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Friends of Barkerville

Cariboo Goldfields Historical Society

Barkerville's popular Victorian Christmas is scheduled again for this year. Instead of two weekends as in the past, this year's will be celebrated three days in December - Saturday 16, Sunday 17, Monday 18 with doors opening at 11:00 am. There will be a "Father Christmas" theme.





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The President's Perch

by Pat Pickering

I can't get over that another year has flown by. It is said that time flies faster the older you get, but this is hitting on ridiculous. The Friends have had another successful year as you will see by the Committee reports I will touch briefly on the highlights but will leave an in-depth report to the chair of each committee'.

The Victorian Christmas weekends were a success both lucratively and in comradely. We had no power outages and even had running water (yeh - bathroom facilities). The weatherman co-operated amid we had cool but beautiful weather. The Christmas Committee did an awesome job. The Hotel opened as scheduled in the middle of May with Cathy Eisma working full time and Phyllis Smith filling in on Cathy's two days off We were able to purchase



two antique cabinets this year as well as adapt a display case to accommodate all of our book titles. This allowed us to use the bar to display other commodities. By rearranging things (piano has been moved) we have far more room to display new goods. Thanks to Cathy's innovative ideas and the hard

work by both her and Phyllis, the Hotel looks attractive and well kept. They were kept hopping with the registering and dispersal of membership cards Thank you staff for a job well done! Barkerville sold our memberships at the gate again this year and as you will hear in the membership committee report it has brought a substantial amount of money into our coffers. I received a cheque this week for our half of the fees which was in the amount of 522,400, and there will still be an amount for September.





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Old Waterwheel

We will pay our share of the waterwheel contract with this money, (approximately \$16,000.00). The waterwheel will be completed for the new season in May 2007 We will then begin raising funds for a new project.



New Waterwheel

It is thought that we could complete the Canadian Claim display. A committee will be struck to discuss and carry forward the project. Thanks to Dave Brown and his crew at the Waterwheel show for diligently pushing the sale of shares in the Sheepskin Mine to raise additional funds.



The Billy Barker Banquet was again a tasty success. Although we didn't make a whole lot of money, we did gain a lot in good will. Thanks to the organizers for their hard work. We had many volunteers and were even able to provide some help to the Eldorado where the Canadian Gold Panning Competitions were taking place A splashing good time was had by all Barkerville Heritage Trust (I represent the Friends on the Board) has had an active and busy year as well. Among other things, we had a consulting firm write a business plan which has been adapted and adopted for the operation of Barkerville. A new CEO has been appointed Many of us will recognize Judy Campbell as a familiar face both in Wells and around Barkerville I know she will do a great job.



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Bill Quackenbush was able to secure a grant for the archives through the Canadian Museum Association. It is called the Museum Assistance Program and over the next two years, you will hear it referred to as the MAP grant. He will employ three additional staff for this leg of the program. BHT has approved a marketing plan and have had a couple of promotions happening in the last few weeks. The 99-cent gas promotion for one, and on weekends, starting on September 9, we will be having Cariboo-by-the-Carload promotion. Both of these were to encourage additional people to come to Barkerville.

After almost a year-and-a-half of negotiating, we were finally successful in getting a Chinese delegation to come to Barkerville.



I give full credit to Lily Chow who went to Guangdong to encourage the Chinese Government to allow these gentlemen to come to see how we have preserved the Chinese history in Barkerville's China

Town. They spent two full days in Barkerville and also toured the surrounding gold fields where many of their people worked and died. Guangdong is the province in China where most of the Chi-



nese immigrated from. Hopefully the delegates who came will encourage more visitors to come here in the future. They arrived late afternoon in time to see the Chinese Lantern Festival. They were very surprised to see that we were celebrating one of their traditions and that there were few Chinese in attendance. They thought that we had put this on for their benefit, but we told them that this is a yearly affair celebrated every year. I think that their visit was well worth the work of the committee. Good job to all!

We were again fortunate to have "Queen Victoria" visit Barkerville to celebrate her birthday. She was very impressed with the new song (to her) "Happy Birthday"





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We also celebrated Canada's Birthday on July 1st with a huge cake decorated to look like our flag. I understand there were 85 pounds of strawberries used in its making.. ."thanks' to the Goldfields Bakery.

We also had the grand opening of the Nicol Hotel Display. Any of you who have not yet stopped by will enjoy the collection of bottles, artillery, jewellery, fabrics and clothing. As many of you may have heard, tourist visitations are down across the province. We do not have the final stats yet, but it looks as if Barkerville has



fared better than many of the other Cariboo attractions.

On June 17th, we had our first AGM --(BHT)- and it was good to see many of our members attending The Barkerville Web Site is up and running with video clips, event announcements, photos and more. The Friends of Barkerville have been included as a parallel site including our newsletters. Just click on the Friends of Barkerville logo at the bottom left hand side I had promised that this would be a short report, but there has been so much to share with you.



I want to thank the Friends of Barkerville Directors, the Committee members, the Staff and all our volunteers for their continued support and diligent hard work. Without you, our Organization could not exist.

P. Pickering



The Curator's Corner

by Bill Quackenbush

Some accomplishments this year were: painting of the Barkerville Hotel, fire system, opening and setting up of the Nicol Hotel, the Hoy Show. (Bill indicated that the TV show on the Hoy photography was seen by approximately 250,000 people in the United States and Canada.) Faith Moosang did a big job in developing the Chinese program at Barkerville. The Barkerville Cemetery Trust has finally folded and the monies transferred over to Barkerville into what is now a separate account, Carolyn McGregor is emptying donation boxes at the cemetery and there is about \$1 000.00 in them to date. Dead trees have to be taken out of the cemetery yard and the Cemetery Committee is working on having them removed.

A fire guard has been built on the west side of town. Interpretation programs were very good this year. Most of the shows were more than well received. In the spring, vandals destroyed many windows at the courthouse, also damaging the witness stand.

The Eldorado did a great job on the Gold Panning Competition. Also the Autumn Moon celebration (Chinese) brought the attendance number up considerably. The Volunteer Program is in great need of a Volunteer Co-ordinator. The Friends should look at this necessity seriously. It is a time-consuming job and we may have to pay someone to do it. Work is being done on the filing system and computer programs. We talked about the Membership Passes: talked about the GO passes issued by the Museum Association There will be a meeting later.

Bill Quackenbush





The Theatre Royal

by Branwen Patenaude

(As taken from the research of Taylor/Wood Productions, 1992, with additions made by Branwen Patenaude.) For over one hundred and fifty years music and drama has played an important part



in Barkerville's history. With the formation of the Cariboo Amateur Dramatic Association in 1865 many plays, recitations and in earlier times even operas were presented to the townsfolk.

In 1868 the group purchased the Parlour Saloon and converted it into the first Theatre Royal, but in September that year, a disastrous fire destroyed the whole town. Following the fire, the Williams Creek Fire Brigade collaborated with the Amateur Dramatic Association in the building of a large two storey facility that accommodated both groups.

In addition to showcasing local amateurs in the 1870's. the theatre was home to many professional troupes that travelled from eastern Canada and Europe to perform at Barkerville. The lengthy theatre reviews that appeared in the Cariboo Sentinel newspaper of the time attest to the fact that the Theatre Royal served as an important contribution to the burgeoning community. Performances at the 250 seat theatre usually drew full houses, but as the town's fortunes faded in the 1920's and 30's, so did the theatre's popularity. For at least two decades, the building housed

badminton tournaments, concerts, dances and movies. And one time, it was even used as a morgue. In 1937, it was dismantled and rebuilt in its present form. When Barkerville was declared a historic site in 1958, the Theatre Royal rose to prominence once again. Music Hall performer Fran Dowie and his company began a fifteen year stint at the theatre in 1962, and in 1977 Taylor-Wood Productions were producing shows, and then the Eureka Theatre Company, which continued until 2004.

Since last year (2005) we have been enjoying the wonderful performances of the Newman & Wright Theatrical Productions. Over the years there have been many talented and outstanding performers in

Barkerville - one might even include the Hurdy Gurdy girls of the 1860's, Elisabeth C. Haub, and Elisabeth Ebert were two. Later in 1962 when Fran Dowie began, there was Candy Kane, Sid Williams, Linda Collins, Ernest Prentice, Fred Bass, Louise Glennie, Peter Burgis, Mary Levine, Michael Booth Palmer, Craig Wood, and still later, Amy Newman, who, in partnership at the present time with Richard T. Wright, is assisting with the staging of plays and skits reminiscent of the good old times and of which they can be rightfully proud.





Chinese In The Cariboo

by Stephen Turner

(The following story was the winning entry of local Grade 12 student, Stephen Turner, for the Jerry MacDonald Bursary which the FOB offers each year.) When one thinks of the history of the Cariboo, he tends to think about one thing: the Gold Rush. The Cariboo Gold Rush was the driving factor behind the time and there is no doubt that it helped shape the Cariboo into what it is today. With it came the construction of the mighty trail from Yale, up the Fraser to Lytton, and then up the Thompson, called the Cariboo Trail. The road lead right to the heart of the Gold Rush in Barkerville, where thousands upon thousands of men toiled day and night for the wealth. But with this gold rush came another group of people, a group that was just as intrinsic in the construction of the Cariboo as the miners themselves. These people were the Chinese. When the gold rush was at its peak in 1862, it had become more important than ever to establish a road connecting Barkerville to the Fraser Delta. The man for the job: G. B. Wright. He was to construct a 393 km wagon road from Lillooet to Alexandria, and this was to open up the Cariboo to the rest of British Columbia. Wright had a problem, however, in that most of the white labourers were already in the Cariboo panning for gold. The solution to his problem was the Chinese. Wright hired over 1500 Chinese Labourers to work on this wagon road. Afterwards, the government decided to build another route from Yale up the Fraser to Lytton, then up the Thompson River, a tributary of the Fraser. Once again, Chinese Labourers were used to finish the work as white labourers were almost impossible to find. The construction on the road was hazardous, however, and during the 3 years it took to construct the 650 km road, many Chinese labourers had lost their lives. Not all Chinese immigrants became labourers, Some of the newcomers became prospectors in Barkerville and the surrounding area during the height of the gold rush. Life was very hard for these men and women. Living costs were very

high for the time, and most made only enough money to stay alive. Staking a claim was more expensive still and therefore most of the Chinese prospectors stuck to panning in the rivers. However, if a mine shaft was abandoned by the white miners due to its apparent lack of gold, some Chinese prospectors would take over the claim and continue to work it.



Occasionally this became a highly profitable decision for the prospector. The Chinese immigrants who were not mining for gold or working on the Cariboo road were busy making a living in Barkerville in businesses. Barkerville was home to one of the largest Chinese communities in British Columbia at the time. It was also home to the first recorded Chinese restaurant. The Long Duck, as well as an array of grocery stores and laundrys. Many of these shops in Barkerville served as gathering places for members of the community, as well as a place to start for newcomers to the town. By 1863, there were some 5,000 Chinese in the whole Cariboo region. Though many of these pioneers were labourers, there were also many prospectors and business men living in the area. They suffered prejudice at the hands of many white pioneers, receiving low pay for the hard work they performed, but in time, many of them had saved enough to bring their families to live in British Columbia. These pioneers helped shape the Cariboo into the great land that it is today, and without their help and vigilance, our province would not have become the beautiful and diverse land that it is today.

S. Turner 2006

Note: A good follow-up to Stephan Turner's article is a book written by Lily Chow - "Sojourners in the North" -- published by Caitlin Press Note also in the President's Report the credit given to Lily Chow for being instrumental by her visit to China in bringing this summer's Chinese Delegation to Barkerville.



Book Review

by Andy Motherwell

"Surveying Northern British Columbia"

- a photo journal of Frank Swannell,
by Jay Sherwood,

Caitlin Press. Inc., Prince George, B. C. 2004

Frank Swannell's name comes up many times if you are talking about the initial land surveys in northern B. C. in the early 1900s. From his work, many other surveys were linked forming a blanket of well defined pins and posts laying out land holdings in preemption days, town sites, roads, First Nations reserves and locating exactly where lakes and rivers lay on a map Swannell was outstanding in his work but he was not alone as the Province, having joined Confederation, needing to know what was where, had contracted with many newly-trained surveyors to map out our land. The practice of surveying was crude in a way compared to the modern instruments and computerization, but it was amazingly accurate. In creating a lot on a piece of land, a transit was set up to measure angles from that point - - the line of sight had to be cleared and the distance measured by a folding, heavy wire 66-foot long chain. A physical description of the land was made in the surveyor's note book and these notes often serve as the only recording of some features such as soil, forest cover, mineral showings, settlements and the like. With modern GPS like instrumentation, often only the bare facts are recorded of the lot line angles and distances, This book by a Vanderhoof surveyor, unveils a side of Swannell not well known, namely his use of a camera to record people, places, difficulties and viewscapes in a land and at a time when B. C was starting to expand. I hope you enjoy. The book is at the Quesnel Museum with sales supporting the museum.

A.Motherwell



Ramblings

We never seem to be short of "little" ramblings for our newsletters --just short of space. But some items do not hit the main stream, but are important in their own right. Such as

"Brownies" at Work!" Brownies as we have always known are very important little people, and there were two such little people in Barkerville this summer Emily Brown and Anika Brown. Each of the girls hustled around and sold 'newspapers" following which Emma donated half of her earnings to the Friends of Barkerville and Anika donated half of hers to St. Saviours Anglican Church where the Reverend for this past summer -- Andrew Haliday - had helped her with violin lessons. All best luck to the enterprising Barkerville "Brownies"!

New Waterwheel to Roll: This, it is intended, will make its first revolution on Barkerville's Opening Day, Spring-time 2007. The replacement wheel for one that has clocked in probably more than its required number of miles, has been the Friends of Barkerville's fundraising focus over the past two years. We have now reached the point where we are rewarded with a sense of achievement as we watch Bob Smith of Quesnel, (who was the accepted bidder for the job), build with his previous knowledge of placer mining equipment, the exacting

components for the wheel, the flume and the necessarily strong infrastructure. This somewhat exacting construction is being carried out at the Antique Machinery Park on Dragon Lake Road managed by Jim Trueman. Donors to this large project were West Fraser Mills with logs, Bowdens Trucking for hauling, and a crew of volunteers.. The Friends of Barkerville and Dave Brown of the Waterwheel entertainment program have sold well-meant bogus certificates in the Sheepskin Mine over the past two years - in the past year in excess of \$2000. We hope that buyers will look upon these special parchments as valuable and sentimental memorabilia.

This coming season, the Friends of Barkerville will probably set their sights on the restoration of the Canadian Claim almost directly across from the waterwheel on Williams Creek. A certain amount of restoration was carried out on this ground a few yews ago, but it now comes under further scrutiny as well as repair. Bit by bit, the FOB like to think they are helping to restore Barkerville. Our bottom line is **Preservation, Protection and Promotion** of Historical Sites in Barkerville and the Cariboo Gold-fields. It would seem likely that the selling of souvenir certificates will hit the streets again. Bring on the Champagne!



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The Group of Seven: A recent work party met at the Wells/Barkerville Cemetery and felt honoured and gratified in calling themselves "The Group of Seven." Well, why not! They accomplished a worthy amount of scraping and painting and brush cutting and general tidying up. They managed to oust a squirrel from his winter home in the "tool shed", but we understand that he has moved in with a family of pika down near the church. Actual members in this work party were Alan and Vivian Sharpe (Robin Shape's parents on a visit), Lana Fax, Jody Hunter, Kevin and Pat Pickering and Bill Quackenbush. They will have another work party in the spring and during the winter will move to have the "bug-killed" trees removed by contract.

Sunset Theatre - Wells: We all know that Wells is the "kid sister" of Barkerville - a mining town that came out of the 1930's as years before Barkerville came out of the 1860s. So a News Release coming from Karen Jeffery on August 26, announcing a very satisfying season's end for the Sunset, was pleasant to receive. Karen's goal, she says, at the beginning of the season was an attendance of 1000. Although this began to seem an over-estimation, the end results reached 1400 and no doubt has established the theatre as a sure thing in Karen's mind for the season in 2007. We of the FOB Newsletter, see

the re-opening of the Sunset as yet another score in our Wells/Barkerville history, re-addressing what must have been the dreams of Ole Anderson, original owner-operator in the early 1930's to '40's and his business partner, John Frieberg

The Theatre Royal in Barkerville: We are sure it came with a great sense of well-being, the news that Richard and Amy will be opening their entertainment season 2007 with the same stable of entertainers they ended up with in the 2006 season. Make no mistake -- those talented young people set Barkeville on fire -- and we do not mean like the conflagration of 1868 - but one that projected us into the better part of the theatre world, made us laugh until we cried and were so much the better for it. Come to think of it, Richard and Amy did darned good themselves. We will see you next year!

So it seems that we have come to the end of several little notes jotted into the note book and there isn't much more to say at this time. To make and repeat two more points before writing "30" :

Remember the Victorian Christmas in Barkerville December 16, 17 and 18. All Store doors opening at 11 a.m. As far as is known The Candy Store, Mason and Daly, Re-



Ramblings

ception Centre, St. Saviors Church, Friends of Barkerville in Barkerville Hotel will be open - maybe more, Kelly and King B&Bs will be open, the Hubs Motel and the Whitecap, and Northwoods Restaurant for food. There will be Sleigh Rides and Carolling and something for all.

And the Christmas Party at Jean Speare's on December 2. We would like to see Members from Administration - any who are free to come!

And remember, when they pass the mashed potatoes at the Christmas table, always ask if they are made with skim milk or whole milk If it's skim milk, pass. Why bother? It's like buying a sports car with an automatic transmission. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

EARLY XMAS SUGGESTIONS from Quesnel Ski and Sports. Just ask John Marien what he suggests first as an Xmas gift and he will say, "Smart Wool Socks - always Smart Wool Socks." That makes it pretty easy at \$19 to \$22, adult sizes small to large. Check those off the list and turn attention to the ears. Earflap Headbands at \$21.95; also a rather surprising innovation in Earbags with "snepear warmers" at \$14.98. These could become popular! For good treatment of the upper torso, nothing surpasses the Soft Shell - breathable, windproof, water resistant, stretchy -- as well as classy! These range from \$150 to \$300. They come with suppliers names on them

-- The North Face, Apex and Arc'teryx. The Gaurmont Telly Boot remain highly popular and come in both women's and men's sizes with heatmoldable liners. \$460.00. There is a real bargain to be found in a complete adult pack of cross-country skis at \$299.00, These are waxable or non-waxable (having a fish skin base.). And the set comes with poles, boots and bindings. The bindings are mounted and a hot wax job is in the packet. "No, we have a feeling the Soft Shell is sold separately -- but you can try!"

Mark Twain said, "We are having the same old things for Christmas dinner this year -- relatives."

ONE OF THOSE EARLY CHRISTMAS PARTY REMINDERS

On Saturday, December 2 at Jean Speare's home at Bouchie Lake as we have celebrated our Society's Xmas for the past several years, we will do it once again! You can start dropping in by 5:30 or six. An offering for the sagging festive table is always welcome. You can phone Jean at 249-5150 if in doubt. As a warm fuzzy gesture, bring along someone who has not come before. And, oh yes, if YOU know any good simple games for a group, bring the idea with you. See you then, and it is not very far away!



Committee Reports

COMMITTEE REPORTS GIVEN AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SEPT. 7

TRAILS REPORT by Robin Grady

Blessings Grave enclosure was removed and replaced with pressure treated posts and rails, which were painted. Several wheel barrow loads of rock are yet to be placed on top of the exposed culvert on a level just below the site. The grave enclosure of "None Gad", the only Chinese person remaining buried at the Stanley Cemetery, was painted. This is an assumption that the enclosure is hers as it is in the Chinese section. It is planned to place a headboard there if it is appropriate, It is our general feeling that the finishing of the Stanley Cemetery should be put out to tender as the three remaining sides of the fence and all the grave enclosures need to be replaced due to rot. This would have been too much for volunteers to do. This tender would also include the building of the planned kiosk at the entrance. We would also like to do the same at the Richfield Cemetery in some way. The promised pit toilet from the Highways Department, I believe, is still in the government's planning program.

I have been called out there twice to make sure it goes on the correct spot and feel that the third time will be the last. The bear-proof garbage can promised two years ago may show up also. We have to give Rhonda Wilkins (our Regional District representative) a big thank-you for her help. If it had not been for Rhonda, we would not even be thinking about the toilet as it had been rejected when we first asked, (Note: Toilet has been delivered.) Although we did not check all the trails for any major repairs, we did not hear of any problems We don't feel that the long trail; (GRPT), is getting a lot of use from end-to-end, but there seems to be quite a lot of traffic on the Barkerville/Richfield end and on the trails from Groundhog to Baldy (GRPT = Gold Rush Pack Trail). The Williams Creek Trail from Richfield to McCallum Gulch and return via the GRPT is in need of some more signage, especially in the Mink Gulch area where there is heavy brushing in the gravel areas. The Richfield Courthouse/Cemetery Loop trail seems to have moderate to heavy traffic We felled several snags along this route. A portion of the National Hiking Trail was located, flagged and roughly slashed out to skirt around a piece of private property in the Gravelle Ferry area. This has not been completed as yet, and may be done prior to this winter.



Committee Reports

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

by Loretta Grady

A special thank you to Lana for all the computer input of all the memberships!

To Date: (with still a few to be counted)

Total Memberships 1,701

Singles 313

Family 1,388 x 2 2,776

Of the 1,701 memberships:

1,082 are from the the Cariboo Pr.Geo. Area 63.6%

584 are from the rest of BC & Can. 34.3%

35 are from outside Canada 2.1%

A breakdown of the Cariboo/P.G. area is (in numbers only) Quesnel 535; Prince George 386; Williams Lake 77; Vanderhoof 29; 1 50 Mile House 17; Wells 9; 100-Mile House 9; 108-Mile House 9 and 70-Mile House 1.

From all the membership forms, we gathered volunteer information from those that wished to fill out the back of the form. Following is a list of places that your Friends of Barkerville membership entitles you to visit upon presentation of your card and to enjoy a percentage discount on goods purchased:

- Barkerville Historic Town. Free admission until September 30, 2006 and 5% discount on items in the Friends Gift Shop.
- Cottonwood Historic Site: Free admission until Labour Day weekend 2006.
- Grand Forks Art Gallery: Free admission and 10% discount on gift shop items as well as reduced ticket prices to concerts, performances, garden and studio tours and other special gallery events.
- Kamloops Art Gallery: Free admission.
- McMichael Canadian Art Collection, Klienberg, Ont.: Free admission.
- Nickle Arts Museum, Calgary, Aha.: Free admission and 10% discount on gift shop items.
- NAV Museum of Art & Culture, Spokane, Wash, Adults \$2. off Admiss. -- Srs. \$1. Off
- Vernon Public Art Gallery: 10% off items
- Whyte Museum of Canadian Rockies, Banff Free Admission and 10% discount on gift items.



Committee Reports

NEWSLETTER REPORT by Jean Speare

For the past year, the production of the Newsletter was reduced from four to three issues in view of the fact that a larger number of members desired to receive their copies through the Internet, and still a growing number wanted to receive it by mail, adding considerably to the cost of postage. During this year, putting the Newsletter on the Internet has been done by Leif and Eva Grandell, who have offered further improvements to the Newsletter through the inclusion of photographs. We appreciate as well the assistance of Errin Evans and Ian Grady in establishing the Newsletter on the Internet. Also, we acknowledge members of the Newsletter Committee for their long hours of helping folding, enveloping, stamping and mailing the Newsletter -- Louise Gilbert and Mickey Ross, with back-up offered by volunteer members Bonny Carr, Dorothy Knudson and Lorrie Strain. There may be other volunteers who have been overlooked at this point, but all offers of back-up gives us a sense of reassurance. The co-operation we have with the Membership Committee in it keeping us up-to-date on the membership status of the Friends of Barkerville is essential to the processing of the Newsletter and the time taken by

those volunteers in up-dating gummed labels does not go overlooked. At the same time, we would like to mention here the correlation of the Membership Committee with our Phoning Committee, chaired by Joan Huxley, in keeping volunteer lists available for her. These committee connections obviously give an organization such as ours clarity of direction and strength. And of course, the many members who get news items and write-ups in time for publishing are valuable beyond a doubt! Expenses required for mailing of the past three issues --(we are including the December 2005 issue since our third issue -- October 2006, is not out yet, but the cost should be comparative) are:

December Issue 2005	\$200.00
March Issue	219.83
July Issue	238.42
Photocopy Paper	48.00
Sub total	706.25
Newsletter onto Internet \$15 x 3	45.00
Total	\$751.25

We can expect the projected cost of production and mailing of the three issues in 2007 to be reasonably in line with the above figures.



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Meeting Dates for remainder of 2006 and continuing into 2007 up to the Annual General Meeting

November 2, 2006	Tower Inn Quesnel, 5 p.m.
December 2, 2006	No formal meeting - Party at Jean Speare's
January 11, 2007	Tower Inn Quesnel, 5 p.m.
February 1, 2007	Tower Inn Quesnel, 5 p.m.
March 1, 2007	Tower Inn Quesnel, 5 p.m.
April 5, 2007	Tower Inn Quesnel, 5 p.m.
May 3, 2007	Tower Inn Quesnel, 5 p.m.
June 7, 2007	Visitors' Centre, Barkerville 6 p.m.
July 5, 2007	Tower Inn Quesnel, 5 p.m.
August 2, 2007	Tower Inn Quesnel, 5 p.m.

September 6, 2007 Barkerville - upstairs in the Visitors' Centre - Directors' Meeting at 6 p.m. – Annual General Meeting at 7 p.m.

In addition to the Executive rota at the beginning of this column, the remainder of Directors is as follows:

Tony Bensted, Lana Fox, Loretta Grady
Robin Grady, Dorothy Knudson, Andy
Motherwell, Ray Peebles, Jean Speare

Committee Chairmen will be chosen at an upcoming meeting, if there are any changes to be made. Readers will note two changes in the Executive body, made at the Annual General Meeting in September. Wedged in somewhere in this newsletter will be found the details for our December meeting cum Xmas Party as has been carried out for the past several years and is similarly planned for this year as well.