwhackers than usual -- one for every new member, and approx 20 for UVic Outdoors Club members.
- All info is on the website.

Motion

Moved: by Don Morton: That the budget be adopted Seconded by Roger Taylor.
Unanimously accepted.

Bushwhacker Annual Report (Sandy Stewart):

- Get trip reports and photos in to Russ Moir [russmoir@gmail.com] for the current Bushwhacker. Please send pictures separate from documents. Guidelines on how to submit are on the website.
- Last year we printed 275, mailed out 202; the rest were hand-delivered.
- We will try a range of different strategies to get the Bushwhacker delivered by hand (e.g., at the annual banquet).

Education Report (Dave Campbell):

- A number of educational courses and events are being offered -- wide range of events with many different topics covered at many different levels. Thank you to everyone that has helped out. Announcements for education events are on the website, and in the newsletter.

Membership Report (Tim Turay, for Jain Alcock-White):

- Membership appears to be increasing. There appears to be some inconsistency with our numbers and the National organization's numbers.
- Membership as of Dec 31 2008: 238 individuals, 58 partners, 354 people (??)
- Membership as of Dec 31, 2009: 256 individuals, 29 partners, 374 people (??)
- Problem -- as of Jan 20, 2009 there were 195 individuals, 59 partners, total: 313 people (??)
- Strictly according to year end membership numbers, the increase is 20 people. However, according to new, renewed, and lapsed -- it doesn't add up. The Membership Secretary cannot determine why this is. **Geoff** noted that he will be in touch with Jain to see if they can resolve the issue around getting accurate membership numbers from the National office.

FMCBC Report (Peter Rothermel):

- The FMCMC is there for its members (including all ACC members) and ACC members are encouraged to get involved.
- Money has been getting short, but this year is the first year FMCBC has started to save a bit of money.
- There is some possibility to reduce the money paid to FMCBC, but FMCBC is making a number of economies -- consider leaving the money given over to FMCBC the same.
- Check out the FMCBC website for full details: <http://mountainclubs.org>

Summer Camps 2009 and 2010 Report: (Cedric Zala):

- 2009 Tonquin Valley at the Wates-Gibson hut. We mitigated the long hike in my using horses. A tough first day, but many great places to hike and climb. There will be a write-up of the 2009 summer camp in the upcoming Bushwhacker Annual.
- 2010 summer camp, Alava Basin -- 3 weeks, 14 people each week. Check out Lindsey Elm's website about the area for this year's camp: <http://www.members.shaw.ca/beyondnootka/>

Old Business

There were no Old Business items on the agenda.

New Business

Strathcona Centennial Expedition (Dave Campbell):

- 2011 is the 100th anniversary of BC's park system -- Strathcona is the first BC park.
- 2010 marks the 100th anniversary of the Price Ellison expedition into Crown Mountain.
- This goal is to re-enact the expedition.
- Information at <http://www.wildisle.ca/strathcona-park/expedition/index.html>

Motion:

Moved: by Russ Moir That we support in principle and make a donation to the Strathcona Centennial Expedition. Seconded: Judith Holm. Motion carried unanimously

Discussion Item:

- Geoff's manner of dress – rather than classic 1910 mountaineering look, current international attire (G-string/thong) was suggested.

Nominations and Elections (Russ Moir):

- **Chair:** Russ called for nominations three times. Hearing none, Cedric Zala continues as Chair.
- **Treasurer:** Russ called for nominations three times. Hearing none, Geoff Bennett continues as Treasurer.
- **Secretary:** Russ called for nominations three times. Hearing none, Rick Hudson continues as Secretary.
- **Members-at-Large:** The continuing four members at large are Russ Moir, Dave Campbell, Phee Hudson, Mike Morley.
- **Banff Mountain Film Festival:** Kari Fraser. Thank you to Lissa Zala for organizing getting this event for the last five years
- **Bushwhacker Annual:** Sandy Stewart with assistance from Catrin Brown and Sandy Briggs
- **Education:** Dave Campbell
- **Equipment:** Mike Hubbard
- **Librarian/Archivist:** Judith Holm and Lindsey Elms
- **Membership:** Jain Alcock-White
- **Trip Schedule:** Russ Moir and Catrin Brown
- Thank you to all outgoing executive members.

Next Meeting

- Next year, approximately the same time. It will be in Victoria.

Presentation of Island Qualifier Award

- The IQ plaque was presented to Kent Krauza.

Announcements

- Winter social on Feb 25, 2010 -- info in the upcoming the newsletter
- Wilderness First Aid course Feb 26-28, 2010 -- info in the upcoming newsletter
- Banquet on March 26, 2010 at McMorran's. Sylvia Moser will give a talk.

Adjournment

- Roger Taylor moved adjournment at 9:15. Carried.