

CANADIAN AVIATION HISTORICAL SOCIETY

VANCOUVER CHAPTER REPORT

ANNUAL MEETING - 2022

We were unable to hold regular Chapter Meetingn or Chapter Annual Meetings in 2021 and 2022 due to COVID-19 closures, but finally we have been able to start up again during 2022, and have held the 2022 Chapter AGM on 30 Jan 23.

1. Chapter Elections:

The following Chapter Executive was re-elected for 2023:

President: Jerry Vernon
Treasurer: Jim Jorgenson
Refreshments: Jim Jorgenson

2. Treasurer's Report:

The Chapter Treasurer reported that the year-end bank balance was \$ 4,390.92, an increase of only \$ 258.00 over last year. Book sales were much lower than expected due to the lack of meetings and the cancellation of the CAHS National AGM we had hoped to hold here.

We made a \$ 200 refundable damage deposit to the City of Richmond back in 2016, for the first time, but this is rolled over every year, so does not have to be paid again. In a normal year, our main ongoing expense is the room rental, but we carried forward a credit from 2022 of 7 meetings worth of rentals, so there was no additional rental payment required in 2022.

We had expected to convert many of our large stock of books into cash at the National Convention that was deferred to 2021, deferred again to 2022 and then cancelled in favour of an AGM in Winnipeg. Books are also sold at our meetings and by personal pick-up from the President.

Since we did not meet for two years, we did not collect Chapter dues in 2022 from those who had already paid dues for the incomplete 2020 year, but did collect from several who had not already paid.

Our only other 2022 income was a few pennies of bank interest.

The detailed Financial Report is attached....see Page 4.

3. Meeting Venue:

When we resumed physical meetings, our meeting venue has continued to be the Richmond Cultural Centre. We continue to meet on the LAST Monday of the month, which avoids conflicts due to most holiday weekends, City closures due to days in lieu of statutory holidays, etc. We normally hold 9 meetings a year...however, meetings in 2022 did not commence until March due to COVID-19....so only 7 meetings.

Due to a change in operating hours, our meetings have been rescheduled to run from 6:30 to 9:00 PM, which may discourage some from attending.

The cost of this meeting room continues to be \$ 50.00 + GST per month, and we have had no indication that it will change for 2024.

4. Membership:

Meeting attendance has ranged from 5 to 12 last year, with an average of 8 to 9, which is still not good enough to bring in some of the available outside speakers. We keep in touch with our members by e-mail. Altogether, about 20 different people normally attend one or more Chapter meetings during the year, but never more than a dozen at any given meeting.

Current Paid Chapter Membership in 2022 was 21. Several National Members pay the Chapter Dues but are unable to attend the meetings.

The Chapter Membership Fee was dropped to \$ 10.00 in 2019 and remains the same. We waived the Chapter Membership Fee during the COVID shutdown, but are now collecting a fee for 2023. Those that paid for their membership in early 2020(only 2 meetings) were considered Paid Up for 2022, and an additional \$ 90 was collected during 2022 only from those who had not paid in 2020.

We have been collecting a \$ 2.00 Landing Fee to cover refreshments but it is a nuisance and we will probably drop it in 2023 as we have a good bank balance.

5. CAHS Convention:

We had been looking forward to holding the deferred National Convention here in 2021, and again in 2022, so it was a disappointment to have to have it cancelled. Having the AGM here will give us a chance to sell more of our stock of books stored in the President's basement. Several Chapter members did attend the 2022 Convention in Winnipeg and 5 of us presented papers there.

6. FAX Machine:

The CAHS-owned fax machine(supplied in 1994) is now operating on a plug-in-on-demand basis only, at (604) 420-6065. Call ahead before you try to send a fax(if anyone out there still uses faxes!!)

7. Chapter Newsletter:

This Chapter continues to operate with no hard copy Chapter Newsletter. With the small circulation, high cost of postage, etc., it is not considered economically viable. However, our meetings are listed on the CAHS website and gratis in the local airport newspaper, which has brought in some inquiries and some new faces. Also, the Chapter President sends an e-mail meeting notice and newsletter to all local CAHS members and to others who attend the meetings or have attended in recent years. We also send this now to all National Members scattered around BC, unless they ask to be taken off the list.

All of the regular attendees have an e-mail address, so the lack of a hard copy mailout has not been a problem.

8. Meeting Programs

We own our own laptop and digital projector, so a wider variety of programs can be scheduled. Having our own equipment saves a \$ 50/ meeting rental cost from the City and also the embarrassment of having projectors and laptops that refuse to talk to each other.

Although there are about 90 CAHS National Members in B. C., only about 25 or 30 are in reasonable proximity to our Vancouver Chapter meetings. However more than half of them never come to a meeting, for whatever excuse or reason.

Our 2022 meetings and speakers were as follows:

March: Video night: but had computer/projector problems.
April: Video night: "Canada Above & Beyond"
May: Video night: "Warbirds & More - 60 Years of Airshows"
June: Video night: "Wings of Destruction"
September: Video night: "The Battle of Britain" (Movie)
October: Speaker: Dominique Prinnet "Flying to Extremes"
November: Speaker: Jerry Vernon - CAHS 2022 Convention

9. Books:

Book & Journal sales in 2022 were only \$ 144.00.

We also donated several books as raffle prizes to the Air Force Officers' Association's Dawn Patrol Raffle to reduce our stockpile. If we are unable to sell more in a reasonable period, we may donate a lot to the Canadian Museum of Flight and the B. C. Aviation Museum, in order to clear out the Chapter President's basement.

10. Chapter Projects:

We had no 2022 projects and have no plans for any projects or major purchases in 2023.

11. 2023 Chapter General Meeting:

The 2023 Chapter Annual Meeting will be held on the last Monday of January, 2024 (ie: 29 Jan 24), at the Richmond Cultural Centre.

J. E. (Jerry) Vernon, P. Eng.,
Chapter President

ATTACHMENT: Financial Report (attached as Balance Sheet on Page 4)

CAHS VANCOUVER CHAPTER 2022 - FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Cash in Bank, 31 Dec Previous Year	\$ 4,132.92	\$ 3,316.42
Cash/Cheques on Hand for Deposit, 31 Dec 21	199.00 0-	50.00
Total, 31 Dec (Opening Balance, 01 Jan 22)	\$ 4,331.92	\$ 3,366.42
Income:		
Landing Fees(NOTE 1)	\$ 116.10	\$ 0.00
Chapter Memberships	90.00	0.00
Chapter Donations(non-receipted)	10.00	0.00
Chapter Donations(receipted)	0.00	0.00
Bank Interest	0.44	0.37
GST Rebate(NOTE 3)	0.00	9.13
Book and Journal Sales	144.00	956.00
Total Income	\$ 360.54	\$ 965.50
Expenses:		
Meeting Expenses	\$ 50.80	\$ 0.00
Postage	9.66	0.00
Facility Usage Fee - 7 meetings(NOTE 2)	0.00	0.00
Damage Deposit(Refundable)(NOTE 2)	0.00	0.00
Book Purchases(Door Prizes & Resale)	0.00	0.00
Microsoft Annual Software Subscription	122.08	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00
Total Expenses	\$ 182.54	0.00
Cash in Bank, 31 Dec 22	\$ 4,390.92	\$ 4,132.92
Cash/Cheques on Hand for Deposit, 31 Dec 22	119.00	199.00
Total Current Assets, 31 Dec 22 (Closing Balance)	\$ 4,509.92	\$ 4,331.92

NOTE 1:

Landing Fees(\$ 2.00/meeting) were collected at 7 meetings in 2022.

NOTE 2:

Facility rental is \$ 50 + GST per meeting(no change) for a 4-hour time block.. However, our meetings do not start until 6:30 PM and we must be out of the facility by 9:00 PM, so we can only meet for 2 ½ hours. We now have our own laptop and digital projector, so not have to pay for any equipment rental. Other equipment, such as a regular slide projector, is available from Chapter members at no cost for rental, if needed by a speaker.

There is a refundable \$ 200.00 damage deposit, which we paid several years ago and which is simply rolled over every year by the City. As far as we know, the rental rate will remain the same for 2024. When a meeting is cancelled the rental is held as a credit towards the next year's rent...for example, they were holding 7 months worth of prepaid rental carried over from 2020, and that covered all 7 meetings we were able to hold in 2022.

NOTE 3:

There was no GST Rebate in 2022 for 2021 expenses, as we did not meet in 2021. A GST Rebate of \$ 3.17 is expected for 2022 expenses.

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