



The Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft

Annual General Meeting
Saturday April 28, 2006
Travel lodge, Burlington

Executive in Attendance: Peter Grove, Della Chynoweth, Lauchlan Harrison, Phyllis McHale, Madeleine Mitchell, Nancy Durham, Paul Kitchener, Dave McPherson, Dorothy McPherson, Sandra Roberts, Miles Roberts, Barbara Chynoweth, Betsy Rennie, Joyce Scruton, Barry Taylor.

1. **Call to Order:** Peter Grove called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. Peter welcomed everyone to the 56th Annual General Meeting. Peter called on the host branch president Lauchlan Harrison to welcome everyone to Burlington for Hamilton's Annual. Lauch outlined the events of the weekend and hoped everyone enjoyed themselves.
2. **Minutes:** Motion made by Della Chynoweth that the Minutes of the 55th Annual General Meeting be accepted as circulated. Seconded by Joyce Scruton. Carried.
3. **Business Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting.**
 - **Number of Articles required for a Weston Trophy entry:** Motion by David McPherson that the Weston Trophy entry by a Branch continue as 4 (four) articles for the 2007 Annual. This motion to be reviewed annually. Seconded by Emma Windatt. Carried.
 - **Constitution:** The Constitution is still being reviewed and hopefully we will be able to have it ready for next years Annual.
4. **Reports**
 - **Presidents Annual Report:** Peter Grove read his report.

President's message

Welcome all to our 2006 annual meeting and convention.

These past two years as President of the CSCL have gone by very quickly indeed. The only time gone faster was my daughter's twenty-one years.

We have not been able to get the changes done to our constitution as yet. This is an ongoing endeavor. With some luck and more effort this will be coming.

Our Fellows have elected David McPherson as their new chairman going into the next few years. David is a new Fellow and graciously accepted this challenge earlier this month. With David's attention to detail and strong organization abilities I know we will have a strong Fellow's voice to help guide our Society. Thank you, David.

A couple of workshops were held this year. I lead part I of a carving class last fall, which seemed to be well accepted. Part 2 had to be cancelled in the winter, but will be

rescheduled. The Leather Factory hosted our group at the Mississauga store for an evening with Jim Linnell. Those that attended found it to be very worthwhile, both informative and enjoyable. David McPherson led a box-making workshop, also in Mississauga, that was the best-attended single workshop we've had in years. Thanks again, David. Workshops are the single most valuable tool we have as a group. We must continue with more. Feel free to approach your branch Presidents with ideas.

This year we can all take notice of the Mississauga group. I think they are the fastest growing group in the CSCL. Paul Kitchener leads a Saturday morning open class at the Leather Factory's Mississauga store. Although not part of the CSCL, Paul has done wonderful things with this class and it does feed new members to the Mississauga group and ultimately the CSCL. I have had occasion to visit that class on two Saturdays and have been very impressed with the work being done. The open approach to this class structure is very conducive to learning leatherwork and has changed my own view on teaching. A lookout warning to the rest of us ...Mississauga is coming.

Weston Trophy entries were from three clubs this year. Average project scores were well up this time, even with a lot of projects being entered by novices. Again... Mississauga is coming.

Lauch Harrison has worked at providing us with a good venue for this weekend's events. It looks like the weather will cooperate and allow us to enjoy the Burlington waterfront. Don't skip any workshops, but please enjoy our surroundings. Lauchlin has also invited Andy Hughes to join us this year. We met Andy at an auction in Ohio last year and quickly became friends. I understand Andy is a graduate of the Cordwainers College in England, a multi year course in fine leatherwork and its' production. Introduce yourself to Andy and talk leather. Andy is a fine fellow, willing to share his knowledge and experience freely.

We have two new sustaining members this year. Capricorn Leather and Zelocovitch Leather. Welcome and thank you. We hope we can earn your continued support.

I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge our members from Norland. The Chynoweth clan continues to provide a strong leadership role for the whole CSCL. If we could all learn to be as organized and selfless as they, we would all be better off. Please read the "we" as "me". Thanks, Norland.

Thank you all for coming and participating in our annual 2006. Look, learn and share.
Peter Grove FCSC

- **1st Vice:** No Report
- **Treasurers Report:** Please read the Treasurers Report and if you have any questions I will be happy to answer them. This year Peter Grove, Phyllis McHale and Della Chynoweth went to the Orangeville Branch of the CIBC and had all our accounts and GIC moved to that branch for easier access for me. Our GIC's have been transferred to Flexi GIC which has a little higher interest rate. So we are running smoothly again. Thanks again this year to Barbara Chynoweth and Phyllis McHale for auditing the treasurer's books.
Respectfully submitted by Della Chynoweth
- **Auditors Report:** The financial books for the 2005/2006 years were audited and found to be in order. Phyllis McHale and Barbara Chynoweth
- **Bulletin** 2005-2006 Editor's Report
The "Canadian Leathercraft" has been published 4 times since the last Annual. The spring 2005 issue featured the Award Winners from the 2005 Annual hosted by the Woodstock Branch CSCL.

Congratulations to all the award winners and our two new Fellow Members - Nancy Durham and David McPherson.

The summer edition focused on Ruth Haig FCSCCL, who received the prestigious John Mather Award presented by the Ontario Crafts Council.

In the autumn of 2005, CSCL welcomed Montana leather carver, Jim Linnell and the bulletin covered his visit, as well as a Carving Workshop With our President, Peter Grove.

As Editor, I presented a plan to have contributions to the newsletter from the Branches. Hamilton Branch was asked to contribute to the next issue.

The winter 2005-06 issue featured a detailed article about "Osbourne Round Knives" submitted by Hamilton Branch President, Lauch Harrison ACSCL

The Spring 2006 edition is looking forward to contributions from the Mississauga Branch.

Many thanks to contributors in the past year, and as always, your ideas and articles welcomed for future editions of the "Canadian Leathercraft"

Respectfully submitted, Madeleine Mitchell, Editor

- **Membership:** Each Branch picked up new members this year, but we will have to work harder to get more people interested in joining the Club.
We had a total of 64 members for the year, 48 were general members, with 11 Fellows and 5 Associates. We have four sustaining members.
We were very sorry to hear of the passing of Jessie Little who was a long time member.
Respectfully submitted by Phyllis McHale, Membership Chairperson
- **Correspondence:** Thinking of you cards are on the front table to be signed by CSCL members and then will be sent out to our members who are unable to attend the 2006 annual. Sympathy cards were sent out to family's of members that passed on over the year. If you know of any one having a special occasion or in hospital let me know I would be glad to drop them a line.
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Sandra Roberts
- **Library:** The move to the new location has given new focus to the Library and the "lost" Libraries turned up in Kevin's Basement.

When the Larmour library was taken to Paul Kitchener's Warehouse for Storage from the Church many of the dated and meaningless pieces were removed. The Larmour Collection and the work shop tools were consolidate on to one skid, the skid was shrink wrapped and placed in the racks.

When the Archives were brought from Kevin's to the warehouse a stalwart group exposed themselves to toxic mould to reduce the archives to a workable amount. The **group removed the contaminated material, and split** the archives up, Nancy Durham has the task of making one complete set of bulletin's, Madeleine Mitchell has all the photographs and negatives, Paul stored the remaining material with the Larmour Library so that it can be protected until a more suitable home is found.

I will be formatting the Teaching Standards to computer files so the info will be available to all members.

Expect to see some new books, reviews and requests will be gladly accepted

Thanks
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Lauch

- **Council of Fellows:** David McPherson as the new Chairman of the Fellows gave a short report. He was chosen for this position. They met on April 2, 2006 to judge 3 Weston Trophy entries and 1 Associate entry. He was very pleased with the entries.
- **Archives:** It is noted that Nancy Durham has the bulletins from the Archives. Madeleine Mitchell has all the slides and Photographs. Della Chynoweth has all the treasurers and membership material. Lauchlan Harrison has the Guest book and signs. It was also suggested that each group assemble their own Archive list. The stuff that Norland Group has from the Barrie Group is to remain in Norland for the time being.
- **Web Site: 2005-2006 Web Site Report:** In November 2005, the CSCL website became fully operational with news of CSCL, membership information and contact numbers, as well as a gallery of pictures, and links to leather businesses and sites of interest. A couple of sample newsletters were included on the site as well.
I hope you and your friends will take some time to have a look the website - it can be found at www.canadianleathercraft.org
Hopefully it's easy to navigate and will help to connect us interested folks from literally all corners of the globe. I know we have already had a question from the leather worker about a stitching machine that I forwarded to Peter "rove to answer. Also in Woodstock, because of our internet exposure, I have been contacted by our local Rogers Cable Station for an interview. Since we seem to have more interest, I'm in the process of setting up a counting system to track how many hits we have.
If anybody has suggestions for the site, be sure to drop me a line. Respectfully submitted,
Madeleine Mitchell
- **Hamilton Chapter of the CSCL:** The Hamilton Guild has been hard at work in our usual monthly programs held at Tundra Leather. Coming off last Year's Weston Trophy, giving us bragging rights, has not made us complacent. We are still struggling to get new members and have a new couple that will attend the annual. The Hamilton Chapter has 11 members and will Have 7 meetings in 2005 - 2006 year. Our Chapter workshops were as follows: October, - Carving Techniques, November -, December -Ornaments, January, February & March - Shaker Boxes. At our March Meeting all positions were held as acclaimed,
Peter - VP & Treasurer, Muriel - Secretary, Sean - Memberships,
And yours truly, Lauch Harrison - Chapter President
- **2005 - 2006 Woodstock Branch Report:** Woodstock Branch CSCL meets at the Woodstock Museum. New members are always welcomed. Our program included: dyeing techniques, saddle stitching, lacing, tooling and "hinged" boxes by David McPherson. Our social events included our June picnic, Christmas potluck dinner and a "video" night in January to view the latest release on Leathercraft. A successful mitt workshop was held at the Museum with Lauch Harrison sharing his knowledge. We participated in a successful Christmas sale at the Museum in November along with some Hamilton members. In March, our Branch provided and attended a CSCL display and promotion at the Woodstock Recreation and Leisure Fair. Shortly after that, Madeleine Mitchell gave an informative interview about CSCL to the local Rogers Cable station that was aired numerous times in the area. We will be hosting the 2006 Biennial Exhibition at the Woodstock Museum in late fall (to end on the day of the Museum's Christmas sale). Details to follow.
Officers of the Woodstock Branch for 2006 - 2007
President: David McPherson
Secretary: Madeleine Mitchell
Treasurer: Jean Pickering
Respectfully submitted, Nancy Durham, FCSCCL President, Woodstock BranchCSCL

- **Toronto Branch Report:** This year the members of the Branch have been very busy. Two new members joined us. We have learned how to make braided 'buckskin Bracelets, Vests, Trappers mitts, Poinsettia broaches, small change purses and everyone has industrially been working on projects for the Annual. We had a great year end dinner at Al Foss' place where we got to enjoy his gardens again.

We also successfully hosted a carving workshop lead by Peter Grove. The demonstration done by Jim Linnell at the Leather Factory in November was an inspiring experience for all the members from the Toronto Branch who attended. I would also like to thank everyone in the branch for all their help this year. We are looking forward to another year of creativity. Submitted by Della Chynoweth
 - **Norland Leather Craft Society Report for 2005-2006:** Norland Brach has been holding their meetings on Saturdays; meetings are from 10:00 **am until** 3:00 pm. Some of our members have a one hour traveling time to get to the meetings. This seems to work out very well as we do have time to work on projects at the meeting.

In June 2005 we held a B.B.Q for the members of the Norland Guild at the McHale residents, we all had a good visit and lots to eat.

September 2005 the meeting was held at the W.I. Hall in Norland where we made cases for different tools. These cases were made out of scrape leather. This project continued in October where more cases were constructed.

Four members of the club went to Toronto to take part in the carving workshop that was hosted by the Toronto Branch

In November we had to move to the Anglican Church hall in Coboconk, at this meeting the tool cases were on display. Members also prepared a piece of leather for a wallet back; this was to be worked on prior to the next meeting in February.

Some members traveled to Mississauga to the Tandy Store to see work done by Jim Linnell and his demonstration on how to do different techniques.

February 2006, we finished up our wallet back, made patterns for a wallet interior, some members got their interiors cut out and started putting them together.

March 2006, some members still worked on their wallets. We had a demonstration on how to use a stitching awl. Some members had a half hour to practice carving. C.S.C.L. memberships were collected. Discussion on how we would set up our table for the Annual, we are leaving that to four of our members. We had an election of Officers; there are a couple changes from the previous year. We had two guests at our meeting who are interested in learning leather craft.

April 2006 will be our wind up meeting prior to the Annual. Respectfully submitted by Phyllis McHale
 - **Mississauga Branch Report:** Mississauga presented a great photo report for the 2005-6 year unfortunately I could not copy it into the minutes. My apologies to Mississauga.
 - Barbara Chynoweth moved that all reports submitted be accepted. Seconded by Tracey Howard. Carried
5. **Slate of Officers** – The floor was opened to nominations for Offices open. Sandra Roberts nominated Phyllis McHale to be 1st Vice. Seconded by Seconded by Marion Kehoe. Carried. Phyllis accepted the nomination. The floor was then asked if their was anyone who would be willing to take on the Secretary's job. No one was so Della Chynoweth has agreed to take it for another term. Sandra Roberts volunteered to do the Librarian's job. Carol Broumley moved that nominations be closed. Seconded by Paul Kitchener. Phyllis McHale then presented the proposed Slate of Officers. Phyllis McHale moved the Slate be accepted. Seconded by Paul Kitchener. Carried. (Slate Attached.)
 6. **OVSA 2006** – Heather Atkinson (5), Marilyn Harry (15), Barbara Chynoweth (5), Sandra Roberts (5), Lauchlan Harrison (5), were presented as recipients for the 2006 OVSA award. Their bios were read.

7. **Weston Trophy Competition:** Nancy Durham read the History of the Weston Trophy. Nancy also thanked Dorothy McPherson for all her hard work on the OVSA awards. David McPherson then presented the Hamilton Branch with the Weston Trophy. David then read comments on the pieces for the Weston Trophy.
8. **Associate:** Peter Grove then presented Paul Kitchener with his Associate. Paul also received the Zalis Pin for achieving a mark of over 75%. Peter read Paul's bio.
9. **Toronto Branch:** The president from each branch was asked to come forward. The Toronto Branch then presented each with an envelope. The Toronto branch closed the New Horizon portion of its branch and wanted to share the funds with the rest of the branches. Hope you all make good use of it.
10. **2007 Annual** – Paul Kitchener invited everyone to come to the 57th Annual next year to be hosted by Mississauga.
11. **Phyllis McHale** introduced our new members that are here for the first time: Darlene and Jim Fry, Bruce and Catherine Royle and Brian Goring. Welcome.
12. **Teaching Standard:** Ruth Haig reported the standards will be published in the next bulletin.

Adjournment: on motion by Nancy Durham 12:20 p.m.



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Slate of Officers 2006- 2007

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Operating Account

April 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2004/2005</u>
Income		
Membership Dues	\$ 1,377.50	\$2,500.00
Shows and Workshops	12.00	227.00
Annual Meeting	1,210.00	364.76
Term Deposit Interest (3 years)	219.55	
Donations	<u>100.00</u>	<u>2,100.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 2,919.05	\$ 5,191.76
Expenses		
Membership, Postage and Stationary	\$ 49.25	\$ 22.30
Annual Meeting (Net)	351.92	414.98
Bulletin	365.83	637.89
Shows and Workshops	20.26	690.90
Supplies and Postage	451.29	644.44
Transfer to Endowment account	3,000.00	-
Dues and Membership	96.30	266.05
Bank Charges	21.04	-
Donation OCC	<u>100.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 4,455.89	\$ 2,676.56
Income Over Expenses	\$ 1,536.84	\$ 2,515.20
Ledger Balance Beginning of Year	\$ 8,578.46	\$ 6,063.26
Income over Expenses for the Year	<u>1,536.84</u>	<u>2,515.20</u>
Ledger Balance End of Year	\$ 7,041.62	\$ 8,578.46
CIBC Term Deposit	\$ 4,522.89	\$ 4,303.34
Cash in Bank	<u>2,518.73</u>	<u>4,275.12</u>
Cash in Bank	\$ 7,041.62	\$ 8,578.46
Bank Account Reconciliation		
Balance on Bank Statement March 31	\$ 5,471.70	\$ 3,722.42
Less Outstanding Cheques	(3,202.97)	(22.30)
Plus Outstanding Deposits	<u>250.00</u>	<u>575.00</u>
Ledger Balance March 31	\$ 2,518.73	\$ 4,275.12

Submitted by Della Chynoweth



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Special Endowment Account

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2004/2005</u>
Ledger Balance beginning of year	\$ 2,302.87	\$ 2,236.20
Income		
Transfer from General Funds	3,000.00	
Interest income net of charges	<u>7.54</u>	<u>16.03</u>
	\$5,295.33	\$ 2,302.87
Expenses		
Purchases	<u>0.00</u>	<u>,0.00</u>
Ledger Balance End of Year	\$ 5,295.33	\$ 2,302.87
Above Balance Made up as Follows		
Michigan Leather Artisans	\$ 859.94	\$ 862.76
Betty Heacock Award	2,000.00	-
Jean Hunter Memorial Fund	426.92	428.33
Draw Account	1,621.90	623.94
Library Account	<u>386.57</u>	<u>387.84</u>
	\$ 5,295.33	\$ 2,302.87
Above Balances made up as follows		
Bank Account Balance	\$ 3,295.33	\$ 302.87
Term Deposit	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
	\$ 5,295.33	\$ 2,302.87

Submitted by Della Chynoweth