

ACCVI 2023 Annual General Meeting

Draft Minutes 26 January 2023

Participants: 25 + in person at Swan Lake Nature Centre with additional 15 + by Zoom

Meeting Called to order at 7:37 pm, with recognition of the First Nation's on whose traditional territory we reside.

1. Adoption of agenda.

Moved: Mike Hubbard; Seconded Derek Sou. Carried. (Allison Caughey High Points will tag on to Janelle Curtis' IB Newsletter presentation.)

2. Adoption of Minutes of 2022 AGM (11 Feb 2022)

Moved: Gordon Kyle; Seconded: Peggy Taylor; Carried.

3. Reports for 2022

a. Report from Chair (David Lemon)

David Lemon gave a summary of achievements/newsworthy events over the last year. This included acknowledgement of recent IQ recipients (Eryn Tombu, Tiffany Cunha, Casey Matsudo, and Darryl Anderson) and Vancouver Island 6000er qualifiers (Barry Hansen, Rich Priebe, and Eryn Tombu). Catrin Brown was presented with the Distinguished Service Award. The passing of Robie Macdonald and Albert Hestler were remembered. Two people were accepted to the North Face Winter Leadership program (Josh Slatkoff and David Fishwick). The quality of the photos in the Photo Contest was noted and the participants/winners recognized. Several people stepping down from their executive/volunteer positions were recognized for their service (Peggy Taylor, Ian Sou, KT Shum, Neil Han).

b. Treasurer's Reports (Garth Stewart)

The budget for 2023 carries forward similar amounts from 2022. Of note includes the huge success of the BCMFF, the money coming in to the Memorial Fund, and allowance for full bursaries for youth attending summer camp. There is a healthy bottom line all round.

The following financial statements were presented and will be appended to these minutes:

- Balance Sheet for 2022 Year End
- Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual for 2022 Year End

- Elizabeth Parker Hut Summer Camp 2022, Summary and Refund Calculation
- Soprano Summer Camp 2022, Summary and Refund Calculation
- 2023 Draft Budget

Motion: That the Treasurer's Reports be accepted as presented: Moved Mike Hubbard; Seconded Keith ?: Carried.

c. Membership (Josh Slatkoff)

The written submission from Josh was presented, Josh being away at the NF Leadership Course. Generally membership over the last 5 years has held steady.

d. National Club Update (Christine Fordham)

The main things to note are their publications: The annual State of the Mountains Report, the 3 times yearly Gazette, and the bi weekly ACC Dispatch newsletter. For those interested, the Mountains 101 course is again being offered on line. This last year saw two women elected to their executive, Carine Salvy as Executive Director and Isabelle Daigneault as President. A brief written submission is appended to these minutes.

e. Education and Leadership Committee (Catrin Brown)

Catrin has been informally looking after the Education side of things. She presented the written report appended to these minutes. Among the items of note are that very few leaders have taken advantage of the course subsidies available to them. There has been a continued effort to encourage more trip leaders to lead trips. To this end please let the Education and Leadership Committee (Jane Maduke, Karun Thanjavur, KT Shum, Dylan Gothard, Christine Fordham and Catrin) know if you want to be added to the list of trip leaders.

f. Island Bushwhacker/High Points (Janelle Curtis/Allison Caughey)

The Island Bushwhacker comes out quarterly. The columns include Portrait View (about executive and volunteer personalities), Landscape View (about other clubs and organizations), Historical Photographs, Recommendations about media on nature and mountains, and information on Access and Environment. The BW Newsletter and BW Annual are always looking for submissions on member activities, which can also be posted to the Discussion Forum on the website.

The Bushwhacker Annual has extended the deadline for submissions an extra 2 weeks, to February 15. So far there are 4 submissions for Notes from the Section, 19 articles on Vancouver Island trips, 4 for the Mainland, and 3 for Distant Places. Last year the totals were 3, 28, 5 and 1 respectively.

2022 was a year of transformation for High Points. It transitioned from a monthly publication to a weekly publication, hence the new name “High Points Weekly”, regrouping outgoing information from all departments to avoid email overload and create a routine which members could count on. While it’s still a work in progress, we have already seen positive results. Part of the rationale for High Points was to keep members informed and up-to-date without bombarding them with emails. A look at the email notifications over the last 4 years bears this out:

- In 2020, we sent 87 emails to members.
- In 2021, we increased our email production to 91.
- In 2022, our email publications dropped to 67. (Down 24 from the previous year.)
- In 2023, we have mailed 7 messages to date

g. Environment and Access (Barb Baker)

Barb was not able to attend, however she did provide a detailed written report which is appended to these minutes.

h. BCMMF (Laura Darling)

Last year’s in person showing of the BCMFF was affected by the emergence of the omicron variant of covid-19. The planned showing in January had to be postponed to April, and then at only ½ capacity. In spite of that it was still a reasonable financial success. In contrast, this year’s showing should be back to pre-covid normal with 3 retailers and one business providing door prizes and several display planned for the foyer. Of interest the Fjallraven store on Government St has offered a 20% discount to ACCVI members. A short summary of the presentation is appended to the minutes.

i. Summer Camps 2022

- Soprano Peak (Laura Darling for Liz who is away). The camp was a success, although Family Week was not fully subscribed due to some last minute cancellations. A more detailed account is appended to the minutes.

This year’s summer camp will be at Bendor Mountain, south of Carpenter Lake in the Squamish-Lillooet area for 4 weeks starting July 16, 2023. The cost will be \$700.00.

- Elizabeth Parker Hut (Cedric Zala). Prior to 2016 the club made more use of hut camps in the Rockies. The 7 day camp was a great success with ascents of Victoria Pk, Hungabee Mountain and Mt Lefroy. We will try for the Wheeler

Hut in the Roger's Pass area this year, hopefully from Aug 13 – 30. Look for registration sometime in March.

k. Kids and Youth Program (Derek Sou)

This last year was a lean one as far as this program was concerned. However there was a successful (if not fully subscribed) Family Week summer camp, a Mt Cain ski trip and an Avalanche Skill Trailing course put on. Note: Derek will be stepping down from this responsibility in August and so will need to find someone to take over.

l. Equipment (Mike Hubbard)

Mike continues to look after the equipment stored in Victoria. Allison Caughey is looking after the up Island equipment stored in Courtney while Lindsay Elms is away. Erich Schellhammer is looking after the rock climbing equipment stored in Colwood. A more detailed report is appended to the minutes.

m. Website (Jane Maduke)

Ongoing work to maintain and update plug-ins etc by Jane and Evan Devault continues. The club's web domain has been extended for another 5 years.

n. Hut Committee (Martin Hofmann/Colleen Kasting)

The Hut had a good year after the covid closures. We now have a new booking system, having taken over this function from the National Club. The hut has been fairly solidly booked over the last year. Booking will be made available for 1 room or both, but not on a per bed basis. A lot of non members have made use of the hut. Some trail building from Cobalt Lake to the hut was undertaken. A new generator shed was constructed, making it much easier to start the generator than the previous set up on the balcony. We also have an auto start feature to keep the battery charged up. There are two bear proof food caches now, one by the lake and one near the hut. Improvements for the coming year include new advanced design composting toilet.

A detailed Income and Expense Report (separate from the clubs main financial accounting system) was provided by Colleen and is appended to the minutes.

4. New Business

No new business was introduced at this time.

5. Leadership Program and Awards (KT Shum)

In 2022 45 leaders contributed to 4 weeks of summer camp, 1 week at Lake O'hara, adding up to around 70 outdoor trips. Slide shows and talks accounted for 4 first time leaders. Prizes swags and badges were announced for all those accumulating 5 or more points for the year. Gordon Kyle presented those present with the awards, including Catrin Brown with an Arc'teryx jacket in recognition of her 22 points accumulated of leading trips, Peggy Taylor (17.5 points) and Martin Hofmann (15.5 points) were given Valhalla gift card for their effort. New leaders for 2022 were Geoff Bennett, Deniz Ayden, Kyle Bourquin and Andrew Cripps. The full listing will appear on the website in due course.

6. Nominations Report and Election (Graham Smith)

The current Chair, Treasurer and Secretary have agreed to stand for another year. A call was made to see if there were any additions. There weren't. Those positions were confirmed by acclamation. There were a few changes to the remainder of the list of executive nominees from last year. That list was shown on the screen. A call was made to see if there were any additional names to put forward. There weren't. A vote was taken for the entire "slate", and these positions were confirmed. The new executive and volunteers were welcomed.

Executive Nominations for 2023 are:

- Chair – David Lemon
- Secretary – Dave Suttill
- Treasurer – Garth Stewart
- Past Chair – Catrin Brown
- National rep – Christine Fordham
- Communications - Schedule – Karun Thanjavur
- Communications – Membership – Josh Slatkoff
- Island Bushwhacker Annual Editor – Janelle Curtis
- Island Bushwhacker Newsletter Editor – Janelle Curtis
- High Points Coordinator – **vacant**
- Access and Environment – Barb Baker
- Education – Allison Caughey
- Equipment – Mike Hubbard
- Kids and Youth Program – Derek Sou (until Aug)
- Summer Camp – Liz Williams
- Library and Archives – Tom Hall
- BCMFF – Laura Darling
- Website – Evan Devault

- Website – Jane Maduke
- Leadership Points – KT Shum
- Member at Large – Deniz Naydin

Volunteer Coordinators 2022

- Memorial Fund and First Nations Liaison – Geoff Bennett
- Historian – Lindsay Elms
- Trail Rider – Andrew Cripps
- Swan Lake Slide Show MC – Gordon Kyle
- Slide Show Tech – **vacant**
- Slide Show Hospitality – Sue Castle
- Discussion Forum/Discourse – Neil Ernst
- Climbing Equipment - Erich Schellhammer
- Equipment North Island – Lindsay Elms/Val Wootton
- Comox Lake Key Custodian – Val Wootton
- Summer Camp Committee – Jeff Beddoes
- Education – Ian Sou

- Hišimýawił General Manager - Martin Hofmann
- Hišimýawił Treasurer – Colleen Kasting
- Hišimýawił Hut Committee – Keith Battersby
- Hišimýawił Hut Committee – EJ Hurst
- Hišimýawił Hut Committee – Joanna Verano
- Hišimýawił Hut Committee - Roanne English
- Hišimýawił Hut Committee – Davis Griggs
- Hišimýawił Hut Committee – Rob Kelly

8. Other Business

Catrin was thanked for organizing and putting on the social hour leading up to the AGM.

Motion to adjourn the meeting (9:18). Moved Christine, Seconded Allison, Carried.

Executive Reports 2022

Treasurer - report and budget for 2023: Garth Stewart

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Accrual Basis

ACC Vancouver Island Balance Sheet 2022 Year End

	<u>31 Dec 22</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
Coast Capital Chequing	38,083.41
Odlum Brown Contingency Fund	
OB Contingency - Cash	3,000.00
OB Contingency - Fixed Income	10,146.55
Total Odlum Brown Contingency Fund	<u>13,146.55</u>
Odlum Brown Memorial Fund	
OB Memorial - Fixed Income	20,642.10
Odlum Brown Memorial Fund - Other	1,000.00
Total Odlum Brown Memorial Fund	<u>21,642.10</u>
Total Chequing/Savings	<u>72,872.06</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>72,872.06</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>72,872.06</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Deferred Revenue	-2,830.00
GST Payable	-478.26
Holding Funds	
Equipment Fund	10,812.53
Total Holding Funds	<u>10,812.53</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>7,504.27</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>7,504.27</u>
Total Liabilities	7,504.27
Equity	
Retained Earnings	58,619.63
Net Income	6,748.16
Total Equity	<u>65,367.79</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>72,872.06</u>

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Accrual Basis

ACC Vancouver Island
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
2022 Year End

	<u>Jan - Dec 22</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Banff Mountain Film Festival	13,633.83	5,000.00
Donations	851.00	0.00
Equipment Rentals	0.00	0.00
GST Rebate	1,614.15	1,600.00
Investment Funds Income	1,300.00	1,200.00
Membership Dues	9,977.50	9,000.00
Membership Dues GST	440.45	500.00
Miscellaneous Income	0.00	100.00
Total Income	27,816.93	17,400.00
Expense		
Banff Film Festival	6,082.93	750.00
Bank Fees	85.50	100.00
Donations (Outgoing)	2,900.00	2,500.00
Education	693.50	6,000.00
Family Camp Bursary	2,600.00	4,500.00
Gifts and Awards	632.40	600.00
GST Paid on Purchases	540.70	0.00
Island Bushwhacker Annual (IBA)	1,336.02	1,500.00
Leadership Awards	1,130.18	1,000.00
Meetings	1,673.94	1,500.00
Misc. Projects, Events, Meeting	1,167.76	750.00
Newsletter	174.59	660.00
Office & Supplies	43.98	100.00
Social Events	0.00	300.00
Website Maintenance	607.27	500.00
Youth Scholarships (Mem. Fund)	1,400.00	1,100.00
Total Expense	21,068.77	21,860.00
Net Ordinary Income	6,748.16	-4,460.00
Net Income	6,748.16	-4,460.00

ACCVI
EP Hut Summer Camp 2022
Financial Summary

REVENUE	Registration Fees (26 adults @450)	11,700.00
	GROSS REVENUE REGISTRATION FEES	11,700.00
REFUND	Refund Full Registration Fees (2 adults @450)	(900.00)
	SUB-TOTAL REGISTRATION FEES	10,800.00
	Refund 7 adults @56.90 (Lake Louise Hostel)	(398.30)
	NET REVENUE REGISTRATION FEES	10,401.70
EXPENSES	Accommodation	(8,320.82)
	Supplies	(232.33)
	Bank fees	(51.00)
	TOTAL EXPENSES	(8,604.15)
FINAL REFUNDS	Final Refunds to 24 adults @74.90	(1,797.60)
	TOTAL FINAL REFUNDS	(1,797.60)
	NET INCOME	(0.05)

ACCVI
EP Hut Summer Camp 2022
Refund Calculation

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	NET REVENUE REGISTRATION FEES	10,401.70
EXPENSES	Accommodation	(8,320.82)
	Supplies	(232.33)
	Bank fees	(51.00)
	TOTAL EXPENSES	(8,604.15)
	NET INCOME	1,797.55
	24 Participants	+24
	REFUND PER PARTICIPANT	74.90

ACCVI
Soprano Summer Camp 2022
Financial Summary

REVENUE	Registration Fees Revenue (52 adults @700)	36,400.00
	GROSS REGISTRATION REVENUE	36,400.00
	Refunds (4 adults @700)	(2,800.00)
	NET REGISTRATION FEES REVENUE (48 adults)	33,600.00
EXPENSES	Expenses	(28,490.73)
	GST Paid on Purchases	(1,384.84)
	PST Paid on Purchases	(88.07)
	Bank fees	(16.50)
	Equipment Fund Contribution (48 adults @50)	(2,400.00)
	TOTAL EXPENSES	(32,380.14)
	NET INCOME	1,219.86

ACCVI
Soprano Summer Camp 2022
Refund Calculation

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	GROSS REVENUE REGISTRATION FEES	36,400.00
	Refunds (4 adults @700)	(2,800.00)
	NET REVENUE REGISTRATION FEES (48 adults)	33,600.00
EXPENSES	Expenses	(28,490.73)
	GST Paid on Purchases	(1,384.84)
	PST Paid on Purchases	(88.07)
	Bank fees	(16.50)
	Equipment Fund Contribution (48 adults @50)	(2,400.00)
	TOTAL EXPENSES	(32,380.14)
	NET INCOME	1,219.86
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	48 Adult Participants	÷48
	REFUND PER PARTICIPANT	25.41

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Accrual Basis

ACC Vancouver Island 2023 DRAFT Budget

	<u>Jan - Dec 23</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Banff Mountain Film Festival	18,500.00
Donations	990.00
GST Rebate	1,500.00
Investment Funds Income	1,200.00
Membership Dues	9,840.00
Membership Dues GST	495.00
Miscellaneous Income	0.00
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Total Income	32,525.00
Expense	
Banff Film Festival	7,000.00
Bank Fees	125.00
Donations (Outgoing)	4,300.00
Education	
ACCVI Education	3,000.00
Leadership Subsidies	3,500.00
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Total Education	6,500.00
Family Camp Bursary	6,500.00
Gifts and Awards	700.00
GST Paid on Purchases	0.00
Island Bushwhacker Annual (IBA)	1,500.00
Leadership Awards	1,200.00
Meetings	
AGM	300.00
Slide Shows	1,000.00
Summer BBQ, Xmas Party	600.00
Meetings - Other	0.00
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Total Meetings	1,900.00
Misc. Projects, Events, Meeting	600.00
Newsletter	300.00
Office & Supplies	100.00
Social Events	300.00
Website Maintenance	500.00
Youth Scholarships (Mem. Fund)	1,000.00
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Total Expense	32,525.00
Net Ordinary Income	<hr/> 0.00
Net Income	<hr/> <hr/> 0.00

ACCVI Funds Status – Geoff Bennett

STATUS OF ACCVI FUNDS (Memorial Fund, Contingency Fund, Hut Replacement Account)

Report from Geoff Bennett, effective 31 Dec 2022

MEMORIAL FUND STATUS

- The purpose of this fund is to disburse youth grants every year to deserving applicants. The capital value of the fund (donations plus Section contributions) should not be encroached. Section contributions are in effect a long term loan from the Section to the MF. In an emergency, the Section funds can be reclaimed from the MF. Since 2018, the Section has offered \$1,000 in youth grants each year, regardless of the underlying Fund performance. If the Fund yields less than \$1,000 then the Section makes up the balance.
- The fund invests in high quality corporate bonds and equities at Odlum Brown.
- In normal years, the ACCVI Section matches donations. However, donations in 2020 and 2021 totalling \$2,000 were not matched. The fund administrator hopes that these donations can be matched in the future when Section finances permit.
- Year end 2022 balance \$20,764.15 (compared to YE2021 balance of \$23,603.51)
 - \$13,345.14 book value of corporate bonds (which will be held to maturity)
 - \$6,147.50 market value of equities (lower than YE2021 balance of \$8,503 owing to drop in value of Algonquin Power)
 - \$1,271.51 cash
- Total donations and matching section contributions since 2009: \$22,230.00
 - This is the endowed capital in the Memorial Fund.
 - Note that in 2022, for the first time, the balance in the MF is \$1,466 less than the endowed capital. This is owing to the drop in value of Algonquin Power. The advice from Odlum Brown is to hold Algonquin because its underlying fundamentals are good. Algonquin has had trouble servicing debt during the 2022 market downturn amid increasing interest rates.
 - Interest and dividend payments in 2023 should rebalance the fund.
- Pending donations
 - Several donations were received in 2022 and January 2023, mostly in memory of Albert Hestler. These have yet to be confirmed by the Treasurer but the approximate total is \$1,150.
 - A large donation is anticipated later in 2023.
- Total disbursements since 2009: \$11,175 on 14 projects
 - \$9,975 from the MF
 - \$1,200 from ACCVI Section in the form of top-ups
- **Funds available for disbursement in 2023:**
 - Current balance in MF (\$20,764) less capital (\$22,230) = **-\$1,466 deficit**
 - Therefore, there are no funds available for disbursement in 2023. If any applications are approved, ACCVI may be required to contribute up to \$1,000
 - Funds carried over from previous years in the ACCVI bank account
 - \$100 for Astra Lincoln's Bushwhacker article. However, Astra has already been given \$500 for a project that has not happened. Therefore, if the project is cancelled, then the MF will be reimbursed \$600.

MEMORIAL FUND INVESTMENTS

BOND INVESTMENTS at ODLUM BROWN (book value \$13,345.14 – 64% of fund total)

- GRANITE REIT Holdings Limited Partnership 3.873% S3 30NOV23 ○ A Canadian-based Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) engaged in the acquisition, development, ownership and management of predominantly industrial, warehouse and logistics properties in North America and Europe. Granite owns over 85 investment properties representing approximately 33 million square feet of leasable area.
- CDN WSTN BK 2.597% 06SEP2024 ○ A Canadian bank based in Edmonton with \$22 billion in assets.

EQUITY INVESTMENTS at ODLUM BROWN (market value \$6,147.50 – 30% of fund total)

- A decision was made in June 2021 to permit the purchase of low risk, high quality, dividend-bearing Canadian equities. This is in response to the low yield on bonds. Unlike the Contingency Fund, the equities will be held in the Memorial Fund for a long time (at least 5 years), which should even out normal share price fluctuations. An attempt has been made to purchase equities that are a good match to ACC values.
- AQN ALGONQUIN POWER & UTILITIES ○ Purchased 200 shares for \$3,830 on 6 Oct 2021; dividend yield 8.3%
 - Algonquin provides electricity, water, and natural gas utility services to over one million customers, primarily in North America. The company's growing portfolio of clean, renewable wind, solar, hydro and thermal power generation facilities represents over 4 GW of renewable generation capacity in operation and under construction.
- TD TORONTO DOMINION BANK ○ Purchased 50 shares for \$4,342 on 6 Oct 2021; dividend yield 4.0%
 - TD is the largest bank in Canada by total assets and also by market capitalization, a top-10 bank in North America, and the 23rd largest bank in the world. TD issues green bonds and is making efforts towards a sustainable climate action plan.

MEMORIAL FUND PROJECTS

Since inauguration of the Memorial Fund in 2009, ACCVI has disbursed \$9,675 to 12 different youth groups in the alpine:

- 2010 - \$1,200 for the Brooks Peninsula Expedition (Gillian Nicol, Cory McGregor, Cody Gold, Derek Cronmiller)
- 2012 - \$250 for first ascents on the SW Buttress of Mount Arrowsmith (James Pierzchalski)
- 2013 - \$1,400 for a General Mountaineering Camp for youth at Mount Matchlee (Harry Steiner)
- 2013 - \$600 for a first ascent of North Needle Peak in the Great Bear Rainforest (Christina Service, Laura Grant, Vernon Brown)
- 2015 - \$925 for a study of weather conditions and climate change at 20 remote fire lookouts in the Rockies (Kristen Walsh)
- 2016 - \$1,500 to purchase climbing gear for a First Nations youth rock climbing camp near Ucluelet (Carlos Mack)
- 2018 – \$2,000 total (\$961.64 from Section funds)

\$700 for a Strathcona Park traverse including first winter ascents of Tom Taylor and Mariner (Evan DeVault)

\$600 for a S-N hike of the entire VI Spine Trail (Isobel Glover)

\$500 for a ski tour of Liberty Bell, Washington by the ACCVI youth group (Derek Sou)

\$200 to purchase equipment for an expedition by Nanaimo Scouts to climb several major peaks in the UK (Andy Chapman-Coombs)

- 2019 - \$1,000 for a bike trip and climb by the ACCVI youth group of Mariner Mountain from Bedwell Sound (Derek Sou)
- 2020 - \$1,000 approved in total but both projects were cancelled owing to the pandemic
- 2021 - \$800 to hike the length of the VI Trail as a diabetic and to film the project (Nick Noble)

An additional \$200 was approved for a project that was ultimately cancelled.

- 2022 - \$900 A wilderness expedition along the Campbell River Divide (Kyle Bourquin)

An additional \$600 was approved for a combined ski/bike expedition from Victoria to the Olympics (Astra Lincoln). As of January 2023 this project has not been completed.

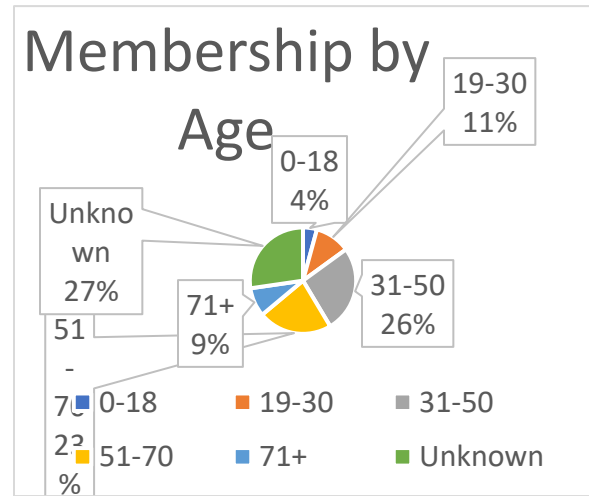
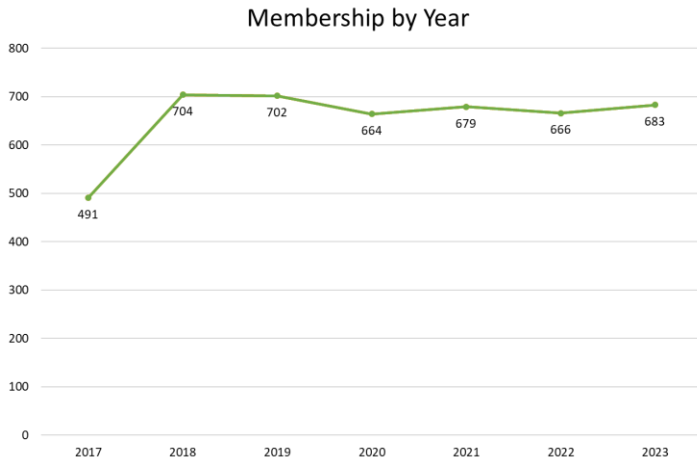
CONTINGENCY FUND STATUS

- The purpose of this fund is to hold \$10,000 in reserve for emergencies and to generate annual income for the Section.
- Original investment (2009): \$10,000
- Additional investment (2021): \$3,000
- Year end 2021 balance in Odlum Brown account \$13,579.38 ○ book value of corporate bonds (3): \$13,177.51
- **cash: \$401.87 (available for deposit to the ACC Coast Capital account)**

CONTINGENCY FUND INVESTMENTS at ODLUM BROWN

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- CDN WSTN BK 2.597% 06SEP2024 ○ A Canadian bank based in Edmonton with \$22 billion in assets.
- SAPUTO INC 3.603% 14AUG25 ○ Saputo is a leading cheese manufacturer and fluid milk and cream processor in Canada.

Membership: Josh Slatkoff



National Club: Christine Fordham

Our Vancouver Island Section is part of a cross Canada club, and one of 24 local ACC sections. As members of this national club, we have access to share huts, camps, adventures, stories and learning opportunities with fellow members from across the country. There have been lots of changes in the leadership of the club nationally and including election of our first woman President, Isabelle Daigneault. Watch High Points and the newsletter for tips on getting the most from your membership. Any questions please just email Christine at natrep@accvi.ca.

Education and Leadership: Catrin Brown

Report from Leadership and Education Committee 2022

1. Education

- A well-attended 'Introduction to back-country skiing' workshop was organised by Josh Slatkoff *et al* in January 2022, with a Zoom pre-trip session and two days of learning and touring based at Mt Washington. A follow-up weekend was organised at Hišimýawił in May. A Crevasse Rescue course organised by Iain Sou and run by IAG was held in May.
- Very few leaders took advantage of the course subsidies available to leaders who lead two trips within a year of the course. We would love to see more leaders apply for the money that is allocated for this purpose in our budget.

- Congratulations to Josh Slatkoff and Dave Fishwick for being selected to attend the ACC North Face Winter Leadership course in January 2023.
- Sign-ups for First Aid and AST 1 courses, both arranged by Dylan Gothard in November 2022 were disappointingly low.
- IAG no longer offer a discount for ACC-VI members or courses.
- Thanks to Dylan Gothard and Iain Sou for their work this year, as they step down from coordinating our education program.

2. Leadership

- We have added a new category to our discussion forum on 'Leadership'. This is open to all for the sharing of ideas and resources.
<https://discourse.accvi.ca/t/about-the-trip-leadership-category/588>
- On 1st December we hosted an open meeting for trip leaders on Zoom. This included:
 - i) opportunities available only to leaders on scheduled trips viz longer booking windows for all ACC huts, including Hišimýawiλ, access to gate keys for Comox Lake main and Ash Valley.
 - ii) a new list posted on the website, and as interactive document on the forum, of destination ideas for trips. <https://accvi.ca/trip-leaders/trip-ideas/>
- KT Shum worked with Tom Hall to keep track of waivers for allocating leadership points, and determine the final points status and winners at the end of the year.
- Following the year-end totals, the committee reviewed the guidelines for the Trip Leaders Recognition program, and have posted an update on the website and informed leaders. The changes reinforce the goal of the program to increase the opportunities for club members through trip offerings.

If you would like to be added to the list of Trip Leaders for specific messages relating to leadership, please let us know: leadership@accvi.ca

Jane Maduke, Karun Thanjavur, KT Shum, Dylan Gothard, Christine Fordham, Catrin Brown

ACCVI Winter AGM 2023 ACCESS REPORT: Barb Baker

MOSAIC GATES all over the Island and particularly to the most inviting regional parks Arrowsmith Ski Park on Mt. Cokley & Mt. Arrowsmith Massif Park have been CLOSED for most of this winter to recreation AGAIN for the 2nd year. Admittedly photos of the road conditions look treacherous.

For MOSAIC gate info go to <https://www.mosaicforests.com/access> to find the link to Mosaic gate map which updates each Friday. For those who are interested there is a brief explanation of these gates, their locations & some of the factors influencing same on DIscourse accvi.ca.

MOSAIC/ACCVI ACCESS AGREEMENT for Comox Lake Main was extended last year to include the Ash Valley & has been renewed for 2023. The Ash Valley is continuous with the Comox Lake Valley & can be accessed thru Port Alberni giving access to the SE corner & south entrances of Strathcona Park at Great Central & Oshinow Lakes.

The Comox Main 7km gate at Cumberland gives road access to many destinations between Comox Lake & into destinations in the eastern side of Strathcona Park. These valley road systems are continuous & the permits allow thru travel.

Access is 24/7 to leaders who have posted the trip & notified the company. All vehicles must carry documentation, waivers, keys & radios. For information on using this access go to our web page & click on Information for Leaders. It should be added, the permit allowed us to enter Mosaic lands during fire closure.

MOSAIC PILOT PUBLIC ACCESS

Mosaic signed an agreement with both regional & provincial governments on a pilot project for 24/7 public access at Great Central Lake some year(s) ago. (Oddly there seems to be no mention of this on their website). They are waiting on the provincial government to “finalize” this pilot before considering public access in other places.

ACCVI would like the next area considered for public access to be the Cameron Valley: Cameron Main & Pass Main roads. To make our intentions clear we are engaging in a casual on the ground meeting next week with Mosaic’s liaison guy & the Resource Manager at ACRD Alberni Clayoquot Regional District. Our message will be round the clock access to public spaces, as always.

VANCOUVER ISLAND TRAIL/ INLET/ TRAIL

Beaufort Crest Section trail work is incomplete because of limited access (snow levels & summer heat closures). Better signage is planned & work on the route descending Tstable Mt. Thru hikers are making their way to Cumberland.

Franklin River Crossing: preliminary engineering has been done but no funding or plans for the actual construction. This river can be bypassed by driving around or wading in summer to access the fascinating Inlet Trail 3rd Section with 8 old rail trestles to negotiate under.

Full info & news including 6 detailed maps available at <https://vi-trail.ca/map/>

BAMFIELD RD. chip sealing well underway giving easier access to VITA & West Coast communities.

AV COMMUNITY FOREST/ KLITSA

Trail head for North/traditional trail up Klitsa has been flagged to bypass rock slide on the road access but actual work has not been done at last report.

Please contact me at access@accvi.ca with any reports or questions re access.

Barb Baker

Banff Centre Mountain Film Festival: Laura Darling

Report: Banff Centre Mountain Film Festival

- regarding the 2021/22 “world tour”, when programs of selected winning films screened and judged in Banff in Oct-Nov 2021 were made available at venues around the world
- ACCVI had a screening date set at UVic’s Farquhar Auditorium in late Jan 2022, when omicron COVID-19 was rampant – so we postponed to April 3rd
- attracted just over 500 people to view the program – see Financial Report

Equipment: Mike Hubbard

I have continued to manage the South Island Gear for backpacking and snow activities from Saanichton whilst Val Wooton and Lindsay Elms have managed Up Island gear from their home in Courtenay. We have recently added 2 ice axes, 2 sets of crampons and some ice climbing gear to the Up Island stash. Allison Caughey is presently looking after the Up Island gear whilst Val and Lindsay are in New Zealand. Erich Schellhammer has handled rock climbing gear from his home in Colwood.

We have purchased an additional 8 radios, 2 sets of snow shoes and 2 sets of crampons .

Tak Ogasawara has very kindly donated a set of AT Gear to the section consisting of Hagan Triax 170 cm Skis with Diamir Bindings, skins and size 7 ½ Nordica Boots and whilst these are not available for rental they are available for purchase. He has also donated a pair of Asolo mountaineering boots which are available for purchase or rental.

Demand for Avalanche gear in particular has been high and income from South Island gear for 2022 came to \$620.

Mike Hubbard

Summer Camp 2022; Laura Darling

- organized 4 weeks north east of Pemberton near Soprano Peak, July 17 – Aug 14
 - beautiful basecamp setting, surrounded by ridges, peaks and wildflower meadows, lots of objectives for participants of different interests and skills
- included one Family Week for families with kids/youth aged 10-18
- we were fully subscribed for the 3 adult weeks –
 - but a few unfortunate late dropouts due to illness or injury, and week#2 in particular was not at camp capacity (9 attended of 15 registered);
 - and we were not fully subscribed for Family Week (10 registered of capacity for 20)
- a little difficulty finalizing helicopter staging area, ended up camping Saturday night at a personal friend's property a few km from the staging area
- generally, everything went smoothly
- by the 4th week, the material used in the windows of the Mtn Hardware Space Station dome tent used for the kitchen had failed /cracked, and the tent fabric showed UV damage; after 10 summer camp seasons, this tent has reached the end of its life and ACCVI Exec has decided to replace it for next summer's camp
- see Financial Report (separate camp program report)

Hut Committee: Martin Hofmann / Colleen Kasting

Hišimýawił Hut Income and Expense Report

January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022

HUT ACCOUNT

Income

Hut bed night rentals	64,465
Reservations	1,260
Donations	0
Other	9,969
Interest	1

Total income 75,575

Total income \$75,575

Expenses

Supplies (hut maintenance and materials for	3,696
GST paid out 2022	556
Heli and transportation	2,715
Cleaning and covid related	986
Hut fuel and heating	457

Bear Cashes	3,600
Total expenses	\$12,010
Office and other costs	348
Insurance	3,122
Hut replacement fund (for long term replacement costs)	11,000
Reservation costs	1,260
Total costs	\$27,739

Difference (Income – expenses) \$47,836

Bank Reconciliation

In bank account end year	2022	\$56,997
In bank account start year	2021	\$9,161
Difference		\$47,836

HUT REPLACEMENT ACCOUNT Dec 31, 2022

Total in account \$ 17675

OTHER INFORMATION Dec 31, 2021

Number of paid hut nights (1 room – 1 hut night, max 2 rooms) 202 for members and 226 for non-members.

The total income is for booking income received to date. Of the total income received in 2022, \$16,890 is for hut bookings in 2023.

Hišim'yawił Hut Income and Expense Report

Comparing 2020, 2021 and 2022

HUT ACCOUNT	2020	2021	2022
Income			
Hut bed night rentals	10,121.00	27,249	64,465
Reservations		3,720	1,260
Donations	375.00	1,850	
Income from 2019 GST rebate	530.75	482	
Other		174	9,969
Interest	.06		
<u>1</u>			
Total income	11,026.81	<u>33,475</u>	<u>75,575</u>
Borrowed from Hut Replacement Fund	<u>4,000.00</u>		
Total income	\$15,026.81	\$33,475	
\$75,575			

Expenses

