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Conference Workshop

Terese Herron, Rick Sandilands.

Conference Registration

Keith Weaver, J. Campbell, T. Herron, Bob Langford.

Lighthouse

Terese Herron, Jennifer Campbell, Andrew Leyzack,
Paola Travaglini, Sam Weller.

Wade Essay Award

Andrew Leyzack, Sean Hinds.

Social Events

BBQ: J. Campbell, A. Leyzack, P. Travaglini.
AGM: T. Herron, A. Leyzack, K. McMillan, B. Power.
H2O: Earl Brown, Rick Sandilands, Brad Tinney.

International Members

Sean Hinds, Larry Robbins, Sam Weller.

Seminar

Brian Power, Ken McMillan, Paola Travaglini.

NewsLetter

Sam Weller, Jim Berry, Brian Power,
Larry Robbins.

Heritage Launch

Sean Hinds, Jim Berry, Andrew Leyzack,
Ken McMillan, Brian Power.

Membership/Nominations/Elections

Terese Herron, Jim Berry, Jennifer Campbell,
Paola Travaglini.

Notes from the Branch Vice-President

We have all heard of "writer's block", but I have something called "curler's cramp" which is an urge to blab on the virtues of curling in the H₂O (it was a fun day) - but I won't! Rick has a few words on this event later in the Newsletter. I will, however, thank the sponsors, the co-ordinators, and all the curlers, especially those five CHA Members who represented the Ottawa and the Pacific Branches.

I will talk a little about our Heritage Launch; by next issue the tales will be more on how she 'sails' than 'how it goes'. The Heritage Launch is no exception to the rule that project objectives can become obscured when extended over a long time. Maybe this is a natural result of maturing, but it is wise to periodically look back at the original vision to clarify the course.

The Heritage Launch Project started with the noble intentions of promoting hydrography and chartmaking by focusing on the heritage aspects of this art. I still think this is a realistic and attainable overall goal. The benefit of a Heritage Launch is its appeal to a wide range of people as there is a natural fascination and affinity with history. Very few people are aware of the significant role that hydrography played in the colonization of this part of Canada; this role continues today as the St. Lawrence Seaway is one of the most travelled waterways in the world. This is the 'full spectrum message' that the Heritage Launch can convey, and this should be our goal. Too much effort has gone into this Project to limit its potential to a display at the Conference or even a vehicle for promoting the 200th anniversary of Toronto; both these events are honourable objectives and a means to an end but not the end in itself.

There are lots of people, lots of schools, and lots of opportunity for the CHA to introduce the state of our science today. Hydrographic roots lie in the desire for safe navigation of merchant ships and ships of war. Steady attempts at improving navigation continue today with the stretch toward the electronic chart. Our Launch is a point in the continuum that links past to present, and is an ideal platform from which to introduce the state of hydrography today. It is a chance, a challenge, that does not come every day.

- Sean Hinds.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be at 19:00 on Wednesday 21 April 1993, hosted by Sam Weller at his home: 4062 Lorraine Cres., Burlington. Tel. (416) 634-4089.

Our program will include the video "Ships of Shame", introduced by Capt. Gary Kassbaum of the Transportation Safety Board of Canada. Come and be shocked.

After the meeting there will be our usual social time with beer and pizza.

Central Branch
Treasurer's Report to 10 March 1993

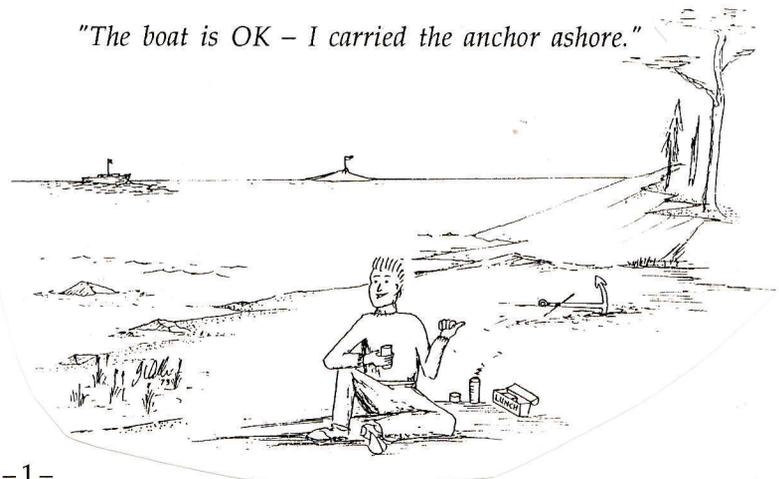
Balance forward 31 December 1992:		\$	554.83
<u>Receipts</u>			
Membership Dues	\$	2,386.47	
CHA Shirts		385.00	
Heritage Launch [refund]		1,004.35	
Workshop flyer		411.70	
Bank Interest		2.55	
			\$ 4,190.07
			\$ 4,744.90
<u>Expenses</u>			
National Dues	\$	975.00	
Postage		156.80	
Meeting		47.80	
Workshop flyer		411.70	
CHA Brochures		880.44	
CHA Shirts		1,043.51	
Heritage launch expenses		203.36	
Cheques		13.66	
Bank Charges		9.00	
			\$ 3,741.27
Balance 10 March 1993:			\$ 1,003.63

[Note: To assist the Editorial team, some Lighthouse income and expenditures (reported below) are handled by the Central Branch treasurer. The balance is held available and is passed to Lighthouse on request.]

Lighthouse "Convenience" Account

Balance forward 31 December 1992:		\$	253.44
<u>Receipts</u>			
Subscriptions	\$	1,876.95	\$ 1,876.95
			\$ 2,130.39
<u>Expenditures</u>			
Postage	\$	411.05	411.05
Balance 10 March 1993:			\$ 1,719.34

"The boat is OK - I carried the anchor ashore."



Minutes of General Meeting of CENTRAL BRANCH held on 10 March 1993

1) The meeting was hosted at Brian Power's home: 2431 Cavendish Drive, Burlington. Sean called the meeting to order at 19:15 and welcomed everyone.

Attendees:

Sean Hinds - Chairman
 Jim Berry - A/Sec.Treasurer
 Joe Delle Fave Andrew Leyzack John Medendorp
 Brian Power Ab Rogers Sam Weller.

2) Minutes of the Jan 28, 1993, General Meeting were available, and were circulated in the last newsletter.

- Moved J. Medendorp/A. Leyzack CARRIED

3) Matters arising from the minutes: item 12: \$2,000. CHA Award. Sean said this was a decision by CHA Board of Directors; it is funded by interest on funds accumulated by CHA for administering CIDA projects.

4) In Terese's absence [in the Arctic], Sam presented the Treasurer's Report to date.

- Moved J. Weller/J. Delle Fave CARRIED

5) 1993 Budget: Sean presented the proposed 1993 Central Branch Budget, prepared by the Branch executive at their Feb 3, 1993, meeting. Central Branch will send to the Geomatics Workshop the two members that were to attend the Maritime Boundary Seminar that was cancelled at the last minute.

- Moved B. Power/A. Leyzack CARRIED

6) Launch: Sean updated our Project status: the launch has moved to Gill Bibby's boat shop for planking; we still need one more major corporate or Gov't sponsor; Toronto Historical Board has no funds to assist us; the project will be promoted by Toronto 200 Committee; our official launching & re-enactment will be at the foot of York St. on waterfront owned by the City of Toronto; Ian Morgan continues as our Heritage Consultant and is responsible for the completion of the boat; we intend that it will be in the water for rowing practice in early May; T.H.B. has requested the presence of our launch in August to re-enact Simcoe's landing at Toronto; other requests are coming in for re-enactments and exhibits. The Conference will have ceramic "Heritage Launch" beer steins; order extras [\$7. plus postage] from us by May 1 so we can have enough made. Unique souvenir!

7) H₂O Bonspiel: Brian said Brad Tinney has mailed out requests for sponsors. Good response from curlers and expect 56 to be taking part on Sunday 28 March.

8) Seminar Committee: Brian asked for ideas for future topics and speakers.

9) Membership: Sean reported three new Members: Les Peer, Head of NWRI Calibration Lab at CCIW (he's very active with our launch); John Parish of Ortech International, Mississauga; Ir. Eka Djunarsjah, a graduate student in Indonesia. Welcome aboard! Matthew Smith, of UK, and Peter Barr, Nova Scotia, both recently moved to Australia. [New Branch in Oz?]

10) Correspondence: Sean reported a good write-up on our Launch Project in Seahorse, Hydrographic Soc'y of America newsletter; the Launch is also featured on the cover of the CHA Quebec Branch Boaters' Log Book.

11) Other Business: Andrew suggested that our CHA and Launch Project shirts might gain more exposure and sales if on display at CCIW.

12) Next meeting: Our next evening meeting will be on April 21. For the following meeting, we have been invited to join the Company of Master Mariners in the Wardroom of HMCS York [Toronto] on Tuesday 18 May. Their Social Time begins at 17:00, followed by a speaker at 18:00 and a short business meeting. All are welcome. We'll arrange a car pool from CCIW.

13) The business part of the meeting adjourned at 20:25.
 Moved J. Medendorp/A. Rogers CARRIED

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Andrew Leyzack then spoke on the Electromagnetic Scanning Profiler and his pipeline location work with Wimpole of Houston, Texas. He also showed how an ESP survey can give the buried depth of a pipeline as well as its location, and can even pin-point some kinds of damage to a pipeline.

After Andrew's talk we enjoyed our traditional social time with beer & pizza [proceeds to Launch Project].

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Central Branch 1993 Budget

Anticipated Revenue:

Membership dues	\$ 3,810.00
76 Branch @ \$30	
31 International @ \$30	
4 Sustaining @ \$150	
Bank Interest	90.00
Newsletter Income	150.00
Workshop Income	1,000.00
Other Income	75.00
<u>Total income:</u>	<u>\$ 5,125.00</u>

Anticipated Expenditures:

National Dues	\$ 2,005.00
Wade Essay Award	100.00
H ₂ O Bonspiel	200.00
Seminars	200.00
Calligraphy	40.00
Barbecue	150.00
Postage	750.00
NewsLetter	240.00
Bank Charges	60.00
AGM Funding	400.00
Workshop Registration [2]	250.00
CHA Banner	150.00
Conference Miscellaneous	350.00
Miscellaneous	20.00
<u>Total expenses:</u>	<u>\$ 4,915.00</u>

Jim Berry's column



Spring has officially arrived. OK, so if this is true, why is there still a foot of snow? Why no Robins yet? Why haven't crocuses popped up yet? It must have something to do with the ozone layer. Anyway, I've been so busy the past few weeks that I've been avoiding Editor Sam because I knew he was after me for my column.

I thought maybe I'd call on one of my faithful O-H'ers to be a guest columnist for this issue, to let me off the hook and get Sam off my back; it didn't work too well.

First I called Ken McMillan (McQuest Marine). He said he was tied up with scientific audits and couldn't get at it for awhile. I said thanks anyway but I would try someone else. I then tried John Halsall (J. Halsall Hydrographic Surveys). The voice on the other end said John's on a contract in the North Sea and wouldn't be back for a few weeks. Then I called Ron Dryer (R. Dryer & Associates). He said he's far too busy with a sounding project that Ken, John and he have off the Toronto Islands for the Metro Conservation Authority. Sounds fishy but I believed him. Another disappointment was Ken Richmond (Kev-Tech Associates). He says he's too busy moving into a new office, but wanted me to mention that his new location is 126 Martha Crescent, Bolton, L7E 4X4, (416) 857-1175. Fat chance.

Then I thought my old friend Dave Watson (Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority) wouldn't let me down. Dave claimed he was busy packing his suitcase for the CHS/CISM conference. Just after I told him that wasn't until June, my phone went dead. Sorry about that Dave. See you at the Royal York, Dave.

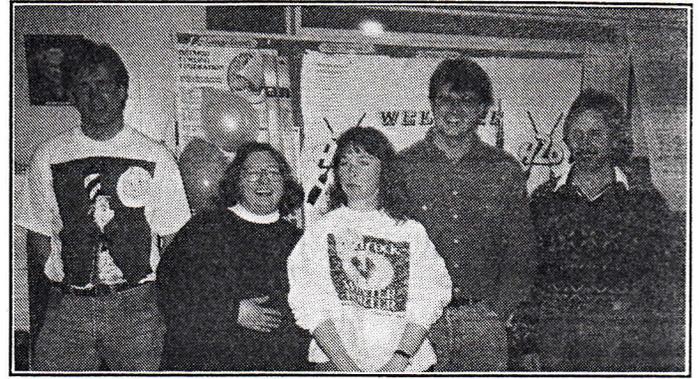
As a last resort, I knew I could count on one of my fellow workers. Wrong again, Jim. Joe Delle Fave said plans for his April wedding were more than he could handle. Maybe he could tell us in the next issue about the honeymoon? Richard Padmore says he is just as busy as I am; we are on the same project. I guess I have to believe him. Peter Fox said he's on the Toronto Island project with Ron, John, and Ken, and couldn't spare the time. Maybe Beth Weller could solve this puzzle.

After four and a half hours on the phone, I decided maybe it was best if I did my own column this issue.

I know everyone is eager to hear more about the CHA/CB Heritage Launch Project. Well here goes anyway so pay attention.

We need money. We've fallen short on our fundraising and could sure use some help. Do you know, or are part, of any company, agency, etc. that could be a sponsor? How about you? I know times are tough but maybe you could pass along some post-dated cheques, for any amount, to make it easier on the pocket book. You'll get an income tax receipt to send Kim in 1994.

This is our project, yours and mine, so please support it.



1993 H2O Bonspiel

Grimsby Curling Club was the scene for Central Branch's 22nd Annual H2O Bonspiel, held on Sunday, March 28. Fifty-six curlers, some experienced, some first-timers, all enthusiastic, competed for the prestigious H2O Bonspiel Trophy. Winning rink was the family team of Don, Colleen, Jeff and Sue Kennedy; Don finally took the trophy after many years of trying. Second place was won by David Goodger, Chris Vogel, Simon Illingworth and Weili Xu. Congratulations!!!

This "prestigious event" attracted a curling team of hydrographers from Pacific Region: Brian Wingerter, Doug Cartwright, Patti Dew and James Wilcox, as well as Sheila Acheson, representing Ottawa. Paola Travaglini from Central Branch won the prize for the most pigs (i.e. short of the hog line).

Prizes for all participants, thanks to generous donations by the bonspiel contributors, were greatly appreciated by both the organizing committee and the curlers. The Bonspiel co-ordinators would like to acknowledge and thank the following for their generous contributions:

Canadian Helicopters, Edmonton, Alberta
Geodimeter of Canada, Toronto, Ontario
Klein Associates Inc., Salem, New Hampshire, USA
Knudsen Engineering Ltd., Perth, Ontario
Norman Wade Company Ltd., Hamilton, Ontario
Quester Tangent Ltd., Sidney, British Columbia
terra surveys ltd., Ottawa, Ontario
Canadian Hydrographic Service, Burlington, Ontario
Canadian Hydrographic Association, Central Branch

Co-ordinators Rick Sandilands and Earl Brown also thank Brad Tinney, Jackie Miles and Brian Power for their contributions to this very successful bonspiel.

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