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Central Branch Committees

Communications and Publicity

Newsletter: - T. Janzen, F. Oliff,
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Web Site: - J. Weedon.

Lighthouse: - F. Oliff - Branch Editor, A. Leyzack.

Membership

Branch: - B. Power, T. Janzen, G. McFarlane.

International: - T. Janzen.

Elections: - B. Power, F. Oliff.

Admiralty Launch Surveyor

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

Education and Development

Gerry Wade Memorial Library: -

T. Janzen, A. Leyzack.

Meetings: - F. Oliff, R. Cameron G. McFarlane.

Social Events

H2O: - E. Brown, J. Leyzack, B. Power.

BBQ: - TBA.

AGM: - F. Oliff, T. Janzen, J. Weedon.

Notes from the Branch Vice-President

Well, this last little while has certainly been interesting. Not that I want to relive any of it or put anyone else through the experience. By now, some of you may have learned that I have not quite mastered the skill of navigating stairs and injured myself while aboard CCGS Nahidik. Let me assure you that the injury I sustained was from falling down the stairs not up them! And when you compare my injury (dislocated ankle and fractured fibula) to those suffered by others, well it does pale.

But, I am on the road to recovery, even though I am not supposed to drive on it. The physiotherapist told me I will be in therapy for six more months at least, and here some of you thought I already was.

It looks, too, like I will not quite make any of the goals I set for myself, which included: being off crutches by the time the snow flies, being able to skate by Christmas and learning to play the piano. My next goal is to be well enough to paddle my canoe next spring.

Anyhow, what has all this to do with hydrography? Not much, but it was the best segue into my next announcement and that is about the upcoming AGM and dinner on the 8th of December. This annual event always gets me into the Christmas spirit and I sincerely hope that everyone who reads this will make the effort to attend this year (if you're within driving distance at least). In my message sent earlier with the flyer I neglected to mention that we will be doing the door prize draw again this year and it is a fine way to win something even if you do end up re-gifting it! Not only that, but rest assured the guest speaker is sure to be a hoot! You can learn more about him at his website www.halsays.com where you also contribute your own opinions on current events.

On another note, I would like to congratulate our past Branch V-P Tim Janzen and his wife Barbara on the birth of their first child, a boy they have named Luke. Way to go!

Walk slowly, enjoy the view and please take care on the stairs!

-Fred.

Notice of Next Meeting:

When: Thursday December 8th at 4:30 PM

Where: The Mimico Cruising Club in Etobicoke.

Please see the flyer and map enclosed in this newsletter, and check our web site for updates.

Central Branch Treasurer's Report
31 December 2004 to 09 November 2005

Balance forward 31 December 2004:		\$21,171.12
Receipts:		
2004 Membership dues	\$200.00	
2005 Membership dues	\$3,464.16	
2006 Membership dues	\$40.00	
Conference Proceedings	\$0.00	
H ₂ O Bonspiel	\$17.23	
2004 AGM	\$100.00	
Newsletter Ads	\$0.00	
CHA Branded Stuff	\$7.50	
Technology Course	\$0.00	
Other income	\$122.50	
Bank interest	\$9.44	

\$3,960.83
\$25,131.95

Expenditures:		
National Membership Dues 2004	\$0.00	
National Membership Dues 2005	\$0.00	
Postage	\$0.00	
Newsletter postage	\$0.00	
Newsletter paper	\$0.00	
Seminars & meetings	\$309.28	
H2O Bonspiel Sponsorship	\$200.00	
Summer BBQ	\$239.30	
AGM and Dinner	\$0.00	
Stationery	\$0.00	
Education and Development	\$0.00	
Gerry Wade Library	\$0.00	
CHA Branded Stuff	\$0.00	
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	
Credit Card Expenses	\$52.73	
Bank Charges	\$0.00	
Subsidy to the Launch account	\$0.00	

\$801.31

Working balance 09 November 2005: \$24,330.64

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

Lighthouse account

Balance forward 31 December 2004:	\$12,668.49
Receipts:	
Advertising	\$0.00
Copyright	\$65.02
Subscriptions	\$791.71
Sponsorship	\$0.00
	<u>\$856.73</u>
	\$13,525.22
Expenditures:	
Stationery	\$103.30
Printing (Spring Edition)	\$5,348.93
Postage	\$116.08
	<u>\$5,568.31</u>
Working balance 09 November 2005:	<u>\$7,956.91</u>

Balance forward 31 December 2004:	\$1,612.93
Receipts:	
Heritage Launch Rental Fee	\$250.00
Re-enactments	\$0.00
	<u>\$250.00</u>
	\$1,862.93
Expenditures:	
Insurance Renewal *	\$0.00
Launch repairs	\$243.52
Travel expenses	\$19.00
	<u>\$262.52</u>
Working balance 09 November 2005:	<u>\$1,600.41</u>

* 2005 Insurance renewal was paid by CHA National.
Insurance Premiums will have to be paid by CB for 2006.

Admiralty Launch Surveyor account

Minutes of General Meeting of Central BRANCH held on 9th November 2005

The meeting was at the Power residence in Burlington. The meeting was called to order at 19:08 or so.

Attendees:

- F. Oliff – VP
- R. Cameron – Secretary
- J. Walker - Treasurer
- B. Tinney T. Janzen J. Medendorp
- A. Leyzack J. Weedon B. Power
- M. Bennett G. McFarlane H. Duller

1) Minutes of 26th May meeting were circulated and discussed.
Brian noted that RESON has received their certificate.

Action: Fred/Jeff to investigate CHA investment account - moved forward.

Action: Brian to generate a spreadsheet of members in good standing for International Federation of Hydrographic Societies (IFHS) – moved forward.

Action: Fred to draft a letter to CHS recommending the name Mike Bolton is used as for the new launch. Andrew suggested the letter to CHS Central and Arctic Acting Director Keith Weaver be Cc'd to Carol Nowak in Pacific Branch.

- Moved: T. Janzen / B. Power CARRIED.

2) **Treasurer's Report:** (J. Walker)

The Treasurer's Report of 31 Dec 2004 to 9 November 2005 was reviewed. Membership payments are still coming in; credit card payments are processed in batches.

Notification for renewal should be sent out to membership ASAP. Central Branch's portion of CHA National dues have yet to be forwarded.

Central branch will require an accurate number of members in good standing for IFHS records. IFHS dues are payable in October.

For 2005 CHA will pay dues for members that are in good standing, but members not in good standing will not receive benefits of IFHS membership.

A cheque in the amount of \$200.00 received from the School of the Sailor at Niagara-on-the-Lake was incorrectly made out to CHS. Brian followed up and a new cheque has been issued to CHA.

Action: Brian to send out notification of membership renewal to CHA members.

Action: Brian to provide a list of members in good standing for IFHS.

Action: Jeff to modify the Treasures Report to provide a percentage for each item and a forecast of expenditures.

- Moved: B. Tinney/ F. Oliff CARRIED.

3) **Correspondence:** (F. Oliff/ R. Cameron)

Fred received two e-mail responses regarding his letter to members regarding the status of the Spring Issue of *Lighthouse*. Correspondence continues for the Joint ACLS and CHA publication "Canada's Offshore, Jurisdiction, Rights and Management". Fred and Paola are working on the last portion of the project and are awaiting reviews of

Chapters 9 and 10. The book will be offered in two versions with two prices, one in black and white and the other in colour. The publication will be marketed through the ACLS with CHA receiving royalties.

4) Committee Reports

Admiralty Launch Surveyor: (B. Power) *Surveyor* participated in two events over the summer, the first being Aboriginal Days at the Six Nations Reserve on June 12. The second event was on July 16-17 at the School of the Sailor at Fort George, Niagara-on-the-Lake. The launch is to be taken off the trailer and winterized. Next year's program has yet to be decided due to high insurance costs. Options have to be considered.

Action: Launch committee to winterize *Surveyor*.

Gerry Wade Memorial Library: (T. Janzen) New books need to be catalogued. Withdrawals were made by Jason Bartlett and James Wilcox.

Membership: (B. Power/T. Janzen) A total of 70 members are paid up. Two new members joined late in the year and as such should be entered as new members for 2006. One Corporate member has transferred to Atlantic Branch. Andrew suggested that Corporate Members be covered by an active CHA branch.

Action: Follow up with CHA National regarding Corporate Members with inactive branches.

Action: CHA Directors to determine the status of membership of ACLS in CHA.

Lighthouse: (J. Weedon) Nothing to report, however Jim has a two week window coming up that he can dedicate to *Lighthouse*. The Fall 2005 Issue will likely be published in January. CHA Directors have been informed of the situation with *Lighthouse*. Andrew proposed the editing of *Lighthouse* be done on a rotational basis. The loss of the Spring Issue will mean that subscriptions will be extended for half a year.

Annual General Meeting: (F. Oliff) The venue will again be the Mimico Cruising Club as per previous years and Fred has contacted the guest speaker. The program for the CHA/AGM has to be created.

Action: Jim to create the CHA/AGM program.

Action: Fred to produce the flyer.

Action: Flyers are to be distributed with the NewsLetter and be distributed to CHS employees who are currently not CHA members.

Action: Fred to purchase door prizes.

5) Other Business: Nominations for the 2006 CHA Executive are open however no responses have yet been received. A Treasurer is required as Jeff's 3 year tenure is at an end. A list of members in good standing is required for nominees.

Action: Brian to put a list of CHA members in good standing on the website.

Tim noted that *The Hydrographic Society of America* is now producing a digital newsletter. This newsletter can be viewed on their website. The website includes links to NOAA and other U.S. Government agencies as well as other hydrographic associations. Andrew suggested we place the THSOA link on our website as they are promoting CHC 2006.

Minutes of the CHA Executive meeting of 4th November were reviewed. Discussions focused on membership. Promotion by use of incentives was discussed for non members who participate in CHA workshops. CHA National continues to promote student membership through its \$2,000 scholarship. It should be noted that CHA maintains its interest in organizing activities and seminars of interest to the hydrographic community.

Meeting adjourned at 21:17.

- Moved T. Janzen / A. Leyzack CARRIED.

After the business part of the meeting, we enjoyed a video of the 2004 Arctic voyage of the CCG icebreaker Henry Larsen. It covered the voyage and included profiles of some crewmembers. Unfortunately there was no mention of its role in assisting CHS with surveying in the Arctic.


