COMOX DISTRICT MOUNTAINEERING CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES February 19, 2015

The 2015 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Comox District Mountaineering Club (CDMC) was held at Creekside Commons, 2202 Lambert Drive, Courtenay, BC. Doors opened at 6:30 p.m.

Pam Munroe opened the meeting at 7 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

1. Approve the Agenda

Pam Munroe presented the agenda for the 2015 CDMC AGM. Bob St. John moved to accept the agenda. Sheila Ord seconded the motion. Carried.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2014 CDMC AGM

Tim Penney moved to accept the minutes of the 2014 AGM. Don Kulak seconded the motion. Carried.

Bob St. John asked for an update on the possibility of the Fish and Game Club getting Timber West approval to use a card pass for access to areas around Comox Lake. Otto Winnig replied that the Fish and Game Club is hoping for year round access but is still negotiating with Timber West. He will inform CDMC if anything changes.

3. President's Report

The President's Report was circulated previously with the meeting package. Pam Munroe referred to a few highlights:

- CDMC has signed a Partnership Agreement with BC Parks. The new agreement is due by mid April so she asked members to consider work parties within the boundaries of Strathcona Park.
- There has been a shortage of trips this year because not enough people are willing to lead hikes. The Directors will meet to discuss this.
- The Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC (FMCBC) will hold their AGM at the Filberg Centre in Courtenay May 22 to 24, 2015. This is an opportunity for CDMC to showcase our club and the valley. Volunteers are need for billets, food and to lead hikes.

4. Financial Report

Glenn Ord presented the Financial Reported. He noted that the club is healthy financially with a surplus of about \$7500 in the bank. Total income for the year was approximately \$5900, expenses of about \$4900, leaving a surplus of \$1000. He encouraged members to donate to Search and Rescue when they pay their annual CDMC fees. Last year CDMC members contributed \$584 to Search and Rescue.

Carol Hunter moved that the Financial Report be received as presented. Paula Field seconded the motion. Carried.

5. Fee Motion

Pam Munroe read the motion as it was presented in the AGM package.

That the membership fees for CDMC be changed as follows:

Adult (19 years or older) \$32 per year

Guest (19 years of older) \$5 per year (Payable at time of signing the waiver and refundable toward a regular membership.)

Minor under 19: free with Assumption of Risk paper form signed

Child under 16: same as Minor but accompanied by an adult at all times

Associate: \$15 (paid FMCBC dues to another club)

Bob St. John moved that the proposed new fee structure be accepted. Tim Penney seconded the motion.

Tim Penney questioned the \$5 guest fee. Bob St. John replied that it would cut down on the number of people who sign up but do not go on a trip. It is also a way to identify who is registering by using PayPal. People can be a guest one time only and then must join the club. He noted that the associate membership is not sanctioned by FMCBC but it is a way to help clubs grow and must be dealt with.

All in favour. Carried

6. Election of Directors

Don Munroe officiated over the CDMC elections. The following members were elected by acclamation:

Pam Munroe (President)

Tim Penney (Vice President)

Glenn Ord (Treasurer)

Bev Kulak (Secretary)

A slate of names for the remaining directors was presented and Otto Winnig nominated Ken Rodonets necessitating a vote for the remaining 5 positions. After a short speech by each candidate a vote was held. Five more Board Members were elected:

Amber Gargus

Don Kulak

Ken Rodonets

Juanita Wells

Otto Winnig

7. New Business

Allan Wells stated that new signs have been made for Indian Head to Panther Lake. He asked anyone hiking in those areas to take out a sign. He also noted that the cabin at Douglas Lake needs a 10 foot aluminum ladder.

Ken Rodonets advised that there would be an article about Don and Sylvia Apps in the next Cloudburst. William Wright wrote the article in collaboration with several others.

Pam Munroe noted that the Elder College has asked if CDMC would be willing to be a part of their hiking program. This would involve one hike per week for eight weeks. Members present agreed that the club should pursue this opportunity. Pam will send a message to members to see if this is enough interest in assisting in leadership of these hikes

8. Presentation to Bob St. John

Tim Penney made a presentation to Bob of a beautiful etched glass artwork in thanks for all the work he has done on the CDMC website.

Pam Munroe adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

After a short break Glenn and Sheila Ord presented an interesting slide show on their kayak and diving trip in Palau.