

BONSOR 55+ SOCIETY

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SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

October 14, 2022

A. Albert –Mah Jong, Table Tennis, Traditional Tai Chi

MAH JONG – No Report

TABLE TENNIS –No Report

TRADITIONAL TAI CHI – No Report

B. Brian – Chess, Computer, BSAC, Publicity

COMPUTER EDUCATION – No Report.

BURNABY SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BSAC) – No Report.

PUBLICITY- No Report.

C. Ernie – Bus Committee

BUS COMMITTEE – Ernie wished to thank Keith Saunders for his continuous work looking after the Bonsor Bus. There was a successful overnight bus trip to Cowichan Bay. Monica and Brett do a fabulous job of organizing these events. The next overnight bus trip is planned for the spring. Preference will be given to members who missed out on the Spring Trip due to its popularity.

D. George – Karaoke

KARAOKE – Report submitted by Rudolph Cheng

On Sep 5, 2022, the karaoke group execs met via WhatsApp video to vote on whether to go for a second registration this year. We decided not to do it. We are concerned about the risk of COVID-19 mutation. It is risky to add new members to an existing stable group.

Karaoke group hosted a party on Sept 11, 2022 for its members, featuring take-home lunch boxes with a choice of chicken or beef. All the lunch boxes were delivered safely to our members within ½ an hour without crowding up the rooms upstairs or downstairs. Members were organized in small groups to take turns to sing or to get their lunches. While waiting for their lunch boxes, those who wanted to sing can sign up to sing their songs too.

30 members showed up to pick up their box-lunches and 17 of them stayed for the singing afterwards. They managed to sing about 40 songs in all. The party was successful.

We are seeing increased attendance on Sundays. We average 20 singers and about 48 songs per Sunday now.

E. Freda –Tennis, Walking Club, Bingo & Choir

TENNIS – No Report.

WALKING GROUP – No Report.

BINGO – No Report.

CHOIR – No Report.

SUNSHINE - No Report.

F. Karuna – BEARS

BEARS – This group is getting ready for their November 4th craft sale and invite all members to attend.

G. Louise – Social Line Dance & Practice Line Dance

SOCIAL LINE DANCE – This group is running smoothly.

PRACTICE LINE DANCE – This group is running smoothly.

H. Mary – Badminton, Snooker, Open Studio, Website

BADMINTON – Registration was successful, and here are approximately 40 free spaces! They are having their first tournament on November 18th, and honouring our group leader Peter McConville who, sadly, is in hospice. They have prepared a video from all the members, and have changed the name of the trophy we present to the Peter McConville cup. Peter was very pleased and touched. His wife and son will attend the luncheon to say thank you to the group who have been so kind and thoughtful during Peter's travails.

SNOOKER – all is running smoothly. Our team is on their way to West Vancouver tomorrow to defend the Mary Horton cup and ensure it remains at Bonsor. Many on-going tournaments are organized "in house", and the new executive is doing a great job.

OPEN ARTS GROUP – This group is having difficulty in trying to arrange a new time and space, and have asked for a meeting with Ernie to try and find a mutually satisfactory solution. They certainly enrich our center with all their beautiful artwork, which gets many favourable comments.

WEBSITE – No Report

I. Pat – Social Dance (Mon/Wed & Tues/Thurs) & Weight Room

DANCE - Monday/Wednesday This group is continuing to increase in size.

DANCE - Tuesday/Thursday – At this time the Tuesday afternoon Dance is not operating. The Thursday evening dance is well attended and continues to be a big success.

WEIGHT ROOM – Everything is running smoothly.

J. _____ –Sing A Long, Tai Chi-Yang Style

SING-A-LONG – No Report.

TAI CHI (YANG STYLE) – No Report.

K. Glenis – Coffee Bar/ Baking

COFFEE BAR – No report.

BAKING – No Report.

L. Brenda – OFIG, VOBS, BPSW & BSRs

OFIG - The group continues to meet online every Monday except Stat holidays. They will be holding a special meeting on November 4th to discuss whether they will begin meeting in person or continue online.

VOBBS – The Vobbs Board held a brainstorming session recently looking for ideas to present to New Horizons in our bid for another grant. We also met in person to test out our equipment in order to conduct Hybrid meetings through Zoom and in person. Soo Hoe our tech expert set this up for us and it worked well. The Creative Writing classes continue.

BURNABY SENIORS RESOURCESE - Burnaby Seniors Resources Society is also looking for a New Horizons Grant and will propose that we hold information sessions on Seniors issues monthly using the four Seniors Centres or other large venues. The recent Seniors movie at the Shadbolt centre was well attended along with the social gathering following the film.