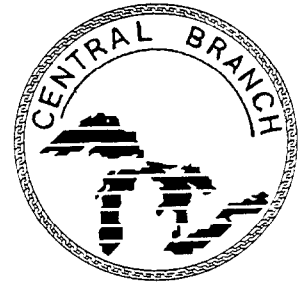


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# NEWSLETTER

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## Canadian Hydrographic Association

### Central Branch

#### 2006 Executive

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## Central Branch Committees

### Communications and Publicity

*Newsletter:* - T. Janzen, F. Oliff, J. Walker.  
*Communications:* - R. Cameron.  
*Web Site:* - J. Weedon.  
*Lighthouse:* - Branch Ed. - F. Oliff, Layout - J. Weedon.

### Membership

*Branch:* - B. Power, T. Janzen, G. McFarlane.  
*International:* - 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.  
*2006 Technology Course:* F. Oliff.

### Social Events

*H20:* - E. Brown, B. Power.  
*BBQ:* - B. Tinney.  
*AGM:* - F. Oliff, T. Janzen, J. Weedon.

**Notes from the Branch Vice-President**

***When your brain gets too full...***

Can you really teach an old dog new tricks? I would like to think so. Otherwise, why take all this training? In the past three weeks I have received training on GPS for GIS, Small Boat Handling and a refresher on the launch computer. No wonder my brain hurts.

So why would I want to go out and attempt to learn to paddle a kayak? I think I would like to explore some of the out-of-way places Georgian Bay has to offer and a sea kayak might just be a more suitable craft to access some of the outer islands. This might just be the summer for that. Past trips were so much fun and the scenery cannot be beat.

So, while Sam is off teaching English as a second language in Lithuania (sorry about the error last month when I incorrectly identified Latvia as Sam's 2005 teaching trip; it was Estonia), I hope to be out of the office somewhere revising CHS charts.

Hope your summer is great and that it does not rain EVERY weekend!

Fred.

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**CHA-CENTRAL AND ARCTIC BRANCH  
TREASURER'S REPORT TO 2ND EXECUTIVE  
MEETING  
ON MAY 04, 2006**

The Treasurer presented a Verbal Report at the last General Meeting held at the residence of Ab Rogers on Wednesday, April 19, 2006.

At this meeting I was given several cheques for deposit, some for membership, some for the GPS/GIS course and one for the recently held H2O Bonspiel.

The next day I received details of Ian Taylor's credit card information.

As of today's date all monies received have been deposited to our Bank account and all credit card information has been forwarded to Lucie Leburn - Ginn of CIG for processing (I understand this will be done by tomorrow.).

Our account balance at March 31, 2006 stand at \$32,959.22

On April 27th I deposited (\$550.00 + \$427.58 [3 U.S. Cheques]) 977.58

Total \$33,936.80

Notes: 1. I received NO FUNDS from the April General Meeting.

2. I paid out 2 cheques for Lighthouse expenses

\$5,485.50 for printing edition #67 and

\$ 84.78 for sundry expenses

Total \$5,570.28

3. I have yet to receive National's cheque towards Lighthouse account.

Lighthouse account stands as follows:

Reported Working Balance at December 31, 2005 = \$8,010.41

Income 2006

0

Expenditure

\$5,570.28

account Balance in \$2,440.13

Re: 2003, 2004, 2005 Branch Audit

I contacted Sam Weller re the status of our Branch audit. I have been advised that this will not be completed until the fall.

Admiralty Launch Surveyor Account - No activity to date.

Membership: At our last General Meeting we were advised that Branch membership totalled 49. This is down a lot from last year's close of 70 members and

will impact our Budget Projections unless we are able to show some improvement in this area.

Outstanding items:

1. Awaiting a FINAL Report and reconciliation from the recent GPS/GIS Course.
2. Contribution to National not yet forwarded. Plan to have this resolved prior to the end of May.

Prepared by: George P. McFarlane

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### **Dates of Remaining 2006 Meetings:**

Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM  
CHA Barbeque - Details TBA  
Wednesday October 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM  
Wednesday November 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM  
AGM – Thursday December 7th

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### **Members in Good Standing**

(As of Mar. 20, 2006)

We are no longer publishing the names of paid-up members. If you are in arrears, you will not be getting this month's newsletter.

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### **Minutes of General Meeting of Central Branch held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2006**

The meeting was at the Rogers residence. Meeting was called to order at 1908.

#### **Attendees:**

F. Oliff – V.P.  
B. Tinney – A/Secretary  
G. McFarlane – Treasurer

A. Rogers	E. Brown	J. Walker
T. Janzen	A. Leyzack	M. Bennett
B. Power	H. Duller	C. Robinson
P. Sauv�	J. Medendorp	

#### **Regrets:**

R. Cameron

#### **1. Minutes of last meeting (15 March 2006)**

Correction: Change the 37/39 paid up members to "at least 37 in good standing".

Motion to accept Minutes as read: G. McFarlane/J. Medendorp CARRIED

There was a discussion a payment for Lighthouse as we were waiting from a cheque from Scott. It was thought that this would come soon, but there are sufficient funds to make this payment now and this was actioned at the meeting.

There was considerable discussion that followed concerning Lighthouse. Andrew clarified that Branches are to get news from corporate members as well as the branch news. We have to be proactive in our information

gathering as we need to get this contact going to be ready for the next issue before the conference. Branches are also to solicit advertising from our corporate members.

**Action:** Brian will follow-up on our advertising with our existing corporate advertisers.

**Action:** Advertising management will be placed on the agenda for the next Executive Meeting.

The past action items were reviewed:

- Fred to distribute the National Budget – Completed
- George to forward credit card payments to CIG for processing. Not done as waiting for old invoice. This will be sent without if not received tomorrow.
- George to contact CIG regarding the system of credit card payment processing. Done
- Brian to contact Scott to resolve outstanding national dues to Lighthouse for 2005. Deferred
- Brian to cc any emails regarding this to George. There were no e-mails
- Fred to contact Mr. Hatfield as a possible speaker for AGM. Mike Bennett informed DH is leaving the country so Fred didn't contact him. We are looking for other ideas such as Inuvik to Tierra del Fuego cycling participants, North Pole excursion, etc.
- Brian to mail out invoices to delinquent members. To be done with Lighthouse mailing.
- Brian to ensure that invoices for 2007 are to be sent out in October. To be actioned.
- Fred to contact Bob Marshall to check validity of email address on file. Done.

- Fred to distribute a syllabus of the GPS for GIS course when available. Done
- Fred to contact Pierre Sauvé regarding the course name and date change. Done
- Fred to contact Andrew regarding a decision on the promotional “Coffee Covers”. Done
- Fred to contact Corporate members re: information for Lighthouse. Done
- Explore the possibility of obtaining Corporate members profile from their websites. This will be done as an alternate avenue to obtain Lighthouse news content.
- Fred to contact Colleen O’Meara and Eric McGuiness of *The Hamilton Spectator* regarding World Hydrography Day. Done. There was a negative response from communication. There was a following discussion that highlighted that we shouldn’t always hide under CHS and we must do our own thing when we can and this could be an example of that as this wasn’t just a CHS issue. Andrew pointed out that he was trying to amend the current communication messaging that referred to Hydrographers as scientists. We are trying to educate and identify ourselves properly.
- Fred to approach Andrew regarding the conflict between the CHA Constitution and the Incorporation By-Laws. Andrew responded that this should be treated as an agenda item at the AGM in June

## 2. Treasurer Report

A verbal report was presented with a written report to follow. The \$32K in the bank only made 98¢ in interest. This should be addressed. The other accounts are unchanged with several deposits to be made and a cheque to Andrew tonight.

Motion to accept Treasurer’s Report: E. Brown/H. Duller CARRIED

## 3. Correspondence

There was some correspondence around the GPS course for GIS as well with Jack Wallace regarding the last national AGM and AGM 2005 for items in 2005.

## 4. Committee Reports

- a. Admiralty Launch Surveyor. The launch is still tarped and will be checked out in May. There has been a request for a static display around the World Hydrography Day on June 21<sup>st</sup> at the Marine Discovery Centre in Hamilton and also the following weekend at the same venue – Hamilton Ports Day. They have also asked for a water display in late August. There was an invitation for a St. Lawrence

event near Brockville but with no crew responses this is a no. The crew have been invited to the Farm on April 29/30 and a few may go without the launch. Brian did not anticipate any requirement for repairs, just the normal upkeep this spring.

- b. Educational: It was suggested that the Lift Bridge Lighthouse Restoration Committee could provide a good speaker for a meeting.

Action: We may be able to get an article from them.

AGM: Scheduled for the same date and place but we do need a speaker.

- c. Membership: There are 47 members in good standing at this point. That is broken down as 27 regular members, 3 international, 5 life, 11 corporate and 1 honorary.

It was announced that Jim Statham has been appointed as Director of ACLS.

- d. Web site: Jim was not available to report.
- e. GPS for GIS Course – sub-committee: There are over 40 participants and it is going very well.

## 5. Other Business:

There will be an Executive Meeting next week.

George was very impressed with the turnout tonight – the best in 10 meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 2022.

T. Janzen/G. McFarlane CARRIED

After the meeting, Glenn Butt and Eivind Eik Mong demonstrated some of C-Map’s new product line and answered questions about the industry.

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Please make sure your calendars are open for events planned for June 21, 2006 also known as World Hydrography Day. Central Branch will staff a Static Display, with *Surveyor*, at the Canada Marine Discovery Centre at Pier 4 on Hamilton Harbour. Your attendance may be requested!

## WORLD HYDROGRAPHY DAY

### Upcoming Events

#### CHC 2006

**June 5-9, 2006, Halifax, Nova Scotia**

**Bridging Disciplines – The theme of CHC 2006**

**Topics covered will include but not be limited to:**

- Tsunamis and Water Levels
- Law of the Sea
- Marine Archaeology
- Emergency Response and Disaster Mitigation
- Mapping: New Frontiers and Technology
- Harbour and Marine Security

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#### **Call for Abstracts and Posters:**

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**Web-site:** Visit [www.chc2006.ca](http://www.chc2006.ca) for details.

#### Association of Canada Lands Surveyors



ACLS 2006 Annual General Meeting.

Date: June 20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006.

Where: Grand Okanagan Lakefront Resort, Kelowna, BC.

Please see the web site [www.acls-aatc.ca](http://www.acls-aatc.ca) and navigate to the AGM selection for more details.

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Westin Nova Scotian Halifax Hotel • June 5-9, 2006 • Halifax, Nova Scotia

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The Westin Nova Scotian Hotel, which overlooks Halifax Harbour, will be hosting the workshops, sessions, exhibits and events for CHC2006. Please ask for the conference rate when booking your room.  
[www.westin.ns.ca](http://www.westin.ns.ca)

1.902.426.6951 [www.chc2006.ca](http://www.chc2006.ca)

**Canadian Institute of Geomatics**

The Montreal Branch of CIG will be holding its biennial symposium.

Date: October 25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Where: Hilton Montreal Bonaventure.

Visit [www.geomatique2006.com/](http://www.geomatique2006.com/) for details.

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