

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Alpine Club of Canada
Vancouver Section
Tuesday, November 28, 2006
Floral Hall at VanDusen Gardens West 37th and Oak Street Vancouver**

The meeting was brought to order at 7:30 pm by Tony Knight, Vancouver Section Chair

Minutes of the November 2005 annual general meeting were approved.

POSITION REPORTS

Treasurer– Rob Brusse

Rob briefly summarized that the Section finances are in good shape and on budget. This year the first revenue was recorded from summer use at the new Haberl hut. Construction was substantially completed and the hut construction funds officially have phased over into operations. A full financial report will be published in an upcoming issue of the *Echoes*.

Membership – Marilyn Hunter

Membership in the Vancouver Section appears to have stabilized at just over 300. The ACC membership report from National showed a low of 315 memberships in February, to a high of 336 in June, and currently 328 memberships (singles and families).

Climbing/Camps Schedule – Ian McGillivray and Mike Thompson

There were about 60 trips on the 2006 schedule, mostly skiing, hikes, climbing, a couple of rock and ice trips, and one snowshoe trip. Statistics for trips that actually did go are uncertain; only 15 trip waivers were returned, but more trips went. The Section held several very successful camps including a spring ski camp in the Manatee, and two summer climbing camps in the Bugaboos.

Skills Development – Susan Baldwin

Several outdoors courses went during 2006 including avalanche awareness, rock refresher weekend, rock rescue course. One person each attended the North Face/ACC Winter and Summer Leadership Courses organized by ACC National.

FMCBC Rep – Richard Keltie

During 2006, the FMCBC was involved in a couple significant projects including (i) finalizing agreement for sale of Smoke Bluffs property to the District of Squamish for inclusion in the new Smoke Bluffs regional park, (ii) planning and maintaining continued access to trailheads during the Sea-to-Sky highway reconstruction and improvements, (iii) promotion of Mt. Arrowsmith on Vancouver Island as a regional park, and (iv) response to the BC Government policy on Roofed Accommodation within Provincial Parks. The ACC Vancouver Section hosted the FMCBC Annual General Meeting at BCIT in June.

National Club Representative / ACC Centennial - Rob Brusse represented the Section at the ACC Board meetings in the spring and fall. ACC National activities were focused this year on the Centennial celebrations. The Vancouver Section celebrated the ACC centennial with several events including a hike up the Grouse Grind in May, a summer centennial camp at the Tantalus Lake Lovelywater cabin, and a special presentation by Kathryn Bridge in September on the life and mountaineering of Phyllis Munday, with some of our older and former section members in attendance.

Avalanche Echoes newsletter – Anita Leonhard and Martin Naroznik
Anita and Martin took on the newsletter editing duties from Helen Habgood and Gerard Cheong. The Section acquired a copy of Adobe InDesign so both editors can now work in the same desktop publishing software. The Section looked into printing the newsletter in colour, but costs were too prohibitive. The newsletter continues to be published electronically in colour on the website in PDF files and printed and mailed out in black & white. Trip reports and photos are always welcome – contact either of our editors with any stories you have, or if you need help putting something together.

Programs – Susan Higginbottom

Another year of interesting speakers, from the gripping account of a rescue on Mt. Logan by Linda Bily at last year's November social/AGM, to trips and adventures of some of our Section members.

Promotions and Events – Jay MacArthur

The Section again supported the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival (VIMFF) Award of \$500 for Best Film on Mountaineering and assisted at the Best of Banff films in late fall.

Jim Haberl Hut update – Liz Scremin

The cabin was finished on schedule in the spring of this year, and officially opened for operation on July 1. A dedication was held at the cabin a few days before with many of the volunteers and family members of the Haberl family in attendance.

Section Chair - Tony Knight

Tony thanked all the executive members and volunteers for their time and dedication to the Section.

Election of Officers for 2006 – Former Chair, Liz Scremin conducted election of the new executive for 2007. The following were proposed and approved unanimously by the membership:

Section Chair – Tony Knight

Secretary – Richard Keltie

Treasurer – Rob Brusse

Membership – Marilynn Hunter

Climbing Co-Chairs – Jay MacArthur & Lynn Erickson

Camps Coordinator – Mike Thompson

Skills Development – Susan Baldwin
National ACC Rep – Rob Brusse
FMCBC Rep – David Toole
Echoes Editors – Anita Leonhard & Martin Naroznik
Program – Susan Higginbottom
Socials – Olga Turok
Access and Environment – Antje Wahl
Promotions – Jay MacArthur (acting)

The formal meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. This was followed by a slide presentation by Vancouver Section member Dave Henwood on a climb of Denali via the West Buttress.