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Central Branch

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Membership

Branch: - B. Power, T. Janzen, F. Oliff.
International: - T. Janzen.
Elections: - T. Janzen, B. Power.

Admiralty Launch Surveyor

B. Power, E. Brown, J. Dixon, H. Duller,
T. Janzen, A. Leyzack, W. Warrender, J. Weedon.

Education and Development

Gerry Wade Memorial Library:
T. Janzen, A. Leyzack.
Seminars: - A. Leyzack, S. Hinds, T. Janzen,
S. Youngblut.
2002 Multibeam course: P. Davies, A. Leyzack,
K. McMillan, P. Travaglini, C. Robinson.
Registration for CHC2002:
F. Oliff, S. Youngblut.

Social Events

H2O - E. Brown, J. Leyzack, B. Power.
BBQ - J. Biggar, T. Janzen, B. Power.
AGM - F. Oliff, T. Janzen, B. Power, J. Weedon.

Notes from the Branch Vice-President

Greetings to all hydrographers and hydrographer-like people!

This marks the time of year where Central Branch suspends its meetings to allow for the summer field season, but this doesn't mean that there won't be any Branch activity.

With the coming of CHC2002 in Toronto next month, many members will be attending the CHA National AGM. If you are attending the Canadian Hydrographic Conference (CHC2002), I encourage you to put aside the time to go to the meeting and participate in the business of your Association. Further, the guest speaker at the meeting will be Jean-Claude Tetreault, Executive Director of the Association of Canada Lands Surveyors, who will answer questions and hopefully clarify the future relationship between hydrography and the ACLS in Canada. I hope to see you there!

The other activities going on this summer include the annual CHA Barbecue, to be held at the Power residence on June 8th, and the events participated in by the Heritage Launch. Brian is the Chair of the launch committee this year, and would always welcome new crewmembers.

Well, wherever your duties and travels take you this summer, have fun, and as always, happy hydrography!

- Tim

“Thank-you to our volunteers for CHC 2002”

The Canadian Hydrographic Association – Central Branch Executive would like to take a moment to thank those members who generously volunteered their time to staff the registration desk at the upcoming Canadian Hydrographic Conference in Toronto this May.

At this time we have managed to recruit a sufficient number of individuals, and therefore do not require any more volunteers. Those members who have volunteered will be contacted in the upcoming weeks in regards to specific times and responsibilities.

It is not too late to register to attend the conference (May 27-31), and any questions to this regard can be forwarded to Scott Youngblut (905) 336-4836 or Fred Oliff (905) 336-4491.

Once again, we would like to thank our membership for their support of CHC 2002.

Next meeting

Our next general meeting will be the CHA National Annual General Meeting, to be held during CHC2002 at the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel, Toronto, on Monday 27th May 2002.

Our annual summer barbecue is at the Power residence: 2431 Cavendish Drive, Burlington, on Saturday 8th June. The beer will be cold and the welcome warm, beginning at 13:00. This is our social occasion of the year so don't miss out!

Central Branch Treasurer's Report

31 December 2001 to 24 April 2002

Balance forward December 31, 2001:		\$ 1,024.86
<u>Receipts:</u>		
Membership Dues (2002)	\$ 1,861.14	
H2O Bonspiel receipts	<u>1,721.31</u>	
		<u>\$ 3,582.45</u>
		\$ 4,607.31
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
H2O Bonspiel expenses	\$ 1,681.15	
Postage	162.89	
Seminars & Meetings	72.36	
Stationery	24.01	
NewsLetter paper	<u>126.12</u>	
		<u>\$ 2,066.53</u>
<u>Working Balance 24 April 2002:</u>		<u>\$ 2,540.78</u>

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Note: To help the *Lighthouse* Editorial team and the *Admiralty Launch Surveyor* Committee, the Central Branch treasurer handles some of their income and expenditures (reported below). The balance is held available and is passed on as required.

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Lighthouse Convenience account

Balance forward December 31, 2001:		\$ 504.07
<u>Receipts:</u>		
Subscriptions	\$ 680.50	
Advertising	2,025.00	
Artwork and negs.	4,800.00	
CHC program printing	<u>4,000.00</u>	
		<u>\$ 11,505.50</u>
		\$ 12,009.57
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
Refund	\$ 12.50	
Envelope labels	<u>39.05</u>	
		<u>\$ 51.55</u>
<u>Working Balance 24 April 2002:</u>		<u>\$ 11,958.02</u>

Admiralty Launch Surveyor Convenience account

Balance forward December 31, 2001:		\$ 1,933.03
<u>Receipts:</u>		
nil		
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
nil		
<u>Working Balance 24 April 2002:</u>		<u>\$ 1,933.03</u>

Minutes of General Meeting of CENTRAL BRANCH held on 24 April, 2002

The meeting was held at the residence of Brian and Anna Power. Tim welcomed everyone, thanked our hosts, and called the meeting to order at 19:15.

Attendees:

Tim Janzen - VP- Chair
Earl Brown - Secretary, Sam Weller - Treasurer
Mike Bennett - Guest Speaker
Heimo Duller Paul Davies Ab Rogers
Ken Dexel Andrew Leyzack Fred Oliff
Carol Robinson Brian Power Bill Warrender
Jeff Walker

Regrets: Kirsten Greenfield

Tim opened the meeting by stating that he had made copies of the CHA Constitution, as approved in April/May 1985, and the National By-laws, dated September 1988. Sufficient copies were available for all meeting participants. Carol reported that they are also available in digital form and in the future will be on the CHA Web site. [For the convenience of all members, the Constitution will be printed in the June/July NewsLetter.]

1) Minutes of the March 21, 2002, general meeting were reviewed.

Motion to accept the minutes:

- Moved A. Leyzack/Jeff Walker CARRIED

Tim reported that all action items were taken care of and informed the meeting that Fred Oliff had taken over from Scott Youngblut as coordinator of the CHC 2002 registration and the CHA booth.

2) Treasurer's Report: Sam presented and discussed the report for the period Dec. 31, 2001 to April 24, 2002.

Motion to accept the report as presented:

- Moved S. Weller/B. Warrender CARRIED

3) Correspondence: Three items of correspondence were on file since our last meeting:

- a) Letter from Brian Power to the Marine Heritage Association as requested through the action items of our last meeting.
- b) Minutes of the March 20, 2002 Admiralty Launch Surveyor Committee meeting.
- c) Copy of a E-mail announcing the April 11 noon seminar by Dan Dexel.

Another two items of correspondence were discussed. 1) A letter from Ray Pierce and Julian Goodyear requesting a meeting with the Launch Committee to discuss support, and 2) A message from Dave Gartley, Pacific Branch, discussing the possibility of having CHA pilsener glasses for sale at CHC 2002.

4) Committee Reports:

a) Admiralty Launch Surveyor:

Brian reported on the four events scheduled for *Surveyor* this summer. They are as follows:

- Upper Canada Trade Faire - May 10, 11 & 12 in Odessa.
- CHC 2002 May 27 - 31 in Toronto
- Festival of the Forty - August 17 in Grimsby
- The Faire at the Forks - October 4,5 & 6 in Chatham

The *Surveyor's* activity at the CHC 2002 was discussed in some detail and there was a suggestion that a short program be developed to take advantage of Admiral Ritchie's presence.

ACTION: Andrew agreed to contact Admiral Ritchie to seek his interest and approval. Provided there is an interest, details of a program with Admiral Ritchie are to be developed by the launch committee.

Brian stated that a launch committee meeting would be scheduled very soon.

b) Social (Toronto Harbour Cruise):

Paul Davies reported that the cruise for the Multibeam course participants was filling up fast. The boat has a capacity for 72 and to date 61 are signed up. Paul also suggested that spouses of out of town course participants should be allowed to participate. Those who wish to participate should register soon. Andrew stated that a bus has been hired to transport multibeam course participants from Burlington to Toronto and room was available for others.

c) Educational:

- Gerry Wade Memorial Library - Tim reported that one book, Admiralty Manual of Hydrographic Surveying, donated by Ab Rogers, has recently been added to the library.

- Seminar (Booking the AGM) - Fred reported that the Mimico Cruising Club has been booked for the AGM on Dec. 5, 2002. The guest speaker will be Paul Carroll

- THSOA AGM - Tim reported that THSOA will be holding their AGM at Toronto on Thursday May 30.

- CHC2002 Registration / CHA booth - Fred is still looking for volunteers.

ACTION: Members are asked to volunteer for both activities as soon as possible. Please get a message to Fred

- 2002 Multibeam Course - Paul reported that plans are being finalized and all is proceeding well. There are 39 paid registrants, 2 who have stated they will pay on arrival and another 5 or 6 who have expressed interest. Paul anticipates a total of 46 participants.

At this time the meeting participants expressed their sincere thanks to Anna Power for her excellent work in developing a CHA logo suitable to be stitched on a golf shirt for Multibeam course graduates. Thanks were also expressed for the significant and fine work by Carol Robinson in developing and maintaining the Multibeam Web site.

d) Membership: Brian reported on paid-up membership: we have four new members as well as the following:

In House: 30	Out House: 23	Life: 4
International: 11	Sustaining: 7	Honorary: 1

e) Web site: The Web site appears to be in good shape thanks to the work of Jim Weedon.

5) Request for agenda items for the National AGM, May 27
Guest speaker is Jean-Claude Tetreault, Executive Director of the Association of Canada Lands Surveyors, who will clarify the future relationship between hydrography and the ACLS in Canada. Tim said this should be of considerable interest to CHA members as there may be significant implications.

ACTION: CHA members to get, via E-mail or hard copy, comments, concerns or questions on this to Tim in the next two weeks.

6) Results of CHA questionnaire: Tim briefly reviewed the results of the recently completed questionnaire regarding Branch activities. The comments received suggested that members were generally happy with the present activities.

7) Other Business: Sam reported that one of our own Central Branch members has accepted the opportunity [mentioned in our March Minutes] to speak to the Company of Master Mariners meeting on May 21. Dr. Ahmed El-Rabbany of the Dept. of Civil Engineering at Ryerson Polytechnic University, will speak on modeling sea ice conditions for marine navigation in ice-infested waters.

- Brian Power confirmed that the CHA BBQ will be held at his home on Sat. June 8. Details will follow.

- There was some discussion of having another BBQ at CCIW as a fund raiser for Surveyor. This will be considered by the Launch committee.

- The meeting was pleased to hear that Bill Warrender might be able to provide his assistance to the Launch activity at CHC2002.

- Tim asked again if members had any agenda items for the National AGM.

- Andrew stated he would like the National meetings to discuss the distribution of funds when a Branch activity made a specific sum of money. Branches have generated considerable amounts through conferences, courses, etc. A number of options were discussed.

ACTION: Members were asked to get their comments to Tim ASAP.

8) The business part of the meeting concluded at 21:05.

-Moved F.Oliff/B. Warrender CARRIED

After the business meeting we enjoyed the traditional beer, pizza and discussion.

This was followed by a very excellent presentation by Mike Bennett on marketing and promotion of CHS products to the recreational boater market. Mike's enthusiasm, hard work and dedication to this aspect of the CHS was quite obvious. Well done Mike.

The International Column

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I moved to New Zealand five years ago, looking for adventure, challenge and the salt air. I worry at times about the drastic nature of this change in the lives in my family. I have gone from being settled to being less settled and in the process I've lost a sense of belonging to a place, and to a community. I miss the security of my old job at the CHS and I keep track of the achievements and advancements of my old workmates with interest tinged with envy. My ambivalent feelings are not, however, pervasive or even frequent. Five years have gone by incredibly quickly. There is little place for mooning in the work of lecturer and I am grateful to New Zealand for the opportunity for such challenging employment.

My work in New Zealand has two foci, teaching and research. Teaching hydrography includes the managerial and administrative role of preparing a submission for Category A certification to the FIG/IHO International Advisory Board. My research ties in with the efforts New Zealand is making to formulate a national Oceans Policy. I am interested in the way in which we manage economies at a local scale and how as administrative technicians we might contribute to these processes.

Last week was the mid-semester break and I took the students on a fieldtrip to the West Coast and back. We helped survey a

notorious harbour bar at the mouth of the Grey River, and toured a coal mine (a last minute extra though very pertinent to both engineering and environmental policy). We returned to Otago Harbour and finished the week completing a field hydrographic survey of the environs of Portobello Marine Lab, a research and teaching facility in a fine natural location on the Peninsula outside of Dunedin. The fieldwork is a technical challenge in good company (particularly that of the students) and in a great environment. This in marked contrast to the deskwork and the library work necessary to research, and productive of its own significant rewards.

Lately I've begun wondering about the efficiency of dividing one's work into so many different endeavours. I even find that the different regime that exists on a weekend tends to disturb a sense of balance and routine. The art of juggling is perhaps to find one's way no matter how many tasks one has on the go.

I intend arriving back in Canada with the family in May 2002, almost five years exactly since our departure. We will be visiting for six weeks during which time I will attend the Canadian Hydrographic Conference in Toronto and a meeting of the IHO Board for Standards of Competence in New Hampshire, USA. I look forward very much to reconnecting with both people and place at that time.