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Central Branch Committees

Membership/Nominations/Elections

T. Herron, J. Biggar, J. Campbell, J. Dixon, K. McMillan.

Seminar

S. Hinds, J. Halsall, K. McMillan, B. Power.

International Members

Terese Herron, Andrew Leyzack, Sean Hinds,
Larry Robbins, Sam Weller.

NewsLetter

Sam Weller, Jim Berry, Jon Biggar, John Dixon,
Terese Herron, Larry Robbins.

Lighthouse

T. Herron, J. Dixon, A. Leyzack, J. Weller.

Wade Essay Award

Andrew Leyzack, Sean Hinds.

Social Events

BBQ: J. Campbell, J. Biggar, S. Hinds, T. Herron.
AGM: T. Herron, J. Campbell, A. Leyzack.
H2O: J. Miles, B. Tinney, B. Power.

Heritage Launch

Sean Hinds, Jim Berry, J. Dixon, A. Leyzack,
Ken McMillan, Brian Power.

CHA Central Branch — NewsLetter — January 1995

Notes from the Branch Vice-President

To begin I would like to say thank you to Sean for all his time and effort over the past four years. Central Branch has come a long way in that time, through the dedication of several members and Sean's leadership. On behalf of the Branch, "Thanks Sean"; you can relax but I'm sure we will be seeking you out for input.

The Heritage Launch is a vital part of our Branch. An idea became a dream and is now a reality. There are several events being lined up for the summer months and we will also be hosting Bingo to raise some money for the Launch. The Heritage Launch is well received where ever it goes and the events are always a lot of fun for participants. Come on out and support the Project even if it's one event or one Bingo shift; the more people involved the lighter the load.

Our 23rd Annual H2O Bonspiel will be on Saturday 12 March. Get your name in soon — you'll have a fun day and a great meal.

To increase our membership we will be seeking out potential members this year. If you know of someone or any people in Private Industry who would be interested in the CHA, please let us know so we can contact them.

— Terese Herron

Next Meeting

The next CHA meeting is at 19:00 on Tuesday February 15, at Keith Weaver's home: 2668 Cavendish Drive, Burlington [just off Brant Street, south of Highway 5].

Our guest speaker will be Keith Clifford, Port Meteorological Officer with the Atmospheric Environment Service, Environment Canada, Ontario Region. He'll be speaking about Marine Weather Activities on the Great Lakes. Our traditional beer and pizza will follow his talk. Hope to see you there!

News of our Members

Les R. Peer, originally from Belfast, Northern Ireland, completed his education at Humber College, Toronto, and graduated as an Electronic Technologist. Les spent 15 years in the development, testing, manufacturing and servicing of geophysical prospecting instruments, then in 1980 joined Environment Canada where he has been working in the Calibration Laboratory of the National Water Research Institute at CCIW. In 1983 Les became the Head of the Calibration Lab.

Married to Anne, Les's hobbies include building models and full-size replicas of historic sailing craft; he has devoted many loving hours to our CHA/CB Heritage Launch. He and Anne spend their summer leisure hours sailing Lake Ontario in their 24 foot Shark sailboat, "checking out the CHS charts," he says.

Central Branch of CHA — Financial Statement

12 Months ended 31 December 1994 (unaudited)

Balance forward 31 December 1993: \$ (363.35)

Receipts

Membership Dues	\$ 3,493.19
Heritage Launch Project	306.88
H2O Bonspiel	890.00
AGM- Cash In	647.67
Shirts	95.00
Books	50.00
HLP Mugs	195.00
Newsletter	150.00
BBQ- Cash In	5.44
Heritage Launch Refund	2,673.99
CHA Mugs	97.50
Bank Interest	9.88
	\$ 8,614.55

Expenditures

National Dues	\$ 1,635.00
Postage	665.90
H2O Bonspiel	1,090.00
AGM- Cash Out	1,185.35
BBQ- Cash Out	143.79
Heritage Launch Project	189.05
Meetings	179.87
Wade Essay Award	500.00
Professional Development	125.00
Newsletter	244.83
CHA Mugs	137.63
Heritage Launch Insurance	1,073.99
Stationary	917.32
Bank Charges	44.40
	\$ 8,132.13
	\$ 119.07

Heritage Launch Project - through CHA/CB account:

Receipts	\$ 306.88
Expenditures	189.05
Branch to pay Heritage Launch Project	\$ 117.83
Central Branch to receive from Heritage Launch Project for 1993 accounts	: \$ 669.24

Working Balance 31 December 1994: \$ 670.48

[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.]

Lighthouse "Convenience" Account

Balance forward 31 December 1993: \$ 1,361.17

Receipts

Subscriptions	\$ 2,373.42
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Expenditures

Postage	\$ 681.06
Reprographics	67.85
	\$ 748.91

Working Balance 31 December 1994: \$ 2,985.68

Minutes of General Meeting of CENTRAL BRANCH held on 18 January 1995

1) The first General Meeting of 1995 was held at Vice President Terese Herron's home in Waterdown. Terese called the meeting to order at 19:30 and welcomed everyone present. She passed along regrets from Sean Hinds (car problems), Andrew Leyzack (in Ottawa) and Sam Weller (on a beach in St. Lucia).

Attendees:

Terese Herron	- V-P	
Jennifer Campbell	- A/Secretary	
Jim Berry	Jon Biggar	Mike Crutchlow
Joe Delle Fave	John Dixon	Heimo Duller
Peter Knight	John Medendorp	Brian Power
Bill Warrender		

2) The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on December 1, 1994, were circulated in the December Newsletter and were available at the meeting.

- Moved P. Knight/J. Biggar CARRIED

3) Treasurer's Report: Terese stated that Andrew did not have time to complete the Treasurer's Report before leaving for his course in Ottawa. The figures are almost finalized, showing approximately \$1,600 carried over from 1994. The '94 year-end statement will be published in the upcoming newsletter.

4) 1995 Proposed Budget: There was general discussion in reference to several items in the proposed budget:

- the item "Seminars" refers to a proposal to charge a modest amount for beer and/or pizza at the meetings. This will not be necessary and the item will be removed from the budget.
- "Sales" refers to the sale of CHA hats this spring. See item 7), Other Business, for details.
- 1 new sustaining member is anticipated, bringing the total to 5.
- Peter Knight suggested adding the word "Bonspiel" to the H20 entry for clarity.
- Terese noted that the Heritage Launch has a separate budget.
- Jim Berry asked if it was possible to balance the budget using reserves from the account. Terese said this will be done.

- Moved J. Berry/J. Medendorp CARRIED

5) Correspondence: Terese reported that there were several routine membership queries. The Heritage Launch Committee sent a letter to Vic Suthren requesting support for the launch. More about this in the heritage launch committee report in item 6). Brian Power suggested circulating an interesting article he read recently about Guenter Bellach's experiences surveying in Thailand.

6) Committee Reports:

Heritage Launch: Brian reported that the launch will remain in the Marine Museum in Kingston until April. He gave the details of an agreement the Launch

Committee hopes to reach with Vic Suthren curator of the war museum in Ottawa regarding shared maintenance and ownership of the launch. The launch budget is in good shape: there is approximately \$600 in the account with all debts paid except seed money from the Branch. The use of the launch in the movie "Legend of Pocahontas" last fall brought in about \$2,200. Brian also gave a proposed schedule of events for 'Surveyor' in 1995. The major events will be a re-enactment in Fort Louisbourg, Cape Breton July 28-30 and the North Channel Heritage Festival.

Membership: Terese stated that 1995 dues notices went out in the December newsletter and reminded all to pay their 1995 dues. Fifteen members have paid to date. There will be a walk-around at the end of January to remind in-house members and another reminder in May/June for others. The 4 sustaining members are SeaBeam, Simrad Mesotech, Racal-Decca and Datasonics. Mike Crutchlow suggested approaching Aerodat to become a sustaining member.

H20 Bonspiel: Brian Power gave a brief report on the bonspiel plans. The H20 will be held on February 11 at the Dundas Granite Curling Club. The price remains \$25 for CHA members, \$30 for non-members, which includes ice time, dinner and prizes. The co-ordinator is Jacqueline Miles.

Seminars: Terese asked if there were any ideas for speakers. There is some interest in lunch-time speakers.

Lighthouse: Issue 50 will be ready in a few weeks. This issue will include a page of CHA member business cards; the spots sold for \$35. There have been some other delays with advertisers.

7) Other Business: Terese asked for suggestions/ideas on CHA hats. She brought in a sample (with another logo on it) which was generally well-received. Brian noted that we should get a computerized stitch so we can use it later for other items. Terese and Andrew will both be in the field from approximately 10 Feb to 19 April. In their absence Sean and Sam will share Acting V.P. duties and John Dixon will act as Secretary/Treasurer. Then there was some brief discussion about Hydrocomm coming up on Feb. 15 (not related to CHA business).

8) The business part of the meeting adjourned at 20:26.
- Moved B. Power/ H. Duller CARRIED

We then enjoyed an informative talk by Mike Crutchlow of CHS Central and Arctic Region on the present use of GPS and future trends in this technology. Mike brought in several GPS receivers to illustrate the rapid development of GPS equipment. After Mike's presentation we enjoyed the usual beer, pizza and socializing.

Jim Berry's column



Listening to Mike Crutchlow speaking about GPS systems at our last Branch general meeting reminded me of an article my sister sent to me when I turned 50. Why she must keep reminding me that I'm getting old I'll never know.

Anyway, I thought maybe some of you over-fifty survey types (yes, Ab, you can't stay 49 for ever) would enjoy this trip back to the "good old days". Maybe some of you younger geo-hydro-whatever you're called now surveyors can see how spoiled you are with all this new push button stuff. The article is called "For All Those Born Before 1945: Congratulations." I enjoyed it, hope you do too...

We are survivors !

Consider the changes we have witnessed. We were around before television, before penicillin, before polio shots, frozen foods, XEROX, contact lenses, frisbees, and the Pill.

We were before RADAR, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams, and ball point pens. Before panty hose, dishwashers, clothes dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip-dry clothes, and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first and then lived together!

In our time, closets were for clothes, not for coming out of. Bunnies were small rabbits, and rabbits were not Volkswagens. Designer Jeans were scheming girls named Jean or Jeanne, and having a meaningful relationship meant getting along with our cousins.

We thought fast food was what we ate during Lent, and outer space was the back of the Palace Theatre.

We were before house-husbands, gay rights, computer dating, dual careers, and computer marriages. We were before day care centres, group therapy, and nursing homes. We never heard of FM radio, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts, word processors; and yogurt. Time sharing meant togetherness, not computers or condominiums. A chip meant a piece of wood. Hardware meant hardware, and software wasn't even a word. Made in Japan meant junk, and the term making out referred to how you did on an exam. Pizzas, McDonald's, and instant coffee were unheard of.

We hit the scene when there were 5 and 10 cent stores where you bought things for 5 and 10 cents. The Jumbo sold ice cream cones for a nickel or a dime.

For one nickel you could ride the streetcar, make a phone call, buy a Pepsi, or enough stamps to mail one letter or two postcards. Gas was only 11 cents a gallon and you could buy a new Chevy coupe for \$600, but who could afford one?

Cigarette smoking was fashionable. Grass was mowed. Coke was a cold drink, and pot was something you cooked in. Rock music was a grandma's lullaby, and AIDS were helpers in the principal's office.

We were certainly not before the difference between the sexes was discovered, but were surely before the sex change. We made do with what we had. And we were the last generation to think you needed a husband to have a baby..

No wonder we are so confused, and there is such a generation gap today. But we survived. What better reason to celebrate?

Well I guess I'll polish up the old sextant, calibrate the leadline, and whittle some ash to make the oars a little lighter in preparation for the forthcoming sounding season. See you out on the lake.

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*** SPECIAL EVENT ***

Central Branch proudly presents the 24th Annual H2O Bonspiel. This will be held at The Dundas Granite Curling Club on Saturday 11th February 1995.

This is a fun bonspiel; even first-time curlers will enjoy it and are more than welcome. Your entry fee (\$30) includes curling, a roast beef dinner and (thanks to our generous sponsors) there will be prizes for everyone. Previous 'Spiels have been lots of fun, so mark the date on your calendar.

If you could be a sponsor please give Jacqueline Miles a call at (905) 336-4836. Sponsors are welcome to enter their own teams, so line 'em up and get 'em in.

Central Branch 1995 Budget

Anticipated Revenue:

Membership dues		\$ 4,050.00
70 Branch	@ \$ 30.00	\$2,100.00
30 Int'l	@ \$ 30.00	900.00
5 Sustaining	@ \$ 150.00	750.00
Sales		200.00
Advertising - NewsLetter		350.00
from reserves		410.00
Bank Interest		10.00
<u>Total income:</u>		<u>\$ 4,720.00</u>

Anticipated Expenditures:

National Dues	\$1,850.00
Postage	800.00
AGM	400.00
Members' Professional Development	300.00
Seminars	200.00
H2O Bonspiel	200.00
Newsletter	250.00
Barbecue	150.00
Wade Essay Award	500.00
Calligraphy	40.00
Bank Charges	30.00
<u>Total expenses:</u>	<u>\$ 4,720.00</u>