



DELTA NATURALISTS SOCIETY

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EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES, November 25, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

Held at the residence of Jennifer Melville-Roberts; Recorder: Annie Kaps

Welcome: Tom Bearss thanked Jennifer Melville-Roberts for hosting the Executive Meeting and introduced executive present: Jim Ronback, Jennifer Melville-Roberts, Annie Kaps, Ursula Easterbrook, Marilyn King, Lorraine Mwenifumbo; and, especially newbie Susan Burns.

Jim Ronback moved, seconded by Lorraine Mwenifumbo, that the minutes recorded by Hans-Ulf Schellhase for the **October 28, 2013 Executive Meeting minutes** be adopted. Passed.

Tom Bearss read (as he had recorded), and the executive reviewed and edited the draft **Minutes of November 11, 2013 General Meeting**. These shall be incorporated by Susan Burns in the next Newsletter.

Jim Ronback shall circulate draft **minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on November 11, 2013**.

Hans -Ulf Schellhase absent and, as Jennifer Melville-Roberts did not go to the mail box, there is no **Mail** report.

Treasurer Jennifer Melville-Roberts advised that there is \$4,846.83 in the bank.

Tom Bearss welcomed **Newsletter Editor** Susan Burns to the fold and again acknowledged the long-standing commitment of Mary Ronback, Emeritus.

Jim Ronback moved, seconded by Marilyn King, that Susan Burns be appointed as Director of the Delta Naturalists Society. Passed.

Publicity: Valerie (in hand), Geof's Poster produced, announcing Danny Kent's presentation.

Social convenors, Lorraine Mwenifumbo and Marilyn King reported that they have organized Goodie providers for December. 9, 2013 General Meeting.

Environment: Jim Ronback advised that he shall bring members updates at the next General Meeting on: (1) VAPOR (2) Point Roberts' Radio Towers (3) Roberts Bank Terminal 2. Likewise, Marilyn King shall speak on Cosmetic Pesticides, Farmland Protection and Coal dust. Regarding the latter,

Susan Burns reported that the First Nations have an upcoming meeting on November 27, 2013.

Archives: Jennifer Melville-Roberts reported that, she, Geof Hacker, Joyce Manary and Hans-Ulf Schellhase have begun studying our archival needs, commitments and storage.

BCN & Speakers: Ursula Easterbrook has organized speakers, with Danny Kent presenting at the December General Meeting. She advised that the January speaker is going to be Anthony Dalton.

Tom Bearss, a director of **BC Naturalists' Foundation** participated in their Directors meeting on November 18, 2013 at the BC Nature office. He has been appointed to the committee to review applications from B.C.'s naturalist clubs for project funding.

Delta Naturalists Casual Birders: Tom reported that there have been four **DNCB** Outings since the October 28 Executive Meeting:

Nov. 4 to Point Roberts/Lily Point Park;
Nov.11 to Stanley Park;
Nov. 18 to Tsawwassen Ferry and Container Ports,
Nov. 25 to Serpentine Fen.

Note: next BOTB outing is Wednesday. December 11 at 9:00 a.m. at Cammidge House.

For future Destinations, Reports and Photos of all the DNCB outings, check our Blog at:
www.dncb.wordpress.com.

Other Meetings/Events:

- 1) Fri. Nov. 1 Boundary Bay Park Association (Cammidge House Committee) meeting.
- 2) Sat. Nov. 2 Parksfest at BCIT – Tom Bearss, Don & Rochelle Farquhar attended and Anne Murray gave a presentation .
- 3) Mon. Nov. 18 BC Naturalists' Foundation meeting; Tom Bearss attended (per special report)
- 4) Wed. Nov. 20 John Neville Presentation on Raptors of Canada - moved by Annie Kaps, seconded by Tom Bearss that an honorarium be sent to John Neville to acknowledge this presentation. Passed.

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

- 1) Wed. Nov. 27 Delta Museum & Archives meeting: Hans-Ulf Schellhase
- 2) Fri. Nov. 29 Metro Vancouver Website training, Barber Learning Centre: Geof
- 3) Fri. Dec. 6 BBPA/CHC Pot-Luck meeting
- 4) Sun. Dec. 8 Santa at Cammidge House
- 5) Wed. Dec. 11 Birds on the Bay outing
- 6) Fri. Dec. 13 BBPA Meeting at CH.
- 7) Wed. Dec. 18 Heritage Committee Meeting re Cammidge House's 100th Anniversary

- 8) Sun. Dec. 22 Ladner Christmas Bird Count (CBC)
- 9) Sun. Dec. 29 White Rock-Surrey Christmas Bird Count.

OTHER: 1) Barn Owl Box installation update: Tom Bearss reported.

2) New venue search: Jim advised still under study.

3) Sound System purchase: Jonathan Mwenifumbo and Jim Ronback to research and present estimates

4) Venue for next Executive Meeting shall again be at Jennifer Melville-Roberts' residence and future locations will be advised as decided.

SCHEDULE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

Executive

January 27, 2014

February 24, 2014

March 31, 2014

April 28, 2014

May 26, 2014

General

January 13, 2014

February 10, 2014

March 10, 2014

April 14, 2014

May 12, 2014

June 9, 2014