CASCADES CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MAY 6, 1989

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Cascades Club took place on May 6, 1989 at 8:00 P.M. Members of the Executive who were present were: Cathy Crawford, President; Doug Taylor, Vice President; Chris Beasley, Secretary; Murray McAllindon, Treasurer; Chris Holloway, Membership; Jean Seguin, Building & Grounds; and Bob Ripley, Squash. Executive members who were not present were: Bob Flood, Bar; and Darla Drader, Social.

Bob Ripley presented the squash trophies. Presented with trophies were: Jean Seguin, the "Giant Killer" (for beating out Bob Flood); Cathy Crawford, as an honorary squash player (presented by Melanie Hopkins); Murray McAllindon "General Factotum of the Squash Court"; and a token trophy for the Bob Ross Tournament of last September (1988), accepted for the team by George Hill. Bob Ripley mentioned that the numbers of players was down over the last year, but the quality of play increased.

Bob Ripley then gave the Squash report, and discussed the Division 3 team in the city league. He said two teams were in first place for the finals coming up soon. The Junior are doing well. Champions declared for Junior Girls was Carolyn Hill. Junior Boys was Lars Roberts. Micheline Leduc was presented a new squash ball as runner up.

Mens Categories are A, B and C. The C championship was not played on May 6. Andrew Wilson won by default. Gerry Legault was runner up. Paul Charlton was runner up in B section. Winner of Men's B was George Hill. Cathy Crawford presented the trophy to George Hill. Men's A was won by Gerry Birks; runner up was Murray McAllindon. Cathy Crawford presented a trophy to Murray; Alan Hopkins presented a trophy to Gerry. Gerry was also presented with a new squash racquet.

Cathy Crawford thanked the members of the executive for a job well done.

4. Doug Taylor reviewed the minutes of the AGM from last year. He then asked for a motion they be accepted. Ron Grant so moved and it was seconded by Jean Seguin.

Cathy Crawford presented the President's report. She said she had a good two years as President, but couldn't continue due to conflicts in her schedule.

Murray McAllindon presented the Treasurer's report (attached). He mentioned that the squash membership was

down this year. He suggested appealing to members to tell new residents about the club and to encourage them to join.

A discussion followed about squash membership. Shirley Brown suggested making a flyer about the club. Murray said there are some on the front desk, and Cathy Crawford said she had put some at McIntyre Realtor. It was asked how many members left over the past year. There were approximately 8 who did not rejoin. Shirley Brown suggested giving free squash lessons as a draw for members. It was done two years ago and we got a good response, but it was a lot of work (Bob Ripley organized it).

Tim Beasley asked why the budget for building maintenance was \$4700, and only \$1090 was spent. Murray McAllindon replied that we didn't have an income comparable to the previous year, which was a bumper year.

A motion was made by Doug Taylor to approve the financial report, and was seconded by Bob Ripley. It was accepted unanimously. Murray mentioned that the Club was empty every night this past year, but we hope to improve upon this in the upcoming year.

7. Chris Holloway then gave the Membership report. There are only four family squash memberships. There are 27 individual social and 37 individual squash memberships. He observed that we might consider families with more than one squash player be made to take out a family squash membership.

He thanked Brenda Chevalier, Melva Wilson, and Micheline Leduc for doing a good job on the phone chain. There are 13 people on the chain. Micheline Leduc calls most of the francophone members. Melanie Hopkins asked if it was possible to obtain a listing of members by category. Chris replied he could do that without too much difficulty.

Chris observed that we usually get a run of new members in the spring. He said the phone chain is important, and that the Membership job is most enjoyable.

The Membership report was accepted.

- 3. Bar report was ruled to have been included in the Treasurer's report, due to the absence of Bob Flood.
- Jean Seguin gave the Building and Grounds report. He mentioned that the club had had two break-ins (the bar and the office) over the past year, but nothing was stolen. A discussion followed about how the break-ins occurred, and by whom. It was felt that it was by club members as there was no apparent damage to outside locks and windows. Cathy mentioned that the alarm may not be loud enough. It has

also been noticed that beer empties have been stolen.

Jean Seguin mentioned that we now have a contract for the furnace. He stopped by one night and the furnace had been turned up very high. We may try to put a lock on it this year. He said the spring cleaning will be in a few weeks, to be arranged by the new executive, who hopes to improve the slope to the entrance by putting in stairs. He said that grass cutting is a problem. He did it himself quite a few times last year. George Hill moved that the report be accepted, seconded by Alan Hopkins.

- Cathy Crawford gave the social report on behalf of Darla Drader. She reviewed each social event over the past year, along with suggestions given by Darla. She then asked for any comments or suggestions. Lee and Ron Grant said they will organize the Rostad Night again for the coming year. Ron Grant said the Beef BBQ is a tradition, and should continue, even though it is a lot of work. Shirley Brown suggested selling tickets for the BBQ for seatings (6PM or 7PM). Melanie Hopkins suggested having more to eat for the price (perhaps all you can eat). Cathy said we could have a beef and chicken BBQ. Bob Hughes suggested having other types of events, such as a murder mystery night.
- New business that was discussed included the possibility of building tennis courts. The discussion was led by Murray McAllindon. He handed out two items, a survey and an estimate of costs. Reasons for the idea of tennis were that it could make the club a year-round facility. He asked that all present complete the survey now. He then asked for a mandate to further survey the rest of the membership, and then the local residents. General discussion followed concerning the courts, with much comparison with the courts at the Larrimac Golf and Tennis Club.

Murray moved that the executive receive permission from the membership present to survey the remaining members and seek final approval in the fall. The motion was seconded by Tim Beasley and was carried by a show of hands of a majority of those present.

Volunteers were asked to join the tennis subcommittee. Liz Bellerose and Paul Charlton volunteered. It was asked if there was anyone who had special knowledge of grants, etc. No one responded.

- 12. Chris Holloway mentioned he had met with the West Hull Recreation Commission. They are interested in sharing the club on 'a "fee for service" basis. The municipality could snow plow and cut the grass in return for use of the club for various activities.
 - Doug Taylor took the floor for the nomination and election

of executive positions. He asked if anyone was interested in being nominated for any of the positions, open or not. No one responded. A show of hands was asked for to carry the nominations, and was received.

The new executive for the 1989/90 year is as follows:

Chris Holloway President Vice President Doug Taylor Chris Beasley Secretary Murray McAllindon Treasurer (open) Membership Bob Ripley Squash Bob Flood Bar (open) Social Convenor Kitchen/Supplies (open) Jean Seguin Bldg & Grounds Fund Raising (open)

- 14. Another item of new business was raised by Cathy Crawford: the West Hull Festival and the participation of the club. West Hull Recreation Association wants a written agreement stating the club would like to participate again this year, so long as the club is the only organization providing such a service. Chris Beasley is to prepare a letter.
- 15. A gift was presented to Cathy Crawford from the members of the executive. She thanked everyone, and thus closed the meeting.