

**ST. ALBERT TREKKERS VOLKSSPORT CLUB**  
**Executive Meeting**  
**St. Albert Inn, St. Albert, AB**  
**June 2, 2011**

Present: David Hall, Sharon Tchir, Joe Sombach, Peter Van Bostelen, Sherry Nixey, Sonja Van Bostelen, Lorna Allen, Dave Luscombe, Dagmar Lietz, Vicki Robinson, David Robinson, Rose Ramsum  
Absent: Kathleen Parr, Helen Rousseau, Joan Redman

1. **Call to Order**

David Hall called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. **Quorum Present**

A quorum was present

3. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

MOTION made by Peter Van Bostelen to accept the minutes, seconded by Dave L. Approved

4. **Confirmation of Agenda**

Sharon T. moved and Peter seconded the adoption of the agenda with additions.

5. **Items Arising from Previous Minutes**

Dave L. will place the order for 100 pins at \$487 plus GST. The company was unwilling to give us a better deal.

6. **Executive and Committee Reports**

President – This is David Hall’s last term. He will be passing over the job to Sharon T.

First Vice-President-Sharon had nothing to report.

2nd Vice-President – Joe will survey the Trekkers’ members on different topics via e-mail and report the results in the newsletter.

Treasurer – Peter reviewed submitted report. Balance of \$5,851.84 as of June 2, 2011.

Secretary – Kathleen was absent.

Trailblazer – Marking – Sherry marked her first walk with Sharon T. and Lou. Sonja and Peter will help with Rundle Park.

Trailblazer – Pre-walking – Sonja & Peter are doing pre-walking. They will be away, but they have the walks covered.

Membership - Sonja reviewed membership stats from June 2, 2011

Membership Renewals	53
New Memberships	<u>10</u>
Total	63
Total Number of Individuals	78

To date, 31 members from the 2010 Membership list have not renewed. The recent mail out has brought in 3 renewals and 2 responses that the members will not be renewing.

Publicity – Lorna will be away for two months. She will get information to Dave L. for doing publicity while she is away.

Past President - Dave L. had nothing to report.

Care and Concern – Helen was absent.

Social Conveners – Dagmar and Rose will be away for the BBQ after the Triathlon. A substitute is needed.

David H. volunteered to coordinate the event and will ask the Langs if they can help.

**ACTION:** David will contact the Langs and get back to Dagmar.

Historian – David and Vicky continue to work with David H. to get info onto the Web.

Newsletter - Joan was absent.

Web Masters –David H. and Dave L. continue to work on website.

## 7. **New Business**

- 1) Plans for 2012 Events – The executive went through the list of events and determined dates for the 2012 year.
- 2) The AGM and Potluck meeting (previously in March) was switched with the Beaumaris Lake walk (previously in April) with the hope that the weather and walking conditions for the AGM – one of the Trekkers’ main walks - would be better. The dates for 2012 are: Beaumaris Lake walk on March 17, 2012, and the AGM and Potluck walk from St. United Church on April 7, 2012.
- 3) In June 2011, the Saturday Morinville/Cardiff walks were switched, with the Cardiff walk in the morning, followed by lunch at Helen R.’s, and the Morinville walk in the afternoon. This was a first time to have the Cardiff walk in the morning. It was decided to wait until after the walks on June 11, 2011 to decide which order works best before making a decision for 2012.  
**ACTION:** The executive will make a decision after the June 2011 walks.
- 4) Sonja, Peter, Sharon, and David will discuss the 2012 Triathlon. **ACTION:** These 4 people will decide whether to change the format of the triathlon for future years by perhaps shortening the bike or walk portions
- 5) It was decided to try and put the Athabasca walks (scheduled for September 8<sup>th</sup>) a week later so that they would not be so close to the Alberta Majesty walks on the September long-weekend. Both events require out-of-town trips. **ACTION:** David H. to check with Alda to see about the possibility of trading with Wetaskiwin.
- 6) CVF Special Anniversary Walk will be held on Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in a new area of the North Saskatchewan River Valley.
- 7) Johanna’s Group YRE will be scheduled in June or September. **ACTION:** David will discuss with Johanna.
- 8) Peter suggested that we talk to Kathleen about the fees for a seasonal bike YRE. Could it be seasonal? If so, the sanction fee could possibly be half the price. **ACTION:** David will discuss this matter with Kathleen.
- 9) There was a discussion about taking over the two downtown VAA YRE’s and moving the start point to the Kinsmen Centre. Concern was expressed that they would not pay for themselves. It was decided to leave them with VAA, but talk to Sarah and Kathleen about the possibility of changing the start point and re-routing to accommodate. *(In a subsequent email process it was decided that the Trekkers would take these two walks on while dropping the existing YRE from this location)*  
**ACTION:** David H. to talk to Kathleen and Sarah about this possibility.
- 10) It was decided to table the discussion of the frequent walker fee until the end of the year. **ACTION:** Discuss frequent walker fee at end of year.
- 11) Sharon reported on the CVF Conference that was held in Whistler, B.C.

- The motion to drop the \$5 membership fee which goes to CVF was defeated by a vote of 20 to 8.

- The CVF can now conduct their AGM through teleconferencing.
- The 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pin needs to be ordered by June 30, 2011. The 2011 Membership was 110, so it was decided to order 110. **ACTION:** David H. to order 110 Anniversary Pins from the CVF.
- The special anniversary walk has no sanction fee.
- The CVF Anniversary Walk Program will require participants to complete 25 walks. Registration will be online in November. Walks go from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012.
- The 2012 CVF Convention will be held in Ottawa from May 18 – 21, 2012 at Algonquin College. The web address is: <http://www.nepeannomads.com/CVF25THAGM>

12) It was decided to ignore the City of St. Albert's appeal to become involved in their "Adopt a Park" program because the commitment seemed to be too great.

13) Joe S. brought up the need for a list of people who can take over tasks and responsibilities when the regular person is unable to carry out his job due to family commitments, illness, etc. A discussion followed. It was agreed that the group needs to try and broaden the pool of people it calls upon. We also discussed the need for gradually introducing people to new jobs and providing training.

14) Peter mentioned that there is a new Best Western Hotel in St. Albert on the north end of St. Albert Trail. Perhaps the walk box could be moved there. **ACTION:** Peter will approach the Best Western Hotel.

8. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, October 19, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the St. Albert Inn.

9. **Adjournment:** Dave L. proposed the meeting be adjourned at 9:45 p.m., seconded by Sharon. Approved.