

MINUTES: CDMC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
November 4, 2023

Location: Florence Filberg Centre, Courtenay

In Attendance: 29 current CDMC members plus four guests

Minutes of last AGM Meeting of November 5, 2022: President Ken Filliter called for a motion to adopt the minutes of the last AGM meeting, as presented. Deb Simpson so moved, seconded by John Gray. Motion carried.

Ken Filliter introduced the order of business for this AGM:

President's Report: 2023 recap and highlights

Financial Summary

Nominations and Vote for 2024 Board of Directors

Featured Speaker: Dr. Malcolm McAdie, Marmot Recovery Foundation

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

CDMC Activities and Highlights this year, to October 31:

102 total outings so far: 67 day hikes; 6 backpack trips; 12 snowshoe trips;
7 work parties; 6 skills workshops; 4 social and educational events.

Highlights included the Moat Lake Bridge replacement, the VI Trail Presentation, and the Club BBQ.

Appreciation of CDMC Trip Leaders:

Ken drew attention to the core of trip leaders who had made this such a successful year. The majority of the trips were hosted by the same six trip leaders. He called on members to consider becoming leaders as more are needed.

CDMC 2028 Challenge:

Members were reminded of the ongoing 2028 Challenge. To celebrate the club's upcoming 100th anniversary, complete one (or both!) list(s) of hikes by the end of 2028: 28 Day-Tripper hikes; 20 Explorer hikes. Ken announced that there is already a finisher.

Members were invited to suggest additional 2028 celebration ideas.

Wilderness Navigation/First Aid/Avalanche Training:

Subsidies are available for these: \$100 for active leaders; \$50 for active co-leaders; \$25 for members.

Appreciation of Volunteers:

Ken expressed thanks to a core of important volunteers.

--Eamonn Ryan, Webmaster

--Mickie Donley, Bookkeeper

--Julianna Wells, Membership and Yarns from the Tarns Newsletter

--Gary Hanson, Social Media

CDMC Financial Summaries for 2021 and 2022:

These were briefly presented as background to this year's report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Yvonne Tinney presented the Financial Summary for 2023:

2023 was a solid year, financially. A small deficit for the year is due to a smaller Parks enhancement contribution than in the past two years; the club's absorption of the Mosaic trip-goer fees; and higher insurance and website costs.

Yvonne moved and Petra Strougal seconded that the financial summary be accepted.

The motion was carried.

ELECTION FOR CDMC BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2024

CDMC Member Don Munroe conducted this process. For the nine positions on the board there were eight incumbents and one vacant position. All incumbents expressed their willingness to stand again: Janet Beggs, Ken Filliter, Helen Jackson, Ken Rodonets, Deb Simpson, Ed Tickner, Yvonne Tinney, and Juanita Wells.

Dave Osmond was nominated to the board and accepted the nomination.

Don Munroe asked three times for any further nominations. There being none, he declared the nine above members elected by acclamation.

FEATURED SPEAKER:

Janet Beggs introduced guest speaker Dr. Malcolm McAdie, MSc, DVM, who is the Project Veterinarian and the Captive Breeding Coordinator with the Vancouver Island Marmot Recovery Foundation. Dr. McAdie gave a detailed and informative presentation on this highly endangered animal and the foundation's ongoing strategies to build its numbers. He noted that hikers can aid this work by reporting any marmot sightings they might experience on their backcountry trips.

CDMC expressed appreciation for Dr. McAdie's excellent presentation and made a financial contribution to this foundation, whose financial support comes largely from public donation.