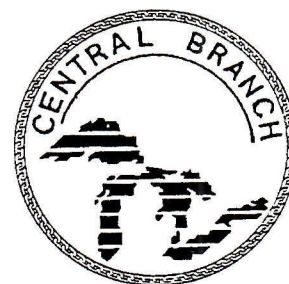


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Communications and Publicity

Newsletter: - J. Weller, T. Janzen, F. Oliff,
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Web Site: - J. Weedon.
Lighthouse: - A. Leyzack, H. MacArthur, J. Walker.

Membership

Branch: - B. Power, T. Janzen, G. McFarlane.
International: - T. Janzen.
Elections: - T. Janzen, S. Youngblut.

Admiralty Launch Surveyor

B. Power, E. Brown, J. Dixon, H. Duller,
T. Janzen, A. Leyzack, W. Warrender, J. Weedon.

Education and Development

Gerry Wade Memorial Library: -
T. Janzen, A. Leyzack.
Meetings: - H. MacArthur, G. McFarlane, J. Walker.

2003 Side Scan course: -

T. Janzen, A. Leyzack, C. Robinson

Social Events

H2O: - E. Brown, J. Leyzack, B. Power.
BBQ: - G. McFarlane, T. Janzen.
AGM: - F. Oliff, H. MacArthur, T. Janzen,
J. Weedon, S. Youngblut.

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Notes from the Branch Vice-President

Hi, it's me again!

Well, it looks like summer may have finally arrived, possibly. It must be so, because I have finished my yearly ritual of planting annuals (the little sticks in the plant boxes say "Perennial", but I have an uncanny talent for turning perennials into annuals), and the trees are now recognizable as leafed creatures. All this seasonal activity reminds me of the fact that the survey season is advancing at a dead gallop, and for me, that means gearing up once again for work in the waters adjacent to the treeless tundra and rock of the Canadian Arctic.

May 22nd also marked the commencement of the CHA summer meeting doldrums. Aside from the annual barbecue, we will not meet again until October; a meeting I will not likely be attending. If all goes according to plan, I should be finishing up in the Arctic about that time and making my way to Calgary for the Canadian Institute of Geomatics conference. There, I will be sitting in on seminars and serving on a panel, and (hopefully) helping to resolve some issues relating to hydrography and the offshore in Canada - stay tuned, I hope to be able to give you an update on that in the fall.

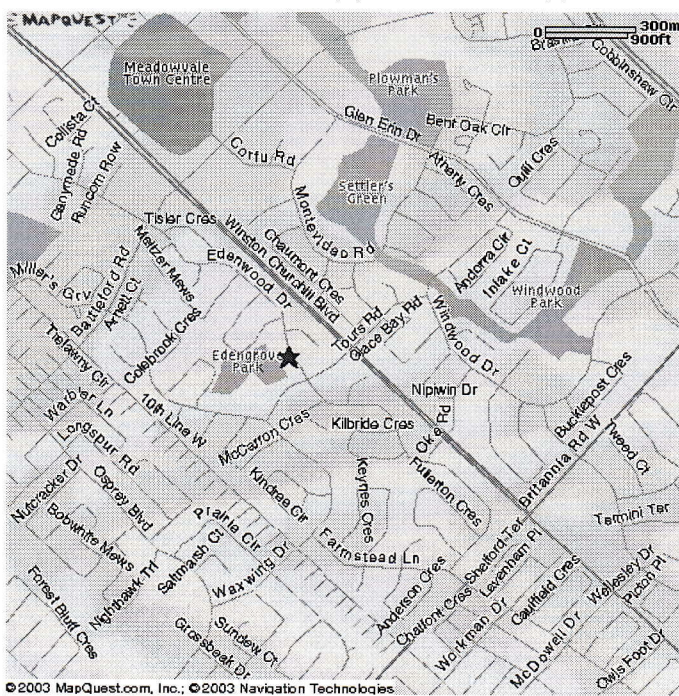
Well, that's all I have to say for now. If I don't see you at the barbecue I wish you all well in your endeavours, travels or relaxation, as the case may be for you.

Have fun, play safe...and happy hydrography!

- Tim.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting is our annual summer barbecue, this year at the McFarlane residence, 6420 Edenwood Drive, Mississauga on Saturday June 28th (rain date Sunday June 29th), at 1:00 p.m. Food, fixings and beverages (plus sunshine, hopefully) will be provided, but please bring your lawn chair and either an appetizer, munchies, or a salad. CHA members, families and friends are invited. Hope to see you there for a day of fun in the sun! More information: Branch VP Tim Janzen, at 905-336-4846 (w), or 905-309-4220 (h).



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Central Branch Treasurer's Report
31 December 2002 to 21 May 2003

Balance forward December 31, 2002: \$ 44,138.92

Receipts

Membership Dues (2003)	\$ 3,569.40
H2O Bonspiel	1,481.79
AGM Sponsorship/Refund	127.00
CHC 2002 Proceedings	22.41
Side Scan Course	16,160.36
Bank interest	8.48
	\$ 21,369.44
	\$ 65,508.36

Expenditures

Postage	\$ 301.16
Seminars and meetings	241.67
Cheque re-order	37.14
H2O Bonspiel ice and catering	1,613.95
NewsLetter Paper	126.12
Side Scan Course	12,336.72
Transfer of Multibeam Surplus	26,211.36
Credit Card Expenses	84.09
Gerry Wade Library	86.07
	\$ 41,038.28

Working balance 21 May 2003: \$ 24,470.08

Note: To help the Lighthouse Editorial team and the Admiralty Launch Surveyor Committee, the Central Branch treasurer handles some of their income and expenditures (reported below). The balance is held available and is passed on as required.

Lighthouse Convenience account

Balance forward 31 December 2002 \$ 6,144.91

Receipts

Subscriptions	\$ 1,005.11
	\$ 1,005.11
	\$ 7,150.02

Expenditures

Stationery	\$ 66.79
	\$ 66.79

Working balance 21 May 2003: \$ 7,083.23

Admiralty Launch Surveyor Convenience account

Balance forward 31 December 2002: \$ 897.90

Receipts

Heritage Launch Rental fee	\$ 500.00
	\$ 500.00
	\$ 1,397.90

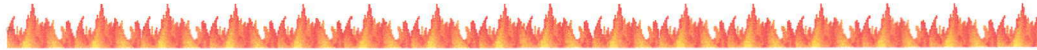
Expenditures

Oars	\$ 350.00
	\$ 350.00

Working balance 21 May 2003: \$ 1,047.90

ANNOUNCING THE 2003
CANADIAN HYDROGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION
CENTRAL BRANCH

ANNUAL BARBEQUE!!



Date: Saturday, June 28th

Time: 1:00 p.m.

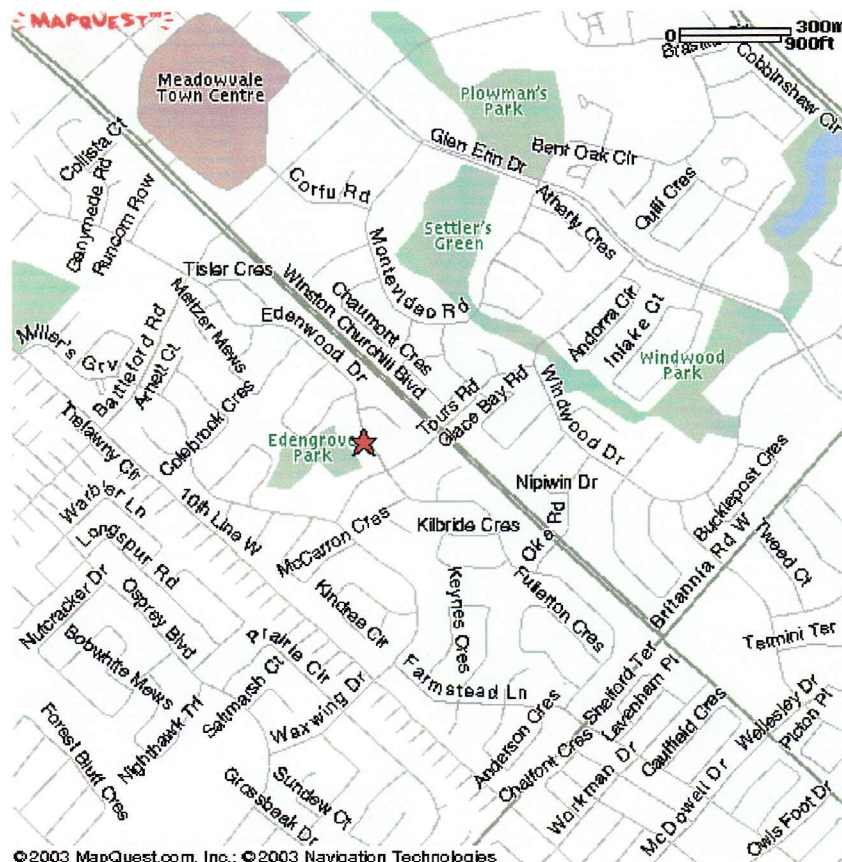
Place: The McFarlane residence in Mississauga
All CHA members, families and friends are invited to attend



Hotdogs and hamburgers with
all the fixings, plus beer, wine
and pop will be provided. Please
bring either an appetizer, munchies,
salad, or dessert and a lawn chair.



Location: 6420 Edenwood Drive, Mississauga



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Minutes of General Meeting of CENTRAL BRANCH held on 22nd May 2003

1) The meeting was held at the residence of Tim Janzen. Tim thanked himself for his hospitality and called the meeting to order at 19:02.

Attendees:

Tim Janzen - VP- Chair
F. Oliff – Secretary J. Walker -Treasurer
D. Dexel B. Power L. Liatukas
K. Dexel C. Robinson A. Rogers
E. Brown H. MacArthur M. Crutchlow
G. McFarlane S. Weller D. Mahaffy
H. Duller
Regrets: T. Herron, A. Leyzack
Guest Speaker- Tony Sani of Sani International Technology Advisors Incorporated

2) Minutes of the 30th April meeting were available. It was noted that the minutes circulated at the meeting were not exactly the same as those published in the Newsletter.

Motion to accept the minutes:

- Moved G. McFarlane/E. Brown CARRIED

3) Treasurer's Report: J. Walker presented the Treasurer's Report. Motion to accept the report:

- Moved D. Mahaffy/B. Power CARRIED

4) Correspondence: (T. Janzen) Tim replied to a not fully understood request for "a letter of authority for membership" from Nigeria from one Akintunde Akinsola. No further correspondence has been received as yet.

5) Committee Reports:

Admiralty Launch Surveyor: (B. Power) The launch recently participated in the Upper Canada Trade Faire at Odessa, in a static exhibit. The next event is June 6-8 at Port Hope for their 210th Birthday, celebrating the landing of the Loyalist founders. This will be a paid event with a wrinkle concerning third-party liability rider on our insurance policy. These issues still need to be resolved before *Surveyor* can participate.

The launch still requires some maintenance; supplies are in place but manpower is required. A rotten rib will need replacing and, as noted in last month's newsletter, Les Peer has reserved us some space in a local boat repair shop to do the repair work.

Two long-standing events have been cancelled but we are still scheduled to participate at Goderich in September. In addition, there may be two other opportunities as well as a welcoming ceremony for the *Haida* when she is moved to Hamilton later in the summer.

ACTION: How are we affected by the new Small Craft Regulations, especially as they pertain to "boats for hire"? Chair to look into this item.

Gerry Wade Library: (T. Janzen) The publishers of Hydro International, GITC, have compiled Admiral (Ret.) Steve Ritchie's column "As It Was" into a book, which we have purchased for the library. Mike Crutchlow has kindly offered to donate another copy of the books on side scan sonar, mentioned in the February minutes.

Meetings: (H. MacArthur) The speaker for the October 8th meeting will be David Lawrence speaking about the move of the *Haida*. Heather has yet to confirm Hans Biberhofer about speaking to us in November.

Sidescan Course: (T. Janzen for A. Leyzack) The course was full, with one cancellation due to the SARS alert in Toronto. A problem with payment was noted.

Lighthouse: (T. Janzen and E. Brown for A. Leyzack) A proof was received to mixed reviews from the Lighthouse team. Transferring from PageMaker to Quark and from PC-based to Macintosh-based software is causing some grief as the proof we sent does not seem to match the version we got back. Regardless of this, the forecast for a delivery date in the first week of June is still very much real.

Membership: (B. Power) There are currently 77 paid-up members of Central Branch. There are nine new members this year, with possibly two more in the works, as well as a possible new Corporate member. This includes 33 in-house, 20 out-of-house, 12 international, 4 life, 1 honorary and 7 of the 10 Corporate (formerly Sustaining) members. Receipts and cards are being sent out. The next edition of the newsletter will contain a reminder that some member's dues are now in arrears.

ACTION: Corporate members will receive a letter or an invoice from Tim and/or Brian.

Web-site: (T. Janzen for J. Weedon) The new address is now up and running (www.hydrography.ca) The existing site has been transferred over to the new site, and a link has been established to re-direct users of the older site. Jim will attend to his web-master duties once he has returned from Revisory survey duty.

6) Other Business: (T. Janzen) The CHA has been consulted about the Canada Marine Discovery Centre being constructed in Hamilton Harbour and will contribute a period lead line to the site. A. Leyzack and B. Power recently attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

7) The business part of the meeting adjourned at 19:50.

- Moved D. Mahaffy/F. Oliff CARRIED

Our guest speaker, Tony Sani of Sani International, provided us with a very informative computer-assisted demonstration on acquiring accurate Arctic shoreline from satellite-based remote sensing systems and ERDAS software.

After the talk, we enjoyed a non-traditional sausage and hamburger feast, beer, wine and discussion.

Annual Conference of the Canadian Institute of Geomatics

The 96th Annual Conference of the *Canadian Institute of Geomatics, Geomatics for Industry - Micro to Macro*, is on October 16-18, 2003 at the Fairmont Palliser Hotel in Calgary, Alberta.

There have been numerous advances in technology and skills associated with geomatics. The Conference offers an open forum where geomatics professionals can see and share the latest developments in geomatics services available in Canada.

The Conference offers a fine opportunity for speakers to showcase innovative methods and offer practical solutions to a variety of geomatics problems.

Geomatics for Industry - Micro to Macro promises to be an outstanding professional event. For further details, please visit their web site at www.cig-acsq.ca.

ADMIRALTY LAUNCH *Surveyor*

This summer's calendar of events is getting shorter as many re-enactments suffer from the effects of 9-11. Our participation at many historical events has been severely limited by our insurance coverage, which prevents the launch from participating in an event where gunpowder would be used on board. Over the last ten years, the launch has taken part in many naval re-enactments portraying the French and English Wars and the War of 1812.

The first event of the year was on May 9-11 at the Upper Canada Trade Faire, Brentwood Farm, Odessa, Ontario. The Upper Canada Trade Faire is a timeline event for the period from the 1750's to the 1860's. It is open to all who exhibit, produce crafts or demonstrate the lifestyle of this era. The Upper Canada Historical Association presents the event and one of the event organizers is John Dixon, fellow CHA member and sailor aboard *Surveyor*. The Friday is an educational day where schoolchildren from the surrounding areas are invited to attend. Ken Dixel and Brian Power accompanied the CHA heritage launch *Surveyor* and spent the weekend living in canvas tents, cooking meals prepared over the open fire, and meeting with the public. *Surveyor* always attracts a lot of attention and provides an excellent opportunity to talk about hydrography and the role chart-making played in the early history of Canada.

Port Hope 210 Anniversary Celebrations June 7th-8th: To celebrate the town's 210th birthday, Port Hope is re-enacting the arrival of the first families, who arrived on June 8, 1793 aboard a two-masted gunboat, the *Mississauga*, captained by Mr. Joseph Bouchette. The Committee organizers asked *Surveyor* and her crew to take part in this event by bringing the founding families ashore from one of the tall ships also taking part in the birthday celebrations.

Gun Boat Weekend – June 21-22nd at Mallorytown Ontario: This takes place on the shores of the St. Lawrence River and offers small boats and their crews the opportunity to demonstrate their seamanship skills. In the past, some of *Surveyor's* crew attended without the boat; plans were in the works to bring the launch this year but unfortunately we received word that the event has been cancelled.



Two land-locked sailors: Harry Needham (Living History consultant and Crew Member) and John Dixon (CHA member and Event organizer)

Wasaga at War – "An 1812 Experience" July 25th, 26th and 27th: The historical Military Establishment of Upper Canada and the Town of Wasaga Beach are planning a re-enactment on the historical site of Nancy Island. Plans are in the works but our role is not yet finalized.

Festival of the Islands Gananoque, Ontario – 1812 Heritage Days Weekend, August 15th, 16th and 17th: Another great event on the St. Lawrence River but once again the organizers have had to cancel this year's event. The launch committee will be looking for another event to attend in the month of August.

Marine Heritage Festival 2003 – September 19th, 20th and 21st: This is an annual event organized by the town of Goderich, located on the shores of Lake Huron. The CHA was approached by Jan Hawley to display its Heritage Launch at this year's event, and the offer has been accepted. As a matter of interest, it was Jan Hawley who submitted the cover story of the Goderich Lighthouse for Edition 62 Fall / Winter 2002 of our CHA journal Lighthouse.

HYDRO 2003: The Fourth Australasian Hydrographic Symposium

Preparations for HYDRO 2003 are progressing well. All the commercial exhibit spaces are now spoken for and most sponsorship opportunities have been taken up. The call for papers has produced a superfluity of response and the papers and presentations are currently being selected. Rooms at the Holiday Inn (the conference venue) in Christchurch are filling up (but there is a backup hotel within walking distance).

The Conference Committee meets by teleconference once a month, which allows for members 1,000 km distant (the north-south extent of the country) to work together. Australian members have also participated in these organizing efforts. A least one Australian naval vessel will honour us with a visit to Lyttleton (Christchurch's main shipping terminal) during the conference. The Australasian Hydrographic Society extends a warm invitation to CHA members to join us in Christchurch and offers thanks for your interest and support.

Come join us at **HYDRO 2003** on Nov.24-26, 2003, Christchurch, New Zealand. For more information please contact:

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