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NEXT MEETING

Date: October 20, 1998

Location: Speaker: Stanley Park Pavilior Norman D. Mullins

Time: 9:30 a.m. Speaker: Norman D. Mullins
Topic: NISGA'A SETTLEMENT - LIES AND DECEPTIONS

ANNUAL MEETING Tuesday September 15, 1998

The Annual Meeting opened at 9:50 am with President Fred Cotton in the chair. Committee reports were as follows:

TREASURER: Bill Wallace ignored calls from the floor for "dividends". The rent for the Pavilion will increase immediately from \$107.00 to \$220.00 per month. Therefore the meeting charge will increase from \$4.00 to \$5.00 per session. Annual dues will remain the same. We have \$5,000.00 surplus in the operating account for contingencies. Membership statements will be mailed in October with one reminder in November. A copy of the budget will be sent to members with the next mailing. President Cotton thanked each of the various hard working committee chairs.

NOMINATIONS: Fred Cotton presented the committee's report for suggestions of individuals for executive positions and asked for further nominations. George Baldwin moved that nominations cease which was seconded from many areas of the floor. Passed unanimously.

As his final duty President Cotton turned the chair over to incoming president Pidge McBride. As his first duty President McBride presented a painting to Mr. Cotton as a token of the group's appreciation of service received over the previous eighteen months. The meeting closed at 10:17 am.

Brice Macdougall introduced guest speaker John Taylor, who took us through the "interesting times" of hockey in Canada where he had seen Vancouver evolve from a "hockey village" to a "big league city". He spoke about Athletic Park, Tom Jones Park (Callister), VAC Gym, and Vancouver Forum and their places in the history of Vancouver athletics. The Patrick and the Griffith families were used as examples of "sport entrepreneurs" which he described as those whose business acumen went out the window with their love of sport. The Patricks were disgruntled with Quebec hockey and moved to Vancouver in 1912 where they built a 10,500 seat arena in a town of 100,000 and established a new professional hockey league. By the time their empire failed in 1936 they had introduced 6 man teams, the blue line, numbers on jerseys, and the playoff system. Frank Griffiths had failing health. His son Arthur had a dream of a downtown arena. GM Place resulted. After a financial bath McCaw rescued. Last year the hockey club lost \$29 million!

Canadians had pride in "their hockey" in 1972. Foster Hewett was a unifier, the Soviet series renewed this pride. Today the "Don Cherry" influence has moved hockey from plays and stick handling to violent cross checking, injuries, and rock 'em sock 'em big players. Hockey is moving southward - the NHL office is now in New York, new franchises are in Anaheim, Florida and Tennessee. Players change quickly so "lines" no longer get established, nicknames no longer are acquired, and million dollar players want to be called "Mister" and not "Babe" or "Rocket" or "Red".

In answer to questions he stated that determination and a good psyche not high salaries gets the Stanley Cup. Violence is not necessary of baseball and basketball. A larger ice size would improve the game.

John Catchpole thanked Mr. Taylor for an informative and entertaining presentation.



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Born and educated in Vancouver, B.C.

University of B.C.: B.A. 1950; LL.B. 1951.

Call to Bar: B.C. 1952.

Practice:

1952 - 1958 general practice in Vancouver;

1958 - 1965 general practice in Kelowna, B.C.;

1965 - 1967 Department of Justice, Ottawa;

1967 - 1975 Department of Justice, Vancouver; (Regional Director 1969 - 1975)

1975 - 1994 Canadian Pacific Ltd., Vancouver; (Regional Counsel)

1994 - date General practice in Vancouver.

Queen's Counsel (Federal) 1969.

Types of practice: civil litigation (torts, contracts, Wills); administrative law (judicial review and arbitration); criminal litigation (combines; environment; tax evasion; murder; manslaughter; rape); environmental law; fuel and sales taxes (federal and provincial); labour law; native law; railway and air law; real property assessment and taxation.

Constitutional and Native issues argued in Court:

Land use regulation of national railways; (Re Vulcan);
Jurisdiction over national railways;
Human rights regulation of railways and airlines;
Labour relations authority over railways and airlines;
Land use regulation of Indian reserves (Peace Arch Enterprises);
Expropriation of Indian reserve lands (many cases);
Indian taxation jurisdiction; (Canadian Pacific v. Matsqui Band et al);
Authority over prosecution of federal offences (truck transport combines);
Freedom of Speech (Georgia Straight).

Notable cases:

Active Pass Collision (Queen of Victoria and Sergei Yesenin) Inquiry; CP Air Fuel Tax recovery (\$7.5 million); Federal international aviation fuel price fixing held invalid; Regina v. Carey and Gordon (Police murder).

PROBUS CLUB VANCOUVER STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND EXPENSES with budgets and comparative actual amounts Prepared on a cash basis - unaudited

	09/30/99	09/30/98			09/30/97
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual
INCOME					
Members' dues	7200.00	7680.00	5450.00	2230.00	4600.00
Rotary Club donation					500.00
Total income	7200.00	7680.00	5450.00	2230.00	5100.00
Monthly meetings:					
Admission	4500.00	4857.82	3000.00	1857.82	1868.00
Meeting expenses	-200.00	-185.92	-700.00	514.08	-99.09
Refreshments	-2700.00	-2472.68	-750.00	-1722.68	-970.00
Room rent	-2600.00	-1253.28	-1200.00	-53.28	-900.00
Speakers' gifts	-800.00	-201.49	-300.00	98.51	-516.42
Total Monthly meetings	-1800.00	744.45	50.00	694.45	-617.51
Special events:					
Admission		5672.50		5672.50	2631.50
Expenses		-5762.46		-5762.46	-2377.26
Total Special events		-89.96		-89.96	254.24
TOTAL INCOME	5400.00	8334.49	5500.00	2834.49	4736.73
EXPENSES					
Club pins	150.00	240.00	240.00		480.00
Meeting notices	1500.00	1592.00	1500.00	92.00	640.95
Members' name badges	400.00	2635.45	625.00	2010.45	
Office expenses	400.00	432.29	600.00	-167.71	256.96
Postage	1350.00	892.87	600.00	292.87	569.93
Probus membership fees	450.00	393.75	281.75	112.00	241.75
Rotary Club donation repaid					500.00
Club Directory			1000.00	-1000.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	4250.00	6186.36	4846.75	1339.61	2689.59
NET INCOME	1150.00	2148.13	653.25	1494.88	2047.14
PRIOR YEAR CASH BALANCE	4195.27	2047.14			
ENDING CASH BALANCE	5345.27	4195.27			2047.14

1999 Budget assumptions:

- 1. Average membership throughout the year will be at the current level of 180 Members.
- 2. Attendance at meetings will average approximately 75 Members. Current admission is \$5.00.
- 3. Refreshments and room rent reflect incresed amounts payable to Stanley Park Pavilion.
- 4. Special events are self-supporting by those attending with no significant costs being payable by the Club.

Approved on behalf of the Board:

Director

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10/01/98