

**Alpine Club of Canada – Vancouver Island Section**  
**January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016**  
**Financial Statements (unaudited)**

**Descriptions of Organization**

The Alpine Club of Canada is a registered Amateur Athletic Association and a registered Canadian charity (Registration No.: 10670 4182 RR0001). Its vision is to bring together, and give voice to, Canada's mountaineering community. The Mission is to promote alpine experiences, knowledge and culture; responsible access; and excellence in mountain skills and leadership.

The Vancouver Island Section is one of 22 local sections of the National Club. It receives some funding from the Alpine Club of Canada based on membership. The rest of the money is locally fund raised. All donations to the Vancouver Island Section are sent to us through the National Office and donors are eligible for income tax receipts.

The Vancouver Island Section of the Alpine Club of Canada has two accounts at Coast Capital Savings. One is the general organizational account and the other is the Hut account, to build and maintain the new Vancouver Island ACC Hut. It also has 2 separate funds with Ogden Brown for the following purposes:

- Memorial Fund: for youth grants. Contributions are matched by the Vancouver Island Section. Funds are dispersed each year, depending on the interest income accrued over the previous year.
- Contingency Fund: for Contingencies if needed. As well, at the 2016 AGM, the membership voted to put aside \$15,000 for a possible Vancouver Island Hut. Of this amount, \$14,000 was put into the Contingency Fund to maximize fund income while the hut idea was further developed.

The Summer Camp Fund, referred to in the 2015 AGM financials, has been dissolved into the general organizational account in 2016. All purchases, for summer camp or otherwise, are now part of ongoing organizational equipment expenses.

**ACC VI Actuals to Budget 2016: Jan 1, 2016 to Dec 31, 2016**  
**Operating Account**

<b>Income</b>	<b>Budget 2016</b>	<b>Actuals</b>	<b>Budget 2017</b>
Banff Film Festival	17,000	18,478	18,000
Contributions and Advertising	150		50
Equipment Rentals	500	485	500
HST/GST recoverable for 2016	1,000	723	750
GST Rebate from 2015		136	
Investment Income	450	669	450
Transfer in from the Memorial fund	1,000		
VI Section membership dues	5,800	7,005	7,000
Course fees	3,000	250	1000
Interest	25	12	15
Donations Memorial Fund	200	200	200
Misc income		170	200
Summer camp Lake O'Hara		151	
<b>Total</b>	<b>29,125</b>	<b>28,279</b>	<b>28,250</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Banff Film Festival	3,000	2,829	3,000
Bushwacker Publication	4,000	3,842	4,000
Leadership	1,000	712	1000
Special Projects		78	150
Education	4,000	894	4,000
Course subsidies	5,000	1,718	3,000
Donations to other organizations	2,300	2,100	2,300
Donations to the memorial fund	400	400	400
Equipment Purchases	600	5,644	800
Misc projects and events	1,500	399	1,500
Postage and Delivery	225	28	200
AGM, Banquet and BBQ & Xmas party	1,000	690	1,000
Slide shows and meetings	750	752	800
Youth Grant Payouts	1,000	1,400	1,500
FMCBC	3,000	3300	3,300
Camps contingencies	300	-	300
Website and maintenance	250	-	200
Up-island events	800	510	800
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29,125</b>	<b>25,326</b>	<b>28,250</b>
<b>Difference</b>		<b>2,953</b>	

Notes to Operating Account: Camps and trips aim to be income neutral and therefore, generally not shown on the balance sheet. ie. The costs to participants should equal costs of the trips.

**ACC Vancouver Island  
Balance Sheet Summary (all accounts)  
As of 31 December 2016**

**ASSETS**

Current Assets		20,646
Chequing Savings Account	20,646	
Accts Receivable		
GST	723	
Contingency fund interest	<u>219</u>	
Total Accts Rec:		<u>942</u>
Total		21,588
Other Assets 2017 Ski Camp (to be paid to club)		9,578
Memorial Fund		20,619
Contingency Fund		10,548
Hut Fund (invested)		14,000
<u>*Hut Fund (general account)</u>		<u>1,192</u>
Total Assets		77,526

**LIABILITIES AND EQUITY**

Accounts payable	967	
Fees over output for AGM 2017	<u>1,755</u>	
Total Liabilities		2,722
<u>**Equity</u>		<u>74,804</u>
Total liabilities and Equity		77,526

**Notes to Balance Sheet:**

**\*Hut Fund general Account**

Income        \$1650  
Expenses      \$458  
Difference    \$1192

**\*\*Equity:**

<b>Equity</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Memorial Fund</b>	Interest from this fund is used for annual grants to youth under 30 years old and based on application. Total available for 2017 is \$389	20,619
<b>Contingency Fund</b>	Annual interest on this account is transferred to Operating Account	10,548
<b>Hut Fund (Odlum Brown)</b>	To be used for Hut costs	14,000
<b>Operating Surplus/Deficiency</b>	This includes the difference between income and expenses over the years	17,106
<b>Fees to be paid back</b>	2017 Ski Camp (to be recovered by participants)	9,578
<b>Operating Surplus 2016</b>	Income over expenses	2,953
<b>Total</b>		74,804

## **Geoff Bennett Youth memorial fund report**

- Year end 2016 balance \$20,619
- Total donations and matching section contributions since 2009: \$20,230
- **Available for disbursement in 2017: \$389**
- Total disbursements since 2009: \$5,875 on 6 projects
- Total investment return since 2009: \$6,264.50

I was disappointed with the fund return last year. Bonds were not very good. Equities were great of course but we're not planning to invest in anything risky.

So we don't have much to offer applicants this year. I've received one application so far: from Neil Warrington of Nanaimo to climb Mt Logan and paraglide off the summit. There is a possibility that we may also get an application to send First Nations Youth to the Nanaimo climbing wall. The application deadline is Jan 31.

## **Barb Baker Access and environment report**

ACCVI Access Environment Report Jan 2017

Access issues mostly dependent on forest companies plans. Island Timberlands ... gates on more & more accesses including the most popular & well used industrial roads i.e. Cameron Main going to Arrowsmith/Cokely/Moriarity & Comox Trail/Ash Valley approach to the Beauforts. These gates are now strictly controlled on weekends plus now no week day use of any of their roads allowed according to their blog ( updated each Thurs one hopes, for the coming weekend). Safty is sited as the reason for enforcing this policy.

Do not go thru any open gates unless you have consulted opening hours on the blog. People getting locked in are required to call Security to have a tow truck dispatched who will charge a fee to use his assigned keys.

IT has a new head of Security & an Access Committee working on an access issues. We have had input, making arguments for climbing & skiing trips.

Vandalism including fuel thefts are the reasons given for increasing control. Please report anything suspicious to

**[SafetyNet Security 250-830-8343 or 250-755-9623](#)**

Strathcona Park needs to be made aware of the closures accessing south end of the park: Oshinow Lake & Red Pillar. Letter to Andy Smith Jan 27.

Timberwest is logging & has closed the lower portion of CPR (Old Arrowsmith Trail) altho people are getting thru about which company is not happy. RDN negotiates every 3 years now to lease access thru these lands from the companies & in the above case, obviously access needs to be controlled while harvesting is ongoing. TW continues to control access to Strathcona Park on the Comox Lake side altho CDMC sez they abandoned their strict control & opened Comox Lake this summer thru the weekend. Any reports from users this summer?

These two privately owned companies are denying public access to or thru their lands including accesses to major provincial or regional parks. Andrew Weaver of the Green Party is apparently bringing this issue to parliament in a private member's bill. ACCVI is planning to contact his office with our concerns.

Western Forest Products...logging over Runners Trail east of Alberni Inlet (part of the VISTA Route).

BC Timber Sales MFLNRO have been very cooperative with locals in contacting us, meeting & responding to incidents ( here referring to their rapid response to recent rock slide/washout of Marion Main FSR\*). \*Parking is being plowed out.

Logging blocks current or pending will impact Br 600 (south approach to Klitsa) Alberni Valley Community Forest ...Locals have built some nice loops incorporating Weinar Creek.

Specific areas:

Mount Arrowsmith Massif Park: Maintenance is definitely needed particularly Judge's Route. Meeting with RDN staff including new superintendent is being planned for Feb 3. The hope is to use data collected by their trail tech back in 2015

to prepare a trail management plan for which RDN would take responsibility & which could serve as guidance for other work teams as well.

Alberni Inlet Trail Stage I & II ...logging by IT going on now over the south end of Stage 1 above China Creek Haul Rd. Blocks pending over this stage at Br. 10 high above Ship's Creek parking. No developments yet on bridging Franklin River as the south end of Stage II...locals are trying to press ACRD to pursue funding. Currently the decommissioned bridge is still in place & useful for foot traffic.

Further out...some access Oyster River during hunting season. Ditto east side approach to Beauforts.

Chemainus Main... pilot project ongoing with others for use of an electronic key syste. No info given from IT.

## **Liz Williams Summer camp committee report**

Summer Camp Committee Report for the ACCVI AGM January 28, 2017

1. Who is the SCC and what does it do?

a) 2016: Peggy Taylor, Jeff Beddoes, Martin Davis, Liz Williams.

2017: Peggy, Jeff and Liz will continue. The SCC is looking for a new member, so if you're interested we'd love to hear from you!

b) What do we do? See the Terms of Reference on the ACC-VI website, Executive minutes, June 2014:

- Maintain and update an inventory of equipment, including current state of repair and location;
- Estimate costs per person for summer camp participation, based largely on anticipated helicopter costs plus materials;
- Planning and logistics, including picking a location;
- Policy recommendations to Executive as needed.

c) In 2016, we met five times as a committee; did much work via email; and sorted and cleaned gear with valuable help from other members.

2. The Alava Bate summer camp:

- Two consecutive weeks were held from July 31<sup>st</sup> to August 7<sup>th</sup> 2016;
- 30 members attended, all from the VI section;
- Good weather but Week 1 had high winds which destroyed the older space station tent;
- See upcoming FEBRUARY 9<sup>th</sup> SLIDE SHOW!!
- Costs were \$500 pp but final costs exceeded revenue (see below).

3. Other inventory / equipment items:

Bear box lids were modified to be more functional and durable.

All the gear (about 1200 lbs) was transferred from Cedric and Lissa's garage in October to a purpose-built shed at Tom and Pam Hall's house. Many thanks to Cedric and Lissa for the use of their space for so long. And thanks to Tom for building a new shed specifically for the gear!

- A new space station tent was purchased.



- New tires were purchased for Cedric's trailer.

#### 4. 2017 Summer Camps: Two camps will be held in 2017:

- Hut camp at Mt Assiniboine Provincial Park. Two huts (16 places) have been booked for August 20-27. Jeff Beddoes is organizing this camp. The places are already subscribed but a wait-list will be taken in the event of any cancellations.
- A heli-fly-in camp will be organized by the SCC for the South Chilcotins. The SCC hopes to have information and registration available early in February.

#### 2016 Alava Bate Summer Camp Expenses

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Revenue: \$15,000.00

Helicopter costs: \$15,624.00

Consumables including sat phone rental: \$1181.52

Other SCC expenditures, 2016

Bear Box Lids: Cedric's trailer:

Total: \$16,805.52

\$864.10      \$250.00      \$1676.00

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New Space Station tent: (total tent cost was \$4570 with \$2893 from the ACC equipment budget)

Total: \$2790.10

## **Karun Thanjuvar Trip schedule**

First of all, my sincere thanks to Christine and members of the leadership committee for their untiring support and encouragement to new and currently active trip leaders. Their efforts have been instrumental in maintaining a slow but steady trickle to trips to keep the schedule in reasonable shape.

It has also been encouraging to see new members stepping up to lead trips. Individual members like Scott and Peggy have also taken great initiatives to offer frequent, easy to organize local hikes to bring new members into the club, as well as to provide opportunities for members to meet and plan bigger outings.

There has also been some discussion regarding the direction the current online trip schedule itself is to take to reflect the changes in the ways members plan trips at present. Increasingly, Facebook and other social media are becoming the (preferred?) platforms for announcing and planning trips. Quite often these are not propagated to the online trip schedule, leaving members not befriended on social media out of the loop altogether. This is reminiscent of the days when the club moved from a printed trip schedule snail mailed to members every six months to the online version. Perhaps a similar transition has to be discussed and implemented.

A step in this direction has already been initiated by Neil and Martin, who can perhaps give a summary of their ideas and (any) discussions so far.

**Cedric Zala**

**Island Bushwhacker annual**

**2015 & 2016 IBA Production**

**2015**

- 34 articles, 84 pages total
- 375 copies printed
- Adobe software leasing ( two months): \$225.63 (\$114.58 + \$111.05)
- Printing: \$2159.01
- Labels and envelopes: \$78.63
- Mailing: \$1478.58
- ~80 copies delivered by hand (at the May slideshow, drive-around)
- Total production and distribution cost: \$3941.85

**2016**

- Handing over production of 2016 issue to Sean McIntyre; had transition meeting January 15 and provided him with read access to files for the 2015 issue along with full access to the 2016 submissions
- Only 16 submissions for 2016 received to date (Jan 21); may be a very lean year

**Cedric Zala**

**Lake O'Hara Summer Camp**

- 23 participants (out of 24 registered – a possible health issue (false alarm) prevented one from coming (funds just permitted reimbursement of non-wilderness pass fees)
- One night in Whiskey Jack hostel, 7 nights in Elizabeth Parker hut
- Ascents of Yukness Mountain, Walter Feuz Peak, Mt. Schaeffer
- Recce up Mt Lefroy via Abbot Pass
- Multiple hikes along alpine ledges routes (Huber, Yukness and All Souls), and valley routes (Opabin Plateau, Lake MacArthur and Cathedral Basin)
- Great to have the Stewart family along, with Sandy, Darlene, Callum (10) and Andrew (8). Youth rocks!
- Broke even with a small profit (~\$150)