



**Executive Meeting of the Kootenay Mountaineering Club**  
**6:30 pm; Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at Castlegar Rec. Centre**

**Present:**

Tim, Tina, Abby, Sandra, Sheila, Peter M., Phil, Peter O., Chris, Dave, Ross and Delia.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Sandra.

- 1) **Approval of Agenda –** There was a slight amendment requested to the Agenda (to move the order of new business around). Motion to approve Agenda by Phil; seconded by Sheila.
- 2) **Approval of January 15, 2019 Minutes –** Motion to approve by Abby; seconded by Phil.
- 3) **Review of Old Business –** n/a
- 4) **New Business –**

A. Website Updates & Demo (Abby Wilson)

Abby presented a demonstration of the new website currently under construction. The new website's main purposes are to be more user-friendly / easier to navigate and to make maintenance easier.

The new website is 70-80% complete.

There was general discussion as Abby scrolled through the new site: Chris indicated that he would like to be able to see the KMC trip schedule right away. Dave would like to be able to have access to the Hut bookings and did confirm the club's policy of no refunds. Dave wondered if there was a way to find out what the most areas visited of the current site are? Tim will look into that.

The things at first glance that needed to be added were Family Memberships, hut bookings, trip scheduling, ski week and hiking camp. Delia queried about ability to sign out equipment.

There was a great deal of general discussion regarding the trip schedules (sign up online for trips, ability to move trips around etc.). There was also discussion regarding each member having their own login access to the site, signing up for trips and how to deal with the transition.

The general consensus is that we will need transition/phased approach for the changes proposed.

Dave asked Abby if she was managing with the workload; Sheila offered to help with the membership data etc.

Abby will send out a link to the Executive so they can navigate through the new site and let her know areas of concern.

B. 2019 Club Grant Applications (Abby Wilson)

- FMCBC grants are open until April 30th
- FMCBC is re-forming it's Risk Management committee - lots of chatter about using e-waivers for liability as well as member access to the insurance policy wordings. AGM is June 21-23 in Chilliwack - **do we need representation?**

C. Huts update and 2019 works (Dave Heyduck)

See attached "KMC Huts" from Dave

D. Ski/snowmobile rights and relations (Dave Heyduck)

Dave expressed concern about animosity between skiers and snowmobilers; and it has come to his attention that some KMC members may be verbalizing discriminating comments against those who snowmobile. Dave expressed concern that we need to be able to see eye to eye and have mutual respect for each other.

Phil queried about a possible snowmobile-free zone around the Lost Lake Hut, and Dave advised that there will be a non-motorized area at Lost Lake. Our goal is to keep the ski cabins as ski cabins.

E. Land Management progress and next steps (Dave Heyduck)

Dave asked the Executive what direction it sees itself going in relation to protected areas. Peter M. addressed the concerns about snowmobilers – as skiers do not affect snowmobilers; however, snowmobilers affect skiers and the environment and destroy the "wilderness" experience.

The area around Lost Lake was used as an example where there is a map indicating motorized areas and non-motorized areas.

After general discussion, it was agreed that our goal will be to work towards bigger non-motorized areas. Peter M. is willing to take this on and Sandra, Peter M. and Dave will meet with Doug Clark – as Doug has relevant maps.

Dave gave some insight into a recent incident that involving a Caribou habitat near Revelstoke where a sled was seized.

Dave queried if the Bonnington areas fall under Section 57 Site Designation and the

F. Update status of request to MOForests re road closure report for Enterprise Creek Road (Phil Best)

A letter is needed requesting a copy of the report cited in the reasons why the Ministry will not be re-opening the Enterprise Creek Road. Sandra asked that this be added to New Business for the next Agenda.

G. Outdoor Ed – Trail – donation request (Sandra)

Sandra received an email from Ingrid Enns requesting that this years' KMC donation for an outdoor education program be granted to JL Crowe in Trail.

**Sandra Fuller made a Motion that the 2019 donation of \$500 be awarded to JL Crowe Secondary in Trail. Motion seconded by Delia Roberts.**

**The motion was put to a vote. All present were in favour; no one opposed.**

**Motion passed that the 2019 donation of \$500 to an outdoor education program in our area be granted to JL Crowe Secondary School in Trail.**

Abby inquired if we should be putting a blurb about the donation / availability of the donation on the new website and it was agreed this is a good idea.

5) Executive Reports:

a) **President –**

Sandra thanked the Executive for all their hard work.

Sandra received a letter from Kim Deane, President of F.O.R.R. requesting a \$500 donation to assist towards the snow clearing at Strawberry Pass. There was general discussion.

**Sandra Fuller made a Motion that \$500 be donated to F.O.R.R. to assist with snow removal at Strawberry Pass. Motion seconded by Chris Cowan.**

**The motion was put to a vote. All present were in favour; no one opposed.**

**Motion passed that KMC donate \$500 to F.O.R.R. to assist with snow removal at Strawberry Pass.**

**b) Vice President –**

**KMC Website Redesign**

- KMC signed onto a contract with ITS Consulting in January and web development has begun. Will be sharing a demo of the new site.
- Created a set of requirements for Huts, Memberships, submit content audit of current site, collected photos from members, meetings with Tim
- Next steps: collect feedback and changes for the web developer. Develop implementation/communication plan.

**Social Media & the KMC**

- Facebook page has 176 followers (only admins can post) - 18 people have clicked "Sign Up" link - I've been managing this
- Facebook group has 104 members (only KMC members can view and post) - a few admins including me and Chris
- Instagram has 149 followers (only admins can post) - Peter manages this

There was general discussion regarding the Members Only FaceBook page, the West Kootenay Outdoors page (2500 members) and the Access page (1000 members – which Chris manages). Everyone agreed that the new FB pages seem to be working; Sheila offered to help admin the Members Only and Access page if help is needed.

**c) Treasurer –**

Ross handed out a 6 month Report (attached). Ross indicated that we are basically on track with major expenses still to come in (insurance and federation fees). Ross noted that our membership renewal was a bit on the low side.

Dave noted that Hut bookings are high this year.

**d) Membership –**

Sheila reported that we have 397 members; most are over 60.

**e) Secretary –**

Tina – nothing to report

**f) Social –**

The Spring Social is in the works. There will be a presentation from Kootenay Culture Magazine; Bob Sawyer will give a review on harnessing and belaying. 3 ropes will be set up at the Pub Wall (Lions Head) so those interested can give it a try. TAWKROC members have been invited to come and socialize with us and they will have a booth set up.

**g) Huts –**

Dave has been working on maintenance of the huts; working on funding (budgets and planning) and will have more info at the next meeting with a proposed 2019 maintenance schedule. He plans to call on the membership for volunteer help. Delia offered to help with the grants.

**h) Newsletter / Website –**

Newsletter is out. See above for website update.

**i) Mountaineering School -**

Peter advised that there were 6 courses on the summer schedule.

**j) Conservation –**

Peter M. expressed his concern regarding the tenure issue / hiking camp this year. Sandra advised that she had had a meeting with Justin and the letter had not yet gone to Mr. Bell. She is waiting to hear from the Ministry to see what steps they will be taking. Sandra advised that because of the Supreme Court decision. in December, she wants the government to take this battle on; we need to push for it but let the government be responsible for its enforcement.

Peter M. queried about FMBC intervening and Sandra confirmed that hiking camp was moved this year with hopes that the government will have dealt with Mr. Bell/Alpine Golden Holidays before next years' camp.

**k) Climbing –**

Delia advised that there were 6 dates on the Summer Schedule. She is still on the fence about a climbing camp due to possible liability issues but is still looking into this. She is contemplating maybe 4 days at Mulvy Basin to see how it goes. Her budget has not yet been spent. Regarding an "In Reach" – she will work around hiking camp to borrow etc.

## **l) Hiking Camp –**

Andrea sent an email update:

The camp lottery was completed and all participants and leaders were notified of their camp as well as those on the wait list. 68 people applied for camp, There are 2 couples (one of the couples has agreed to take a single spot if only one spot becomes available) and 4 single people on the wait list. One person removed her name from the wait list immediately upon receiving the information. 2 people have switched between camp 1 and camp 3. A cook has stepped forward for camp 3, a new member to the club but he has a back ground in food preparation.

The Hiking Camp Manual is in the process of being updated. The major areas are:

- a) leaders' meeting prior to the camp meetings
- b) change in evacuation protocol - to use the SPOT or SOS
- c) all camp leaders will leave 2 copies of the roster including medical information(which needs to remain confidential) with contact people not in camp.
- d) helicopter information
- e) cooks manual

The manual update is an ongoing process and is worked on as things become apparent and as time permits. Most of the updates should be completed before the end of May.

## **m) Trails & Access –**

Chris advised that he is still awaiting approval for White Queen from Justin. Right now he is just waiting for the snow to melt. He will need help with trail building and will notify the membership. He will be purchasing a further handle for the equipment purchased last year and some light saws. He has one trip scheduled.

Phil mentioned trail maintenance needing to be done on Mt. Irvine. Once the road is accessible, we will try to get in there and get that trail cleared as well.

Chris is still waiting for Parks approval for "Beattie Connector".

## **n) Winter Trips**

Peter indicated that the winter had been a good year for trips – with 539 participants (100 more than last year), with 58 trips. Leon had a record 29 for his Crescent Valley Mystery Tour, as did Robin and Jan with their Naughty and Nice snowshoe.

Phil advised that Kokanee Ski Week went well – there were 21 in the lottery and 6 from last years' wait list. Most have put in for next years' week.

**o) Summer Trips –**

There are 84 trips scheduled for the summer schedule – with a nice variety of trips. Phil thanked the volunteers who helped with the emails etc.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:33 by Sandra  
Seconded by Abby

These minutes are true and accurate to the best of my ability.



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TINA BALDWIN, Secretary

**KMC Financial Report to Executive - 6 months Ending March 31, 2019**

	2019 Actual	% of budget	2019 Budget	2018 Actual	2018 Budget
<b>TIME (months)</b>	6	50%	12	12	12
<b>REVENUE</b>					
Grant Revenue	\$ 12,600.00	#DIV/0!	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Membership Dues	\$ 13,352.00	89%	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,044.60	\$ 14,000.00
Donations Income	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -	\$ 125.00	\$ -
Interest Income	\$ 551.20	100%	\$ 551.20	\$ 480.28	\$ 480.28
Mountaineering School Revenue	\$ 5,578.11	93%	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,050.00	\$ 6,500.00
Other Revenue	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>\$ 32,081.31</b>	<b>149%</b>	<b>\$ 21,551.20</b>	<b>\$ 20,699.88</b>	<b>\$ 20,980.28</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
Administration Expenses	\$ 238.92	43%	\$ 550.00	\$ 527.19	\$ 500.00
Advertising	\$ -	0%	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Bank Charges	\$ 150.97	503%	\$ 30.00	\$ -	\$ 30.00
CAC membership/donation	\$ -	0%	\$ 210.00	\$ 210.00	\$ 210.00
Donations	\$ 1,000.00	50%	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 600.00
Federation of Mt. Club Fees	\$ 790.00	19%	\$ 4,100.00	\$ 3,325.00	\$ 3,200.00
Federation of Mt. Club Insurance	\$ -	0%	\$ 3,280.00	\$ 3,240.00	\$ 2,758.00
Library Expenses	\$ -	0%	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Membership	\$ -	0%	\$ 250.00	\$ 193.50	\$ 250.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ -	0%	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Mountaineering School Expenses	\$ 6,009.31	86%	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 5,986.51	\$ 7,500.00
Newsletter Expenses	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00
Paypal Fees	\$ 452.89	91%	\$ 500.00	\$ 496.40	\$ 500.00
Registrar of Companies	\$ 40.00	100%	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 100.00
Social Expenses	\$ 1,306.51	54%	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 614.98	\$ 2,400.00
Supplies & Equipment	\$ -	0%	\$ 500.00	\$ 993.90	\$ 1,600.00
Climbing Expenses	\$ -	0%	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Trail Expenses	\$ 65.00	2%	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 1,805.95	\$ 1,000.00
Website Expenses - maintenance	\$ 288.73	29%	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 928.86	\$ 1,000.00
Website Expenses - redesign	\$ -	0%	\$ 7,500.00	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>\$ 10,342.33</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>\$ 34,610.00</b>	<b>\$ 19,362.29</b>	<b>\$ 22,448.00</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 21,738.98</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>-\$ 13,058.80</b>	<b>\$ 1,337.59</b>	<b>-\$ 1,467.72</b>



Date	Destination	Type	Grade	ATES	Contact	Phone	email	Details	Course	M	NM
<b>COORDINATORS: PLS SEND WAIVERS! SIGN-UP SHEET TO THE WINTER TRIP DIRECTOR:</b> Sign-up sheets/waivers: Just take pictures of the docs and email them!!											
<b>CAA AVALANCHE BULLETIN</b>											
<b>SNOW FORECAST WHITEWATER</b>											
<b>SNOW FORECAST RED MT.</b>											
<b>MOUNTAIN FORECAST NEXT FEW DAYS</b>											
<b>WINTER PLANNER: Nov 1, 2018 - March 31, 2019</b>											
Saturday, December 8, 2018	Imro to back country skiing	Course	B3	Simple	Peter Oostlander	778 460 3341	peteroostlander@hotmail.com	Dec 8 and 9 - split class	7		
Sunday, December 9, 2018	Imro to back country skiing	Course	B3	Simple	Peter Oostlander	778 460 3341	peteroostlander@hotmail.com	Dec 8 and 9 - split class	8		
Saturday, December 15, 2018	AST1	Course	N/A	N/A					7		
Sunday, January 6, 2019	Competition Rescue & Refresher	Course	N/A	N/A				CANCELLED			
Sunday, January 20, 2019	AST2 - Jan 17-20 or Feb 1-4, 30m KMC/SMG	Course	N/A	N/A	Peter Oostlander	778 460 3341	peteroostlander@hotmail.com		2		
Saturday, January 26, 2019	Intermediate back country ski - Day 1	Ski Tour	B3	Challenging	Peter Oostlander	778 460 3341	peteroostlander@hotmail.com			6	
Saturday, February 9, 2019	Intermediate back country ski - Day 2	Ski Tour	B3	Challenging	Peter Oostlander	778 460 3341	peteroostlander@hotmail.com			5	
Sunday, February 24, 2019	AST1 on snowshoes	Course			Peter Oostlander		peteroostlander@hotmail.com	Feb 23/24	15		

### **KMC Bonnington Range – Huts construction phase plan**

**Simultaneous efforts need to be made to establish non-motorized and rec site designation in ski areas and about the huts as well as effort to develop summer trails/biking options. In addition to regular maintenance:**

**2019 – Install Grassy Woodshed**

Implement composting toilet at Grassy

Install **Copper Woodshed**

Develop Grassy hut plans/begin pre-fab

**2020 – Demo and assemble Grassy Hut**

Install **Steep Woodshed**

Develop Lost hut plans/begin pre-fab

**2021 – Install Lost Woodshed**

Assemble **Lost Lake hut**

Develop Copper hut plans/begin pre-fab

**2022 – Install Huckleberry Woodshed**

Demo and assemble **Copper hut**

Develop Huckleberry hut plans/begin pre-fab

**2023 – Demo and assemble Huckleberry Hut**

### **KMC Bonnington Range – Budgets**

**All huts accommodate 10, sleep 8 and book for 6. Based on 16x20 footprint, utilizing a loft for sleeping quarters with option of a bunk on the lower floor. Auxiliary decks and storage TBD. Additional funds within KMC hut fund will be on reserve for maintenance, funding shortfall, insurance, etc.**

**Grassy:** 90K budget utilizing, outside deck space, higher end finishes and amenities to handle the highest demand on the traverse (no road access, high demand)

Style: Contemporary Stained Timber construction with Earthy colors and finishes

Budget: KMC 20k, MOF 15k, CBT 30k, **Additional funding: 25k**

**Lost Lake:** 80K budget utilizing large windows and a deck to take in views (no road access)

Style: Steel with dark earthy tones and light accents

Budget: KMC 15k, MOF 15k, CBT 24k, **Additional funding: 26k**

**Copper:** 70K budget (road access, moderate demand)

Style: TBD

Budget: KMC 15k, MOF 15k, CBT 21k, **Additional funding: 19k**

**Huckleberry:** 60K budget (road access, less demand)

Style: TBD

Budget: KMC 15k, MOF 15k, CBT 20k, **Additional funding: 10k**