

Minutes – 45th AGM of the Kootenay Mountaineering Club



Friday, November 15th, 2013 at Granite Pointe Golf course
1123 West Richards Street, Nelson

Present: Carol Page, Carol Potasnyk, Chris Cowan, Curt Nixon, Dan Derby, Doug and Linda Clark with their exchange student Rie, Eric Ackerman, Emilee Fanjoy, Fred Theissen, Graham and Jude Jamin, Gerda Lang, Jill & Dave Watson, Jean Pierre Ostrander & Linda Watkin (not members—but guests of a member), Janice Isaac, Jocelyn Martin & Tom Braumandl, Joan Harvey & Mike Brewster, Kathie Robertson, Kathleen Nichol, Keith Houghton, Kirsten Apel, Linda Hunter, Leon Arishenkoff, Mary Woodward, Miriam Williams, Nadine Hetrick, Norm Yanke and his girlfriend whose name I didn't get), Peter Martyn, Peter Oostlander, Peter Tchir, Peter Jordan, P'nina Shames, Saivash Farazman, Sharon & Terry Turner, Sherolyn Haakstad, Ted Ibrahim, Tim & Judy Clinton, Val Evans, Vicki Hart, Virginia Sanford.

Meeting commenced at 7:30, President Peter Oostlander opened the meeting with a welcome message and outlined a change in the proceedings to speed up the AGM process. He thanked our hard working executive. Staying on to serve your club for another term are: Tim Clinton – Newsletter and Mark Hatlen – Hiking camp. Serving another year: P'nina Shames - Socials AND Entertainment, Graham Jamin – Cabins, Chris Cowan - Winter trips and Peter Oostlander - Summer trips. Many thanks to our retiring directors: Sherolyn Haakstad – Membership, Kate Woodhouse – Treasurer, Bryan Reid – Webmaster, Norm Yanke - Trails and Trail access and Vice President - Doug Clark. It's been great to work with all of you! This was followed by a warm round of applause.

Call for new business – no new business from the floor

Approval of the minutes from 2012 AGM – moved by Leon Arishenkoff and second by Jocelyn Martin, motion carried.

Approval of agenda – moved by Mike Brewster and second by Eric Ackerman, motion carried.

Executive reports

President: Peter Oostlander read out his report; it is with great sadness that we lost Kim Kratky, Lou Chioccarello, Chris Penn and Don Lyon. They will be fondly remembered and we extend our condolences to their families.

This has been another good year for our club. We have increased our membership to almost 340 members, which makes us the largest mountaineering club outside the lower mainland and are on a solid financial footing with a 2013 surplus of \$2653. We now have approx. \$27,000 in reserve. In addition, the KMC cabins report retained earnings of approx. \$12,000.

In the past Winter and Summer seasons a total of 110 trips went out with 825 participants. I would like to extend a big thank you to all the coordinators who stepped up to the plate. Please give them a warm round of applause!

The club organized successful winter and summer hiking camps. The location for the summer camp was Echo Lake in the Purcells. As the last newsletter shows, the location had one of the prettiest settings to date. Much work was done on the hiking camp manuals and it is anticipated that they will be included under its own tab on a new KMC website. The 2014 hiking camp location is revealed in Leon's report.

You received four newsletters this year, with two more to be published in November and December. Tim can always use more trip reports and stories! Through Tim's admirable efforts, two complete sets of the "Kootenay Karabiner" collection from 1964-2000 were professionally preserved in binders. One set was placed in the KMC library and

another was gifted to the Touchstones Nelson Museum. In addition digital copies of the entire set were produced as well. A DVD of the entire collection is available to all members, and was uploaded to the Dropbox free file hosting service and linked to our website.

The AGM, Spring and Fall Socials were well attended. For the Spring Social we invited well known mountaineer Chic Scott to present his photos at the old Castlegar theatre. This was a roaring success with a standing room only crowd! In a brilliant move, Pnina and Norm handed out KMC promotional cards to all non-members at the door, with the result that our membership increased by 15 new members, in the two weeks following the event.

We have been successful to finally make the necessary changes to the membership renewal site and introduced a new universal FMCBC waiver. All members of the Federation now use an identical waiver, which was reviewed and approved by one of our own lawyer members.

The membership director now maintains the list server email list, (this is the list of members that are allowed to send and receive KMC emails) and we have been sending out monthly welcome messages to new members. The executive made a decision to extend the membership of a new member who joins after Oct 1 to the end of the following year at no additional charge. We plan to put together a membership drive display that we can use at selected venues.

The mountain school was brought back to life this year, with a free “Intro to backcountry skiing” day in the Mt Crowe area. We started a liaison with Summit Mountain guides to offer member discounted mountaineering and Avalanche training courses. In May, we also organized a slideshow on a mountain expedition to Mount Logan followed by ideas on how to best prepare to be a leader for local mountaineering and hiking summer trips. Out of this, the Emergency event guidelines were revised and are available at the door for you to take along and throw in your backpack!

It was almost 50 years ago, in April 1964 that 12 local ACC members formed the Kootenay Section of the Alpine Club of Canada. It dissolved in 1968 and in the Spring of 1969 was resurrected as the KMC. So, it is appropriate to celebrate our 50th anniversary next year. I have formed a small subcommittee to come up with a few ideas, and invite you to join this group if you like to get involved.

In closing, it was great to see that members supported those that were injured or fell ill. We are a small community and this personal contact is encouraged and much appreciated.

On a personal note, I have been grateful and honored to be your President for the past two years and wish my successor and his executive team all the best. The club will be in good hands. I would like to continue as Summer trip and Mountain school director with your blessing.

Thank you for your friendship!

Treasurer: Kate Woodhouse (enclosed financial statements: a comparative income statement and a balance sheet report presented by President Peter Oostlander)

The 2013 budget had estimated a surplus of \$646, in reality there was a surplus of \$2653. Revenue was higher than projected, and expenses lower than projected – there nearly always is a pleasant surprise at the end of the year when budget projections are on the conservative side.

On the income statement, Other Income is made up of a \$1060 rebate from the FMCBC and \$700 collected at the social evening with Chic Scott.

Extraordinary expenses this year included \$1322.88 for the screen/projector combo, and \$1230 for the digitalization of the Karabiner, \$746.88 for the website,

The cabin rentals resulted in a \$4838.28 surplus which will be transferred into the Huts Reserve. On the balance sheet, you can see the bank balance is \$34,917.07 – sorry; I did not manage to get into the Bank of Montreal to put more money into an investment. Suggest to hold onto one years' worth of expenses – \$15,000 – plus membership money that will be coming in. So have approx. \$25,000 to invest. I would put \$10,000 into an easily accessible, immediately cashable GIC for any "emergencies" and/or Cabins spending (Graham's share of the money is about \$15,000) and the remaining \$15,000 into a laddered investment – this will earn more as time goes on and will release cash on an annual basis, which is good for financing planned-ahead projects.

There will be a new Treasurer after the AGM – I implore you to vote him in, and I wish him success! I have not been out on a trip with the club for two years now, mainly due to that wonderful stretch of water called Kootenay Lake and its ferry schedule, so I haven't felt connected to the KMC for a long while. It has been an honor to serve as your Treasurer, no matter how low-key it turned out to be. Happy trails, **Kate**

The following motions were debated by the members.

Motion 1: to approve the financial report from the past fiscal year – moved by Graham Jamin and seconded by Curt Nixon, motion carried.

Motion 2: to approve spending \$4,000 to update the KMC website. A friendly amendment was made to increase the amount to \$5,000 – moved by Curt Nixon and seconded by Joan Harvey, motion carried.

Motion 3: to approve the 2014 budget as presented – moved by Val Evans and seconded by Dave Watson, motion carried.

KMC Balance Sheet as of 30-Sep-13

ASSETS

Current Assets

Chequing/Savings

Bank of Montreal Chequing	34,917.07
Bank of Montreal Term Dep	5,236.12
PayPal	3,559.75
Total Chequing/Savings	43,712.94
Total Current Assets	43,712.94

TOTAL ASSETS 43,712.94

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Equity

General Equity	4,734.24
Reserve - Climbing Camp	171.70
Reserve - Environmental	240.00
Reserve - Huts	11,660.67
Reserve Conservation	85.00
Retained Earnings	19,329.09
Net Income	7,492.24*
Total Equity	43,712.94

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 43,712.94

* of this amount \$4838.28 will be transferred into the Reserve-Huts fund

KMC Profit & Loss Previous Year Comparison

October 2012 through September 2013

	Oct '12 - Sep 13	Oct '11 - Sep 12	\$ Change	% Change
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Donations	61.43	1,150.00	-1,088.57	-94.70%
Interest Income	50.64	53.99	-3.35	-6.20%
Membership Dues	11,493.00	10,648.00	845.00	7.90%
Other Revenue	1,760.00	1,030.00	730.00	70.90%
Total Income	13,365.07	12,881.99	483.08	3.80%
Expense				
Administration Expenses	488.40	344.55	143.85	41.80%
Bank Charges	5.18	0.00	5.18	100.00%
Conservation Committee	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	-100.00%
Equipment & Trails Expenses	146.75	19.47	127.28	653.70%
Fed of Mt Clubs-Insurance	2,672.00	2,352.00	320.00	13.60%
Federation of Mt. Clubs Fees	2,665.50	3,270.00	-604.50	-18.50%
Library Expenses	1,230.55	0.00	1,230.55	100.00%
Newsletter Expenses	519.25	552.67	-33.42	-6.10%
PayPal Fees	363.72	308.29	55.43	18.00%
Projector/Screen 2013	1,322.88	0.00	1,322.88	100.00%
Social Expenses	550.00	513.46	36.54	7.10%
Supplies & Equipment	0.00	14.20	-14.20	-100.00%
Website Expenses	746.88	0.00	746.88	100.00%
Total Expense	10,711.11	8,374.64	2,336.47	27.90%
Net Ordinary Income	2,653.96	4,507.35	-1,853.39	-41.10%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
Huts (PayPal) Income	9,450.00	9,930.00	-480.00	-4.80%
Ski Camp Income	10,500.00	12,600.00	-2,100.00	-16.70%
Total Other Income	19,950.00	22,530.00	-2,580.00	-11.50%
Other Expense				
Huts Expenses				
Huts PayPal Fees	313.85	0.00	313.85	100.00%
Huts Expenses - Other	4,297.87	11,246.96	-6,949.09	-61.80%
Total Huts Expenses	4,611.72	11,246.96	-6,635.24	-59.00%
Ski Camp Expenses	10,500.00	10,500.00	0.00	0.00%
Total Other Expense	15,111.72	21,746.96	-6,635.24	-30.50%
Net Other Income	4,838.28	783.04	4,055.24	517.90%
Net Income	7,492.24	5,290.39	2,201.85	41.60%

KMC Proposed Budget - Year Ending September 30, 2014

REVENUE	2014 Budget	2013 actual	2013 Budget	Notes 2014 Budget
Membership Dues	11,500	11,493.00	10,648	\$11662 to date (Oct. 21 2013)
Donations Income		61.43		
Interest Income	50	50.64	60	
Other Revenue	0	1,760.00	1,060	2012 FMCBC rebate \$1060 rec'd after yearend
Transfer from Reserve	2,650			+ Chic Scott \$700
	14,200	13,365.07	11,768	
EXPENSES				
Newsletter Expenses	600*	519.25	700	*30 members receive a paper copy (\$20 ea.) \$500 (\$25 per course KMC subsidy x 20) to be paid by cabins fund
Mountaineering School Expenses	0			
Conservation Committee				
Equipment & Trails Expenses	0	146.75	100	Will be paid by cabins fund
Library Expenses	150	1,230.55*	100	*2013 add'l cost: preservation of paper copies and digitizing the complete Karabiner issues
Social Expenses	3,000	550.00	1,250	KMC 50th anniversary
Federation of Mt. Club Fees	2,550	2,672.00	3,510	225 x \$10 per membership
Federation of Mt. Club Insurance	2,680	2,665.50	2,472	335 x \$8 per member
Administration Expenses	400	488.40	400	
Bank Charges/PayPal Fees	375	368.90	350	
Registrar of Companies	50		40	
Supplies & Equipment		1,322.88	1,200	Projector/Screen/Cables
Website Expenses - maintenance	500	746.88	800	*Actual budget is \$4000;
New website design	3,000*			1/4 or \$1000 is for the cabin booking system
Miscellaneous Expenses	100		100	paid by cabins fund
CAC membership	200			
Incentive Program				
Membership	300		100	membership drive
Advertising	295			
	14,200	10,711.11	11,122	
Net Income (Loss)	0	2,653.96	646	

Carol Page moved the Treasures report as presented, seconded by Eric Ackerman, motion carried.

Vice President – no report

Secretary – no report

Cabins: Graham Jamin. Over the summer all the cabins have been cleaned, and well stocked with firewood for the winter season. This year all the fire extinguishers were checked - 3 were cleaned and refilled. In addition minor repairs/upkeep was done. Ministry (of Forests Range and Natural Resource Operations) District Recreation Officer has agreed a portion of funds raised from Cabin rental can now be redirected to general revenue for Trails Maintenance and Training.

Steed Hut – Last year we flew in a wood stove and enough firewood that hopefully would have lasted a couple of years. The majority of the wood got used up last winter, with about a third left over for this winter. With a small work crew we added to the wood pile and it is now well stocked again for this year.

Copper Hut – New roof, renos and new windows are all holding up well. No repairs were needed. Just firewood was needed.

Huckleberry – A new woodshed has been built on the NW side of the cabin by a local initial attack crew from forestry. Hopefully moving the wood away from the side and underneath the cabin will help eliminate the packrats using the woodpiles for nesting. As well, we have been brushing around the cabin to expose the rats coming and going routes.

Grassy – Minor upgrades to the outhouse.

Revenue from cabin bookings for Oct. 1, 2012 to Sept. 30, 2013 - \$9,460.00 *down from last year

Expenses for the same period:

PayPal fees	\$ 313.85
Helicopter fees	\$ 3,090.36 *For the Steed hut last year
General Expenses and mileage	\$ 1,207.51
Trail and Equipment expenses	\$ 146.75 *New expenditure under cabins
Total Gain	\$ 4,701

Plans for next summer are to upgrade the outhouses at Steed and Huckleberry.

We are currently renegotiating our partnership agreement with Ministry of Forests. Some changes will be made and I will report on this later this winter.

Many thanks to the members who came up and helped out on the work crews over the summer; my family being a big part of that.

Conservation – no report

Trails and Trails/Road access: Norm Yanke led a discussion on a vision for a single website as a resource for all trail and road conditions, that could be updated and allow all users/hikers to go to too add information as well as retrieve the latest information.

Al Sinkie did put out hike requests for trail maintenance on 3 different occasions and each time the trails had already been cleared. Which is a good thing, but you can see the information is not being shared.

The trails I am aware of that were cleared were Pulpit Rock, but a group from Castlegar was right behind us on that day, another case of no communication. Our group continued to the Nelson towers and cleared the trail. The Davis creek trail was cleared by our group but Forestry put in a crew for a couple very large trees that had dropped.

Al Sinkie went to clear the Wakefield trail it had already been cleared by someone for their Sufferfest event. The trails in the MacBeth and other north Kootenay lake areas were cleared already by a crew in Kaslo funded by the Kaslo Community Forest.

It would be great to have one central information source (website?) of trail clearing activities in our area so we can direct our efforts more efficiently.

I could not put in the time and effort this year that this position deserved and don't see that changing in the near future, so I request that we look for someone with more time than I had to continue with this.

Hiking Camp: Leon Arishenkoff on behalf of Mark Hatlen - The 2013 camps were a big success and were full except for a last minute cancellation in the first camp. Location was Echo Lake in the Purcells. As the last newsletter shows, the location had one of the prettiest settings to date. Two new cooks and a second time cook filled their 'roles' with great acclaim. Much work was done on the hiking camp manuals and it is anticipated that they will be under the Hiking Camp tab on the soon to be revamped KMC website. Members will be able to peruse them, see who is on the committee and their functions as well as other details pertaining to camps.

The 2014 camps will be a revisit (1998 site) to Marvel Pass in the Rockies. First camp will commence July 19th, second July 26th and third August 2nd. A new cone type toilet will be in the biffy which will make it more hygienic. Cost to remain at the bargain price of \$450.00 per camper. Going forward, camp equipment will be replaced/improved upon as required, manuals 'tweaked' as necessary and future camps will be posted earlier so members can plan ahead a little easier.

A detailed Hiking Camp financial statement was distributed by Hiking Camp Committee Treasurer – Leon Arishenkoff.

Mountaineering school: Peter Oostlander - The mountain school was brought back to life this year, with the free "Intro to backcountry skiing" day in the Mt Crowe area. In liaison with Summit Mountain guides three mountaineering courses were completed with KMC member discounted rates. In May, we also organized a slideshow on a mountain expedition to Mount Logan followed by ideas on how to best prepare to be a leader for local mountaineering and hiking summer trips. Out of this, the Emergency event guidelines were revised and are available at the door for you to take along and throw in your backpack!

For this Winter, two Avalanche courses at discounted rates, and three free ski touring events for beginners are planned. The discounts for courses are offered for KMC members only and subsidized by both the KMC and the presenter: Summit Mountain Guides.

Library: Doug Clark, the KMC library continues to reside at Doug Clark's in Castlegar. While it had withdrawals for general interest, it had a couple withdrawals for purposes of research for a couple of books being drafted on hiking and climbing in the West Kootenays by Ron Perrier and David Lussier. Of interest is that books written by KMC members 30-40 years ago are being referenced by these authors. **To access the Library contact Doug.**

Through the tremendous efforts of Tim Clinton, two complete sets of the "Kootenay Karabiner", a yearly Journal (other than a few twice yearly) collection from 1964-2000 were preserved in clear plastic sleeves and collated into 3

ring binders. One set was placed in the KMC library and another was gifted to the Touchstones Nelson Museum. In addition digital copies of the entire set were produced as well. A DVD of the entire collection is available to all members, and was uploaded to the Dropbox free file hosting service and linked to our website.

Membership: Sherolyn Haakstad

YEAR	INDIVIDUAL	COUPLE		Enrollment		FAMILY	NON-RESIDENT	TOTAL		CHANGE FROM PRIOR YEAR	
	MEMBERS	MEMBER-SHIPS	MEMBERS	ON LINE / PAYPAL	PAPER / CHEQUE	MEMBER-SHIPS	MEMBERS	MEMBER-SHIPS	MEMBERS	MEMBERSHIPS	MEMBERS
2011	140	78	156	220	89	4	17	220	309	↑8	↑10
2012	158	77	154	253	59	0	20	235	312	↑15	↑3
2013	173	81	162	270	66	0	17	254	336	↑19	↑24

Membership in the club has increased by 7% in 2013 (24 members, 19 memberships). Some of those new members are younger members which is wonderful!

2013 was my third and final year as Membership Director and I would like to welcome Nadine Ebner as the new Membership Director and I trust you will be patient with her as she learns the systems and it is exciting as she already has some great ideas and plans. I will continue to be available to help her make the transition. I would like to thank Peter Oostlander for covering for me while I was away during Jan/Feb and for taking over some of the duties of the Membership Director, especially for all the time spent updating the membership portion of the website.

New Waiver - For the past few years, the KMC has subscribed to the Liability Insurance Policy available to all member clubs of the FMCBC. At the request of the insurer and with the help of Michael Kennedy, a prominent Vancouver lawyer in liability claims, the FMCBC Insurance Committee has designed a new Waiver of Liability form that must now be used by all clubs subscribing to the Policy. It is the Insurer's requirement that all members of the KMC must agree to this waiver. As a result, the KMC has implemented the new Waiver on the KMC on-line membership application as well in printed form.

Enrollment - This completes the third year of the online membership and there were 19% of members that mailed in paper copies of the membership enrollment form which is consistent with last year. Some of the paper enrollments were members that had problems with the on line enrollment and PayPal and therefore sent in paper applications.

Newsletter: Tim Clinton, thanks for all the trip reports. However, I do know that there are more trips that go out than there are reports that come in. Hint, hint. Artistic, humorous, educational, informative reports will be welcome also. Please stretch your literary talents if you like. I can only make the newsletter as good as the submissions.

The cost of snail mail copies of the newsletter has come up. Here are some figures...

Total cost over 8 issues: \$ 767.80
Average per issue: \$ 95.96

The actual cost per issue varies between \$65 and \$105, depending on

- number of pages in the issue,
- number mailed,
- and whether or not I had to buy envelopes.

Divided over a dwindling number of 29 mailed copies per issue, that amounts to:

- \$3.31 per mailed copy

For a year's worth of 6 issues per person, that amounts to:

- \$ 19.86 per year.
- The last issue was sent out to 29 addresses. Five or six of those address had two members.

The tough question is: For a membership of \$38.00 (of which \$18 is earmarked for FMCBC membership and Insurance) should the club subsidize those members for almost \$20 worth of newsletters?

Lively discussion resulted in the following motion including changes to the membership renewal document.

Motion 4: To charge members \$5 for printed and mailed club newsletters and change the membership renewal document to discourage paper copies of the club newsletter - moved by Doug Clark and seconded by Curt Nixon, motion carried.

Socials and Entertainment: Pnina Shames -This has been an almost banner year for our club. Our AGM was held in Nov, 2012 at Mulligans Restaurant at the Little Bear Golf course in Castlegar. We had a good turnout of close to 40 folks. We were honoured that Kim Kratky was able to attend and give us an excellent presentation on all the work he has done in Conservation, particularly with regard to Jumbo Wild. His memory is still with us.

Our spring social, which usually would have been a small event at the Resker hall in Robson, morphed into an amazingly successful public event in Castlegar. Chic Scott agreed to give us a fantastic slide show, "The Grand Traverses". We held it in the Old Castlegar Theatre and filled the 200 + seat house. We also took the opportunity to hand out our rack cards to every attendee that was not a KMC member, and increased our membership by about 15 folks after the event. We also made a couple of hundred bucks.

This past September, our Fall social drew about 35 of our members, and the most diversified and varied array of slide shows yet! It ranged from hard core mountaineering, to the gentler side of artistry in the mountains, to exotica in the Amazon, to even a little snow driven humour. We also had a surprise display of works of art by one of our members.

Thank you to the other members of the executive for all the help with these events. And thank you to all the members that come out and attend KMC gatherings. This is one time it's good to combine business with pleasure!!

Great turnout tonight, best in years!

Summer trips: Peter Oostlander -The 2013 summer trip schedule was a busy one with 77 trips completed, an increase of 15 over last year; 19 over the year before. There was also an increase in participants: 530 members and 36 guests; a 20% increase over last year; 10% over the year before. The summer trip with the highest attendance was a trip into the USA: Mt. Abercrombie with 20 participants; although Ed and Hazel's trip to Brilliant overlook and Norm Yanke's trip to Mt. Grohman were not far behind in numbers. This is our third year with access to the NCC Darkwoods lands, and Elena C. maintained excellent relations with the landowners. She organized three trips in the Darkwoods area.

Winter trips: Chris Cowan - Last winter was an active and successful one for the club, with 35 trips going out, involving 231 members and 25 guests. Trips varied from full moon snowshoe/xc outings, to longer and more challenging ski tours. Snowshoe trips proved very popular with some attracting as many as a dozen participants, as were easy snowshoe/xc skis in the "simply decadent" series including a very memorable moonlight ski to the rock n roll cabin in the Rossland Range. The snowshoe trip with the highest attendance was to the Brilliant Overlook near Castlegar, led by the Miros's on a fine day in January; the full day ski trip with the highest number was to Mt Lepsoe summit, led by the Watsons, on an unusually cold day in January with great snow and great company as always.

WINTER SCHEDULE - The snow is falling and winter is knocking on the door once again. Club preparations are well under way. Special thanks to Peter O for his diligence in my month of absence during crucial winter prep time in

October. Our target for formally organized winter trips was 35, and we now have a total of 39 trips on the calendar. Thanks are due to our dedicated volunteers for contacting prospective trip coordinators, and of course to everyone who volunteered to coordinate activities. You make our club what it is! We are offering as usual a great variety of activities on the snow, from easy hikes and snowshoe trips to multi day back country trips in challenging terrain, so there is something to suit everyone. You are encouraged, if you have a trip in mind that you would like to share, to get in touch with the winter trips director who will be on the club schedule. We are by no means limited to just what is on the schedule currently, since it's realized that some folks may find it difficult to plan an outing several months in advance, and may instead want to lead a trip with relatively short notice.

As part of our schedule, Peter O, ably assisted by other experienced members, will once again be offering an "intro to back country skiing" day up in the Rossland Range. This was a very successful day last season! Everyone interested in back country skiing is encouraged to get in touch with us about this. An "intermediate backcountry" trip will also be offered by Peter. You are also reminded of the Avalanche Safety Courses offered by Summit Mountain Guides. See links in my email to the membership for more details on these activities.

KOKANEE GLACIER WEEK - This will be held this year as usual in the last week of January, Jan 25 to Feb 01. There are 12 lucky participants drawn from a pool of 16 applicants. One has had to drop out due to a health related issue and a substitute is to be chosen from the 4 outstanding applicants. The Alpine club has increased the cost to \$925 for this season, mainly due to higher fuel costs for the helicopters. Ron Stockerl is to be the on-site coordinator, with Peter Jordan as back-up. See you in the hills! **Chris**

Website: Bryan Reid – no report

Reports were adopted as distributed and discussed, moved by Sherolyn Haakstad and seconded by Carole Page, motion carried.

Elections (2 year term); Vacancies (1 year term) – President Oostlander outlined the positions, vacancies, candidates and asked if there were any nominations from the floor? With no nominations from the floor the following members were elected by acclamation moved by Emilee Fanjoy and seconded by Peter Martyn.

- President: nominee – Doug Clark
- Vice-President: vacant
- Director, Hiking Camps: Mark Hatlen (Leon to assume his duties until March 2014)
- Director, Mountaineering School: Peter Oostlander
- Director, Membership: Nadine Ebner
- Secretary: Dan Derby
- Website: Elena Cigala Fulgosi
- Treasurer: Ross Bates
- Conservation – vacant
- Director, Climbing Camps: vacant
- Director, Trails and Trail access: Al Sinkie / Leon Arishenkoff

Doug Clark thanked the past executive and President Oostlander for all their work on behalf of the KMC. Meeting was adjourned followed by a surprise presentation.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Dan Derby, Secretary, Kootenay Mountaineering Club.