



NEWSLETTER

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Canadian Hydrographic Association

Central Branch

1990 Executive

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Lighthouse

Keith Weaver, Terese Herron, Sean Hinds.

Membership/Nominations

Ken McMillan, Keith Weaver, Jim Berry,
Terese Herron.

Bonspiel

Boyd Thorson, Brian Power, Geof Thompson.

International Members

Sam Weller, Larry Robbins, Sean Hinds.

Social Events

Jim Berry, Ken McMillan, Darren Keyes,
Sean Hinds.

Newsletter

Sam Weller, Jim Berry, Terese Herron,
Brian Power, Keith Weaver, Sean Hinds,
Brent Beale, Larry Robbins.

Publicity

Brent Beale, Boyd Thorson, Jim Berry, Ken
McMillan, Sam Weller.

Seminar

Keith Weaver, Brian Power, Brent Beale,
Sean Hinds.

Wade Essay Award

Boyd Thorson, Sam Weller, Sean Hinds,
Terese Herron.

Notes from the Branch Vice-President

Most Branch members are reading this from the warm and dry confines of the office environment (thank heaven) - welcome back! It is a sign of the times and the state of our technology that make those few months of data collection so intense and engrossing. As a result CHA activities and correspondence suffer somewhat and it is a difficult job to jump start a slumbering giant. So a couple of items already in motion need your immediate attention.

First, the members of your 1991 Branch executive members have been nominated. What may have once been a post of prestige has now also become one of responsibility. Locally we have many Out-House members requiring a broader spectrum of activities and interests while nationally and internationally our Branch has assumed a demanding role.

Second, is our Annual General Meeting and Dinner on Friday Nov. 30 at the Mimico Cruising Club. This inaugural AGM/Dinner will certainly entice participation from our In-House and Out-House crowd and make our only constitutionally-required meeting into a special event. Mark it on your calendar and mail your registration form TODAY.

On the election note I am pleased to discover that you feel my work as Branch V-P warrants another term. I humbly accept nomination and will promote communication, information and participation throughout 1991.

- Sean Hinds.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting is the Central Branch Annual General Meeting and Dinner on Friday 30 November at Mimico Cruising Club, Etobicoke [Toronto].

Check out the ad on page 5 then send in your Registration. This will be a great evening, not least because of the nibbles and wine being donated by ROMOR and McQuest Marine. Not to be missed.

Members get first call on the 50 tickets but spouses are also welcome. Mark it on your calendar and get your request in by 16 November. Yep. Not much time!

News of our Members:

Our Membership Committee reminds us that we have about 200 subscribers to our journal Lighthouse, many of whom consider themselves to be members of CHA. So each year we get plaintive notes from people: "I am a member and have been receiving Lighthouse for years. How come I don't get the NewsLetter?"

If you know any of our subscribers please feel free to encourage them to submit an application.

Central Branch
Treasurer's Report to 30 September 1990

Balance forward 14 March 1990:	\$ 4,752.62
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Receipts

Membership dues	\$ 1,085.55
Bank Interest	398.21
NewsLetter advertising	50.00
	\$ 1,533.76
	\$ 6,286.38

Expenditures

National Dues	\$ 1,395.00
AGM Hall deposit	200.00
Postage	106.94
Summer BBQ	102.85
Seminar	68.75
Certificate calligraphy	20.00
Certificate seals	19.61
NewsLetter	10.79
Sympathy card	1.94
Bank charges	7.00
	\$ 1,932.88

Balance 30 September 1990:	\$ 4,353.50
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[Note: To assist the Editorial team, some Lighthouse income and expenditures (reported below) are handled by the Central Branch treasurer. The balance is held available and is passed to Lighthouse on request.]

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Lighthouse "Convenience" Account

Balance forward 14 March 1990:	\$ 2,837.83
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Receipts

Subscriptions	\$ 608.39	\$ 608.39
		\$ 3,446.22

Expenditures

Envelopes	\$ 19.60	\$ 19.60
Balance 30 September 1990:	\$ 3,426.62	

"...and she mentioned needing more shelves, and fixing the fence, and..."



(Welcome home, Sean.)

Minutes of General Meeting of CENTRAL BRANCH held on 10 October 1990

1) The meeting was chaired by Sam and Terese acted as Sec/Treasurer. Sam called the meeting to order at 19:50 and welcomed everyone and passed on regrets from Sean Hinds and Brent Beale.

ATTENDEES:

Jim Berry	Joseph Delle Fave
Terese Herron	Ken McMillan
Brian Power	Ab Rogers
Keith Weaver	Sam Weller

2) MINUTES: The minutes of the last newsletter had been circulated in the last newsletter. It was moved that they be accepted.

MOVED: K. McMillan and T. Herron CARRIED

3) CORRESPONDENCE: Sam reviewed recent mail: as well as the usual membership mail we have received a newsy letter from Steve Nelson [in Ottawa but retains Central Branch membership]; "Personality" notes from Jordan Smith and Lt.Cdr. A.R. Al shehri; and a newsletter from Newfoundland Branch. We also expressed our sympathies to Sean and his family in the recent loss of his brother-in-law.

4) TREASURER'S REPORT: Terese presented the treasurer's report for the period 14 March to 30 September 1990 and moved that it be accepted.

MOVED: T. Herron and B. Power CARRIED

5) LIGHTHOUSE: Sam reported that Lighthouse was in the process of being prepared. Bruce has five articles in hand and Lighthouse will be out on schedule. The CHA and CHS news will be separate columns in the next issue.

6) NOMINATIONS: Terese closed the nominations during the meeting and reported that based on our membership formula we will again have seven Branch executive members in addition to the V-P and Sec/Treas. Sean Hinds and Terese Herron will be V-P and Sec/Treas. for 1991. There were 13 nominees for the 1991 executive, unfortunately 6 people had to decline due to other commitments. We will miss Boyd Thorson who will be moving to Ottawa in the near future and we wish him well in his new position. Larry Robbins also declined but will remain as our foreign correspondent. It was moved that the nominations be closed and accepted.

MOVED: Ab Rogers and J. Delle Fave CARRIED

We thus have a full slate of officers for our 1991 Central Branch executive. Along with the Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer, the executive members for 1991 are: Jim Berry; John Dixon; Al Koudys; Ken McMillan; Brian Power; Keith Weaver; Sam Weller. The officers will be installed at the AGM on 30 November.

7) AGM DINNER: Jim Berry reported that the Annual General Meeting of Central Branch will be held on 30 November at the Mimico Cruising Club in their new clubhouse facilities. The seating capacity of the hall -

looking out over the yacht club basin - is 50 people so that is the number of tickets available. We will have a guest speaker. The tickets will be \$20.00 for members and \$30.00 for non-members. There will be a cash bar. Spouses are welcome but members have first call on the 50 tickets. Jim also reported that ROMOR Equipment and McQuest Marine have kindly offered to supply bar nibbles and wine, respectively, for the event. This will be a fitting locale for a fine evening.

8) MEMBERSHIP: Sam reported that there are 39 In-House members; 33 Out-House members; and 32 International members as of 9 Oct. This gives a total of 72 Central Branch members.

9) BONSPIEL: The bonspiel will be in February as usual. Most of the work has been done but we still need a coordinator. If you are interested please let Sean or Boyd know.

10) NEW BUSINESS: The Canadian Hydrographic Conference being held at Rimouski April 16 to 18, 1991 is not being co-sponsored by CHA. Ken expressed serious concern at the increase in the cost of space for exhibitors: \$1,500. compared with \$600 at the Vancouver conference. He is aware of six regular sponsors who have declined to participate this time because of this high cost. Jim said this would be the first Canadian Hydrographic Conference he'd missed, primarily because of CHA not being involved.

11) The meeting adjourned at 20:35 pm.
MOVED: T. Herron and J. Berry CARRIED

Members then adjourned to enjoy their "welcome back from the field" beer and pizza. Many thanks to Brian and Anna Power for their hospitality.

Open Letter from Larry Robbins

Thank you for your suggestion that one stand for election to the Branch executive this year. I, along with the other International members, am very conscious of the very great lengths that you all go to keep us involved and to help us to be and feel part of the Association. You are all doing a fine job - keep it up!

Committees though are demanding of time, dedication and effort. You are welcome to all of these from me, but for me to occupy a seat on the Executive would bar a locally based member from doing so, deprive you of another set of hands, and mean that the nitty gritty work of the committee must be divided six ways not seven.

Therefore, whilst I am grateful for the honour of being asked I must, with respects, decline - though I am (of course) willing to assist you all in any way I can.

From our International Correspondent

There are apparently a number of signs that one is getting old. In addition to the obvious signs of advancing decrepitude, policemen (and charge surveyors/party leaders) seem to get younger and time appears to accelerate. It is hard to believe that OI'90 has come ... and gone ... already. I certainly enjoyed the exhibition and the conference papers that I attended and by all accounts it was one of the best ever.

Canadian companies and services were ably represented though I couldn't find too many CHA members amongst the reps there. Fertile recruiting ground perhaps?

CHA members, though, do seem to pop up in the most unexpected places, and it was good to meet up with **ROBERT MORGAN** in (of all places) the grand kitchen of the Royal Pavilion, Brighton's landmark from the Regency Period during a reception. I am pleased to report that Bob behaved himself with decorum, though he appeared to be disappointed at not being permitted to sit at the banqueting table in the main dining room! No discrimination there though, for no one was, and indeed the staff were vigilant in ensuring that no glasses were placed on the splendid antique furniture.

There were no less than five other members at the same function - **JACK WALLACE, JOHN POINTON, KEITH MILLEN** and myself plus **ANDREW REDWOOD** of Racal Marine Systems who, along with **PAUL DAY** of the same company, had recently joined. A respectable percentage of the total attendance!

The U.S. Hydrographic Conference '90 was next on the agenda and the program was good and varied and the US hospitality lived up to expectations. No less than 17 national hydrographic services were represented - including Canada who enjoyed a high profile through the papers presented and the presence there of the SWATH vessel "Frederick G. Creed" which was under charter to NOAA/CHS for evaluation. I had a cruise in the "Creed" and was very impressed by her though, needless to say, the day proved to be excellent for a cruise but not for a demonstration of a vessel whose sea-keeping abilities are, apparently, excellent. One of the few times when I have hoped for rough weather. The cook's unsolicited testimonial story of "the onion which would not roll about the galley even in bad weather" went some way towards demonstrating the vessel's bona fides and I'm sure we'll see more of these vessels being used for hydrographic surveying in the future.

The program for Hydro '90 - the Seventh Biennial International Symposium of the Hydrographic Society (Southampton, UK in December 1990) - has been published and an interesting set of papers is promised there too. The CHA is a co-sponsor and there are a couple of papers from Canadians so one hopes for a good CHA attendance at the Conference.

I have had a couple of letters from international members recently but it would be good to hear from YOU:

IAN BARTHOLEMEW, Lt. Cdr. RN, presently Chief Hydrographer in Fiji, wrote with news from the South Pacific and says it is hoped he will be able to hand over to a Fiji national soon, staying for a few months as advisor. Ian is latest (and perhaps last) of a series of RN officers posted to Fiji since 1979. Nearly 50% of his survey staff of 17 have trained overseas (Pakistan, Canada, NZ) during the last year and two of his three cartographers have likewise been gaining experience overseas. The survey vessel TOVUTO (called BABELE before the Service was civilianised) has undergone extensive maintenance recently and a 5.3 metre catamaran has been built locally to replace the aging wooden motor boat previously used. Thanks for the news, Ian. Hope you're enjoying the 4 o'clock rain showers of this time of year!

GEORGE GOLDSTEEN too wrote a while back: studying for Master's degree in Surveying Science in Sydney, Australia. Hope studies go well, George. Must be interesting (?) on the other side of the lectern for a while!

Finally, sports news. Cricket is the English summer game and each year the Royal Navy's Hydrographic Branch play Racal for a trophy made of three Trisponder antennae in the shape of stumps (the things cricketers throw the ball at). Despite not knowing the rules but ostensibly because I enjoy a foot in both camps (working with Racal but serving the Queen) and thus deemed impartial, I was "invited" to umpire. Very British game this cricket and my sometimes dodgy decisions were accepted sportingly. Racal won by 130 runs to 128 and it was the first game of cricket I have ever enjoyed. I don't know if you have umpires in Bonspieling but, having been blooded and enjoyed the power, I am now open to offers!

- Larry Robbins [Commander, RNZN].

Way to go, Raj!

Raj Beri has been exercising with the local CCIW aerobics class lately - all those cute secretaries got anything to do with it, Raj?

Well. The very first class, he was wearing those nice shorts that Rupa gave him for Christmas, and in the first knee-bend... Riipp!!! The back seam split, all the way from top to bottom...

Then last week Raj was changing in a hurry for the class, and while he was taking off his trousers his hand slipped and hit the wall. It hit so hard that he had to make a hurried trip to the nurse for a finger splint, so he was a little late for the class. "I needn't have bothered," he said. "The class had been postponed!"

INTERNATIONAL MEMBERS of CHA [24 October 1990]

Hasanuddin Z. Abidin	Canada/
Lt.Cdr. A.R.M. Al shehri	Saudi Arabia/Taiwan
Simon Baksh	Trinidad & Tobago
Lt.Cdr. Ian M. Bartholemew RN	Fiji/UK
Maarten J.T. Beisterveld	the Netherlands
Ing. Fosco Bianchetti	Italy
Kells M. Boland	USA
Gary S. Chisholm	New Zealand
Paul Day	United Kingdom
Luis Leal de Faria	Portugal
Randall J. Franchuk	USA/Canada
George H. Goldsteen	Australia
Stephen Hart	United Kingdom
Adam J. Kerr	Monaco
Michael Owen Kirton	Australia
W.P.H. Kouijzer	the Netherlands
Sunil Kumar	Fiji
Andrew Leyzack	USA/Canada
Nicholas J. Margetson	the Netherlands
Charles David Meador	USA
Dr. S. Mertikas	Greece
Capt. Keith Millen	United Kingdom
William J. Monteith	USA
Ross Munro	United Kingdom/Canada
John Pointon	United Kingdom
A. Redwood	United Kingdom
Cdr. Larry Robbins RNZN	United Kingdom/NZ
Wayne Ross	USA
Pat Sanders	USA
George G. Sellers	USA
Wayne J. Sula	USA
I.M.M. Taylor	United Kingdom
Jack L Wallace	USA
Steven G. Withrow	USA

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Membership Report

This year has been quite dynamic as new members have joined, but we also lost a few: we have not heard from ten of our 1989 International members, however fourteen new members came onboard, three of whom were transfers from Central Branch 1989 Out-House membership:

Andrew Leyzack
Ross Munro.

... and four who have been Lighthouse subscribers:

And a special welcome to "new" International members:

Hasanuddin Z. Abidin	Gary Chisholm
Lt.Cdr. A.R.M. Al shehri	Paul Day
Michael Owen Kirton	W.P.H. Kouijzer
Sunil Kumar	John Pointon
A. Redwood	George G. Sellers
Wayne Sula	Steven G. Withrow.

Lighthouse Report

The 42nd edition of Lighthouse (Fall 1990) is in full swing and should be out by early December. There will be five full length papers, technical and non-technical, as well as regular features such as the 'CHA Social News', 'Lighthouse Puzzler', 'Poet's Corner' and 'News from Industry'. Beginning with this Fall edition the 'News from Industry', in addition to the usual hydrographic industry news, will include news from the four C.H.S. Regions (Pacific, Central & Arctic, Quebec and Atlantic) and C.H.S. Headquarters.

Lighthouse always seeks good articles. If you have a recent report or paper related to hydrography and would like to communicate your thoughts, advertise your discovery, or present your research, etc., we would appreciate your input. Lighthouse goes to about 1,000 individuals, companies and hydrographic organizations throughout the world and is an excellent means of communicating the history, news, and future of Hydrography in Canada.

Welcome aboard!

CANADIAN HYDROGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION
*****CENTRAL BRANCH*****



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND DINNER

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1990
MIMICO CRUISING CLUB
HUMBER BAY WEST PARK
ETOBIKOKE

CHA MEMBERS \$20.00, NON-MEMBERS \$30.00, CASH BAR

COCKTAIL RECEPTION 4:30 P.M.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 6:45 P.M.

BUFFET DINNER 7:30 P.M.

GUEST SPEAKER 8:30 P.M.
MR. BRIAN DENNEY, P. ENG.
MANAGER, ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT
THE METROPOLITAN TORONTO & REGION
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CENTRAL BRANCH MEMBERS [24 October 1990]

CCIW in-house (39 people)

Brent R. Beale	Michael Bennett
Raj Beri	Earl Brown
Bob Covey	Mike R. Crutchlow
Paul V. Davies	Ken Dexel
John G. Dixon	C. James Elliott
George Fenn	Helen Fuchs-Trapp
Terese E. Herron	Sean Hinds
Kenneth Hipkin	Al Koudys
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Dennis St. Jacques	John Shaw
Geof Thompson	Boyd Thorson
Brad L. Tinney	Ray Treciokas
R. Keith Weaver	Sam Weller
Arnie Welmers	Jack Wilson
Bruce Wright	

Private Industry etc. (33 people)

David J. Ballinger	Guenter Bellach
James Berry	Donald Carr
David A. Caswell	Joseph Delle Fave
Frank B. Delph	Frank de Vree
Peter Fox	John Halsall
J. Scott Holladay	Rear Admiral D.C. Kapoor
Ryk Karczuga	Darren Keyes
Peter Knight	Don Knudsen
Ray W. Kowalchuk	T.D.W. McCulloch
Ken McMillan	J.W.L. Monaghan
J. Robert Morgan	Stephen P. Nelson
Richard C. Padmore	Norman A. Randa
Ken Richmond	A.R. Rogers (Life Member)
Jordan Smith	S. James Statham
Mark B. Stortini	Nicholas C. Valleau
David G. Watson	Paul E. Wessler
Alfie Yip	

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Jim Berry's column



My, my, where has the time gone. Hope you had a safe and productive summer and are getting ready to cuddle up for the winter. With Hallowe'en just days away, keep an eye out back or you may find the wee house laying on its side when you most need it.

We've got a few things to look forward to in the next few months: our new executive; the GST; and our very first Annual General Meeting and Dinner.

The nominations for your executive committee are now closed. It is great to see so many taking an interest in the health of the Branch by accepting office. A special congrats to Sean on being elected by acclamation to his second year as Branch Vice-Pres., and a "welcome back" to Terese who will step up and take over the duties of Secy.-Treasurer from Brent. Glad to see fellow Out-Houser Ken McMillan once again on the executive. Ken is a very active rep. and a strong supporter of a unified Branch membership. I look forward to our second year together on the executive. And for me, I accepted nomination for re-election and was hoping we'd need ballots so that if you could find a way to cheat, I'd ask you to vote for me 3 or 4 times to make sure.

I mention the GST because if I didn't get re-elected to the exec. maybe I could still have got a job on the Senate.

Last but not least, history is in the making. Our very first "Annual General Meeting and Dinner" is now well into the final stages of planning. Please help us by registering early and remember: a "meeting is people" and without you it will not happen. We need your support. Please attend. The dinner is being subsidized by the Branch as agreed at the Annual Meeting last year, and ROMOR (more in a moment) and McQuest Marine are making very generous donations to the festivities.

Got a call from fellow Out-Houser Bob Morgan (ROMOR Equipment Ltd.). He wanted to pass on the good news that Bob Fraser will be joining ROMOR on November 5 as Marketing Manager. Maybe some of you In-Housers who are sneaking a peek at the back page again will know him. Bob also assured me that he will be at the AGM on November 30 and kindly offered to supply some goodies. He has also purchased the NewsLetter ad spot this issue. Good going, Bob. We're looking forward to seeing you both at the AGM on the 30th.

Incidentally, our Membership Committee say we seem to have lost touch with several of our Out-Housers. Goes with the territory when you have an association of nomads, but if you know one of our delinquents [or are one!] please pass on a nudge from me.

That's it for now. Stay warm and don't forget to keep the pathway out back free of obstructions as any delay may have serious consequences.

The Candidates Speak

Sean Hinds: When first approached about standing for a second term as your Branch V-P my inclination was to reflect on the disadvantage of my six months field term and the cost this put on CHA activities. Since it appears that our members approve of what we have been doing in Central Branch and for our International Members this past year I suppose I would better consider the six months during which I am at the helm and the efforts I may put forward in that time. A positive view point, no? My best hopes this coming year are to maintain the trends set in the past year. Informative seminars, new members, news from our Out-House and International colleagues and -yes- a couple of beers are my key focus for 1991. A special thanks is in order for the 1990 Executive Members and Cdr. Larry Robbins for their efforts in making our past year a successful one.

Brian Power: Over the years our Branch has been fortunate to have an energetic and forward-looking executive. I feel that the achievements we have made and the directions our Branch has taken over the years are good ones. Therefore I am happy to accept nomination for another term to your Branch executive and look forward to meeting you at our evening meetings.

Jim Berry: It will be my honour once again to represent you, the members, for my third consecutive year on our Branch executive. I have been an active member since 1984; live in Pickering; have been employed for the past ten years by Metropolitan Toronto & Region Conservation Authority; am on the Resources Management Technology Advisory Committee for Seneca College; and have been a member of OACETT since 1975. The CHA has made major advancements in the past two years and with your support I will continue to work hard to keep the Branch unified and strong.

Sam Weller: As editor of this newsletter; as co-ordinator of our International Members Committee for Sean; and as Assistant Editor of our journal Lighthouse, I will continue do all I can to help with communications between members. Due to other heavy calls on my time recently this particular newsletter is later than usual but I'll try to do better in future... Incidentally, editors always like to hear from their readers. So... "Send me a post card, drop me a line, stating point of view..."

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