



EVERGREEN SENIORS OUTDOOR CLUB

Treasurers Report

1 March 2021 – 28 February 2022

Financial Results

At last years AGM we agreed that we should reduce the Club equity and this is precisely what we achieved.

The Balance Sheet shows that the equity of the club at Financial Year End was **\$13,779.75** this represents a **decrease of \$3,493.85 or 20.2%** over the prior year.

The Cash Flow report shows that we started the year with a bank balance of **\$16,847.60** and ended the year with **\$17,778.80** or an increase of **\$931.20**. This statement simply provides the details of the change.

This year I have added an Income statement, this adjusts the Cash Flow report to take out entries that more correctly belong in a different financial year. It reflects the change in equity shown in the Balance sheet.

There is only one item of note that affected the results this year. Our bus operations did resume but we only managed to make 23 bus trips. This was largely due to low attendance rates due to Covid reluctance.

The detailed numbers are shown in the copies of the Balance sheet, Cash Flow report and Income statement that are attached to this report.

Summary

As usual for discussion purposes I have chosen to divide our finances into three areas, each of which we would normally like to be self-supporting.

Bus Operations

Bus operations are the largest expense incurred by the Club

In the financial year we completed **23** trips with an average ridership of 41.6. Our total payment to bus companies was **\$21,779 or an average of \$947 per trip** (previous year \$6,011 for 5 trips, average \$1.202 per trip).

Our overall loss was **\$1,977** or, put another way, **\$2.07** per person per trip. The previous year showed a loss of \$2.52 per person per trip.

We completed our fifth year with Universal Coach Lines without any difficulties. Universal were very flexible in pricing, offering discounts where we did not fill the bus. This helped to reduce our losses on bus operations by **\$3,500**.

On this years' trips (without assistance from Universal) the bus fare would have needed to be \$26 in order to come close to breakeven.

We adjusted the National Park Pass charge during the year to reflect increased costs from Parks Canada. We made the charge \$10 per pass in order to facilitate easier cash collection on the bus.

The bus fare charge will have to be adjusted at some point in the future but I do not propose to recommend any change until the amount of the Club Equity has been reduced to approximately \$10,000.

The attached bus costs report reflects the actual trips made during the financial year. The number of persons shown per trip includes "no shows". It does not match the Cash Flow Summary due to the late billing/payment cycle, which affects February costs.

General Expenses

Our general expenses represent all expenses of the Club excluding Bus Operations and Social Events. This includes insurance, donations, AGM expenses, Membership director's expenses, Treasurer's expenses, web site costs etc. these expenses are covered principally by our membership dues.

This year we showed a **surplus of \$1,143** on the Cash Flow report (last year a surplus of \$2,326).

However, if we adjust income to exclude pre paid membership fees we would show a **loss of \$1,576.87**

The only expense of note during the year was the charge of \$955 for changes made to our website.

Social Events

Fortunately we were able to hold our usual (successful) social events this year.

The Board authorized a subsidy of up to \$10 per member for the Fall Luncheon but thanks to the success of the Raffle the event made a profit of \$63 therefore no subsidy was required.

The BBQ showed a minor loss of \$102 which represents a subsidy of \$1.41 per member.

Auditors

I want to once again express my thanks to the auditors who have managed to check the books and the year end financial reports despite COVID-19 restrictions.

– Hugh Powell and Craig Barnstable.

Treasurer

I would like to offer my services as Treasurer for the 2022 – 2023 year however it is my intention to retire from the position at the end of that year.

Bob Perkins, Treasurer. March 31, 2021



Balance Sheet Comparison February 28, 2021 to February 29, 2022

Balance Sheet

	<u>Current Year</u>		<u>Prior Year</u>	
Assets				
Bank Statement	\$	17,778.80	\$	16,847.60
Cash Float	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Pre-paid Fall Lunch Deposit	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Prepaid Natl Park Permits	\$	213.00	\$	426.00
Pre-paid W.W. Society	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Total Assets		\$ 17,991.80		\$ 17,273.60
Liabilities				
Bus Payments	\$	1,492.05	\$	0.00
Admin Expenses	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Misc Expenses	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Prepaid Membership Dues	\$	2,720.00	\$	0.00
Cash Float increase	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Total Liabilities		\$ 4,212.05		\$ 0.00
EQUITY		\$ 13,779.75		\$ 17,273.60
Prior Yr	\$	17,273.60	\$	14,875.68
Current Change	\$	(3,493.85)	\$	2,397.92
Current Yr		\$ 13,779.75		\$ 17,273.60

Prepared by Bob Perkins, Treasurer

President, Kiyoko Miyanishi

Mar 27, 2022



Income Statement 2021-2022

Category	Current Year		Prior Year
Income			
Bank rebate	\$	59.40 \$	59.40
Membership Sales	\$	480.00 \$	520.00
Cash float reduction	\$	0.00 \$	0.00
Donations	\$	0.00 \$	0.00
Other income Total	\$	539.40 \$	579.40
Bus Fares	\$	20,464.00 \$	5,617.00
Fall Lunch	\$	2,765.00 \$	0.00
BBQ	\$	2,270.00 \$	1,000.00
Social Events Total	\$	5,035.00 \$	1,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$	26,038.40 \$	7,196.40
Expenses			
AGM expenses	\$	21.50 \$	0.00
Bank Fees	\$	93.88 \$	59.40
Donations	\$	300.00 \$	100.00
Equipment purchase	\$	17.96 \$	0.00
Gratuities	\$	125.00 \$	125.00
Insurance	\$	266.67 \$	613.20
Memberships	\$	50.00 \$	20.00
Membership expenses	\$	95.50 \$	0.00
Newsletter	\$	90.32 \$	0.00
Sunshine Expenses	\$	1.84 \$	0.00
Treasurer expenses	\$	3.60 \$	0.00
WebSite hosting	\$	1,050.00 \$	136.50
Expenses Total	\$	2,116.27 \$	1,054.10
Bus Costs			
Bus costs	\$	20,637.11 \$	10,211.25
Bus Costs unpaid	\$	1,492.05 \$	0.00
Park Passes (pre paid)	\$	213.00 \$	355.00
William Watson Lodge Fees	\$	0.00 \$	20.00
Bus Costs Total	\$	22,342.16 \$	10,586.25
Social Events			
Fall Lunch	\$	2,702.02 \$	0.00
BBQ	\$	2,371.80 \$	0.00
Social Events Total	\$	5,073.82 \$	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	29,532.25 \$	11,640.35
Profit/Loss	\$	(3,493.85) \$	(4,443.95)



Cash Flow Summary 2021-2022

Category	Current Year	Prior Year
Income		
Bank rebate	\$ 59.40	\$ 59.40
Membership Sales	\$ 480.00	\$ 520.00
Membership sales Prepaid	\$ 2,720.00	\$ 0.00
Cash float reduction	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Donations	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Other income Total	\$ 3,259.40	\$ 579.40
Bus Fares	\$ 20,464.00	\$ 5,617.00
Fall Lunch	\$ 2,765.00	\$ 0.00
BBQ	\$ 2,270.00	\$ 1,000.00
Social Events Total	\$ 5,035.00	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 28,758.40	\$ 7,196.40
Expenses		
AGM expenses	\$ 21.50	\$ 0.00
Bank Fees	\$ 93.88	\$ 59.40
Donations	\$ 300.00	\$ 100.00
Equipment purchase	\$ 17.96	\$ 0.00
Gratuities	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
Insurance	\$ 266.67	\$ 613.20
Memberships	\$ 50.00	\$ 20.00
Membership expenses	\$ 95.50	\$ 0.00
Newsletter	\$ 90.32	\$ 0.00
Sunshine Expenses	\$ 1.84	\$ 0.00
Treasurer expenses	\$ 3.60	\$ 0.00
WebSite hosting	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 136.50
Expenses Total	\$ 2,116.27	\$ 1,054.10
Bus Costs		
Bus costs	\$ 20,637.11	\$ 10,211.25
Park Passes	\$ 0.00	\$ 355.00
William Watson Lodge Fees	\$ 0.00	\$ 20.00
Bus Costs Total	\$ 20,637.11	\$ 10,586.25
Social Events		
Fall Lunch	\$ 2,702.02	\$ 0.00
BBQ	\$ 2,371.80	\$ 0.00
Social Events Total	\$ 5,073.82	\$ 0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 27,827.20	\$ 11,640.35
Profit/Loss	\$ 931.20	\$ (4,443.95)
Opening Balance	\$ 16,847.60	\$ 21,291.55
Closing balance	\$ 17,778.80	\$ 16,847.60
Difference	\$ 931.20	\$ (4,443.95)

Table 1

Outing Costs Summary 2021 - 2022								Profit/Loss	-\$2.07
# trips	Cost	Amt Pd	Collected	Av Trip	Net cost	incl. in collected amount		#	
23	\$ 21,779.10	\$ 21,779.10	\$ 20,024.00	41.6	(\$1,977.10)	past no show payments	Park Pass payments	Park Pass #	# park pass balance
					\$ 0.00				30
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
March	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00				0
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
April	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00				0
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
May	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00				0
17 Jun 2021	\$ 757.05		\$ 780.00	26	\$ 22.95			nr	Whaleback
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
June	\$ 757.05	\$ 757.05	\$ 780.00		\$ 22.95				0
22 Jul 2021	\$ 945.00		\$ 921.00	44	\$ (45.00)		\$ 21.00	26460	3
29 Jul 2021	\$ 861.00		\$ 780.00	39	\$ (81.00)			nr	Lake Louise
					\$ 0.00				Chester Lake
					\$ 0.00				
					\$ 0.00				
July	\$ 1,806.00	\$ 1,806.00	\$ 1,701.00		\$ (126.00)				3
05 Aug 2021	\$ 892.50		\$ 814.00	39	\$ (92.50)		\$ 14.00	26459	2
12 Aug 2021	\$ 892.50		\$ 820.00	41	\$ (72.50)			nr	Banff
19 Aug 2021	\$ 892.50		\$ 831.00	40	\$ (82.50)		\$ 21.00	26461	3
					\$ 0.00			nr	Black Prince
					\$ 0.00				Emerald Lake
					\$ 0.00				BBQ
August	\$ 2,677.50	\$ 2,677.50	\$ 2,465.00		\$ (247.50)				5
02 Sep 2021	\$ 1,050.00		\$ 1,102.00	54	\$ 31.00		\$ 21.00	26462	3
09 Sep 2021	\$ 997.50		\$ 920.00	46	\$ (77.50)			nr	Helen Lake
16 Sep 2021	\$ 997.50		\$ 1,043.00	50	\$ 3.50		\$ 42.00	26463	6
23 Sep 2021	\$ 945.00		\$ 900.00	46	\$ (45.00)			nr	Highwood Pass
30 Sep 2021	\$ 997.50		\$ 800.00	46	\$ (197.50)			nr	Moraine Lake
September	\$ 4,987.50	\$ 4,987.50	\$ 4,765.00		\$ (285.50)				Rummel
07 Oct 2021	\$ 1,050.00		\$ 1,103.00	49	\$ (10.00)	\$ 80.00	\$ 63.00	26464	9
14 Oct 2021	\$ 1,081.50		\$ 860.00	45	\$ (221.50)			nr	James Walker Tr
21 Oct 2021	\$ 997.50		\$ 960.00	49	\$ (37.50)			nr	Stanley Glacier
28 Oct 2021	\$ 840.00		\$ 740.00	32	\$ (100.00)	\$ 80.00		nr	Upper K Lake
					\$ 0.00				Wasootch etc
October	\$ 3,969.00	\$ 3,969.00	\$ 3,663.00		\$ (369.00)				Little Elbow
04 Nov 2021	\$ 1,050.00		\$ 980.00	47	\$ (70.00)			nr	
11 Nov 2021	\$ 1,050.00		\$ 880.00	44	\$ (170.00)			nr	Sheep River
18 Nov 2021	\$ 1,050.00		\$ 1,040.00	52	\$ (10.00)			26581	Fullerton loop
25 Nov 2021					\$ 0.00			nr	Lake Louise
					\$ 0.00				Fall Lunch
November	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 2,900.00		\$ (250.00)				0
Dec 2, 2021	\$ 1,050.00		\$ 910.00	44	\$ (150.00)		\$ 10.00	26582	1
Dec 9, 2021	\$ 945.00		\$ 730.00	33	\$ (225.00)	\$ 60.00	\$ 10.00	26583	1
Dec 16, 2021	\$ 945.00		\$ 800.00	31	\$ (155.00)	\$ 140.00	\$ 10.00	26584	1
Dec 23, 2021					\$ 0.00				Lake Minewanka
Dec 30, 2021					\$ 0.00				Cancelled
December	\$ 2,940.00	\$ 2,940.00	\$ 2,440.00		\$ (530.00)				Cancelled
Jan 6, 2022			\$ 80.00		\$ 80.00				3
Jan 13, 2022					\$ 0.00				Cancelled
Jan 20, 2022	\$ 757.05		\$ 650.00	32	\$ (117.05)		\$ 10.00	26586	1
Jan 27, 2022	\$ 735.00		\$ 560.00	28	\$ (175.00)			nr	Lake Louise
Jan 31, 2022			\$ 20.00		\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00			PLPP
January	\$ 1,492.05	\$ 1,492.05	\$ 1,310.00		\$ (192.05)				1
Feb 3, 2022					\$ 0.00				cancelled
Feb 10, 2022					\$ 0.00				
Feb 17, 2022					\$ 0.00				
Feb 24, 2022					\$ 0.00				
February	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00				0
Amount Owing	\$ 0.00								
						Year beginning Balance		60	
						No issued during year		30	
Average loss/gain per ticket			-\$2.07			Current Balance		30	
						Mid term purchases		0	
						Balance		30	

Membership Director Report – Johanna Voordouw

This second COVID year has not been easy for the club. For all sorts of reasons many members did not come out on Thursdays, although we had a steady stream of outings either with the bus or self-driving due to the hard work from both the summer and winter directors, Barb Brunton-Johnstone and Hugh Powell. These were all great hikes, snowshoe or ski trips. There were also in-town hikes by smaller private groups. We hope that pretty soon we can coordinate all these hikes on our Web site so that more members can participate. We also hope that the bus is going to run on a weekly basis. Bussing is so convenient and social and makes the Club run well.

In March 2021 we started out with 136 Full and 34 Associate members for a total of 170. A lot of guests joined our trips and in the Fall of 2021 the Board decided to raise the cap to 150 Full members. It did not take long to fill that up. By November of 2021 we reached this full capacity and we were not able to add more members until the February renewal.

During the past year 112 members came out 1292 times and 76 guests joined us 226 times. In the winter months we experienced a rush of guests, which helped keep the bus running. Of these, 16 would like to become full members

Membership numbers were/are as follows:

March 2021- December 2021

Full members	136
Associate members	34
Full >> Associate	10
Associate >> Full	1
Left the club	4
New Full members	24

January 2022 March 2022

Full members	150
Associate members	38
Gisella Ironside passed away	1
Full >> Associate	2
No renewal with notice	7
No renewal without notice	24
New Full members	5

Current total membership: 138 Full and 24 Associate members.

I thank Eric for all his patient help with the website

Summer Transportation Director Report - 2021
Greg McKenzie

For the second year in a row, our Club has been enormously impacted by COVID 19 and its variants. While we had a full summer of wonderful weekly outings, transportation for each was often by self driving to the trailhead. For some outings, we were able to provide a bus with strict COVID protocols and limited numbers on the bus. During the first year of the pandemic, we only had four bus trips. This past summer we had 15 bus trips but that's a far cry from the 30 bus trips of the 2019 summer season. There was one trip in June (to the Whaleback), two in July, three in August, five in September, four in October. Fortunately, Universal Coach Lines provided a 30% discount in light of reduced numbers. The Company has gone to extraordinary lengths to accommodate our Club. This includes a reduction in fees, enhanced cleaning, overnight ozone/ air purifier in the coach, protective shield for the driver, and provision of hand sanitizer and fully vaccinated drivers.

The National Park, again this summer, had limited parking in many venues. Paid parking is now required in the Chateau Lake Louise area, but not for our bus. Our coach was also allowed to proceed to Moraine Lake to drop off and pick up passengers. Membership hath its privileges!

Over the past two summers, the Summer Transportation Director duties have evolved into looking after procedures for the many guests who want to hike with us. Each week there were typically ten or more guests who joined us. We attracted lots of good new people, many of whom became members. New procedures insured that each guest signed the waiver form and gave it to us in advance. This included their Park Pass number and an Emergency contact number. We discouraged collecting waiver forms on the bus or at the trailhead. Usually this meant finding out which Club Member had sponsored the guest, and then contacting that person to find out the guest's phone number and e-mail address. We then sent a waiver form to sign and e-mail back. We then forwarded the signed form to the Day Trip Leaders so that they knew that the guests had a signed waiver and also so that they had an emergency contact number if needed. We also sent the waiver to the Membership Director. Meanwhile, Eric did similar waiver work with any guests who didn't have a sponsor, but had found us on the website. New enhancements to the website helped us register guests with their names showing up on the print out (See webmaster report).

Another huge initiative was to come up with a process for insuring that everyone on the bus was double vaccinated. Katie O'Neil came through in a big way. She looked at every week's bus registrations to insure that those on the bus had shown proof of vaccination. Those that had not shown proof yet were chased by Katie to submit their proof. Guests also needed to send in their proof of vaccination. This all had to be done in advance of the trip. The above proved very labour intensive.

For the upcoming season, I am pleased to work with Harold Kroeger. He has volunteered to help with Summer Transportation Director duties. Thank you Harold!

Winter Transportation Director Report to AGM – April 14, 2022 – Carolyn Ardell

Our winter activity season went from November 4, 2021 to March 31, 2022, a total of 25 outings. Of the 25 outings 6 times the bus was cancelled due to lack of registrations and 5 times the outing was created as a “Self Drive”. Covid remained a factor with operation of a bus and cold weather for two events resulted in cancellation of trips. If it was not for the great number of guests who registered for the posted events, the bus would have been cancelled for at least 4 additional outings.

The club had established an understanding with Universal bus Lines to provide a discount for trips, when the number of riders was not sufficient to cover the set cost. The Board had decided that 30 riders was sufficient to “run” the bus and to stay with the \$20.00 fee even for outings to longer distances. (Emerald Lake, Lake Louise). A break-even point requires 50 riders on the bus. All of our trips with exception of 1 ran at a loss for the Fall/Winter season.

Universal has been very supportive of continuing Covid protocols.

I look forward to working with the Winter Trip Director for Fall/Winter 2022/23

Carolyn Ardell

Summer Hike Director's Report

April 14, 2022

Despite Covid, we were able to enjoy hikes most of last summer. In the early part of last season, we offered multiple car trip hikes most weeks with occasional reduced-capacity bus trips. Starting late July, we had bus trips most weeks allowing full bus capacity; some trips were cancelled when we had less than the minimum required registrants.

After an issue early in the season with a bus trip to the Whaleback when there were hikers, but no-one prepared to lead one of the hikes, we tried to line up hike leaders in advance of the bus departure. This is made easier when we know who is planning to go on each hike in advance. To facilitate this, we implemented the capability for people to indicate their preferred hike when they register for the trip.

We have an interesting and varied Summer Hike schedule for 2022. It has been developed incorporating many of the hikes requested by members this year as well as hikes from the 2020 schedule that were cancelled due to Covid. The team who worked with me on this was: Valerie Berenyi, Stefa Fassina, Peter Kubica, Betty Weightman, Carolyn Ardell and Kyra Fisher. The schedule can be seen in Club Documents on the website. Day Leaders have volunteered for most dates, but there are still a couple of openings. The list of Day Leaders by date is also available on Club Documents. Please contact the Summer Hike Director to volunteer as a Day Leader.

I look forward to a fun summer of hiking with you!

Barb Brunton-Johnstone

WINTER ACTIVITY REPORT, 30 March 2022

It was a challenging winter as COVID came and went. The list of the proposed trips is shown below. We had 12 bus trips, 7 self-drive trips arranged at short notice when the bus was cancelled, and 2 days when we had no trips at Christmas / New Years time. There were a couple of bus trips that proceeded even though we had less than the specified minimum of 30 as we worked at getting the bus trips up and running again.

I'm concerned and have expressed this before that, in my opinion, the bus trips are essential for the success of the club. The self-drive trips were organized at the last minute because of lack of people signing up and were a stop-gap measure so that those who were interested could get out. A number of members, including myself, wouldn't get out unless there are others. I don't believe it is safe. Our Policy says that "Members will be offered a choice of at least 3 activities each week" and if we don't consistently get enough people on the bus and then at the last minute, offer a self-drive trip, we're not complying with our policy. This needs to be addressed.

I would like to thank all those members who volunteered to be day-leaders and Barb and Gerrit who stepped in while I was out of the country. Although they are not named in this report, I'm thankful that people stepped up as group leaders on the various trips. These volunteers are what makes this club run successfully.

Carol Rose-Skelly and Greg McKenzie organized cross-country ski lessons for 2 levels on 13 January at Pocaterra Hut and when we didn't get enough bus passengers registered, they sorted out self-drives for those who had signed up for the lessons.

- Nov. 4 - Sheep River - Kyra Fisher
- Nov. 11 - Fullerton- Jill Johnson
- Nov 18 - Lake Louise Skiing - Eric Leavitt
- Nov 25 - Fall / Winter Lunch
- Dec. 2- Lake Louise - Jennifer Sundgaard
- Dec. 9- Lake Louise - Peter Kubica
- Dec. 16- Banff Minnewanka - Erlinda Howard
- Dec. 23- Cancelled Kananaskis <30- Kyra Fisher
- Dec. 30- Bus trip cancelled. Self-drive possible.
- 2022
- Jan. 6- Cancelled 9 Registered -21C; West Bragg Creek- Gerrit Voordouw

- Jan. 13- X-Country Ski Lessons, PLPP - Carol Rose-Skelly & Greg McKenzie
- Jan. 13- Cancelled 28 registered. Kananaskis with Ski Lessons -Self-Drive Evan Thomas: Day leader Hugh Powell
- Jan. 20- Lake Louise (Note: Ice Carvings Cancelled) - Kyra Fisher
- Jan. 27- Kananaskis - Carolyn Ardell
- Feb. 3- Bus Cancelled - Glenn Schultz Self Drive Possible
- Feb. 3 - Self Drives to Hike West Bragg Creek & Ski PLPP. Peter Kubica Ski & Hugh Powell Snowshoes
- Feb. 10- Bus Cancelled - TBD (Hugh?) Self Drive Possible
- Feb. 10 - Self Drive to Hike Barrier Lake/Ski Elk Pass - Hugh Powell & Dave Ardell
- Feb. 17- Self-drive to Bow Valley PP - Hugh Powell & Jennifer Sundgaard
- Feb. 24 – Self-drive Banff. Snowshoe Gerrit Lakeshore, Ski Eric Leavitt Cascade Valley
- Mar. 3- Self-drive West Bragg Cr - Peter Kubica Ski & Gerrit Voordouw Snowshoe
- Mar. 10- Kananaskis Village - Kyra Fisher (Hummingbird Snowshoe problems)
- Mar. 17- Bus Emerald Lake - Carolyn Ardell
- Mar. 24- Canmore - Keith Bagnall
- Mar. 31- Banff - John Boyd

Thanks. I've enjoyed my time on the trails this year.

Hugh Powell, Winter Activities Director.

Annual Report
Evergreen Website Coordinator
Eric Leavitt
March 30, 2022

This has been an eventful year for all of us.

Except for the outage that occurred last year, the web site has performed well. The adaptability of the website allowed us to accommodate different activities while we were unable to continue our regular bus trips.

The various significant events and changes to the website are outlined below.

Continuity Planning

While I am prepared to continue as website coordinator, it is time to think about a successor. If anyone would be interested in becoming a co-director, please contact me. The main qualification is that the person be comfortable with and knowledgeable about computers. Experience with web site management would be useful but is not a requirement.

The three main duties of the coordinator are to maintain the website, assist people with using the website, and responding to people who make enquiries through the Contact Us page.

Website maintenance mostly consists of assisting people with accessing the website.

During the past year the number of people using the Contact Us page is typically about 2 – 3 per week. This is a reflection on the reputation of the club and shows the value of our website. Many of these people tried us out as guests and many have become members. This is good news for the future of our club.

Website Outage

During the past year the most significant event was the system failure at our web host, Web Hosting Canada (WHC). This event, which included deletion of all backups of our website on the WHC servers, occurred due to the activities of one former contract employer of WHC. After about a week's delay, WHC was able to restore our site using a local backup that I had previously downloaded. There was some data loss, but we were able to recover all member data.

Since then, we have implemented a more frequent downloading of significant downloading as well as signing up for a daily website backup that is not tied to WHC's servers.

Website Upgrades

This past August we asked our website designer, Curtis Fraser, to make the following changes to our website.

- When registering people can now select an activity. This was done to assist the Day Leader in their planning for the trip.
- Changes were made to how the park pass expiry date was entered. This was done because the previous method was prone to user error.
- Members can now indicate their preferred Activity Level. This was done to help people in deciding which hike or activity might be appropriate for their fitness level.

In addition to these changes, we also started entering returning guests into the data base. Guests cannot log themselves in, but this allowed us to enter Park Pass information so that it is recorded on the trip registration form.

In Conclusion

Except for the outage last year, the web site has been reliable. The upgrades to the website have helped Day Leaders in their planning. Adding guests to the database has assisted the Bus Coordinators in tracking park pass information.

Social Director Report – Stefa Fassina and Jennifer Aikenhead

The board voted to hold our Summer BBQ at Boundary Ranch again this year. My understanding is the primary impetus for this decision was to allow all members to enjoy the BBQ and remove the need for a significant number of volunteers to set up the facility, prepare the food and the final cleanup. The BBQ will be held on July 21. This year's fall luncheon was well received by all participants. The amazing response of members to both donate items for the raffle and purchase raffle tickets allowed us to hold the event without the need for the subsidy approved by the board. The fall event has not been scheduled. The location and date will be determined by the new Social Director team.

Phone Coordinator Report – Elsie Boutillier/Carol Morris

Elsie Boutillier (former phone coordinator) contacted me in Jan/Feb 2022. She requested that I take over her duties as she could no longer continue due to personal reasons. She had been phoning 4 individuals, who did not have computers, to keep them updated on Club activities, especially communication that comes via email. Since that time one of our founding members Maria Melnychuk, as well as Lucie Baradoy have decided not to renew their memberships. However both Art Johnston and Elsie Boutillier are experiencing computer issues so they will be added to the list with Jo Bands and Rob Cormack. All 4 have expressed appreciation for the mailed ESOC newsletter and the Summer Hike Schedule.

Newsletter Report April 14, 2022

The newsletter is posted on the Evergreen Website three times a year. The schedule has not changed over the pandemic.

Schedule: Spring Following the annual meeting
 Summer Following summer BBQ
 Winter Following the Fall Luncheon

There are many contributors to the newsletter. Thanks to all those who have submitted pictures and information for the newsletter. Thanks to Bernie N. for maintaining the photo archive. All those beautiful shots make the newsletter look good with very little effort on the part of the editor.

Thanks to those that write articles or submit ideas for articles. This also helps make the newsletter a little more interesting.

If anyone has an idea or would like to be published in the newsletter contact joanmcl@shaw.ca

The newsletter is mailed to members who do not have internet access and over the past year that has ranged from 3 to 5 people.

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Newsletter editor,
Joan McLean

President's Report – Kiyoko Miyanishi

As the second year of Covid has passed, we can look back on the past year and be grateful that the Evergreen Seniors Outdoor Club has survived and continued our activities as best as we could. As President, I have learned to appreciate the work of all of the board members and volunteers who keep the club going. With at times organizing bus trips and other times self-drive trips, we have largely managed to keep opportunities available for our members to get out to the foothills and mountains to hike, ski, and snowshoe, as well as socialize. So I really need to thank all of our members who managed to keep us going. As if it wasn't bad enough having to deal with Covid, we also had the problem this year of our website going down. Fortunately, our Website Director Eric Leavitt (by some miracle in my eyes) managed to handle that problem so we could continue signing up for trips. He also oversaw some very useful improvements to our website.

While work continues on developing vaccines and treatments for Covid, the future is still unknown, especially with new variants continuing to show up. However, considering how well we have done to date with no outbreaks within our club, there is good reason to be optimistic. Over the past year we even held our two large social events, the summer BBQ and the fall luncheon, without incident. But there are also a lot of good reasons for us to continue our vigilance in keeping everyone safe. We assume that most, if not all, of our members who provided proof of full vaccination (2 shots) will by now have also received their booster shots. If not, we would certainly recommend they do so.

Even with running the bus at below break-even point, thanks to Universal providing us with discounts, our club's funds being able to subsidize the bus costs, and the large numbers of guests and new members signing up for trips, we have managed to continue a good number of bus trips without raising the cost to our members.

So despite this pandemic over the past two years, our club has managed to survive and attract a sizable number of new members. So at the end of this meeting I will be happy to hand over the gavel to our incoming President Peter Kubica. As Vice-President over the past year Peter has been a great help to me in my term as President. Again, I wish to acknowledge and thank the board members and volunteer day leaders and hike leaders without whom this club could not continue to function. Finally, we need to especially thank Barb Brunton-Johnstone for hosting our Zoom board meetings and this AGM.

MEMBER SUPPORT COORDINATOR REPORT

Several 'Get Well', 'Condolences' and 'Birthday' cards have been posted or delivered. Numerous phone calls on behalf of the Club have been made.

One 'Farewell' card was sent to long-time members Jim and Irma MacKenzie who moved to Ontario.

Much positive feedback has been received from email posts regarding member support.

If the covid bussing restrictions have reduced information flow and I have missed communicating with members who should have received recognition by way of a card, email, or phone call, I apologise.

I urge you to contact me if you become aware of a member who would benefit from a friendly communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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