



**The Alpine Club of Canada - 2004 Annual General Meeting
4:00 PM Saturday, May 15th, 2004
Policeman's Creek Seniors Centre, 600 9th St., Canmore**

1. Call to Order and Welcome (D. Toole)

D. Toole welcomed everyone to the meeting at 4:00p.m. and thanked Rocky Mountain Section members Val Sullivan, Gayle Buckle and Howard Buckle for setting up the room and refreshments for the meeting.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion by R. Plasman, seconded by C. Hannigan: that the agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

3. Adoption of the Minutes of the 2003 AGM

Motion by R. Plasman, seconded by R. Scholtz: that the 2003 AGM minutes be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. Executive Committee Reports

a. Treasurer (G. Currie)

G. Currie reported that the ACC is currently looking at a loss of 35K for the 2004 financial year.

He discussed 3 initiatives:

1. The production of the Annual Report has allowed for better communication with members, and acknowledgement of donors, and for outlining Club activities in the year. He thanked Suzan Chamney for her contributions.
2. The current fundraising campaign. He discussed details of the \$60K donation that was made to kick off this initiative.
3. An offer from the Southern Alberta Hostelling Association to purchase the ACC's share of The Canadian Alpine Centre. While the offer is interesting, he mentioned it was unlikely the Club would accept the offer.

Motion by G. Currie, seconded by N. Bosch

That the 2003 audited financial statements be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Motion by G. Currie, seconded by K. Sandford

That the firm “Czechowsky and Graham” be appointed auditors for the 2004 financial year.

CARRIED

Secretary (R. Plasman)

R. Plasman spoke regarding benefits of membership. He discussed the formation of a new membership committee. He also stated this is a challenging time for the club, and evaluating and communicating what the ACC does for its members is key.

V.P. Facilities (C. Hannigan)

C. Hannigan mentioned that permission was granted by Parks Canada to rebuild the Fay Hut and that donations have been made to do so. He discussed the Elk Lakes cabin proposal and the new opportunities the area presents for climbing. C. Hannigan also said a donor has come forward expressing possible interest in providing funds to help rebuild the Toronto cabin.

V.P. Activities (C. Roe)

C. Roe outlined the National Activities program, which involves 350 ACC members and 100 field guides. C. Roe thanked all the volunteers for making ACC Activities successful. He also thanked Ron Andrews and Masten Brolsma for their volunteer contributions to the club. He recognized staff member N. Hansen and thanked her for her contributions to the club.

He announced the Karl Nagy scholarship winner for 2004 is Felix Camire. He mentioned that the scholarship award winner attends a week at the General Mountaineering camp to follow guides and “learn the culture”. A moment of silence was observed in memory of D. Forest, G. Stephanik and B. Engigo.

V.P. Services (D. Zemrau)

D. Zemrau announced the recent addition of D. McCormick as the chair of the Safety Committee. M. Mortimer is the new North American representative to the UIAA. He noted that International Ski Mountaineering and Competition Climbing are doing well and growing in membership.

V.P. Access & Environment (P. Muir)

P. Muir reported that a recent NAECC meeting held May 4th was a success. Such meetings are held regularly and are assisting sections in dealing with local issues.

5. Section Rep Introductions (Section Reps)

D. Toole asked the Section Reps to stand and introduce themselves.

6. National Office Report (B. Keith)

B. Keith spoke to the issue of staff trying their best to cope with an ever-increasing workload. He announced staff member Nancy Hansen’s departure and Lawrence White’s new position with the Club as Director of Facilities. He thanked the National office staff for their dedication and commitment.

7. Awards (R. Plasman/P. Geddes)

Awards were presented to the 2003 award recipients that attended the AGM. Award winners were announced along with a summary of contributions they made to the Club, as follows:

ACC Leader Award

Doug Fulford, Rocky Mountain Section

Silver Rope For Leadership Award

Roger Marchand, Edmonton Section

Steve Pasmény, Calgary Section

Paul Geddes, Toronto Section

ACC Service Award

Jackie Clark, Rocky Mountain Section

Kit Moore, Toronto Section

Doug Rennie, Unaffiliated

Distinguished Service Award

Chris Bradley, Vancouver Section

Nancy Hansen, Rocky Mountain Section

Thomas Haslam-Jones, Montreal Section

Enid Higham, Edmonton Section

David McCormick, Saskatchewan Section

Edwina Podemski, Edmonton Section

Renee Polziehn, Edmonton Section

Mary Rode, Vancouver Section

Murray Toft, Calgary Section

8. Other Business

ACC Centennial (M. Mortimer)

M. Mortimer distributed copies of and discussed the brochure he produced regarding the upcoming Centennial events, and mentioned that John Wheeler has agreed to be the Patron of the 2006 Mountain Guides Ball.

9. Other

Richard Guy spoke regarding a move to merge the Southern Alberta and BC Hostelling Associations. He discussed the benefits of Hostelling International and urged people to become acquainted with what is going on. D. Toole addressed R. Guy's questions and assured him that a committee headed by G. Currie has been established to handle his concerns regarding the item raised in #4 above. D. Toole thanked R. Guy for bringing this subject to his attention.

10. Adjournment (D. Toole)

Motion by R. Plasman, seconded by C. Roe to adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.