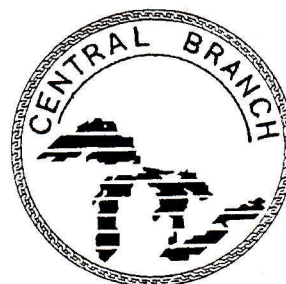


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NewsLetter/Web site

J. Weller, J. Berry, T. Herron, B. Power, L. Robbins,
K. Weaver.

Lighthouse

T. Herron, F. Oliff, P. Travaglini, R. Robitaille,
J. Sinclair, J. Weller.

Social Events

H₂O: J. Miles, B. Power, A. Leyzack.

BBQ: J. Miles, F. Oliff, A. Koudys.

AGM: T. Herron, F. Oliff, J. Miles, A. Leyzack,
A. Koudys.

International Members

F. Oliff, T. Herron, P. Knight, L. Robbins, J. Weller.

Membership/Nominations/Elections

A. Koudys, T. Herron, J. Berry, J. Biggar.

Seminar

T. Janzen, E. Lewis, F. Oliff.

Wade Essay Award

E. Lewis, P. Travaglini, A. Leyzack.

Admiralty Launch Surveyor

A. Leyzack, W. Warrender, J. Dixon, B. Power,
H. Duller, J. Miles.

Notes from the Branch Vice-President

As I sit at my desk, I can look across the hall through the window in Keith Weaver's office and tell that spring has arrived. If I step outside I can confirm that the benign weather has returned. Soon people's thoughts will turn to upcoming field assignments and where the spring winds will take them this year.

The 1998 Hydrographic conference, held in Victoria and hosted with great success by Pacific Region, has come and gone. As a last-minute addition to the list of attendees, I am happy to report that I survived, despite a bout with (what I suspect was) salmonella poisoning (Tim Janzen also got a mild case thanks to a pilfered piece of chicken from my plate!). There were many interesting talks and poster presentations; unfortunately to get to all the ones I was interested in required some rapid perambulation between the two venues. The after-hours entertainment, ranging from the B.C. Museum Tuesday night to the Sooke Loggers' presentation Wednesday night, gave the attendees a chance to mingle in a less formal setting than that allowed by the "stuffy" confines of the suit-and-tie conference centre!

About the health of the Branch; we are doing very well and membership is up. Dues aren't, but only because there have been so many retirement functions that the membership committee has not been able to go around and remind everyone to pay up please.

And last but certainly not least, a hearty welcome aboard to new members Janis Davies, Nick Stuijbergen, George McFarlane and Kevin Smith.

– Fred Oliff

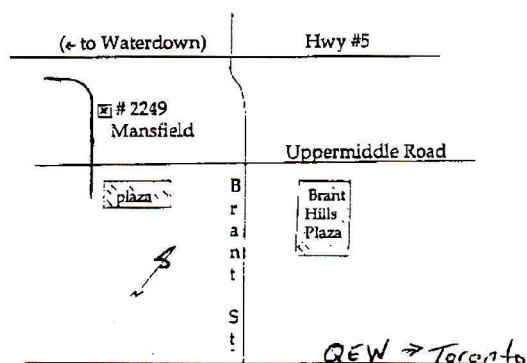
Next Meeting

The next Central Branch meeting will be held at 19:00 on Wednesday 22 April at Heimo Duller's residence: 2249 Mansfield Drive, Burlington.

The speaker, Dr. Walter Peace of the Geography Department at McMaster University, has agreed to come and speak to us about the Red Hill Creek Expressway project.

Our traditional beer and pizza will follow the talk.

Hope to see you there!



Central Branch 1998 Financial Statements

Balance forward December 31, 1996:	\$ 2,741.59
Receipts	
Membership Dues (1996)	\$ 60.00
Membership Dues (1997)	3,226.91
Membership Dues (1998)	30.00
Seminars (Cost Recovery)	37.80
AGM	1,070.00
H2O Bonspiel	1,518.02
Heritage Launch Mugs	10.00
Postage Refund	22.50
Heritage Launch	3,354.78
	\$ 9,330.01
Expenditures	
National Dues (1997)	\$1,340.00
Membership Certificates	79.35
Postage	680.60
NewsLetter Stationary	105.69
Seminars	278.45
AGM	1,447.86
BBQ	175.47
H2O Bonspiel	1,704.59
Launch Model	100.00
Heritage Launch	1,500.03
Professional Development '96	250.00
CIG MasterCard charges	18.12
	\$ 7,680.16
Working Balance December 31, 1997:	\$ 4,391.44

Lighthouse Convenience account

Balance forward December 31, 1996:	\$ 1,655.38
Receipts	
Subscriptions	\$1,589.45
	\$ 1,589.45
Expenditures	
Transfer to Lighthouse	\$1,800.00
Postage	891.90
	\$ 2,691.90
Working Balance December 31, 1997:	\$ 552.93

Launch Convenience account

Balance forward December 31, 1996:	\$ (909.35)
Receipts	
Museum of Civilization	\$1,000.00
Re-enactments	500.00
CNE Oceans	500.00
Charitable Account	341.26
Rindlisbacher Print Draw	358.00
BBQ Fund Raiser	655.52
	\$ 3,354.78
Expenditures	
Maintenance	\$ 722.19
Rindlisbacher Print Draw	75.00
Tarpaulin	525.00
Pamphlets	259.96
BBQ Fund Raiser	406.23
	\$ 1,988.38
Working Balance December 31, 1997:	\$ 457.05

Minutes of General Meeting of CENTRAL BRANCH held on 19 March 1998

1) This year's second General Meeting was held at Sam Weller's residence. Fred welcomed everyone, thanked Sam and Beth for their hospitality, and called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

Attendees:

Fred Oliff	- V.P. -Chair	
Brian Power	- A/Secretary	
Al Koudys	Sam Weller	Earl Brown
Heimo Duller	Keith Weaver	Jim Weedon
Ab Rogers	Bill Warrender	
Captain Kathie Rogers	(guest speaker)	

Regrets:

Terese Herron	Paola Travaglini	Andrew Leyzack
Tim Janzen	Jacqueline Miles	Ken Dixel.

Due to March school break, Jim Berry, Joe Delle Fave and John Medendorp were away with their families.

2) The minutes of the 28 January 1998 General Meeting were circulated in the January/February newsletter and were available at the meeting.

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3) Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was not presented at the meeting. Andrew Leyzack, Central Branch Treasurer, had not returned from holidays after attending the CHS Conference held last week in Victoria BC. Fred mentioned that Andrew gave the Central Branch year-end financial statements to the National Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting, held in Victoria during the week of the conference, and they would be published in our next NewsLetter.

4) Correspondence: Peter Knight visited CCIW in early March. Peter was returning home to New Zealand after spending time at Universal Systems Ltd. in Fredericton NB. Peter has been enjoying surfing in the land down under and reported having moved into his new house, only a five minute walk from the beach. Larry and Jane Robbins will be in the Burlington area for a few days in May, and we are planning to have a Branch social evening with them on 19 May at *Queen City Yacht Club* in Toronto. All members are welcome!

5) Committee Reports:

Membership: (Al Koudys) At the time of the meeting, 62 members had paid for 1998: 16 In-house, 11 Out-house, 13 International, 4 Life, 2 Sustaining, 1 Honorary, and 4 new members. Al reported that the membership committee was going to be more active in canvassing

Lighthouse: (Fred Oliff) Lighthouse Edition 56 is now ready and several copies were available at the CHA booth during the week of the conference in Victoria BC. Keith Weaver noted that this was the 1997 fall issue and that maybe shipping one issue or combining two

issues into one should be considered as one means of getting Lighthouse back on schedule. Brian suggested that this approach may pose difficulties with our advertisers. Fred relayed Terese Herron's comment that some articles are submitted late and hold up the publication. A general discussion pursued around the future of Lighthouse, and Fred mentioned that Elizabeth Sinclair is willing to lend a helping hand.

Social Events: (Brian Power) This year's Annual H2O Bonspiel was held at the Grimsby Curling Club on February 28th and the first place winners were Mike Telawski (skip), Peter Morden (vice), Jacqueline Murray (second) and Ann Smithson (lead). The second place rink was skipped by Mike Mawhinney, Jamie Lee (vice), Jackie Miles (second) and Jim Weedon as Lead. Many thanks to our sponsors, and to Jackie Miles for organizing the bonspiel.

Admiralty Launch Surveyor: (Brian Power) Since Andrew Leyzack was not available to report on the current activities of the Launch, it was suggested to refer to the minutes of our last meeting. Brian reported that the launch was still in storage and that once the good weather arrived a work schedule would be established and crew members would be called to duty. The first event of the season is set for the May long weekend in Ottawa, at the Festival of Spring. Brian also reported that Vic Suthren is organizing *Captain Owen's Tankard*, an event that will replace the Yeo Cup in August, but that he had no details at this time.

6) Up coming events: Fred reported that a speaker on Red Hill Creek Expressway Project has been contacted for the April 22 meeting. Category B hydrographic training program was mentioned but Andrew was not available to elaborate further.

7) Other Business: Brian reported on the Annual General Meeting held in Victoria BC on March 12th. Full minutes will be available to the branches shortly.

8) No other business, meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

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Sam introduced the evening's guest speaker, Captain Kathie Rogers of Nautical Adventures. Kathie gave us an illustrated overview of the charter/tour/cruise boat industry around Toronto Harbour, with a special focus on her company's own ships: the tall ship *Empire Sandy*, which is the largest sailing ship on the Great Lakes, and their 350-passenger cruise boat *Wayward Princess*. Brian thanked the speaker and presented her with a Heritage Launch T-shirt as a token of our appreciation. Many thanks, Kathie.

After the talk, the members enjoyed our traditional social time with beer and pizza.

27th Annual H₂O Bonspiel

The 27th Annual H₂O Bonspiel was hosted by the Grimsby Curling Club on February 28, 1998. Twenty-four curlers participated in this annual event and the winning rink was skipped by Mike Telawski. Mike's team members were Peter Morden as vice, Jacqueline Murray as the second, and Ann Smithson playing lead. The second-place rink was skipped by Mike Mawhinney, Jamie Lee at vice's position, Jacqueline Miles at second, and Jim Weedon playing lead.

Many thanks to the Grimsby Curling Club for providing the excellent ice conditions and catering service which made our bonspiel such a great success. A very special thank you goes to this year's bonspiel co-ordinator Jacqueline Miles and her committee members: Andrew Leyzack and Brian Power.

The Prizes were numerous and exceptionally well chosen. Thanks to our generous sponsors, there were prizes for everyone.

The H₂O Bonspiel organizing committee would like to acknowledge and thank the donors who generously contributed to our prize table and made this event such a success:

Terra Surveys Ltd.
Kev-Tech Associates
RC Marine Electronics
Kongsbert Simrad Mesotech Ltd.
The Drafting Clinic
McQuest Marine
Universal Systems Ltd.
CHS, Central Region
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"Where did they put all their stuff?"

The *Matthew* is in town!



The good ship "Matthew" alongside in Hamilton.

As part of the celebration of 500 years since the discovery of Newfoundland, the replica of John Cabot's ship *Matthew* sailed from Bristol to Newfoundland and then visited several communities around North America.

In October, the *Matthew* visited Hamilton and berthed at the *Royal Hamilton Yacht Club*. Heimo Duller and Brian Power joined the throng of interested people visiting the vessel during her one day stop over. The *Matthew* was heading for Toronto, where she has since been laid up for the winter.

The *Matthew* is scheduled to visit Hamilton again on 25 to 27 May. Our launch *Surveyor* has been asked to take part in this event and will be on display beside *Matthew* at the *Royal Hamilton Yacht Club*. Volunteers are always welcome, so if you are interested in helping, please let Andrew know.

Larry and Jane Robbins will be in this part of Canada 18 to 20 May. Maybe they could extend their visit by a week and help row *Surveyor* across Hamilton Harbour?