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Tue Apr 23, 2013

Leader: **Bob St.John**

Co-Leader:

The meeting began with introductions and the question: *Have you led trips, do you intend to lead trips?*. Bob outlined that this trip leaders group has an advisory capacity to the Board of Directors.

Agenda

1. Who can attend and vote at future meetings?
2. Who can become a leader?
3. Assistant or co-leaders a good idea?
4. Review of the past winter hiking season.
5. Personal Locator Beacon... how should we be using it?
6. Compensation for drivers review
7. Other items

1. Who can attend and vote at future meetings?

- Any member can attend, no restrictions suggested.
- Any member in good standing who attends the meeting can vote.

2. Who can become a leader?

Much discussion about this question. Points raised include:

- Is there a policy for dealing with members wanting to lead a trip beyond their capability?
- Suggestions:
 - That there be a current first aider on every trip; add a column in the member list to show who has current first aid certification
- For now anyone who wants to lead a trip for the first time will need to co-lead with an experienced leader
- Recommendations for new trip leaders will be made to the Trips Director (Tim Penney)

Moved by Bob St. John: ***To become a leader, a member in good standing must successfully co-lead a minimum of 3 trips with an experienced leader before being considered as a leader.*** Seconded by Geoff Brameld. All in favour.

This motion will be reviewed at the fall meeting. All current leaders are grandfathered-in whether they have completed this process or not.

Bob will update the website so that only people who are leaders will be listed as such. Bob will post an update about co-leaders to the forum.

Discussion points for becoming a leader:

- New leaders contact our Trips Director with a list of trips they would like to lead
- Basic requirements could be amount of time in the club, and co-leading a certain number of trips.

- Important for club members to know what to expect from a trip leader
- Have a process for new leaders to get involved
- Want to encourage more members to become leaders

The directors at their next meeting will consider forming a committee to further define parameters for becoming a trip leader. They will report their recommendations at the fall Trip Leaders Meeting.

3. Assistant or co-leaders a good idea?

Agreement that having co-leaders and/or assistants on trips is a good idea. Continue to look for ways to introduce new co-leaders and/or assistants into the club roster.

All co-leaders are expected to read the existing club documentation. Current leaders must be open to accepting and/or recruiting co-leaders

4. Review of the past winter hiking season

Concern was raised about the club not having policies regarding avalanche training for those going out in winter. Until now there has been no precedent for requiring training as the snowpack is often stable. Revisit this concern in the fall.

Carol to post a poll on the website inviting members to indicate preferred courses and dates available. This will give an indication of club interest.

5. Personal Locator Beacon... how should we be using it?

Bob provided an overview of why the club chose to purchase a ResQLink rather than a SPOT. The ResQLink has a stronger signal (5 watt vs 0.5 watt), a battery life of 5 years, and is more economical over 5 years.

Moved by Bob St. John that ***The Board of Directors may require a leader to take a Personal Locator Beacon (PLB) on a club trip.*** Seconded by Allen Wells. All in favour.

It is *recommended* that trip leaders take along a PLB on all trips, however some trips will be designated as *mandatory* for carrying a PLB.

Trip leaders who do not own a PLB may sign out our ResQLink, which will be stored at the home of Juanita Wells. (2110 Piercy Ave, Courtenay, BC. Home phone: 250-338-9234, Cell phone is 250-792-2775 call or text. The PLB can be left in her mailbox for easy pick up and return).

Bob will update the website to implement the use of our PLB.

6. Compensation for drivers review

Moved by Bob St. John that ***The suggested driver compensation/person will be:***

- 10 cents per kilometre for pavement,
- 20 cents per kilometre for gravel road, and
- 25 cents per kilometre for 4-wheel drive.

Seconded by Ken Rodonets. All in favour. This will be revisited after at the fall meeting.

7. Other items:

Request from Phil Zander show of interest

Carol Hunter brought forward a request from Phil Zander asking if CDMC leaders would be willing to lead some hikes with the [Valley Outdoor Association](#) (VOA) who may be coming to Vancouver Island

from the mainland. There was a preliminary show of interest. These trips could be posted as club trips since the VOA is also a member of the FMCBC.

TimberWest agreement is completed.

We recently received an agreement from Timber West for our trips up the Comox Lake Logging Road this summer. No word yet on whether we will get a key to the gate, or whether there will be a guard.

85th Anniversary of CDMC coming up!

Pam Munroe suggested that the 85th anniversary of the club be celebrated at the next Potluck Dinner in October with a special cake. Others may choose to organize other events. To be discussed at the next Directors Meeting.

Subsequent to this meeting, the Board of Directors approved the recommendations and motions as listed above. These will be implemented in a timely fashion with posts to the Forum notifying members.

Thanks to all who turned out to this important meeting! We hope even more members will show up to the next one in the fall.

Thank-you Marie for recording the minutes, and to the directors for their consideration of these matters. I will get started on the required website changes next week... for now we are off kayaking!...

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