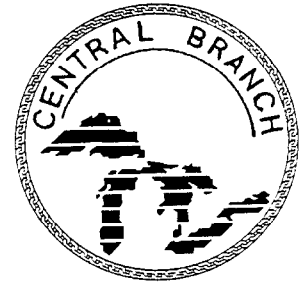


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Central Branch Committees

Communications and Publicity

Newsletter: - T. Janzen, F. Oliff.

Web Site: - J. Weedon.

Lighthouse: - Branch Ed. - F. Oliff, Layout - J. Weedon.

Membership

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

International: - F. Oliff.

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.

2006 Technology Course: F. Oliff - Chair.

Social Events

H20: - E. Brown, B. Power.

BBQ: - TBA.

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

Notes from the Branch Vice-President

STOP THE PRESSES! What are we going to do about Lighthouse? One of the answers has been found: Craig Zeller of Atlantic Branch has volunteered to take over the role of Editor. It is a big responsibility, accounting for many hours of one's volunteer time. In fact, one can count on 100 hours per issue for either the layout or editorial tasks. We have given him verbal support to provide him with timely submissions of Branch News, News from Industry, perhaps CHS News and news from our corporate members.

So, what are we going to do next? Well, the next edition is nearing the printing stage and there is the suggestion that perhaps if we act quickly we might get an issue out in time for the CHC 2006 in Halifax in June. Commitment is what is required to get the next edition ready.

Also, we in Central Branch are in the midst of exploring a technology course, (GPS for GIS), for some time in April. We need some bodies for a sub-committee. It will more than likely be held in Burlington. Stand by for more information as it becomes available.

On the horizon is World Hydrography Day scheduled for June 21. We are hoping to provide more information on local events as the day approaches, and have CHA play an active role in the celebrations.

On a completely different note, I am nearing the six-month "anniversary" of my accident and have been given clearance to pursue ice hockey at month's end!

-Fred.

Dates of Remaining 2006 Meetings:

- Wednesday March 15th, at 7:00 PM
- Wednesday April 19th, at 7:00 PM
- Wednesday May 17th, at 7:00 PM
- CHA Barbeque - Details TBA
- Wednesday October 18th, at 7:00 PM
- Wednesday November 15th, at 7:00 PM
- AGM – Thursday December 7th

The following is a list of CHA Central Branch members in good standing as of January 31, 2006. Please note as per our by-laws, members are required to have paid their dues by January 31, or they are in arrears. Please take some time to renew your membership, and if you have paid since the time of this writing, thank you very much!

Members in Good Standing

(As of Jan 31, 2006)

- Hans Biberhofer
- Earl Brown -Life
- Roger Cameron
- Heimo Duller
- Julia Duller
- Kirsten Greenfield
- Tim Janzen
- George Macdonald - Hon.
- Tom McCulloch - Life
- George McFarlane
- Evind Mong
- Fred Oliff
- Brian Power
- Carol Robinson
- Ab Rogers -Life
- Ian Taylor
- Brad Tinney
- Jeff Walker
- Jim Weedon
- Sam Weller -Life

2006 Central Branch Budget

ITEM	BUDGET 2005	ACTUAL 2005	% BUDGET	BUDGET 2006	TOTALS	REMARKS
Anticipated Income						
2006 Membership Dues	\$4,690.00	\$3,504.16	74.72%	\$3,500.00		
CHA Branded Stuff	\$30.00	\$7.50	25.00%	\$20.00		
Bank Interest	\$15.00	\$10.43	69.53%	\$10.00		
Newsletter Ads	\$50.00	\$0.00	0%	\$100.00		
Other Income	\$160.00	\$122.50	76.56%	\$100.00		
Technology Course (Practical GPS)	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%			
Anticipated Expenditures						
National Membership Dues 2006	\$2,635.00			\$2,635.00		As per paid up members Jan. 01/06.
Bank Charges	\$30.00	\$59.06	198.8%	\$60.00		
CIG Credit Card Charges	\$100.00	\$52.73	52.73%	\$55.00		
Subsidy to the Launch Account	\$900.00	\$0.00	0%	\$1,600.00		To cover 2006 insurance. \$1404 in 2005.
Postage	\$10.00	\$0.00	0%	\$50.00		
Newsletter Postage	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$50.00		
H ₂ O Bonspiel Sponsorship	\$200.00	\$200.00	100%	\$250.00		
Summer BBQ	\$250.00	\$239.30	95.72%	\$250.00		
AGM and Dinner	\$500.00	\$1,731.60	339.42%	\$1,000.00		
Seminars and Meetings	\$400.00	\$365.68	91.42%	\$400.00		
Gerry Wade Library	\$100.00	\$0.00	0%	\$100.00		
Education and Development	\$300.00	\$0.00	0%	\$300.00		
Miscellaneous	\$100.00	\$488.54	488.54%	\$100.00		NSF Cheque in 2005.

Approved at Meeting of CHA Executive
held January 19, 2006

Prepared by: George P. McFarlane
Treasurer
January 19, 2006

Minutes of General Meeting of Central Branch held on 26th January 2006

The meeting was at the Duller residence in Burlington. The meeting was called to order at 19:00 or so.

Attendees:

Fred Oliff – VP
Roger Cameron – Secretary
J. Walker – Treasurer (terminates 31-Jan-06)

B. Tinney	J. Biggar	J. Weedon
H. Duller	J. Weedon	S. Youngblut
G. McFarlane	H. Duller	C. Robinson
E. Mong	M. Holland	

Regrets:

T. Janzen, B. Power, A. Leyzack

Fred thanked Heimo and Leigh for hosting the meeting.

Meeting Agenda Reviewed.

Correction: Date of Technology Course to be changed from 2005 to 2006

Motion: J. Walker/ J. Biggar -CARRIED.

1) Minutes of the 8th December meeting (AGM) were circulated and discussed.

Action: The status of corporate members with Ottawa Branch to be reviewed.

Action: Brian - Spreadsheet of members in good standing requires updating so National dues can be paid.

Motion to accept the minutes:

- Moved: G. McFarlane /H. Duller -CARRIED.

Action: Fred to forward George Goldsteen's e-mail to CHA members.

3) Treasurer's Report: (J. Walker) National Dues paid up for 2004 and 2005, this constitutes 83% of budget.

Motion report: F. Oliff/ B. Tinney -CARRIED.

Incoming Treasurer George McFarlane presented his budget proposal for 2006. George would like to see 2006 membership invoices mailed out to Corporate Members ASAP. George feels that Central Branch is due for an audit and would like one before National has its audit. It was suggested that Sam be approached to audit Central Branch.

Action: Fred to approach Sam to Audit Central Branch.

Action: George to prepare the Treasurer's Report for *Newsletter*.

Action: George to contact Brian regarding invoices for Corporate Members.

Motion budget: B. Tinney/ J. Walker -CARRIED

2) Correspondence: (F. Oliff/ R. Cameron)

Bruce Calderbank has had a professional layout person finalize the layout for the Joint ACLS and CHA publication "Canada's Offshore Jurisdiction, Rights and Management".

Action: Fred to contact Andrew regarding status of ACLS publication.

4) Committee Reports

Admiralty Launch Surveyor: (B. Power) Nothing to report.

Social Events: H₂O Bonspiel will occur on February 18th. Sixteen teams have signed up and there is a waiting list. The CHA subsidy has increased from \$200 to \$250. George will require a statement from H₂O committee.

Action: H₂O committee to provide George with a statement.

Educational:

Gerry Wade Memorial Library: (T. Janzen) Nothing to report.

Meetings: Dates of 2006 meetings tabled. The AGM will most likely be at the Mimico Cruising Club as in previous years. Sam Weller has requested that monthly CHA meetings be moved to Wednesday night.

Meetings will now be held on the third Wednesday of every month unless announced otherwise.

2006 Technology Course: An April date is possible however it is still tentative. The plan is to have a course covering the hands-on aspects of GPS.

Action: Fred to contact a potential instructor at NRCAN.

Action: Fred to approach Carol to create a website for the Technology course.

Membership: (B. Power/T. Janzen) Ten members are paid up. Corporate Invoices were mailed out today. George suggested that invoices be sent out to all members. George corresponded with some corporate members regarding potential advertising in the *Newsletter*.

Action: George to follow up with Corporate Members regarding advertising in the *Newsletter*.

Action: Membership Committee to determine the status of Corporate Membership of ACLS in CHA.

Lighthouse: (J. Weedon) The Fall edition is behind schedule but should be out to the printer by end of February. Jim is looking for volunteer support to assist him with this task.

Website: The Website is updated as of today (Jan 26th).

National President's message: (A. Leyzack) Andrew was unable to attend however he prepared a synopsis for review. Fred read Andrews message. The message reviewed the current situation of the CHS, *Lighthouse* and IFHS membership. A motion was made by

Andrew for CHA to explore the benefit of a *Hydro International* subscription, subsidized for 2006 by CHA National. *Hydro International* annually publishes ten issues and Andrew feels that it could be an excellent value added benefit to the membership. George feels that we should explore other avenues before we consider the option of canceling *Lighthouse*. Heimo feels that further clarification is required from the National President on this issue. The motion was sent back for further clarification.

A suggestion was made to obtain three subscriptions to *Hydro International* for circulation to CHA members within CHS, outside CHS and for the Gerry Wade Memorial Library.

Action: Fred to investigate the proposal of three subscriptions to *Hydro International* vs. a single subscription.

5) Other Business: George suggested an Honorarium be offered to individuals who volunteer to work on *Lighthouse*.

George indicated he would support paying a professional to assemble *Lighthouse* as a last resort.

Action: Fred to inform Andrew that Central Branch would like to review options for *Lighthouse* and solicit feedback from other CHA branches.

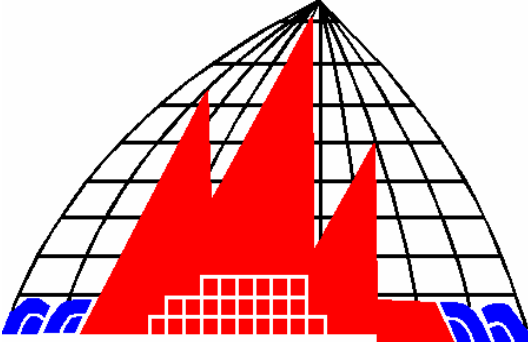
Meeting adjourned at 20:20.

Moved C. Robinson/S. Youngblut CARRIED.

After the business part of the meeting, we enjoyed a Power Point presentation from CARIS representative Matthew Holland who reviewed some of the new hydrographic software that CARIS is currently developing.

Upcoming Events

Association of Canada Lands Surveyors



ACLS 2006 Annual General Meeting.

Date: June 20th to 23rd, 2006.

Where: Grand Okanagan Lakefront Resort, Kelowna, BC.

Please see the web site www.acls-aatc.ca and navigate to the AGM selection for more details.

Canadian Institute of Geomatics



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

Date: October 25th to 26th, 2006.

Where: Hilton Montreal Bonaventure.

Visit www.geomatique2006.com/ for details.

Arab Institute of Navigation

The AIN is hosting the International Conference & Exhibition on Inland Water Transport
MELAHA 2006

Date: May 15th to 17th, 2006.

Where: Sofitel El Karnak Luxor Hotel, Luxor, Egypt

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