



66th Annual Meeting

The Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft

May 13th to 15th, 2016

Friday, May 13th

Check in after 3 p.m. - dinner on your own

Branch's set up their tables 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Registration - 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Executive Meeting 6:30 p.m. (Executive only)

What Can You Make? Competition

Meet and Greet 8 p.m. to ?

The Display Hall will be closed from the time the Judges starts judging until 8:00 am Saturday.

Saturday, May 14th

Breakfast 8:30 a.m.

Registration 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Annual Meeting 9:00 a.m. to 11:00

Demonstration - D. Trotter 11:00 to 12:00

Colouring, finishing and adding texture to various kinds of leather, using dyes and acrylics.

Lunch 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

Draw Ticket Sales 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

Demonstration - D. Trotter - 1:00 to 2:45 p.m.

Coffee Break 2:45 to 3:00 p.m.

Demonstration - K. Muskrat - 3:00 - 4:30

She will have a display of Quilling and she will be doing a demonstration on how it is done.

Draws 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Visitors to View Displays 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Banquet 6:30 pm. with Bar

Draws during Dinner - President Draws

Entertainment

Ribbons and Awards Presentation

Sunday, May 15th

Breakfast 8:30

Workshop 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Full Spectrum on Technique and ideas for colouring your projects

Take down Table Displays

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President's Message

I would like to welcome everyone to this year's CSCL Annual General Meeting, hosted by the Norland Guild. Norland is always a great host for any event and I am supremely confident everyone will have a great time this weekend!

This is also a chance to spend some time reconnecting with our friends from different locations around the province, and to showcase our leather work projects. This year also comes with some serious business that needs to be addressed, specifically revising and updating our constitution. This organization has been around since the 50's and as the times have changed I am afraid so must we, after all progress is inevitable. Change is always a challenge, but I feel that this change is important to the future of this organization.

Something that also goes along with any organization that has been around as long as the CSCL has, is loss, in the last 2 years since I became president, tragically we have lost a few members, their passion for leather work and this organization has helped to make it what it is today. Rather than mourn their loss, let us instead celebrate their memory and work together to promote our craft to others and become better leather workers ourselves.

So in closing I would like to encourage everyone to make the most of this year's annual, have some fun, spend time with cherished friends and learn something new.

Yours sincerely, Robert Regan, ACSCL President



The Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft

**Annual General Meeting
Saturday May 3, 2014
Hamilton Branch - Liuna Gardens**

Executive in Attendance: Tracey Howard, Jim Wilkes, Della Chynoweth, Nancy Durham, Paul Kitchener, Lauren Malec, Rob Regan, Barbara Chynoweth, Joyce Scruton.

Call to Order: Rob Regan called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Lauch welcomed everyone to the 63rd Annual General Meeting.

Jim Wilkes welcomed everyone to the 65th Annual Meeting. Invited everyone to check out the draw tables and enjoy the weekend.

Rob Regan read the President's message.

Minutes: Motion made by Della Chynoweth that the Minutes of the 64th Annual General Meeting be accepted as circulated. Seconded by Jim Wilkes. Carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting.

- 1. Number of Articles required for a Weston Trophy entry:** Motion by Nancy Durham that the Weston Trophy entry by a Branch continue as 4 (four) articles for the 2016 Annual. This motion to be reviewed annually. Seconded by Kim Winchester. Carried.
- 2. Slate of Officers** – No Slate was presented as this is not an election year!
- 3. Ribbons** – Will be presented at the Banquet this evening!

Reports

President's Message

Welcome to The Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft's 65th Annual General Meeting, hosted by Mississauga. I hope everyone has a good time, meets new people and learns much.

I am hoping that we can get some workshops going this coming year and I am sure that Lauch and myself would appreciate any suggestions or help you may want to give.

This coming year we are planning on having more workshops so get your suggestions in and let us know what you would like to learn or have a refresher on.

A professor at a large school always told his classes that if we always did what we have always done, we will get what we always had. So let's try and do something different and see what the results will be in our clubs.

Once again welcome and may the tools work with you.

Yours sincerely, Rob Regan, Associate CSCL, President

1st Vice: by Jim Wilkes - No Report

2nd Vice: by Lauchlan Harrison - No Report

Treasurers Report: See report attached!
Respectfully submitted Della Chynoweth

Auditors Report: The financial books for 2014/2015 were audited and found to be in order. Respectfully submitted by Phyllis McHale and Barbara Chynoweth.

"Canadian Leathercraft" Newsletter: by Madeleine Mitchell, Editor

The "Canadian Leathercrafter", the quarterly Newsletter of CSCL, features our Guild's news and events, how-to projects, and even some tips and ideas from CSCL's past. Most issues have articles either from one of our Branches, or our Members-at-Large. As always, these contributions are welcomed.

The **Spring** 2014 issue highlighted the Annual in Stoney Creek, ON hosted by the Hamilton Branch. This issue listed the recipients of the many Awards and Ribbons. The 2014 Weston Trophy was not presented this year. Honourary Life Memberships were presented to Peter Grove FCSC and Davis McPherson FCSC. Carol McLean FCSC was also showcased as she received the **The Governor General's Caring Canadian Award**.

Lauren McPherson, Member-at-Large presented another report of her travels seeking crafting resources popular with CSCL members. In the **Summer** 2014 issue, Lauren visited Port Loring and Sudbury. With thanks to the Leather Crafters & Saddlers Journal we learned that "It's All About Health: Can Toxic Adhesive Fumes be Avoided? By Dr. Rainer M. Buchholz, Renia Adhesives, Cologne, Germany. Several images of CSCL prize winning articles from the 2014 Annual completed the issue.

The **Autumn** edition featured an article about the day long Workshop making "Leather Cylinders" held in October, in Hamilton. The helpful printed instructions **are** from Al Stohlman's The Art of Case Making Volume # 1.

Paul Kitchener and Kim Winchester of Mississauga Branch have been instrumental in reorganizing and scanning the "Larmour Library". We learned of the variety available in the lending library and how to access books, videos and other resources. A holiday decoration was the project that completed the last issue of 2014. The **Winter** edition reported on a visit by CSCL's Norwegian friend, Alf B. Luneborg who visited with members at Tundra Leather and then toured the Bata Museum in Toronto with Paul Kitchener and Eugene Pik. Because of Alf's visit, your Editor got to meet well known Sculptor, Rex Lingwood who works in leather as well as other media.

A Box Making project was presented by the Norland Branch to challenge members' imagination.

Membership: by Barbara Chynoweth

In 2014-15 we welcomed 4 new CSCL members to our Society. For the 2014-15 year we had 41 General members, 6 students, 5 Associates, 8 Fellows and 1 Sustaining member. Of the total 60 members we have 6 who have been presented with Life Memberships.

Please notify the Membership Chairman of any changes in your contact information.

Library Report: by Paul Kitchener

Recently we launched the CSCL Library of Books and Patterns on our web site. Take time to review this, more information and instructions will be coming out this fall. I would like to give a big Thank You to Kim Winchester who did the work on listing all the books, scanning the patterns and setting up the lists.

Corresponding Secretary Report: by Pat Bullock

Get Well Cards were also sent out to some of our members. Sympathy cards were sent out to family's of members who passed on over the year. If you know of anyone having a special occasion or is in hospital or needs a card to cheer them up let me know at tweetums@sympatico.ca, I would be glad to drop them a line from the CSCL

Council of Fellows Report- Sean Dalgetty

The council of fellows met on the 19th of April. We judged the Weston trophy entries and the Associate and Fellow entries.

Chairman of the Council of Fellows, CSCL

Workshop Report - Lauch Harrison, Rob Regan

The Norland Branch was again the most active Chapter hosting two of the three workshops this year. The Purse in the summer done by Lauch and the Dragon this past Spring done by Jim Wilkes. The fall had us doing a dice cup with basket stamping and stitching, at Lester's place in Burlington. We should see the results of workshops on the Branch tables, the workshops were well attended and the results were very favourable for all workshops.

This Annual will be promoting more workshops; I trust it will lead to an exciting program of projects that will inspire old and new members alike. We want to get your ideas. Please step up and offer some support.

Thanks Lauch.

Archives: No report.

Web Administrator Report: by Kristi Cino, Web Administrator, and CSCL

Hello everyone, The website is up and running and easy to edit. I've uploaded many pictures under the category "Photos from the Past..." Also, the 2014 Annual pictures were uploaded right after the Annual.

Also recently launched was the CSCL Library of Books and Patterns. After the Annual this year, I hope to receive more information about library processes and instructions. I can update the website with how the library works and what people need to do to borrow these instructional pieces.

As of April, 2015, the hit counter on our website reflects 60,778 hits. This is since launch in May, 2013.

Also, since taking over the majority of the Facebook account responsibilities, the "Likes" for our page have gone up from 19 to 135.

If you have any suggestions for the website, please feel free to email me! Please send any pictures and updates, as this is the best information to post about our group!

Branch Reports

Hamilton Branch - Respectfully submitted by Lauch Harrison, Vice President

For the past year, the Hamilton Leather Guild has been holding monthly meetings on the second Wednesday (evening) of each month. We do hands-on workshops and demonstrations by various members on various leathercraft topics. Initially our meetings were split between Tundra leather and Lester Pinter's house.

We then shifted our meetings to the home of Colin and Tammy Pardon; the Pardon's have been members for some years now and have opened up the basement workroom that is a super work area. Our recent meeting have been on skiving techniques, hand stitching, and doing several projects: the lead weighted shot bag, dye bottle holder, and coin purse

Lauch Harrison, Vice President, Hamilton Leather Guild

Norland Branch - Respectfully submitted by Tracey Howard

Our year started off with our annual Spaghetti Dinner and it was fantastic as usual, we made some money and people were asking when we were having the next one.

September and October we worked on making wallet interiors and assembling a wallet. In November we did a Christmas Decoration and had a gift exchange. We did not have a meeting in December. In January and February we worked on decorating and covering a lamp shade. In May Jim Wilkes came to visit and worked us through making a dragon. April was the start of preparing a pattern to fit for a vest and May will be a continuation of the vest. June will be our annual BBQ Get-together. The Club demonstrated at the Fenelon Falls Fair and the

Kinmount Fair.

Mississauga Branch – Respectfully submitted by Jim Wilkes

September: Karen Weber showed us how to put in a drop-in-pocket on purse and helped people sew around the pocket.

October: Carey Barnett showed us how to make patterns on a computer using computer software that was free. From the computer you can print off the patterns and trace onto leather.

November: Jim Wilkes shared his experience from the IFOLG show in Oklahoma City and the workshop in Jim Linnel's workshop in Venus, Texas. Gary Cook showed us how to sharpen tools and what stones and sandpaper to us

December: We had a Pot Luck supper and a gift exchange.

January: the group worked on plans for the ANNUAL which are the host for 2015

February: Karen Weber showed us how to make the Magic Braid with Gary Cook's help.

March: Brian Holahan shared his 5 week trip through the Mid West of the U.S. Finalized the plans for the ANNUAL.

April: Reviewed projects for the Western Trophy also reviewed projects that people were trying for their Associate and Fellows certificates.

MAL Report - Respectfully submitted Lauren McPherson, MAL Representative

For the 2014-15 year our roster of 14 represents Burlington, Calgary, London, Princeton, Simcoe, Woodstock and 2012 Guest Speaker Peter Main, U.S.A.

The Summer issue of **CANADIAN LEATHERCRAFT** saw the continued MAL featured writing, *A Canadian Site To Visit*, for a fourth consecutive year.

On Saturday, September 20, 2014, at the Fall Thorndale Fair, I shared a booth and demonstrated leather with multi-talented Junior MAL (Joanna) who demonstrated pencil sketching. David McPherson, FCSCL, Life Member, MAL (1980) provided his display shelves which we lined with his full inventory of handcrafted leather boxes for sale. Marion Kehoe, Life Member, MAL, CSCL (1952) gave us the opportunity to showcase leather where she had demonstrated *Leather*, *Coil Pots*, *Sock Monkeys*, and, also, *Potato Jewellery* in the Thorndale Fair Community Building for more than 30 years.

A Spring memo was sent to all MAL regarding donation to the 65th Annual Convention, Special Draw Table. This year MALs will donate a \$75 vegetable tanned cowhide from TUNDRA LEATHER, Hamilton. We are sure to represent well with this 50% dollar amount increase above past years. MALs responded and are eager to support CSCL although they don't belong to any local branch.

Also, a few London leather artists have been busy at their craft this year with the sale of jewellery (Marion), a goat sculpture (Jan), a custom ordered leather box (David) to a Montreal arts broker, and CSCL writing (Dorothy).

MALs are happy when they are able to attend CSCL workshops throughout the year. Some MALs are among CSCL's official judges and serve as members of the Executive Council. We appreciate and value all of the CSCL website up-keep as it is our easy visit to CSCL news. Re-visiting past emails from Executive Members, especially about the Biennial (*Leather 2013-Creative Versatility*), is now a great time to update bio's for advance preparation of future requirements. Remember, whenever you win a ribbon or award be sure to jot down the particulars: Date, Location, Item, Type of Ribbon or Name of Award.

We look forward to CSCL's continuing longevity and success.

Jim Wilkes moved the Reports be accepted as presented. Seconded by Karen Webber. Carried

Presentation – Paul Kitchener Presented Kim Winchester with a book "Leather Secrets" by F. O. Baird to say thank you from us for all the hard work she put into cataloging and sorting the Larmour Library and putting it on DVD. Please check out the Library on our Website.

Weston Trophy: Will be presented at the Banquet. (Mississauga Branch)

Associate – Will be presented at the Banquet. (Eugene Pik)

Fellow Status - Will be presented at the Banquet. (Karen Webber)

Ribbons – Craftsman and Salon Ribbons were placed on items on the tables.

New Business

Annual Dues Increase – Discussion on the Annual Dues was held. An analysis was done as to the cost per person to maintain The Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft. Due to the increase in supplies and the fact we have to carry Liability Insurance now the cost works out to approx \$40.00 per person based on our current membership.

Karen Webber moved that General Membership fees be increased to \$40.00 per year. Seconded by Rob Pfister. Voted 23 for 1 against.

Paul Kitchener moved that Sustaining Membership fees be increased to \$100.00 per year or if the Business equivalent in merchandise to the Annual or for a workshop they be given sustaining member status. Which would include a link on our website. Seconded by Tracey Howard. Carried Unanimous.

Reveiwers for the Financial Books - We need volunteers to review the financial books for next year. Barry Taylor and Paul Kitchener agreed to do this.

Website/Facebook – General discussion on the Website and Facebook. It was felt by all the social media is the way to go for getting our name out there. Eugene Pik has offered to help out with this.

Paul Kitchener moved that Eugene Pik in collusion with Kristi Cino and Madeleine Mitchell look into updating the Website. Seconded by Rob Regan. Carried.

Eugene will contact Kristi Cino for information regarding the current Web Page.

Constitution and Bylaws – It was felt it is time to update the Constitution again. Jim Wilkes moved that we start the process of updateing the Constitution and By Laws. Seconded by Carol Broumly. Carried.

A committee to work on this was formed Jim Wilkes, Kim Winchester, Lauren Malec, Paul Kitchener, Rob Regan, Rob Pfister, Lauchlin Harrison and Eugene Pik. The First meeting of the group will be the 3rd Wednesday of September (September 16, 2015).

The Report Card System was brought up again – I refer you to the 2014 Annual Minutes

“Associates – Paul Kitchener moved that the Fellows introduce a report card system for skill sets to achieve associate status. Seconded by Rob Pfister. Carried.” This was a motion made at the 2014 Annual General Meeting.

2016 Annual – Tracey Howard invited everyone to come to the North country for the 66th Annual.

Adjournment: on motion by Jim Wilkes at 11:45



The Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft

Operating Account

April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015

	2015	2014
Income		
Membership Dues	1,317.00	1,307.50
Shows and Workshops	742.00	0.00
Peter Pass the Hat	320.00	5.97
Interest/Adv In Bulletin	41.09	16.00
Annual Meeting	721.00	0.00
Total Income	\$3,141.09	\$1,329.47
Expenses		
Membership, Postage and Stationary	175.00	75.00
Annual Meeting	1,745.29	621.69
Bulletin	223.93	103.50
Web Charges (2 years)	0.00	350.00
Shows and Workshops	100.00	1,922.32
Supplies, Postage & Gifts	0.00	131.95
Dues and Membership (OCC Awards Donation)	0.00	125.00
Mileage	100.00	60.00
Indemnity Insurance (2 Yrs)	2,494.80	0.00
Bank Charges	85.71	9.53
Total Expenses	\$4,924.73	\$3,398.99
Income Over Expenses	\$1,783.64	-\$2,064.52
Ledger Balance (Beginning of Year)	9,241.31	11,305.83
Net change over year	<u>-1,783.64</u>	<u>-2,064.52</u>
Ledger Balance (End of year)	\$7,457.67	\$9,241.31
CIBC Term Deposit	5,109.00	5,068.23
GIC	2,000.00	2,000.00
Cash in Bank	7,457.67	9,241.31
Total Funds	\$14,566.67	\$16,309.54
Bank Account Reconciliation		
Balance on Bank Statement March 31	8,860.47	9,757.79
Less Outstanding Cheques	-1,402.80	-523.86
Plus Outstanding Deposits	0.00	0.00
Ledger Balance March 31	\$7,457.67	\$9,233.93

Respectfully Submitted Della Chynoweth



The Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft

Awards and Endowments

April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Michigan Soft Leather	769.05	769.05
Betty Heacock	1,821.14	1,871.14
London Jewellery Award	60.00	80.00
Hilda Chynoweth Award	60.00	80.00
Toronto Award	10.00	30.00
MSCL Award	100.00	100.00
Woodstock Award	1,369.14	1,419.14
Maunuel	2,492.52	2,492.34
Al Foss Award	500.00	1,986.76
Jack Meharg Award	500.00	1,555.32
Bruce White Award	500.00	1,555.32
Draw Fund	0.00	1,439.00
Library Fund	0.00	329.73
Total Awards	<u>8,181.85</u>	<u>13,707.80</u>
 Total Funds Available	 <u>14,566.67</u>	 <u>16,309.54</u>
 General Funds Available	 <u><u>6,384.82</u></u>	 <u><u>2,601.74</u></u>

Respectfully Submitted Della Chynoweth



The Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft

Your Executive for 2014 - 2016

Executive

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Peter Grove	(905) 527 – 7745
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Privacy Officer	Tracey Howard	(705) 454 – 9941

Special Committees

Workshops	Lauch Harrison, Rob Regan
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The Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft

2015-16 Reports from the CSCL Committees

1st Vice: Jim Wilkes

Nothing to report for this year as 1st Vice.

2nd Vice: Lauch Harrison

Nothing to report for this year as 2nd Vice.

Membership: by Barbara Chynoweth

In 2015-16 we welcomed 3 new CSCL members to our Society. For the 2015-16 year we had 36 General members, 5 students, 4 Associates, 6 Fellows and 2 Sustaining members. Of the total 53 members we have 5 who have been presented with Life Memberships.

Please remember to notify the Membership Chairman of any changes in your contact information.

Library Report: by Paul Kitchener

The CSCL Library of Books and Patterns can be referenced on our web site. Head to Gallery and click on CSCL Library of Books and Patterns. Under the Patter option there is 80 pages of patterns that may give you ideas of things to make. Under the Book section there is 13 pages of titles of Leather books. Remember these patterns and books can be borrowed from the library.

"Canadian Leathercraft" Newsletter: by Madeleine Mitchell, Editor

The "Canadian Leathercrafter", the quarterly Newsletter of CSCL, features our Guild's news and events, how-to projects, and even some tips and ideas from CSCL's past. Most issues have articles either from one of our Branches, or our Members-at-Large. As always, these contributions are welcomed.

The **Spring 2015** issue highlighted the Annual in Burlington, ON hosted by the Mississauga Guild. This issue listed the recipients of the many Awards and Ribbons and celebrated CSCL's new Fellow – Karen Weber, and the new Associate, Eugene Pik. The 2015 Weston Trophy was presented to Mississauga. We remembered our dear Member Peter Grove FCSC, who passed away in May 2015.

In the **Summer 2015** issue, Lauren Malec reviewed several of the excellent resources available from the CSCL Lending Library. Members-at-Large are members who do not belong to a Branch but continue to contribute to CSCL and participate in many events.

The **Autumn 2015** edition featured an article about Joyce Scruton, who helped form the Mississauga Guild and passed away in October 2015. Thanks to the Norland Branch who contributed technical articles. Pictures from the November Workshop where member had fun making "Lasted Boxes".

The **Winter 2015-16** edition contained detailed articles by Bob Pfister on "Making an Embossed Belt Buckle" and a comprehensive article about "Bench Tools and Splitters" by Lauch Harrison. Also mentioned, the Constitution review that is underway, as CSCL approaches its 66th Annual Weekend, being hosted by the Norland Branch.

My wishes for CSCL's continued growth and success,
Respectfully submitted, Madeleine Mitchell, Editor 2003 -2016

Council of Fellows Report- Sean Dalgetty

Council of Fellows met at Paul Kitchener's residence on May 1, 2016, to judge the Associate and Fellow entries. We also discuss the upcoming Biennial, Membership, Judging, and General Status of the Society, to determine if there was more that we could do to advance the Society overall.

Several suggestions were put forward to attempt to increase membership or interest in membership from the people attending our classes. It was thought that perhaps more classes should be offered by the Society. We look forward to attempting this for next year, and to try to collaborate with the Executive to make this happen.

Sincerely, Sean Dalgetty, FCSC

Workshop Report - Lauch Harrison

The Previous Annual gave rise to List of Workshops. The Workshop Committee has been using the list with very good success and attendance. The Fall workshop on **Lasted Boxes** was well attended and created a profit to go to the Society. Paul Kitchener not only made the space available he also donated some of the leather used in the projects. Lauch and Sean were there to offer advice and help. The next Workshop was On **Machine Sewing - part 1** - the class was well attended and everyone in attendance got to use various sewing machines at Paul's Focus'd on Food Warehouse. Sean and Paul explained the mechanics, the project was a small zippered coin purse. Due to limited time **Sewing Part 2** will be held during the next couple of months. The interest in Eugene's pewter castings gave rise to a **Pewter Casting - part 1** Workshop held in April, attended by 7 people, on mould making and silicone casting. The use of oven hardening resins to make the originals and then encase them using a two part flexible silicone polymer will be explored further when part 2 of the workshop takes place in the near future.

Your Workshop Committee, Lauch Harrison

Corresponding Secretary Report: by Pat Bullock

Get Well Cards were also sent out to some of our members. Sympathy cards were sent out to family's of members who passed on over the year.

Web Administrator Report: by Kristi Cino, Web Administrator, CSCL

Hello everyone,

As of May 2, 2016, the hit counter on our website reflects 93,652, which means that 32,874 people visited our website last year (these stats are since April, 2015).

As of May 2, 2016, our Facebook page reflects 232 "Likes," which means that 97 people "Liked" our page last year (these stats are since April, 2015).

Website is steady. There had been some concerns raised about updating the website, but I've done what is within my abilities and it is up and working, as we've gotten emails from people visiting the website. Should we have further concerns that I am unable to address, perhaps we should look at hiring an outside company who is more familiar with making the website more mobile friendly, etc.

Things required, moving forward:

- Pictures from the 2015 Annual
- More information about library processes, instructions, sign out procedures, who can borrow, etc.
- Any pictures/updates from guilds, which can be added to the website
- Pictures of people's work that they're willing to share on Facebook (the more pictures, the more traffic)

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely, Kristi Grove, Web Administrator, CSCL

Privacy Officers Report: by Tracey Howard

Facebook
"Leathercraft Friends"

www.canadianleathercraft.org
Page 12

Facebook Page
"Canadian Society for Creative
Leathercraft"

Nothing new to report for this year.

Treasurer's Report: Della Chynoweth

See pages 15 and 16

2014-15 Branch Reports

Hamilton Branch - Respectfully submitted by Lauch Harrison,

Hamilton meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every Month, the meeting is held in the Basement Work shop in Colin & Tammy's house in Grassie Ontario. The space is great well lighted and the snacks are fantastic. We covered Stitching, Lacing, Mitred corners, Dyeing, Tooling, Carving. While doing a Shot Shell Belt Pouch, A lead weighted shot bag, a tool box, and a card case. We are down in members to six people. We continue to press on. all the best.

Lauch Harrison ACSCL

Mississauga Branch – Respectfully submitted by Jim Wilks

September: We worked on making sandals with Paul Kitchener helping in making patterns and suggestions on different types of patterns.

October: Joyce Scruton showed how to cover bottles with scraps of leather and made suggestions on how to paint them after. Sorry to say this was Joyce's last demonstration as she passed away on October 17, 2016. This was a really good demonstration as Joyce was wound up and really enjoying doing what she liked best passing on information of her knowledge of leather and her tricks of the trade.

November: Bob Pfister showed us how to make a Texas billfold and we had a minutes silence for Joyce and reminisced some of the stories and things that she did for the leather guild.

December: The group met at the Pump House for Christmas and then we all went back to Paul's office for coffee and dessert.

January: Karen Weber showed us how to make a braid bracelet with clasp and it was a hands on workshop.

February: Jim Wilkes did a workshop on making leather feathers and with Paul's help showing photo's of different types of feathers and where they can be used as decorations on projects plus can be used as ear rings.

March: Eugene Pik and Paul Kitchener explained how to make patterns out of modelling clay to form for the silicon moulds.

April: Reviewed projects that we can put in for the Weston Trophy and other projects that people are working on for the Annual in May.

Norland Branch - Respectfully submitted by Tracey Howard

May we finishing working on our vests.

June was our annual BBQ Get-together. The Club demonstrated at the Fenelon Falls Fair and the Kinmount Fair.

September Finished projects, will be making some items to sell at the next meeting to raise money for the club.

Decided not to have our Spaghetti Dinner this year. Jim Corbett's Family donated his tools and leather to the club.

October Made Dream Catchers and little purses to sell at a craft sale to make money for the club.

November Worked on Dream Catchers and little purses to sell. Several new members practised carving to get the feel of the swivel knife. One of our members attended the Lasted Box workshop and will be showing the rest how to do it later in the year.

January we worked on making items with filigree patterns and planning the Annual

Feb we covered boxes with leather and decorated them.

March some members attended the part 1 of the Stitching workshop in lieu of our meeting.

April some members attended the part 1 of the Pewter workshop. At our meeting we worked on our projects and getting things ready for the Convention.

MAL Report - Respectfully submitted Lauren McPherson, MAL Representative

Continuing the MAL tradition to contribute to the Summer Issue of **CANADIAN LEATHERCRAFT**, this 2015-16 newsletter volume ran our inaugural article *CSCL Library Review*.

Returning for the second year at the Thorndale Fall Fair, Lauren Malec (MAL) demonstrated leathercraft and set up a sales booth with the help of Jan Malec on Saturday, September 26, 2015. *How To Leather Maché* and *Making Barbed Leather Jewellery* instructions were given, complemented by finished leathercraft examples by Dorothy McPherson, MAL (1990). Participation in this daylong event also meant competing for attention with this fair building's attractions: a special pig breed and a wandering turtle to name a few. Photos for viewing are on the MAL Display Table. David McPherson, FCSC, Life Member, MAL (1980) provided his display shelves which were lined with his inventory of handcrafted leather earrings, scarf bows and holly pins for sale. Marion Kehoe, Life Member, MAL (1952) who had demonstrated *Leather*, *Coil Pots*, *Sock Monkeys*, and, also, *Potato Jewellery* in the Thorndale Fair Community Building for more than 30 years also had sales.

MALs are happy when they are able to attend CSCL workshops throughout the year. Some MALs are among CSCL's official judges and serve as members of the Executive Council. We appreciate and value all of the CSCL website up-keep as it is our easy visit to CSCL news. Remember, whenever you win a ribbon or award be sure to jot down the particulars: Date, Location, Item, Type of Ribbon or Name of Award. Now is a great time to update bio's for advance preparation of future requirements

We look forward to CSCL's continuing longevity and success.

Respectfully submitted, Lauren Malec, MAL Representative

Financial Review Report

The financial books for the 2015/2016 years were reviewed and found to be in order. Respectfully submitted by Lauchlin Harrison and Paul Kitchener.



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Operating Account

April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016

	2016	2015
Income		
Membership Dues	1,142.50	1,317.00
Shows and Workshops	1,080.60	742.00
Peter Pass the Hat		320.00
Interest/Adv In Bulletin	16.00	41.09
Annual Meeting	0.00	721.00
Total Income	\$2,239.10	\$3,141.09
Expenses		
Membership, Postage and Stationary	125.00	175.00
Annual Meeting	829.55	1,745.29
Bulletin	71.35	223.93
Web Charges (2 years)	0.00	0.00
Shows and Workshops	100.00	100.00
Supplies, Postage & Gifts		0.00
Dues and Membership (OCC Awards Donation)		0.00
Mileage	80.00	100.00
Indemnity Insurance (2 Yrs)		2,494.80
Bank Charges	89.52	85.71
Total Expenses	\$1,295.42	\$4,924.73
Income Over Expenses	\$943.68	\$1,783.64
Ledger Balance (Beginning of Year)	7,457.67	9,241.31
Net change over year	\$943.68	-1,783.64
Ledger Balance (End of year)	\$8,401.35	\$7,457.67
CIBC Term Deposit	5,149.87	5,109.00
GIC	2,000.00	2,000.00
Cash in Bank	8,401.35	7,457.67
Total Funds	\$15,551.22	\$14,566.67
Bank Account Reconciliation		
Balance on Bank Statement March 31	8,526.35	8,860.47
Less Outstanding Cheques	-125.00	-1,402.80
Plus Outstanding Deposits	0.00	0.00
Ledger Balance March 31	\$8,401.35	\$7,457.67
Respectfully Submitted Della Chynoweth		



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Awards and Endowments

April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Michigan Soft Leather	769.05	769.05
Betty Heacock	1,821.14	1,821.14
London Jewellery Award	60.00	60.00
Hilda Chynoweth Award	40.00	60.00
Toronto Award	10.00	10.00
MSCL Award	100.00	100.00
Woodstock Award	1,319.14	1,369.14
Manuel	1,937.52	2,492.52
Al Foss Award/Workshop	500.00	500.00
Jack Meharg Award	500.00	500.00
Bruce White Award	500.00	500.00
Total Awards	<u>7,556.85</u>	<u>8,181.85</u>
Total Funds Available	<u>15,551.22</u>	<u>14,566.67</u>
General Funds Available	<u><u>\$7,994.37</u></u>	<u><u>\$6,384.82</u></u>

Respectfully Submitted Della Chynoweth

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Workshops	Lauch Harrison,
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