

LIVING

Term	Name	Home Lodge	Installed At
1980-1981	Jim Hurst	Port Coquitlam	Williams Lake
1987(Honorary)	Morice Kapustianyk	Langley	
1990-1991	Laurie Belsher	Cranbrook	Chilliwack
1991-1992	Mike White	South Vancouver	Kamloops
1992-1993	Wayne Herod	Vanderhoof	Prince George
1993-1994	Dennis Wagner	Vernon	Vernon
1994-1995	John Yazlovasky	Penticton	Courtney
1996-1997	John Jones	New Westminster	Langley
1997-1998	Paul Nolan	Prince George	Williams Lake
1997(Honorary)	Don Kidd	Penticton	
1999-2000	Al Edwards	North Surrey	Campbell River
2000-2001	Ed MacNaughton	Port Coquitlam	Mission
2001-2002	Pat Kearns	Kelowna	Terrace
2002-2003	Frank Keillor	Kelowna	Salmon Arm
2003-2004	Denis Heppelle	Nanaimo	White Rock
2004-2005	Jerry Wernicke	Chilliwack	Prince George
2005-2006	George Hopkins	Revelstoke	Osoyoos
2006-2007	Jim Murphy	Chilliwack	Kamloops
2007-2008	Arnie Zimmerman	Williams Lake	Vancouver
2008-2009	Larry Mazur	Kamloops	Williams Lake
2010-2011	Deb. Sallenback	Langley	SS Zuiderdam
2011-2012	Dina Wolansky	Kamloops	Penticton
2012-2013	Don Kidd	Penticton	Delta
2013-2014	Jacqueline Allain	Aldergrove	Salmon Arm
2014-2015	Dave Deyette	Langley	Williams Lake
2015-2016	Dave Sallenback	Langley	Langley
2016-2017	Vaino Pennanen	North Kamloops	Kamloops

**PAST PROVINCIAL PRESIDENTS
DECEASED**

J.P. Murphy (1928-1929)
W. Mason (1931-1932)
John Sutton (1934-1935)
Harrison Piele (1937-1938)
J. Roberts (1940-1941)
J.R. Homes (1943-1944)
Doug Smithers (1946-1947)
Reg. Hook (1949-1950)
D.H. Currie (1952-1953)
V.A. Taylor (1955-1956)
H.R. Geddis (1958-1959)
Bill W. Thompson (1961-1962)
Cec. Wright (1964-1965)
Neil McKerracher (1967-1968)
Gar Bruce (1970-1971)
Jack Sharples (1972-1973)
Peter Zeleny (1975-1976)
Vern Hoff (1978-1979)
Jim Foffonoff (1982-1983)
Mike Shiskin (1985-1986)
Noel Martel (1988-1989)
Andy Anderson (H) (1994)
Doug Manson (1998-1999)

Geo. Roadnight (1929-1930)
Walter Harris (1932-1933)
Mobly Stewart (1935-1936)
C.A. Vaughan (1938-1939)
P.C. Paine (1941-1942)
E. Handlin (1944-1945)
J. Robertson (1947-1948)
Art Webb (1950-1951)
D.K. Robinson (1953-1954)
G.T. Kinkade (1956-1957)
Art Dodsworth (1959-1960)
Ken Riley (1962-1963)
Bruce Weese (1965-1966)
Ted Carnegie (1968-1969)
Ed Rowell (H) (1970)
Dave Minto (1973-1974)
Ralph Laird (1976-1977)
Walter Barron (1979-1980)
Clem Frechette (1983-1984)
Terry Neuenfeldt (1986-1987)
Ed Anderson (1989-1990)
Gray Gee (1995-1996)
Bob Baker (2009-2010)

Thomas Mill (1930-1931)
Robert Storie (1933-1934)
J.B. Paine (1936-1937)
A.J. Follis (1939-1940)
A. Hinson (1942-1943)
J.C. MacDonald (1945-1946)
W.J. Cousins (1948-1949)
W.J. Alton (1951-1952)
W.J. Francis (1954-1955)
G. Art Van (1957-1958)
Doug Moore (1960-1961)
H.R. Gunderson (1963-1964)
George Henry (1966-1967)
W.C. Wood (1969-1970)
Dave Seymour (1971-1972)
Vic. Dyck (1974-1975)
Stan Fleming (1977-1978)
Frank Favali (1981-1982)
Ernie Sales (1984-1985)
N. Schellenberg (1987-1988)
Don Carlson (H) (1991)
Henry Chung (H) (1997)

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HOUR OF ELEVEN



To Our Members:

The Clock of their day has stopped...across its face the motionless shadows mark the hour of eleven...our period of recollection.

Burnaby No. 497:	Larry Hphan (6697)
Cariboo No. 239:	Art Brown (11814)
Chilliwack No. 48:	Gordon Pybis (10141), Yvonne Dagenais (71453), Wayne Statton (67770) Ann Marie Rose (5074), Beverley Wernicke (8568)
Courtenay No. 60:	Allan Thompson (3134)
Duncan No. 69:	Robert C. Forrest (8631)
Kamloops No. 44:	Gary Candido (1070), Thomas Sugden (5806), Wilf Thiessen (1275)
Kelowna No. 52:	Bill Tchoryk (20622), Tony Bastiaanssen (14345), Dave Landry (57611) Bill Matichuk (2511)
Keremeos No. 56:	Curie Wiens (2895)
Lake Cowichan No. 293:	Elinor Jean Atkins (52616)
Lillooet No. 467:	Vern Jones
McKenzie No. 547:	Brian Mark (59587)
Merritt No. 441:	David Marriott (66136/0)
Mission No. 30:	Victor Price, Lawrence Kelly (5401)
North Kamloops No. 469:	Jean Marie Bernardet (72866)
Oliver No. 267:	Harry Bray (61953), Gary Guraliuk (61599), Robert Brant (57982)
Parksville-Qualicum No. 589:	Joe McConrey (23277)
Prince George No. 122:	Carlos Green (23812)
Salmon Arm No. 455:	Robert Forbest (14495)
Terrace No. 425:	George Haugland (006341), William Christy (6331)
Victoria No. 2:	Harold Querin (438), Finn Anderson (7752), John Dowtas (67008)

B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE 2018 – 2019

President	William McDonald	Vernon No. 45	(250) 515-1430	eggman7@telus.net
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Director	Randy Schellenberg	Caribou No. 239	(250) 989-2122	rars4300@gmail.com

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John Yazlovasky	Penticton No. 51	(250) 492-2046	john1934@telus.net
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President Liaison:

Dina Wolansky	Kamloops No. 44	(250) 573-4632	mdrhav@telus.net
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Randy Schellenberg	Caribou No 239	(250) 989-2122	rars4300@gmail.com

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Lynn Heid	Parksville-Qualicum No. 59	(250) 954-1122	

Planning Committee:

Brenda Heuer, Chairperson	Nanaimo No. 26	(250) 741-8308	brendakheuer@shaw.ca
All members of the Executive Committee			

Lodge Advisory Committee:

Arnie Zimmerman, Chairman	Caribou No.239	(250) 392-5451	arniezim@shaw.ca
Kari Senko	Mission No. 30	(604) 760-7354	karisenko@shaw.ca

B.C. Elks Association Opening Ceremonies

There were no dignitaries to the Conference

Colour Party:

Arnie Zimmerman	Caribou No. 239	Canadian Flag
Paul Nolan	Prince George No. 122	BC Flag
Gordon Morrow	Quesnel No. 298	Elks Flag
George Stieber	Victoria No. 2	Host Lodge Flag

Presentation of the Past Provincial Presidents of the B.C. Elks Association

Jim Hurst	1980-1981	Al Edwards	1999-2000
Paul Nolan	1997-1998	Barbara Gee	1999-2000
Arnie Zimmerman	2007-2008	Larry Mazur	2008-2009
Deb Sallenback	2010-2011	Dina Wolansky	2011-2012
Dave Sallenback	2015-2016	Vaino Pennanen	2016-2017

Presentation of Grand Lodge Officers
Sister Deb Sallenback, Grand Exalted Ruler

Past Grand Exalted Rulers
Brother Al Edwards

Presentation of the Victoria Elks No. 2 Exalted Ruler and Conference Chairperson

Phyllis Forsyth, Exalted Ruler
Linda Kelly, Conference Chairperson

Presentation of the Plaques for the Fiscal Year April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018

Vern Hoff Membership Trophy: Presented by the President, Albert Scholtens with the Provincial Membership Chairman, Nick Geerdink to David Dickinson, to the Lodge with the highest membership percent increase for the year.

White Rock Elks No. 431 Membership Increase: 15 or 17%

Vic Dyck Camp Directors Trophy: Presented by the President, Albert Scholtens to the lodge with the highest contribution to the Camp Society to Kari Senko, Director, BC Elks Association in their absence

Burnaby Elks No. 497 Donation: \$5,000.00 Membership: 19 Per Capita \$263.16

Bill Cousins Trophy: Presented by the President, Albert Scholtens with the Grand Exalted Ruler, Deb Sallenback to the Lodge contributing the highest per capita amount to the Elks and Royal Purple Fund For Children to Kari Senko, BC Elks Association in their absence

Burnaby Elks No. 497 Donation: \$6,600.00 Membership: 19 Per Capita: \$347.37

Lisa Cable of the B.C. Hearing Resource Society gave an information presentation

Junior Elks presentation by Lynn Heid, Parksville-Qualicum No. 589

Parksville-Qualicum Elks No. 589 is planning on establishing a Junior Elks Program in the high schools in their area.

They contacted the Elks of Canada and received a letter from The Director of Services stating the following eight points that need to be established.

An Elks Lodge in good standing may, upon application to its Provincial Association, establish an Elks Youth Group within their area. Such groups will be under the guardianship of the local Elks Lodge and shall fall under the supervision of the Provincial Elks Association with such linkage to the Grand Lodge as is required. The following points are offered as general guidelines for lodges to consider when developing an Elks Youth Program.

Membership in Elks Youth Groups should be open to boys and/or girls of an age set by the organizing lodge (suggested 14 to 19)

Elks Youth Groups should elect their own Officers under the guardianship and supervision of an Elk Lodge,

Elks Youth Groups should establish their own programs with such programs to embellish the ideals and ethics of the Order.

The Elks Ritual, Ceremonial and By-Laws may be a part of their program.

Lodges should make sure they have the proper criminal checks done on their members that are working with youth.

Charters and membership cards for the Elks Youth Group should be developed by the Associations.

Lodges should consider offering affiliation/recognition cards to youth groups that Elks Lodges sponsor as a way of developing an Elks Youth Group.

Elks Youth Groups: A Provincial Elks Association may where deemed appropriate provide approval for an Elks Lodge within their Association to establish an Elks Youth Group in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.1 (page 68). Where such approval is granted the Provincial Elks Association are responsible for the general supervision of all such programs.

MOTION: Lynn Heid,(Parksville-Qualicum No. 589)/Doug Kelly, (Victoria No. 2): That Parksville-Qualicum Elks No. 589 have the support of the B.C. Elks Association to go forward with our plans to establish a Junior Elks Group. CARRIED

Grand Exalted Ruler, Deb Sallenback presented Barbara Gee, Langley No. 259 with an Elks Proud Award for all her hard work and dedication with the Elks.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Motion: Al Edwards (White Rock No. 431)/Ray Francoeur (White Rock No. 431): That the Grand Exalted Ruler Procedure to receive \$500.00 if they are from a British Columbia Lodge towards their Hospitality Suite at the National Convention and that this be reinstated recto active to when it was taken out and placed in regulations so that it can't be removed without the permission of this body.

Questions on clarification and why not just reinstate rather than making it recto active to when it was taken out.

Motions cannot be made Under Good of the Order therefore, it went back into New Business of the Association

Motion was withdrawn

B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: Al Edwards (White Rock No. 431) Ray Francoeur (White Rock No. 431): That you request the Procedure to pay the Grand Exalted Ruler \$500.00 if they are from a British Columbia Lodge towards their Hospitality Suite at the National Convention, be looked at by the Executive and added as a regulation. CARRIED

Donations of the Elks and Royal Purple Fund For Children

Parksville-Qualicum No. 589:	\$1,500.00	Quesnel No 28:	\$ 2 00.00
Victoria Elks No. 2:	\$1,000.00	Kamloops No. 44	\$2,000.00
Burnby No. 498:	\$5,000.00	White Rock No. 431	\$5,000.00
Quesnel No. 298:	\$1,000.00	Total Donations:	<u>\$15,700.00</u>

Donations to the Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society of British Columbia

Chilliwack No. 48	\$3,000.00	Kamloops No. 44	\$2,000.00
Parksville-Qualicum No. 589	\$1,000.00	Kelowna No. 52	\$1,000.00
Burnaby No. 589	\$5,000.00	White Rock No.	\$4,000.00
Mission No. 30	\$ 750.00	Total Donations:	<u>\$16,750.00</u>

Victoria Elks No. 2 donated three propane firepits one to each camp.

MOTION: Larry Mazur,(Kamloops No. 44)/Al Cormons, (Nanaimo No. 26): That the minutes of the last Provincial Conference held in Mission, B.C. in June, 2017, BC be adopted as printed and circulated. CARRIED

Sheriffs Fines: \$324.15

MOTION: Al Edwards (White Rock No. 431)/Arnie Zimmerman (Caribou No. 239): That the Sheriff's Fines be donated to the Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society. CARRIED

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT 2018

Region One (Lower Mainland)

Agassiz No. 311	0
Burnaby No. 497	0
Mission No. 30	1
Port Coquitlam No. 49	1
Squamish No. 119	0
Vancouver No. 1	

Total Delegates Region 1: 2

Region Two (Vancouver Island)

Courtenay No. 60	0
Duncan No. 69	1
Lake Cowichan No. 293	0
Nanaimo No. 26	2
Parksville-Qualicum No. 589	3
Victoria No. 2	15

Total Delegates Region 2: 21

Region Three (Fraser Valley)

Aldergrove No. 66	0
Chilliwack No. 48	0
Cloverdale No. 335	0
Langley No. 259	8
White Rock No. 431	3

Total Delegates Region 3: 11

Region Four (Southern Interior)

Grand Forks No. 493	0
Kelowna No. 52	3
Keremeos No. 56	0
Oliver No. 267	0
Osoyoos No. 436	0
Penticton No. 51	0
Vernon No. 45	2
Westside No. 592	0
Princeton No. 280	0

Total Delegates Region 4: 5

Region Five (Central Interior)

Clearwater No. 499	0
Kamloops No. 44	6
Lillooet No. 467	0
Merritt No. 441	0
North Kamloops No. 49	0
Revelstoke No. 453	0
Salmon Arm No. 455	3

Total Delegates Region 5: 9

Region 6 (Northern Interior)

Caribou No. 239	3
McBride No. 247	0
MacKenzie No. 547	0
Prince George No. 122	1
Quesnel No. 298	2
Smithers No. 240	0
Terrace No. 425	2
Terrace Royal Purple Elks	216
Vanderhoof No. 473	0

Total Delegates Region 6: 8

Total Delegates to Conference:	56
Total Past Provincial Presidents:	9
Grand Exalted Rulers:	1
Total Guests:	1

Total at Conference: 57

Delegates to the 2018 BC Elks Conference

Region One:

Mission No. 30:	Kari Senko (Director)
Port Coquitlam No. 49:	Jim Hurst (PPP)

Region Two:

Duncan No. 69:	Albert Scholtens (BC President)
Nanaimo No. 26:	Kay Heuer (2 nd Vice Pres), Al Cormons
Parksville-Qualicum No. 589:	Anton Small, George Shipley, Lynn Heid

Victoria No. 2: Nick Geerdink (Director), Linda Kelly, Phyllis Forsyth (ER), Doug Kelly, Heather Geerdink, Joan Van Schaik, William Thompson, Judie Robertson, Larry Flett, Andy Delege, Ronald Blaruw-Cooke, Jim Fissel, Rick Peterson, Helmut Ovie, George Stieber

Region Three:

Langley No. 259 Deb Sallenback (GER) Dave Sallenback (PPP), Flo Sala (ER), Steve Clarke, Barbara Gee (3rd Vice Pres), Sandi Plecas, Stephen Plecas, Joheen Walker, White Rock No. 431: Ray Francoeur, David Dickinson, Al Edwards

Region Four:

Vernon No. 45: William McDonald (Pres. Elect), Annetta Herzog
Kelowna No. 52: Judith Bastiaanssen, Shirley Hodges, Ron Hodges,

Region Five:

Kamloops No. 44: Vaino Pennanen (IPPP), Dina Wolansky (PPP), Mike Wolansky, Peter Miedema, Larry Mazur (PPP), Donna Mazur,
Salmon Arm No. 455: Mary Bjarnason, Bill Hammer, Ron Reddecliff

Region Six:

Caribou No. 239: Arnie Zimmerman (PPP), Randy Schellenberg, Wendel Schachtel
Prince George No. 122: Paul Nolan (PPP)
Quesnel No. 298: Gordon Morrow, Michael Kent Benoit,
Terrace No. 425: Maurine Warren, Ron Warren

Election of Officers held on Sunday, June 3, 2018

First Vice President/President Elect

Nominator: Mike Wolansky, (Kamloops No. 44)

Brenda Kay Heuer

By Acclamation

Second Vice President

Nominator: Dave Sallenback, (Langley No. 259)

Barbara Gee

By Acclamation

Third Vice President

Nominator: Jim Hurst, (Port Coquitlam No. 49)

Kari Senko

By Acclamation

1st Director:

Nominator: Anton Small, (Parksville-Qualicum No. 589)

Nick Geerdink

By Acclamation

2nd Director:

Nominator: Wendel Schachtel, (Caribou No. 239)

Randy Schellenberg

By Acclamation

**MESSAGE OF THE GRAND EXALTED RULER,
DEB SALLENBACK**

Brothers & Sisters of the Elks of Canada:

It is my privilege to bring you greetings from the Grand Executive of the Elks of Canada. Thank You for taking time to attend this year's Conference here in Sidney. Please take part in the deliberations as well as the social functions that have been planned.

Thank You to Brother Albert Scholtens, the Executive and the Members of the British Columbia Elks Association as you “Model the Way” and serve our Order. At this Conference, and at your Lodges, you can ensure that the Elks continue to grow and serve our Communities. You need to have projects and just as importantly you need to have Fun!

Thank You to the Members of the Victoria Elks No. 2 for hosting this Conference. It takes a lot of hard work and planning to host an event like this and without your time, effort and dedication this would not be possible.

I am very happy to be here and look forward to meeting everyone and making new friends. I thank you for your hospitality and look forward to seeing as many as possible in Regina for the National Convention in July.

I wish you safe travels home and Thank You as you “Model the Way”.

MESSAGE OF THE B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

ALBERT SCHOLTENS

As my term is coming to the end, it has been a pleasure and a rewarding experience. I have done all my *Lodge visits* and I was fortunate to be able to attend two *Anniversaries* – *White Rock No. 431* and *Victoria Elks No. 2*.

My theme for the year was INTEGRITY – HONESTY AND BEING UNDIVIDED WAS VERY EVIDENT.

All Lodges work together to Promote Elkdom

In closing, I would like to wish the President Elect a great year.

Respectfully submitted, Albert Scholtens, President, BC Elks Association

MOTION: *Larry Mazur, (Kamloops No. 44)/Vaino Pennanen, (Kamloops No. 44): to receive the President’s report and the Executive Summary en bloc. CARRIED*

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY 2017-2018

On behalf of the B.C. Elks Association Executive, a big “Thank You” to the Victoria Elks Lodge No. 2 and their volunteers in hosting this important event, the 90th Annual Conference of the BC Elks Association. As Delegates you are the Voice of the Conference, please make sure you are heard.

The Judiciary was taxed with the job this year of changing some of the wording in the B.C. Elks Constitution and By-Laws. Any reference to the Society has been removed as the B.C. Elks Association is not registered with the Society. There are some changes to the order of the Bylaws so they are more easily read and understood by the Executive who consult these on a regular basis. This also puts them in the order they are better related to and more clearly defined. These changes will be discussed and voted on at this Conference.

Penticton Elks No. 51 hosted the 2018 Provincial Bowling Tournament on May 5th. After being cancelled the last two years because of lack of participants, Lodges came up strong with 11 teams.

It was great to see teams from Lodges that have never participated before and then wanting to stay so involved that they bid to host next year. Next year bowling will be held in Osoyoos, BC. Penticton did a great job of hosting, even having to change some things around with the extra teams, which worked out fairly well. The comradeship was great and everyone enjoyed the venue. Prizes went to Langley and Penticton.

Mission Elks No. 30 hosted the 2018 Provincial Dart Championship, thank you and congratulations on a wonderful tournament. It was a weekend of great competition with teams from three regions represented. After a full weekend of events, Penticton Elks Lodge No. 51 was the overall Lodge winner with the highest collective team points. It is wonderful to see the lodges come together for the tournament, showing tremendous sportsmanship and comradeship.

Eight talented Ladies and eight talented men from around the province have qualified our Provincial team and will be representing British Columbia at the Elks National Dart Tournament in May. Congratulations and Good Luck to the B.C. Team, we know you will do us proud.

An on-going problem is membership and it is our hope we can come up with some ideas to increase membership. Any ideas will be welcome and carefully looked at. We look forward to the coming year and hope to hear from any members with new ideas.

As we close, thank you to everyone in attendance. We hope you are enjoying yourself and have some new information to take home and share with your lodge.

Sincerely, B.C. Elks Association Executive

ELKS AND ROYAL PURPLE FUND FOR CHILDREN

Presented by Committee Member, Barbara Gee, Langley Elks No. 589

Topics of Concern: Social Media and Modernization, Fundraising, Planned Giving,
2018-2019 Budget Statistics

Introduction:

Elks & Royal Purple Fund for Children is excited to be looking at new and innovative approaches throughout 2018-2019 to secure the sustainable growth and development of the charity. Growth and modernization is being looked at on the bases *to preserve the legacy* of the members and the organization, which means respecting and celebrating long standing traditions and practices while implementing and experimenting with new approaches and processes. In speaking about the programs currently supported, the following information was noted for the past year (2017-18):

PERSONAL ASSISTANCE:

66 applications were received at the National Office May 2017- April 2018.
\$123, 441.57 was spent on those personal assistance cases.
13 Cases were from British Columbia at a cost of \$29,238.80
\$40,000 was given from the FFC to the BC Family Hearing program.
Burnaby #497 was the third overall highest contributor to the FFC from the contribution credit report for May 2017- Nov 2017. \$3,000 with 20 members donating \$6,000, \$72,165.18 total contributions from BC between May2017-November 2017

CLINICAL PROGRAMS

\$150,000 was spent on 6 ongoing clinical programs

SCHOLARSHIPS

\$14,000 was awarded in scholarships 2 awards of \$2,000 and 10 awards of \$1,000. Totaling 12 scholarship recipients.
1 of the Scholarship recipients was a student of the University of British Columbia

Social Media and Modernization:

Over the last 10 years the way charities operate and collect donations have expanded into the digital world. People are more inspired now more than ever to use the internet as way of communication and performing transactions. It is a goal of the fund for children to be on top of the digital trend and make sure we are accessible on various platforms so we can accommodate all demographics. Engaging and exciting millennials and youth about The Elks of Canada and the charity is a theme for 2018 across the various committees. Branching out through the use of social media is an important aspect of that.

Currently we have accounts on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter – if you have an account on these networks please connect with us @ElkofCanada. We have seen a huge increase in engagement of the millennial generation through the creation of our Instagram account at the end of 2017. In 2018-19 we are also looking to move the Golden book of memories online so that everyone can access the pages no matter where you are located (we will still have the hard copy books as well). Modernizing does not mean we cease to use hard copy methods, it just means we are opening as many options as possible for individuals to get involved, communicate, and donate. Interactions done via internet tends to allow for quick execution making the organization more effective and efficient in our mission.

Examples of Modernization movements in the charity:

- digitized forms on the website (donations, personal assistance cases, order forms)
- accepting scanned emailed personal assistance cases
- Accepting online donations, and the use of crowdsourcing websites
- Prompt correspondence via email – moving away from post mail
- active use of social media, via Twitter, Facebook, Instagram
- electronic transfer of funds between Grand Lodge and other lodges

Fundraising:

When you decide to become a member of The Elks of Canada, you are choosing an organization that is more than the sum of its parts. As a member of The Elks of Canada you are a vital piece in a bigger mission, vision and goal. You get the chance to work towards an end goal that benefits us all – positive change in our communities and across Canada.

Many Elk lodges across the province do a great job of fundraising to supplement the incredible work their lodge does to build and support their communities as well as their national charity Elks & Royal Purple Fund for Children. Fundraising itself has evolved over the last 30 years, although approaches such as canvassing are still effective in some small communities in the province, fundraising has moved to more online based platforms. All this means is that there are many options for fundraising for everyone from a passive fundraiser to an active fundraiser.

Something to think about: Benefits

- Build Community Unity and engagement
- Increase funds for your lodge to have community impact and investment
- Increase funds available for local child personal assistance
- Have a national impact through donating to Elks & Royal Purple Fund for Children, YOUR national charity!

Fundraising support is provided by your National Charities Coordinator Alissa Hill at Grand Lodge. If you are interesting in fundraising at your lodge or individually please reach out to Alissa she will be available to provide fundraising coaching, resources, educational information, tips tricks and support to help you achieve your fundraising goals. She is available for fundraising support presentations that can be set up on location or via teleconference/skype. +1 306.359.9010 ext.231 - ahill@elkofcanada.ca

Planned Giving:

“Planned Giving ensures charities are able to continue providing help where its’ needed for many years to come...”

What is planned giving?

A planned gift is a major gift to a nonprofit made during lifetime or at death as part of donor's financial and estate plan.

Elks & Royal Purple Fund for Children is only able to make incredible national impact due to the vast generosity of our donors and members over the course of many years.

There are many more children who continue to require support with their hearing and speech disorders. While we have accomplished huge success in helping families in the community over the last few years, we need your continued, and generous help to continue to grow and reach as many children and families in need as possible. Your support is *key* in the ensuring the continued legacy of Elks & Royal Purple Fund for Children.

We ask you to please consider a Legacy Donation. A legacy gift is a planned future donation to a charity, given through a will or other form of designation.

Individuals have the choice to designate their planned gift to an endowment, investment, general donations, programs, or personal assistance if they wish to specify.

We thank you in advance for your generosity towards ensuring children in our communities have access to the vital support our charity provides through financial assistance and program funding. Please take a *print out* a simple form to fill out that you can provide to the holder of your will. Once filled out please provide us with a copy for our records.

2018-2019 Proposed Budget

The 2018-2019 budget was discussed by the charities committee at the April 28th annual year end meeting. While going through the budget calculations and projections were created to show that the charity net assets will decrease significantly over the years if we keep reaching a deficit budget. We also showed that if lodges were able to increase their yearly donation to the charity by only \$100.00 that the graph has a much more positive outcome for the longevity and sustained legacy of the charity.

In Closing...

The *Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children* is only able to execute our goals because of the generosity and dedication of all the lodges across Canada and the members who are passionate and driven to make a difference in the lives of children with medical needs. Thank you to each and every one of you who dedicate your time, energy and heart to the valiant cause. If you have questions, concerns or recommendations please contact the new National Charities Coordinator Alissa Hill. For planned giving letter of intent forms please visit www.elkssofcanada.ca
>NATIONAL CHARITY>LEGACY GIVING or call +1 306.359.9010 ext. 231

- Question and Answer:

1. *Administration costs – what are they, how do they compare to other charities and how to we reduce them?*

Our administration cost is at 30% which includes staff support, overhead, rent etc.

2. *What is happening with our support to provincial programs? What's the plan this year for budget? Are we going to cut provincial program funding further?*

The plan for the 2018-2019 for provincial programs is as follows:

BC Family Hearing – 35,000

ISTAR- 35,000

SPARC- 35,000

Central Speech and Hearing Clinic- 12,000
 Ontario Voice- 11,300
 Total: \$128,000 – this budget is still subject to review at convention in July.

Personal Assistance has increased from \$140,000 to \$160,000

Please be advised that with these changes the purposed budget is still in a deficit of - \$42,850

We have included the charts in the presentation that outline what will happen if we continue into a deficit budget. On a positive note it would not take much to keep us on track for preserving the legacy of the charity (please see the second chart in the slide that shows what would happen if lodges increased their annual donation by only \$100 more.)

3. *What’s happening with the WFG partnership?*

Executive Director Kevan Mcbeth has continued to cultivate our organizations relationship with WFG in March he received verbal commitment from them to donate \$10,000.00 this year to the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children. We are expecting a meeting in the near future to finalize details.

4. *How did our Giving Tuesday Campaign do?*

Our total funds raised came in at \$5,025 on Giving Tuesday which is 101% of our goal! Also during that period of time, we received over \$14,000 in donations (including a check donation from the 4-H club in Swift Current who chose the Fund for Children as their Giving Tuesday charity and raised an additional \$5

**B.C. FAMILY HEARING RESOURCE SOCIETY DONATIONS
 FROM APRIL 1, 2017 TO MARCH 31, 2018**

Elks and Royal Purple Fund For Children	\$40,000.00
BC Elks Lodge Donations Direct	\$22,000.00
BC Elks Total Donations:	<u>\$64,000.00</u>

B.C. Elks Lodges that donated are:

Chilliwack Elks No. 48	Clearwater Elks No. 499	Cloverdale Elks No. 335
Salmon Arm Elks No. 455	Lake Cowichan No. 293	Kamloops No. 44
Prince George No. 122	Langley No. 259	Vancouver No. 1
Terrace Royal Purple No. 216	White Rock No. 431	Westside No. 592

BC ELKS DONATIONS – BILL COUSINS TROPHY

April 1st, 2017 to March 31st, 2018

**Highest Per Capita Contribution to the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children in British Columbia -
\$.00 Div by members equals \$.00 Per Member**

Lodge	No	Contribution	Membership at March 31, 2018	Per Capita
Vancouver	1	2,500.00	17	147.06
Victoria	2	30.00	39	0.77
Nanaimo	26	3,245.00	24	135.21
Mission	30	1,404.00	153	9.18
Kamloops	44	2,059.50	32	64.36
Vernon	45	4,000.00	25	160.00
Chilliwack	48	6,302.50	27	233.43
Port Coquitlam	49	438.00	26	16.85
Penticton	51	6,953.00	118	58.92
Kelowna	52	6,854.00	96	71.40
South Vancouver	55	0.00	17	0.00
Keremeos	56	100.00	26	3.85
Courtenay	60	145.00	50	2.90
Aldergrove	66	25.00	20	1.25
Duncan	69	1,430.45	157	9.11
Squamish	119	0.00	8	0.00
Prince George	122	5,300.00	36	147.22
Cariboo	239	100.00	11	9.09
Smithers	240	50.00	14	3.57
McBride	247	0.00	11	0.00
Langley	259	3,258.43	56	58.19
Oliver	267	100.00	62	1.61
Princeton	280	0.00	0	0.00
Lake Cowichan	293	1,000.00	10	100.00
Quesnel	298	300.00	14	21.43
Agassiz	311	325.00	25	13.00
Cloverdale	335	1108.00	24	46.17
Prince Rupert	342	470.00	10	47.00
Terrace	425	648.40	32	20.26
Terrace Royal Purple Elks	216	5,181.00	29	178.66
White Rock	431	7,342.50	102	71.99
Osoyoos	436	100.00	29	3.45
Merritt	441	3,000.00	52	57.69
Revelstoke	453	0.00	15	0.00
Salmon Arm	455	2,569.85	43	59.70
Lillooet	467	1,100.00	39	137.50
North Kamloops	469	35.00	16	2.19
Vanderhoof	473	0.00	11	0.00
Grand Forks	493	500.00	15	33.33
Burnaby	497	6,600.00	19	347.37
Clearwater	499	505.00	14	36.07
MacKenzie	547	0.00	39	0.00
Parksville-Qualicum	589	3,210.00	40	80.25
Westside	592	2,500.00	10	250.00
TOTALS		\$80,789.63	1564	51.66

MOTION: Kari Senko, (Mission No. 30)/Vaino Pennanen, (Langley No 259): to accept the committee reports en bloc. CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Judiciary Committee

Larry Mazur

Worthy President and BC Elks Executive, Brothers and Sisters

Early in September Brother Vaino asked if I would take over as Chair of the Judiciary Committee reducing his work load at the time. Against my better judgment I accepted.

The work then began. Our first objective, as promised at the 2017 Conference, was to look at and rewrite the BC Elks Constitution, By-laws and Regulations.

One of the main changes as you will notice when these are presented at this Conference is the removal of all reference to the Society. The Association, unlike the Camp Society, is not registered with BC Societies in Victoria.

The second major change is how the Articles themselves were listed. If you read the current By-Laws you will note that several of the first Articles refer to Officers, etc. but in order to find out what and who these people are and their duties you would have to search the balance of the By-Laws to get an explanation. The wording of most of the Articles remain the same. The odd words in the current By-Laws were changed to make the By-Laws easier for our members to understand.

Another request was made by the Directors of the Elks Recreation Children' Camp Society. We were asked to look at and re-write the Camp Caretakers Agreement. After six revisions we were able to come up with what we feel is a suitable replacement. This agreement now contains the Agreement itself, a list of the Caretakers Duties and Responsibilities and additional Caretakers Duties when the camp is occupied.

We were both fortunate enough to participate in all Executive and Directors meetings throughout the year/

Respectfully submitted by Larry Mazur and Vaino Pennanen

Lodge Advisory Committee

Arnie Zimmerman

The Lodge Advisory Committee is a committee that helps Lodges that have internal issues with their lodge members. You can contact us and we will come to your Lodge and meet with you and help you resolve issues that you may have.

We don't dictate to you what to do but advise and we just come to help if we can. You can call us anytime.

Respectfully submitted, Arnie Zimmerman, Chairman

Membership Committee

Nick Geerdink

Worthy President, Members of the Executive, Brothers and Sisters

It is well known that Elks membership numbers continue to decline in both British Columbia and nationally, largely due to the declining health and aging of our current membership. I've had the privilege of visiting six lodges earlier this spring and meeting numerous exceptionally dedicated Elks and Royal Purple Elks. Our organization has a very strong core of committed members who truly support the principles of our Benevolent Protective Order.

Through this 'core strength' some lodges are increasing their membership numbers by moving forward and attracting new members. There are lodges with 'new' premises as well. It appears that the more dynamic a lodge is with its activities and community support functions, the more likely it is that the lodge will retain and increase its membership. The challenge is to be 'Elks Proud' in communicating what we have to offer and what we do within our community.

In BC we are also somewhat unique in that our members can also take pride in the benefits being offered to organized children's groups and challenged individuals at our three Camps; which have been, and are being revitalized – Elkcanoe, Elkgrove and Elkhaven.

In addition to one-on-one personal contact with prospective members, why not initiate membership attracting events or functions as membership building drives? Also be sure to obtain a supply of the new Elks of Canada membership brochure / application forms. Your BC Elks Association and our national Elks of Canada office have personnel, ideas and resources available to help you in the rebuilding of your membership. Please take full advantage of what is available. As a focus, this fall Elks lodges across Canada are encouraged to participate in 'Elktober' membership drives. So don't just think about it, get a working group together and make a concerted effort to strategize on your own lodge's plan for attracting new members to our community spirited organization !!

Respectfully Submitted by Nick Geerdink, Chair, Membership Committee

Sports Committee	John Yazlovasky
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Worthy President, Officers, Brothers & Sisters

DARTS - Provincial Dart tournament was held in Mission..

Penticton won the Doug Manson trophy.

The 2019 Provincial shoot will be held in Penticton in March.

I am still having trouble trying to get information from the dart chairperson. It should be mandatory that the dart players have a meeting after their Provincial shoot and a copy of the minutes of this meeting be sent to the Provincial Office and to the Provincial Sports Chairman.

BOWLING - was held in Penticton with 11 teams participating.

- 2 teams from Osoyoos
- 1 team from Chilliwack
- 3 teams from Langley
- 1 team from Williams Lake
- 1 team from McKenzie
- 1 team from Salmon Arm
- 2 teams from Penticton

The first place team was ORANGE CRUSH from Langley

- Dave Sallenbach
- Tracy Wiens
- Darryl Chartier
- Mitchell Taylor
- Shandi Dubois

- Ladies high single - Tracy Wiens - Langley
- Ladies high score - Davene D'Amico
- Mens high average - Bill Pick - Penticton
- Mens high single - Tony D'Amico - Penticton

The 2019 Provincial roll-off will be held in Osoyoos.

I am requesting that those lodges which will be participating next year to please notify Osoyoos Lodge by February 15th.

It was moved and seconded at the Captain's meeting that the rule re: liquor, be removed entirely.

Also, the rule re: the twelve game average be changed to read nine games to establish an average.

Fraternally, John Yazlovasky, Provincial Sports Chairman,

This committee is set up to act as a resource to help the Host Lodge Conference Committee. The Planning Committee will help the Host Committee regarding agenda, organization and ensure all matters regarding hosting the conference are complied with in accordance to the Standard Bid Package. We wish to thank Linda Kelly and her committee from Victoria Elks No. 2 for organizing the 90th Annual Conference in Sidney, BC.

Yours sincerely, Kay Heuer, Chairperson

REGIONAL DIRECTOR REPORTS

Regional Director No. 1

Bill McDonald

Vancouver No. 1: I had the opportunity to meet the Vancouver lodge in the lower hall at South Vancouver #55. Vancouver has a number of long standing members, legacy members and is currently bringing in some new generation members as well. This is a lodge that is financially sound and does some tremendous work with a variety of charities and members of the community. This is a lodge that is passionate about the Elks, their history and the future. They are still without a permanent home....but are determined to find something suitable. This is a lodge with tremendous heart and with continued teamwork and support they will continue to proudly stand as the oldest lodge in the organization.

South Vancouver No. 55: South Vancouver is a small lodge with an older building in a state of disrepair. They have 3 new members in which they are putting a lot of hope and pressure. The lodge was not thrilled with my visit, they were unable to provide me with any financial information. This lodge was previously in Trusteeship, and they were unable to tell me whether they were still under Trusteeship or not. They advised that they do not receive any mail or information from the BC Elks Association or Grand Lodge. The mail comes through the front door onto the floor and could be received by anyone entering the building (The lodge does have groups renting space occasionally). There is a core group with tremendous commitment and are working to maintain the lodge. This lodge needs some continued support and supervision.

Burnaby No. 497: I had the opportunity to attend the Burnaby Lodge on the day that they were doing presentation of a number of its annual donations. This lodge has a number of long standing Elks who are proud of the organization and the traditions within. They are a very financially sound lodge who make a tremendous difference in their community. They support various charities, including local hospitals, schools, the Hearing Centre and our BC Elks Children's Camps each and every year. They have social meetings twice a year to celebrate their lodge and its members. Burnaby was very proud share their two new membership applications and they are looking forward to adding to their membership. You can see the comradery and pride in this lodge and it will be wonderful to watch them flourish in the years to come.

Mission Lodge No. 30: I visited Mission Elks No. 30 on Monday, February 15, 2018. I was very impressed with the condition of their lodge. They are a very busy and growing lodge with many programs to keep the members interested. Keep up the good work.

Port Coquitlam Lodge No. 49: They have a good attendance for their dinner meeting. The meeting was well run. There was nothing discussed about future plans or programs. The only complaint voiced was a lack of information from Grand Lodge.

Agassiz Lodge No. 311: I attended Agassiz Lodge on November 17, 2017. They have a nice lodge with a bar and dart boards. They had a small group in attendance with no one to take minutes and no financial report at that time.

Sincerely, William McDonald, Regional Director No. 1

Worthy Grand Exalted Ruler, Provincial President, BC Elks Association, Brother and Sister Elks:

My visitations on the Island Region Two were great. The Lodges were very receptive to my chat on the Elks and Royal Purple Fund For Children and especially the Camp Society. Elkhaven Days will be held at our camp just off Vancouver Island on Denman Island on July 5 to 8. All Elk members are welcome.

Nanaimo Elks No. 26 and Elkhaven Days 2017 donated a utility trailer – all garbage must be taken off the Island and any building material must come back on the ferry. Also an electric convention self- clean oven Stove was donated to the dorm kitchen.

This was done “ in kind:. Thank you to all the Lodges for their hospitality.

Courtenay No. 60: On my official visit to Courtenay lodge they held their elections. This Executive will be very active. The lodge donates to the Camp Society and the Fund For Children. Many charities in the community benefit from the lodges. Courtenay has a lounge with darts and meat draws. The on- going rental of their hall has been a great help financially.

Duncan No. 69: This Lodge is a lounge lodge with darts. Very few of their members attend their meetings. They have regular Saturday meat draws and twice a month Friday steak nights. Duncan lodge donates to the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children and various charities in their community, including a bursary. They hosted the regional meeting in April.

Lake Cowichan No 293: A small well run lodge. They are a voting member of the Chamber of Commerce. The lodge sponsors a Princess in Lake Cowichan, Lady of the Lake Days, which makes them visible in the community. They also have a table at the Lake Cowichan Appreciation Day in April and June, where they give out membership and camp brochures. They donate to sports teams and many charities.

A few years ago Lake Cowichan Lodge had a twenty year plan. At that time the Exalted Ruler said “The community built our building and lodge now is our time to pay back” This lodge is very community minded and financially solid.

Nanaimo No. 26: A small lodge with a dedicated Executive and membership. This lodge meets at No. 10 Legion and they have a great working relationship. Nanaimo No. 26 has no financial problems and donate to 15 charities – mostly children, Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children and Elkhaven Camp is very importation to them. The lodge donates to family travel to appointments and top up what the Elks and Royal Purple Fund don't pay. This lodge has roundtable meetings.

Parksville-Qualicum No. 589: Qualicum Legion is the home of this lodge. They have luncheon meetings and regular supper meetings. Over the year they put on many social events. The lodge is very proud of their charity work in their community. Parksville-Qualicum Lodge is a great supporter of Camp Elkhaven with articles in the newspaper. They put on a hot dog day for a membership drive and distribute camp brochures.

The members work with the Legion and the Sandcastle Society. Many members there from the beginning are Charter members.

Victoria No. 2: Victoria is a ritual lodge – full regalia with stations. They have well run meetings with participation from their membership. A social of cards and goodies follows. This is a very social lodge with dinner dances, golf barbecue and many activities during the year to keep their membership interested.

Victoria participates in the Victoria Day Parade and Buccaneer Days Parade in Esquimalt. The Elks head on their float is great advertisement as the parade is televised. They are very active in Elkhaven Days, July 5 to 8th.

Good luck with the conference in Sidney. Congratulations on your 105th Anniversary.

Kay Heuer, Regional Director No. 2

Chilliwack No. 48: Chilliwack lodge is a dedicated and social club. They are very welcoming to visitors and do visit other lodges. They are well organized and do both casual and formal meetings. Chilliwack is financially sound and show tremendous support within their community. This lodge works very well together and their recognition within the community is a testament to their work.

Cloverdale No. 335: Cloverdale is a very welcoming club, to all members and visitors. They hold roundtable meetings, but do have the facilities to hold formal meeting on the upper floor. They have organizations renting this space on a regular basis. Cloverdale is a social club having dinners and social events for the members. They are involved within their community giving to many charities, they are very involved in a Seniors Housing project and have “Adopted” the block the lodge is situated on.

White Rock No. 431: White Rock is a strong lodge with a solid business with a good membership base. They have Hall and facility rental as well as a volunteer run Lounge. They are very welcoming and open to visitors. They have consistent events and entertainment in the lounge and are very open to visitors and guests. They generally hold round table meetings, but do formal and ritual on special occasions. White Rock is highly respected within their community and donate to a variety of charitable organizations. They don't get much time to visit other lodges, although this is something they would like to do in the future.

Aldergrove No. 66: Aldergrove is going through a great transition currently, with the sale of their previous location and a struggle to agree on a direction going forward, they are a lodge in need of some support. Aldergrove has a small membership of just 22. There is a member who is trying to move the lodge in a “Real Estate Investment” direction, with some opposition from the membership. This lodge has a significant amount of money in the bank and very poor bookkeeping practices. They have a Treasurer who lives out of the country and limited minutes and records of meeting. This lodge needs some supervision and support. I have attended a number of lodge meetings, although they did not seem to be happy about my presence. They are doing less and less in the community, cancelling various events they have done in the past. I am concerned this lodge is becoming less of a lodge and more of a business.

Langley No. 259: Langley lodge is a strong, dedicated and social club. They have recently undergone some renovations at their lodge and now have a larger beautiful space to call home. Langley is very visible out in their community and at other lodges, showing support when and where they can. Langley is financially sound and shows tremendous support to a variety of charities and their community. Langley hosts a variety of events throughout the year and always invites their fellow lodges to join them. With their BBQ trailer they will be continuing to attend events and serve up some delicious food, so look for them if you are in the area.

It has been a true honor and pleasure to be the Regional Rep for Region 3. This region has a variety of lodges, each being special in their own way. They all show tremendous support within their community and demonstrate to true meaning of the Elks (Equality Love Kindness and Service).

Submitted by Kari Senko, 1st Director/Vice President, BC Elks Association,

Worthy Grand Exalted Ruler, Provincial President, BC Elks Executive, Brothers and Sisters

This Lodge is active in the community being involved with Christmas hamper, Santa swim, Xmas party and pancake breakfasts. They are all year involved in doing something in the community to keep their Lodge in the spotlight in hopes of acquiring new and younger members. They have a good nucleus of members but just need some younger ones. They lost their Sec/Tres at the meeting as he was moving to another area of the Okanagan. They did replace him quickly with 2 member by splitting the duties to secretary and treasurer. Doing alright financially.

Kelowna No. 52: They celebrated their 95th Anniversary in the fall of last year. This is an accomplishment on its own as many lodges do not reach this milestone. They are active in the community. They have meat draws, dinners, and many special occasion events. Financially they are doing very well. They do a round table meeting with some ceremony for opening and closing of the lodge which I found good to see.

Keremeos No. 56: They are well known in the community organizing the yearly Elks Rodeo along with the Rodeo parade. They lately have also organized the Blue Grass Festival which is usually a week after the rodeo. They have many members from the community come and help out but these individual are willing to help but not become Elks members. This we see in a number of communities where they want to help but not to have requirement to join the organization. The local CRPS lodge also helps out actively. Sadly they lost their sec/tres this past year to illness and at the time of this writing they were in the process of appointing a new one.

Oliver No. 267: This lodge is having some problems. They have a membership of around 50 but not too many show up for meetings. A new executive and when I say they are new to the order and also require assistance in running a meeting properly as according to the Exalted Ruler he has very little experience in regards to this. I did ask him to contact one of the lodges close and get some help. They had weekly bingos but my understanding is that they have dropped this due to lack of community interest. The meeting I was at, they had 2 new prospective members there to see how it went. Sorry to say but their bar is also not doing well.

Osoyoos No. 436: This lodge is doing very well in the community. They are still active with their annual Apple run to other lodges in BC who in turn donate these apples to different organizations and schools. Lots of schools benefit from this. They are actively moving ahead with their lodge membership as they initiated 4 members during the meeting. They also support a low cost retirement home in the community and have for a number of years. They are working on their 60th Anniversary which they will celebrate in September of this year.

Penticton No. 51: They have been struggling of late with their finances but with the change of bar managers their situation has started to improve. Initiated 2 new members when I was there. They have about 130 members but like all lodges with bars most of these members want only to be members because of the cheaper alcohol costs. They have an opening and closing ceremony for their lodge's round table meetings. They are involved with bowling, darts, crib, along with meat and 50/50 draws. They make donations to Funds for Children, BC Elks Children's Camp, Hearing Resource Centre and local community needs.

Princeton No. 280: This lodge I really do not know what to say about it. It is in arrears on per capita payments to both the Grand Lodge and also the BC Elks Association for about 10 years now. They have sold their lodge some time ago. We never hear from them. Albert Scholtens was able to contact the E/R last year and did have a meeting. He was told that they would be paying the back per capita but as of today which is more than a year past we have not heard from the lodge. I wrote a letter to the E/R requesting a meeting to discuss situation when I was in the area. I have not received any answer to my letter. In my letter I stated that what I wanted to know was did they want to hand in their Charter and was the money received from the sale of the Lodge dispersed in the community.

Westside No. 592: This is a small dynamic lodge. They have few members but wish to continue being a lodge. Meetings are well run, all business is covered with the members taking part. With gaming they are able to donate into the community. They hope to start meeting at the legion as it will be more accessible for their members. Westside is a very welcoming Lodge with their members working well together.

Vernon No. 45: This Lodge is very busy with hall rentals and catering. They have Friday Night Supers. A grant enabled them to buy a steamer for their kitchen. They talked of putting track lighting above the dart boards getting ready for next fall. A few dedicated members keep this Lodge active. The Secretary is the backbone of their Lodge.

Sincerely, Vaino Pennanen, Regional Director No. 4

Worthy Grand Exalted Ruler, Provincial President, BC Elks Executive, Brothers and Sisters

Kamloops No. 44: With many Past Provincial Presidents of the BC Elks Association as members of this lodge it is well looked after. The Past Presidents are very active in the lodge. Kamloops Elks has monthly birthday dinners that are well attended. They are very involved in their community. The lodge is very involved in their community. The lodge is very stable. Members have helped get Camp Elkcanoe up and running this spring.

North Kamloops No. 469: North Kamloops maintains full Opening and Closing meetings. They do a lot of community involvement. Had a group of guides present to show what they learned at the Jamboree they attended through donations. A very impressive presentation. The Lodge is working together for the betterment of Elkdom. They will host their regional meeting.

Salmon Arm No. 455: Had about 20 to 25 attend the meeting, the Grand Exalted Ruler was doing her official visit also. It was a casual meeting. The meeting was well run. I took the opportunity to visit Camp Elkcanoe before the meeting. Salmon Arm also has their own camp in town beside their new lodge building. They are an active lodge which is well run.

Revelstoke No. 453: This is a very small lodge with members belonging to other organizations also. No one wants to take chairs but help out all the time for events. They do three events a year for revenue and donates it back to the community. Hey attend fairs where they have table for information to attract members. Local papers do write ups and praise their involvement in the community. The lodge will last as long as George Hopkins can keep going.

Clearwater No. 499: Clearwater is a small well run lodge involved in the community. Holds pancake breakfasts each month. All paper work is in order.

Lillooet No. 467: A small lodge with round table meetings. They have several new members. Their hall is rented out most nights for Bingo. The kitchen has been renovated, all stainless steel appliances. They are planning to redo their lawns and build a gazebo for weddings in the future. They are very noticeable in their community because of their charity work, Food Drives and Easter Egg Hunts, etc.

Merritt No. 441: A lodge with some regalia and short form opening and closing. Merritt has a very active membership. Attendance is very good. They have a new floor in their lodge hall and their kitchen has been renovated. This helps with rentals. They are well known in their community for their charity work. A camp at Harmon Lake brings in revenue – children groups are free. The lodge maintains the camp and have a campout in the summer that is open to all Elk members.

It is my pleasure being your BC Regional Representative and hope I was helpful in giving you an update on the Camp Society, Fund For Children and BC Family Hearing Society.

Submitted by Barbara Gee, Regional Director No. Five

I wish to take this opportunity to recognize and thank all of the Elks and Royal Purple Lodge Elks Lodge members, I had the privilege of meeting at their lodge and our regional meetings over the past few months. Your welcoming spirit has been most appreciated.

Cariboo No. 239: Cariboo Lodge has four dedicated Elk members who comprised the total membership and have a live in, full time Caretaker to maintain their very large hall and meeting room's facility. The facility is well used by a wide variety of users from throughout the community. The current members are seriously considering renaming their lodge to Williams Lake Elks Lodge No. 239 to help improve awareness of their lodge. They also plan to hold a membership drive this fall in conjunction with the new national "Elktober" initiative.

McBride No. 247: The McBride Elks Lodge operates very successfully together with the Canadian Royal Purple Ladies. They are well known and active in the community through donations, rental and catering of their hall, the annual Santa Parade, an Easter Egg Hunt and their annual three day “Pioneer Days” event in the first weekend of June which involves dozens of volunteers. They are no longer considering a sale of their hall now that they have been able to substantially reduce their annual cost for heating.

Prince George No. 122: The Prince George Elks have purchased the former “Moose Hall” at 633 Douglas Street and are actively refurbishing the “Elks Community Hall”. They are initiating a marketing program through local media and posters to promote use of their new facility. The Lodge has Elks Elastic Band performances, weekly meat draws at the legion, interacts with the Canadian Royal Purple Ladies, organizes the May Parade and participates in the annual “Apple Drive.”

Quesnel No. 298: The Lodge in Quesnel has probably installed the youngest Exalted Ruler in British Columbia – Lynnsy Noll is in her mid-twenties! The hall has been refurbished and a long-term agreement has been reached that will see their outdoor properties maintained by the municipality. The youthful outlook and involvement with community groups such and the Special Olympics, Ringette and Girls Softball bodes well for the future of the Lodge.

Smithers No. 240: The members of Smithers Lodge, together with the help of numerous community volunteers, hot a 4-day Annual Fall Fair – their major fundraiser. They own and operate a mobile “Food Booth” which will also be at the July 28th Musical Ride. Last year the lodge donated \$10,000.00 to build a wheelchair ramp for a cancer survivor. As well, they fund two \$1,000.00 scholarships.

MacKenzie No. 547: MacKenzie Lodge have their own building, a rental, a Bottle Depot and their ice business. Part of their place is a place where the community donates household goods. When anyone is in need they can get it free – members of the public must pay. They are well known for their Christmas for Kids and they support the Scouts, Cadets and Girl Guides. On my visit, I was asked to present cheques to Cops For Cancer. This Lodge has had some success in getting younger members.

Prince Rupert No. 342: On my visit to Prince Rupert I talked to Kerry Mitchell the Lodge Secretary and met with the Exalted Ruler, Carol Swim. The ER said they had some money in the bank and once it was dispersed into the community that they would sending their Charter. I understand they have, waiting for confirmation from Grand Lodge.

Terrace No. 425: Terrace Lodge has a very nice building with a full catering kitchen and a great hall they rent out. Their members do catering for many groups in their community. One sister was very interested in the Elks and Royal Purple Fund For Children and how to apply for funds. They discussed their “Kids In The Park: event and many other events to be held in December. This lodge has been helping and donating in the community for 60 years. Thank you for the hospitality.

Terrace Royal Purple Elks Lodge No. 216: In 2017 most members of the Royal Purple Elks Lodge #216 gave support to their brothers in Terrace Lodge #425 by becoming dues-paying members of Lodge #425! This very active group of ladies undertakes many community and child-oriented activities, including their annual “Kids Day in the Park” at the Elks Ball Park on Victoria Day. Their initiatives over the past year included the donation of some two dozen Children’s Teddy Bears which were dispersed to the Terrace RCMP, Terrace Victims Services and to local children who went to the BC Children’s Hospital in Vancouver. Well done Ladies !!

Vanderhoof No. 473: This small lodge has their building for sale. They have few members and have a hard time getting volunteers.

Sincerely, Nick Geerdink, Regional Director No. Six

MOTION: Peter Miedema, (Kamloops No. 44)/Mike Wolansky,(Kamloops No. 44): Acceptance of the Regional Director Reports en bloc. **CARRIED**

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – CHAIRMAN, PETER MEIDEMA

The fiscal year ended March 31, 2018 of the B.C. Elks Association was an improvement over the previous year, with revenues totaling \$38,342.00, higher than the previous year by \$2,591.00 and over budget projections by \$2,092.00 due to increases in rent and investment revenues. Dues from members were slightly lower than previous year, a continuing trend. Expenses, totaling \$38,061.00, also came in under budget by \$5,739.00 and lower than prior year by \$2,066.00, resulting in an operating profit of \$281.00 compared to last year's operating loss of \$4,376.00 and a projected operating loss of \$7,550.00. Your Officer Manager has again done a great job of keeping costs to a minimum, with all costs except Executive Committee costs coming in under budget and lower than prior year.

Going forward, the active and continued support of the lodges and their members are necessary to continue the good work of the Association.

The Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society had another very good year of fundraising by our contracted professional fundraisers, generating \$5,916.00 more than the previous year, and \$9,593.00 more than budget. Total operating revenue for the year was \$224,929.00, \$6,623.00 higher than previous year, and \$8,929.00 over budget for the year ended March 31, 2018. Due mainly to necessary repairs at the camps, expenses for the year totaled \$248,087.00, \$25,369.00 higher than last year, \$11,228.00 under budget, resulting in an operating loss of \$24,518.00 for the year, compared to an operating loss of \$5,412.00 last year, and a budgeted operating loss of \$44,315.00 for the year.

Respectfully submitted, Peter Miedema, Finance Committee Chairman

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BUDGETS

MOTION: Mike Wolansky (Kamloops No. 44)/Dave Sallenback (Langley No. 259): To accept the Financial Statements of the B.C. Elks Association for the fiscal year April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018. CARRIED

MOTION: Kari Senko (Mission No. 30)/Nick Geerdink (Victoria No. 2): To accept the budget of the B.C. Elks Association for the April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 fiscal year. CARRIED

MOTION: Peter Miedema (Kamloops No. 44)/Flo Sala (Langley No. 259): That we re-appoint Michael d'Abadie as the Accountant for this fiscal year. CARRIED



CAMP ELKGROVE

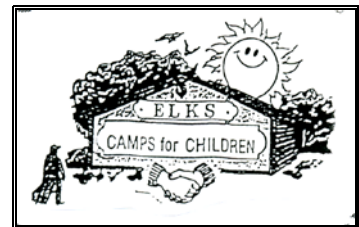


CAMP ELKCANOE



CAMP ELKHAVEN

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**ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING**

MOTION: DAVE SALLENBACK (LANGLEY NO. 259)/KARI SENKO (MISSION NO. 30) That the minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting of the Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society of British Columbia, in the City of Mission, BC be accepted as circulated. **CARRIED**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE ELKS RECREATION CHILDREN'S CAMP SOCIETY OF
BRITISH COLUMBIA FOR 2018-2019**

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Camp Liaison 2018-2019

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Peter Miedema, Chairman	Kamloops No. 44	(250) 573-1310	pmiedema@telus.net
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MOTION: KARI SENKO (MISSION NO. 30)/FLO SALA (LANGLEY NO. 259) to accept the Financial Statements of the Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society of British Columbia for the fiscal year of April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018. **CARRIED**

MOTION: KARI SENKO (MISSION NO. 30)/BARBARA GEE (LANGLEY NO. 259): To accept the budget for the Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society of British Columbia for the fiscal year of April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019. **CARRIED**

MOTION: PETER MIEDEMA (KAMLOOPS NO. 44)/RAY FRANCOEUR (WHITE ROCK NO. 431): That we re-appoint Michael d'Abadie as the Accountant for this fiscal year. **CARRIED**



CAMP USERS REPORT

(From April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018)

Camp Elkhaven	573 campers/ 23 groups
Camp Elkgrove	1490 campers/ 45 groups
Camp Elkcanoe	549 campers/ 11 groups

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT 2017-2018

CAMP ELKCANOE: The camp is under the care of a new Coordinator and new Caretakers took over in March. Handrails, steps, ramps need to be replaced and stained, siding on the buildings needs to be repaired, gutters cleaned and trees trimmed back. These are just a few things that have to be done. There is also work to be done on the Caretakers residence. A lot of work has been done to bring back a cleaner and safer operational camp.

CAMP ELKGROVE: This camp has had many upgrades this past year. The old flags were removed by a Parks Board crew and have been replaced by new ones. All trees marked by the Parks Board have been removed – behind the cabins, playground and barn area. This makes the camp safer for our children. The yard lights have been replaced with LED lights which are much brighter. In the future LED lights will be put into the lodge and cabins as well. Kari Senko and Mission Elks Lodge No. 30 have replaced the slate top and put new cloth on the pool table. Thank you. This is a very busy camp all year round.

CAMP ELKHAVEN: Elkhaven has seen many upgrades this past year. We must keep upgrading yearly. Nanaimo Elks No. 26 and Elkhaven Days 2017 donated a utility trailer. This has made cleaning up easier. Also all garbage must be taken of Denman Island. As there is no shopping there, everything needed for the camp must come back to the camp on the BC ferry. The water system has been fixed, but the four cisterns need cleaning. North Island Health monitors the water. The dorm has a new kitchen stove also donated by Nanaimo Elks No. 26 and Elkhaven Days 2017. The donations were done in kind. There is a lot to be done.

Elkhaven is the only camp where we own the property. Elkhaven Days are July 5 to 8, 2018. All Elks are welcome

Respectfully, Board of Directors, Elks Recreation Children’s Camp Society of British Columbia

MOTION: PETER MIEDEMA (KAMLOOPS NO. 44)/KARI SENKO (MISSION NO. 30): To receive the report of the Board of Directors. **CARRIED**

Contributions to the Camp Society April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018 Totals – Per Capita

Region	Lodge Name	No	Donations Apr.17-Mar.18	Membership Mar.31/17	Donation By Membership	Donations To Date (From 1976)
Region No.1	Agassiz	311	200.00	25	8.00	19,436.41
	Burnaby	497	5,000.00	19	263.16	88,712.98
	Mission	30	1,000.00	139	0.00	25,923.35
	Port Coquitlam	49	43.00	26	1.65	122,013.36
	South Vancouver	55	0.00	14	0.00	105,715.73
	Squamish	119	0.00		0.00	21,276.65
	Vancouver	1	2,500.00	17	147.06	243,739.02
	Region Total:			\$8,743.00		
Region No. 2	Courtenay	60	4,200.00	50	84.00	154,896.24
	Duncan	69	0.00	157	0.00	34,890.10
	Lake Cowichan	293	500.00	10	50.00	23,388.05
	Nanaimo	26	0.00	24	0.00	51,528.34
	Parksville-Qualicum	589	1,368.00	40	34.20	71,035.28
	Victoria	2	500.00	39	12.82	36,560.67
	Region Total:			\$6,568.00		
Region No. 3	Aldergrove	66	0.00	20	0.00	122,685.39
	Chilliwack	48	5,000.00	27	185.19	128,728.55
	Cloverdale	335	0.00	24	0.00	122,400.19
	Langley	259	2,500.00	56	44.64	173,258.55
	White Rock	431	4,000.00	102	39.22	72,746.79
	Region Total			\$11,500.00		
Region No. 4	Grand Forks	493	0.00	15	0.00	41,325.62
	Keremeos	56	0.00	26	0.00	16,196.65
	Oliver	267	0.00	29	0.00	43,953.57
	Osoyoos	436	0.00	29	0.00	31,248.41
	Penticton	51	5,000.00	118	42.37	134,433.75
	Princeton	280	0.00		0.00	7,318.33
	Kelowna	52	0.00	96	0.00	187,192.43
	Vernon	45	0.00	25	0.00	77,067.01
	Westside	592	0.00	10	0.00	30,441.93
	Region Total:			\$5,000.00		
Region No. 5	Clearwater	499	0.00	14	0.00	17,592.49
	Kamloops	44	2,000.00	32	62.50	64,017.21
	Lillooet	467	0.00	8	0.00	2,763.54
	Merritt	441	1,000.00	52	19.23	3,325.00
	North Kamloops	469	1,573.50	16	98.34	72,769.00
	Revelstoke	453	0.00	15	0.00	19,618.24
	Salmon Arm	453	2,000.00	43	46.51	82,196.75
	Region Total:	455		\$6,573.50		
Region No. 6	Cariboo	239	0.00	11	0.00	21,459.32
	McBride	533	0.00	11	0.00	6,132.73
	MacKenzie	342	0.00	39	0.00	41,146.86
	Prince George	240	0.00	36	0.00	296,367.10
	Quesnel	425	0.00	14	0.00	34,672.90
	Smithers	240	0.00	14	0.00	50,735.24
	Terrace	425	0.00	32	0.00	90,867.48
	Terrace R. Purple Elks	216	0.00	29	0.00	19,151.02
	Vanderhoof	473	0.00	11	0.00	71,332.23
	Region Total:			\$ 00.00		
Elks Region No 1 \$38.00						
Region 6 (a) \$76.00						
Sheriffs Fines Conference 2017: \$164.80						
				Total Donations for 2017-2018: \$38,663.30		
				Grand Total: \$3,388,526.70 includes defunct lodges		

- Gifts In Kind: Nanaimo/Elkhaven Days Donated to Elkhaven Trailer \$1,050.00 and Stove: \$1,119.00

CIRCULATED RESOLUTIONS-B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION

Circulated Resolution No.1

WHEREAS: Portions Of the Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations of the B.C. Elks Association were difficult to understand.

And Whereas: The B.C. Elks Association Executive requested the Judiciary Committee to review the current Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations to correct any errors, inconsistencies and update the language.

Therefore be it resolved that: The proposed Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations for the B.C. Elks Association presented at the 90th Conference held in Victoria, B.C. be accepted as presented with any amendments passed by the Delegates attending

Submitted by the Judiciary Committee
Approved by the BC Elks Executive
CARRIED WITH AMENDMENTS

MOTION: Peter Miedema, (Kamloops No. 44)/Nick Geerdink, (Victoria No. 2): To amend in consideration that the Association should take steps within the next couple of months to incorporate under the Societies.

The Constitution of the BC Association be condensed to say:

Article 1:

The name of the Organization is “British Columbia Elks Association” Hereafter referred as the “Association”

Article 2:

The purpose of the Association are:

To promote the development of Elkdom including supporting and coordinating the charitable endeavours of its members within the province of British Columbia and elsewhere

That (c) be moved to By-Laws and be Article No. 13 and that The Dissolution Clause be moved to Article 14.

CARRIED

MOTION: Mike Wolansky, (Kamloops No. 44)/Ron Reddicliff, (Salmon Arm No. 453): That Article 1.1.3 Ritual and Ceremonial Duties delete the titles of Esquire and Inner Guard be changed to the titles of 1st and 2nd Director. **CARRIED**

MOTION: Ron Reddicliff, (Salmon Arm No. 453)/Dave Sallenback, (Langley No. 259): That Article 5.3 be amended to read:

Representation shall be as follows:

Any Elk, being a member in good standing within the British Columbia Elks Association shall be entitled to speak and vote provided they:

- (1) Show proof of being a member in good standing
- (2) Pay any registration fee required

Any delegate, to the Conference or a Special Meeting of the Association, may register in advance by mail, by sending the required registration fees with his/her registration form together with his/her properly completed Credential Form to the Chairman of the Registration Committee of the Host Lodge. On application to the Committee, the delegate may have his/her fees refunded if they are unable to attend for reasons acceptable to the same Committee, (see Regulation R-4).

CARRIED

MOTION: Peter Miedema(Kamloops No. 44)/Anton Small, (Parksville-Qualicum No. 569): Article 8.2 Quorum: That this be amended to read twenty four (24) member representatives of at last five lodges of the Association in good standing with at least two (2) Chair Officers of the Association shall constitute a quorum to conduct the business of the Association at any Conference or Special Meeting thereof.

CARRIED

MOTION: Peter Miedema, (Kamloops No. 44)/Flo Sala, (Langley No. 259): As Regulations can be changed by the BC Elks Association Executive that we need not go through the regulations at this conference. **CARRIED**

MOTION: Jim Hurst, (Port Coquitlam No. 48)/Arnie Zimmerman, (Caribou No. 239): That Item R2.(b) Past Presidents Advisory Committee be removed as an Optional Committee and be moved into R.2 (a) Standing Committees. **CARRIED**

MOTION: Kari Senko, (Mission No. 30)/Jim Hurst, (Port Coquitlam No. 49): that the Revisions of the Constitution, By Laws and Regulations be accepted with amendments. **CARRIED**

Circulated Resolution No.2

Whereas: the regional representatives do not appear to be providing adequate information to the lodges during their official visits

And Whereas: it is essential that the members be kept as to the actions the Executive Committee making decisions.

And Whereas: an informed membership would be better to tell a potential members what the aims and objectives are and how they plan to achieve them

Resolve: that the minutes of all Executive Committee be circulated to the lodges within seven (7) days of the meeting – via e-mail

And Resolve: if a lodge Secretary does not have a computer the lodge provide the name of the contact person to receive the minutes.

Submitted by Port Coquitlam Elks No. 49

Approved at the Region One Spring Meeting

OUT OF ORDER AS PER ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER

MOTION: Peter Miedema, (Kamloops No. 44)/Kari Senko, (Mission No. 30): That the Incoming Executive take steps to Incorporate under the Societies Act. **CARRIED**

An Unincorporated Association is not a separate legal entity, it is a group of individuals organizing itself to carry out a common purpose. The assets are held in trust by its members. There is no minimum requirements in respect to operations and management, it is a purely contractual relationship, very flexible. It also creates uncertainty. Members are responsible for its debts and liabilities.

A Society incorporated under the B.C. Societies is a separate legal entity. It holds title to its own assets. Minimum requirements in respect to operations and management set by the Society Act. Members are not liable for debts and liabilities.

Circulated Resolution No. 3

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: all legislation, orders, edits declarations and resolutions which have been adopted at this 90th Annual Conference be confirmed and that wherever necessary, the Constitution and By-Laws, rules and privileges of the Association be amended to give full force and effort thereto.

MOTION: STEVE CLARK (LANGLEY NO. 259)/FLO SALA (LANGLEY NO. 259)

Submitted by the B.C. Elks Association
CARRIED

CIRCULATED RESOLUTIONS ELKS RECREATION CHILDREN'S CAMP SOCIETY

Circulated Resolution No. 1

And Whereas: it is essential that the members be kept as to the actions the Board of Directors are making

And Whereas: an informed membership would be better to tell a potential members what the aims and objectives are and how they plan to achieve them

Resolve: that the minutes of all Board of Directors meetings be circulated to the lodges

And Resolve: if a lodge Secretary does not have a computer the lodge provide the name of the contact person to receive the minutes.

Submitted by Port Coquitlam Elks No. 49
Approved at Region One Spring Meeting
REDUNDANT AS PER ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER

Circulated Resolution No. 2

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: all legislation, orders, edits declarations and resolutions which have been adopted at this Annual General Meeting be confirmed and that wherever necessary, the Constitution and By-Laws, rules and privileges of the Society be amended to give full force and effort thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Directors

CARRIED

MOTION: DAVE SALLENBACK (LANGLEY NO. 259) KARI SENKO (MISSION NO. 30) that we close the business of the Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society of British Columbia. CARRIED

B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION UNCIRCULATED RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS: *The members of the Victoria Elks No. 2 have worked diligently and with friendship to organize the Conference;*

AND WHEREAS: *This hard work and diligence has resulted in an outstanding stay in the City of Sidney*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *We the delegates of the 90th Conference would like to thank the members of the Victoria Elks No. 2 and the Conference Committee and the Cities of Sidney and Victoria for our stay and making the Conference a tremendous success.*

MOTION: *BILL MCDONALD (VERNON NO. 45)/KAY HEUER (NANAIMO NO. 26) CARRIED*

Closing Ceremonies

Patrol Team Members:

Paul Nolan (Prince George No. 122)
Gordon Morrow (Quesnel No. 298)

Arnie Zimmerman (Caribou No. 239)
George Stieber (Victoria No. 2)

Installing Officer: Grand Exalted Ruler, Deb Sallenback
Assistance Installing Officer: Dave Sallenback (Langley No. 259)
Installing Secretary/Chaplain: Al Edwards (White Rock No. 431)

MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT, WILLIAM MCDONALD

My theme for this year is ***ELK PRIDE***

It is an honour to serve as President of the B.C. Elks Association for 2018-2019. I realized this role comes with much responsibility and I do not take this lightly. Thank you to the dedicated members who have agreed to work with me on the various committees. The knowledge and experience each one brings to the Executive is vast and I appreciate this. I look forward to a successful year as a result of this support.

Thank you to Victoria Elks Lodge No. 2 for hosting a successful Conference this year. The hard work of dedicated volunteers is evident in all areas including set up, meals, rides, entertainment and more.

Elks Lodges continue to contribute to charities, families and individuals across B.C. despite some Lodges experiencing little or no growth in membership. The same few dedicated volunteers continue fundraising activities in their Lodges knowing they are making a difference in the community. It is encouraging that some Lodges have been able to attract younger individuals who are keen to take an active role in their Lodge and at the Provincial level. We must continue to encourage new members of all ages to become involved and participate in Lodge meetings and activities.

We constantly discuss ways to attract new members. Our idea is to sponsor a sport team. Invite them to visit our Lodge with an invitation to join. Invite friends and family to attend a meeting with you. We, as Elks, are proud of our organization and the assistance we provide families and children in B.C. Non-members may be encouraged and eager to join us once they are more aware of these works. We all benefit when children are able to reach their full potential.

May the year ahead in Elkdom be successful and enjoyable to all.