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Tue Jun 17, 2014

Leader: **Pam Munroe**

Co-Leader: **William Wright**

Friends & mountain mates of Phil gathered at Creekside to wish the young lad luck on his new adventure. After enjoying Phil's company in the club for over a decade, we all came to pay tribute to one of our more active participants despite being our eldest active member - in honour of this lofty status, CDMC presented Phil with a cake with reversed candles stating his planet tenure as 48!

The cake's salutation was done in red as a nod to Phil's passionate socialistic stance which runs a close second to his garden. When Phil toiled in the coal mines, as a young man, Ginger Goodwin was one of his early heroes and it was with great pride, several years ago, that he was able to summit his idol's mountain on a club trip.

Tim put together a superb photo collection of various trips that Phil had participated on, over the past 10 years. We played a game with each photo to see if anyone could guess where it was taken and even some stumped Phil although there was pictorial proof that he was there.

One of the items presented by Tim was a faraway salute to Phil via email - Chris, another of the club's active octogenarians, was wishing Phil well from his travels in Alaska.

The club also presented Phil with an original piece of art that was done in the form of a card, which everyone signed - the beautiful artwork was generously presented to the club by local artist & mountaineer, Clive Powsey (if anyone is looking for some local art from a Comox Valley resident, I would highly recommend a review of Clive's work).

The card depicted Albert Edward, which was a pinnacle of Phil's time with the club - just over 4 years ago, Phil nearing his 80th birthday, climbed to the summit of the Valley's highest peak in 15 hours (many folks, a lot younger than Phil, take 3 days to complete this 34 K, 1500 M task!).

A nice turnout at Creekside for Phil and even though Phil will be residing elsewhere, he'll not be terribly far away so we'll still have to put up with him from time to time.

Thanks to all who contributed and with all that Phil has recently been through, it was nice to see him have such a pleasant evening - he remarked at the end of the night that he really enjoyed himself and was very appreciative of everyone for a fine time.

[Here are the slide show pictures from the party presentation](#)



Plenty of food for snacking
[Tim Penney photo]



Beautiful Albert Edward card by Clive Powsey. Card shown with rotation corrected in Photoshop
[Tim Penney photo]



William prepares the candles
[Tim Penney photo]



A job well done!
[Tim Penney photo]



William, Phil & Pam
[Tim Penney photo]



Contemplation
[Tim Penney photo]



Encouragement
[Tim Penney photo]



Success
[Tim Penney photo]

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