

Annual Report

for the Year Ended

31 January 2014

BOYS' CLUB OF VICTORIA



Boys & Girls Club
Services of Greater Victoria
A good place to be

2013-14 Highlights



Coastline Challenges Camp

Our Coastline Challenges program underwent its annual government inspection in August. Coastline adheres to a document known as SPOWA (Standards and Policies of Wilderness Activities). The inspection takes place during program and looks at all facets of the program from documentation, risk management to tripping methods and practices. We are pleased to announce that this year Coastline received an exemplary rating with no recommendations. Well Done Coastline!

And additional congratulations are due - Coastline will be celebrating 30 years on June 15th at our Outdoor Centre!



Accreditation

We are pleased to announce that we have been granted another three year accreditation by CARF International. Three peer surveyors spent 3 days reviewing what we do and how we do it in areas of leadership, strategic planning, financial planning & management, risk management and health & safety, human resources management, and performance measurement. In their final report CARF detailed 20 areas of strength but this one was identified as one of our greatest: "Leadership has worked diligently to build relationships to bring together individuals to help solve community problems and develop programs that improve the quality of life for youth in their communities. This is one of the organization's greatest strengths, reiterated by external stakeholders interviewed."



Central Saanich Club

We are planning a brand new facility to house our Central Saanich Club in Brentwood Bay and were delighted to have great support from the District of Central Saanich in providing a site close to the original building. The new facility will be just over 1,740 square feet with office space, a kitchen, washrooms, a computer lab and open space for a lounge and foosball and pool tables. See the full story on page 18.



Board Recognition

We are so proud of long-time supporter and Board Member Bob Harman, who was selected as this year's recipient of Leadership Victoria's Lifetime Achievement award. He is shown here accepting the award at a gala event in February at the Fairmont Empress from sponsor Michael Gudgeon of Il Terrazzo Restaurant.

Another Bob was honored in 2013 - long time treasurer of our Services Board, Bob Moysey, received a Community Service Award from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of BC at the Institute's annual Member Recognition Dinner in Vancouver on June 26th. The Community Service Award recognizes chartered accountants for their outstanding contributions to the community and to volunteer organizations.



Honors

It was truly an honour to be recognized by the Township of Esquimalt in December for our many years of dedication, commitment and service to the community. Staff members Ellie James and Beth Diprose were on hand to accept our Certificate of Appreciation. The Township of Esquimalt has been a strong supporter of BGC, and particularly our Harbourside Club. We are happy to celebrate such a great partnership!

Message from the President

While taking some time to reflect on the year that was, I was again amazed and quite frankly humbled at the dedication of the staff and all levels of volunteers of the Victoria Boys and Girls Club. Although I'm simply lucky enough to be the author of this report, truly it is the people around the table, in our Care Homes, in our facilities, who are impacting the community and youth that deserve to be standing here and delivering this report. Today, I am simply delivering their message.

With the Board's support, the Selection Committee was able to continue to sift through our ED recruitment efforts. During our exhaustive research and due diligence process, many people with talent and ability expressed their interest. What we came to realize was the right fit simply meant the right fit, rather than trying to make a square peg fit into a round hole. We were happy to have Dalcyce Dixon accept our offer to lead the organization.

Our Board has continued operating within a committee structure. A lot of the heavy lifting has been done at this level, and brought to the Board for approval. With all Board members participating in one or more of these committees, we have a clear sense of governance with all the work going on with our committees.

In order to try and create better synergy with the Foundation and Services Boards, two Cabinets were struck during our Board development day in September:

- Cabinet 1, led by Robyn Quinn, Foundation Board member, is focused on diversifying and increasing funding, and helping establish the business plan priorities for the Outdoor Centre.
- Cabinet 2, led by Colin Watson, Services Board member and Program Committee Chair, is leading our Boards in finding governance efficiencies, creating better effectiveness and engagement and helping gather ideas about the Club's image and brand.

As the work is finite for both these Cabinets, a more permanent bond between the two Boards will need to be established, and therefore another Cabinet is in the process of forming, and details will be released over the next few months.

We were ecstatic to have the results of the CARF survey come back as expected, based on feedback from our team leads during this process. We knew this was an important achievement for all the staff and congratulate them for receiving a 3-year accreditation.

Before the end of the year, we received two large donations totalling \$110,000. I hope that the word spreads about the direct and positive impact donations like these go to helping our staff deliver value to our communities and youth. I am proud to stand with an organization that has this character and staying power that receives your hard earned donations both in terms of time and money over the years.

From the Board's perspective, we have enjoyed observing staff engagement increase from years past, and we are seeing the results in increased impact in those using our services and in the expanding reach of our Community Clubs.

The Board and staff still have more heavy lifting in its very near future, including ongoing negotiations with Youth Justice, the development, construction and fundraising needs of the Central Saanich Club, and our Yates Street Administration office.

As we look forward to the upcoming year, we will be missing a couple of individuals I have personally got to know in my tenure here at the Board:

- Ellie James, currently a manager who has been with the club for 27 years. You have made a huge impact in the Boys and Girls Club and I would like to personally thank you for your passion and commitment to the Boys and Girls Club. Although it's a huge loss for the Club, we wish her well in her future retirement.
- Bob Harman and Bill Snowdon – both long time Board members and Past Presidents (on more than one occasion for Bob), and too many committee notations to even begin to list. Bob has been with the Club almost since its inception and Bill joined us in 1981.

I for one have been able to develop a deep sense of respect for what we do as an organization from these two men and will be forever grateful for their guidance, mentorship and respect what they have done for the Boys and Girls Club.

I am regretfully also taking my leave from the Board as my term as President completes – based primarily on the increased demand in my personal schedule. But more importantly, I feel that I leave the Board in better hands with the skills and passion of our Board, from our incoming President to our newest members. I am very confident in the members of our Board to carry this Club to the next level, and I suspect this is why Bob and Bill feel the same confidence in the Board and their ability to step away.

I would like to give my thanks to the Board for providing me the opportunity to stand with them during the last nine years, and for the chance to learn from the men and women associated with the Board and staff of the Club. You all make a difference and additionally have made a difference with me. I am grateful.

Mike Sidhu

Message from the Executive Director

Reflecting on my first year serving as Executive Director, I am in awe at the depth and breadth of program and service delivery within our organization. It is exciting to look back and appreciate how the contributions of others can make such a difference to the people we serve. All of this happens with passion, creativity and commitment from a host of dedicated, knowledgeable staff and volunteers. If I had to use one word to describe this year it would be engagement. Staff and Board members came together to take on challenging projects, making big decisions for the future of the organization in the process. This year we paid special attention to the how and the where of what we do and we did it all together.

In today's climate of rising anxiety among children, youth and families, our programs and services intentionally introduce ways to build on positive health and well being. We promote learning environments where young people can practice new ways to cope and build resilience. Relationship building is the essential ingredient in the recipes we use to create safe supportive places where the magic happens. But nothing can happen without safety first - this is the heart of our mission. It is essential that we provide emotional and physical safety in our Boys and Girls Clubs. We were on to something long before today's research revealed that it is these feelings of safety that are most critical for positive growth and development in all of us.

Our facilities are designed to offer that safe place for children, youth and families to connect in their community. Over the years the face of our communities has changed and our organization has always adapted. Last year we began planning to build a new facility in Central Saanich. Thanks to the ongoing support of many generous donors, we are very excited to report that we will have a new facility in the heart of Central Saanich opening in the fall of 2014. As we say goodbye to our present Central Saanich location in June, it is important to acknowledge the wonderful supportive partnership we have had with the Brentwood Bay United Church in Central Saanich. We are pleased that we will continue to be neighbours from our new location.

For over 5 decades our home base at 1240 Yates Street has served our community well. In recent years we have come to realize that the aging building has some overwhelming challenges that are beyond our resources to adequately address. We are grateful for the partnership that we have enjoyed with the City of Victoria, however, this will be the year we say goodbye to our founding home. We will be relocating our programs, services and staff closer to our other facilities in 2014.

We are also fortunate to be part of Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada and benefit from the work and research by national staff and draw inspiration from the important work happening in 98 clubs in 650 service locations across our great country. We have a strong network of support for the shared mission and values from which we work. Our communities and neighborhoods may be diverse but our movement's shared values of respect, belonging, opportunity, empowerment and advocacy remain present in all that we do

An annual report would not be complete without acknowledging the tireless work of our two volunteer Boards of Directors. Countless hours have gone into the governance and strategic oversight by these committed members of our community. This year we bid farewell to four very hard working Board members. Bill Snowdon and Bob Harman will be leaving big shoes to fill as each has dedicated decades of service to our organization. Cheryl d'Estrubé will be stepping away from our Foundation Board after completing her last term as President. Last but not least, we tip our hat to outgoing Services President Mike Sidhu. We will miss you all. These are four extraordinary leaders who have shared their skills, knowledge and abilities with all of us and we are much better for it.

I began this report by using the word engagement to describe the past year. If I were to identify one staff person who epitomizes this it would be one of our favorite managers, Ellie James. We are going to miss how easily she engages with everyone she meets. After 27 years of dedicated service she is retiring. We will miss her engaging ways, her sense of humor and her love of the work. It has been a pleasure!

In closing, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to all of the staff and volunteers who have supported me in my new role as Executive Director. Without you we would not be here today celebrating our successes and building legacies for tomorrow. Thank you.

Dalyce Dixon



Kids from our Central Saanich Club were invited to 'throw the switch' at the annual light up ceremony at Butchart Gardens.



Shields Harney donated their corporate box for our youth leadership members to enjoy a Royals game!



Hillside Centre got involved with Pink Shirt Day in a big way! We received a cheque for \$1,000 as a result of their efforts as well as a \$500 donation from Kinetic Construction.

Message from the Treasurer

Annual financial statements and a few comments in a Treasurer's report cannot possibly convey all the events of the past fiscal year. As with most charitable organizations, Boys & Girls Club Services budgets and attempts to operate on a break even basis.

Unfortunately, the past three years ended with small losses: \$70,447 in 2014; \$75,164 in 2013; and \$29,482 in 2012. Total revenues in 2014 were up \$175,252 (4.3% - mainly Foundation and Other Grants and Participant Program Fees) over 2013 and our total expenses were up \$170,535 (4.1% - mainly Program Delivery costs).

While the overall operating results show modest changes over 2013, there were significant events which these statements are not designed to report. You will read about some of these elsewhere in our annual report but I would also like to highlight a few such events.

- In May 2013, we engaged Dalyce Dixon as our new Executive Director (after seven months as acting Executive Director).
- Following a one year accreditation with CARF last year, Services again achieved a three-year accreditation in September 2013.
- Our Central Saanich Club will be moving to a new location (in Central Saanich) as soon as a location can be finalized with the municipality and funding commitments raised for a new facility.
- We have given notice to the City of Victoria that we will not be renewing our lease at 1240 Yates Street. I wish to thank the City of Victoria for waiving property taxes annually on our head office location since our original clubhouse opened in December 1960.

I wish to thank Dalyce Dixon and Bob Macdonald for their leadership and perseverance during the past year. I also wish to thank the accounting staff for their efforts and to acknowledge all our staff, who continue their day to day activities with caring and persistence through the many recent and pending changes.

Robert N. Moysey, CA



Trevor Linden was on hand to help Mike O'Brien present a cheque for \$50,000 from CIBC Wood Gundy to establish an endowment fund to assist families with program fees.



The second annual Youth United Anti-bullying Film Festival was held at the Vic Theatre.



October felt like Bikes for Kids Month! Four lucky participants, at our Millstream and Central Saanich Clubs received bikes - 3 from The Corporate Play People through a Bike Build Adventure workshop they held for SeaStar Chemicals

Statement of Financial Position

(Boys & Girls Club Services of Greater Victoria)

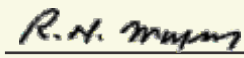
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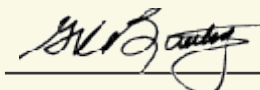
January 31, 2014 and January 31, 2013

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund	Bull Memorial Fund	Total 2014	Total 2013
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and short term investments	\$ 292,143	171,534	87,183	550,860	954,237
Accounts receivable	305,118	331	-	305,449	236,868
Prepaid expenses	62,841	-	-	62,841	75,138
Interfund balances	(11,501)	6,452	5,049	-	-
	648,601	178,317	92,232	919,150	1,266,243
Property and equipment	-	256,944	-	256,944	224,978
	\$ 648,601	435,261	92,232	1,176,094	1,491,221
Liabilities and Fund Balances					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 280,207	-	-	280,207	307,049
Deferred revenue	207,341	-	-	207,341	461,323
	487,548	-	-	487,548	768,372
Deferred capital contributions	-	179,171	-	179,171	143,027
	487,548	179,171	-	666,719	911,399
Fund balances:					
Invested in property and equipment	-	82,201	-	82,201	81,950
Internally restricted	-	173,889	92,232	266,121	266,194
Unrestricted	161,053	-	-	161,053	231,678
	161,053	256,090	92,232	509,375	579,822
Lease commitment	\$ 648,601	435,261	92,232	1,176,094	1,491,221

These statements have not been prepared for general purposes. Some members may require further information. Complete audited financial statements are available upon request in print or downloadable format.

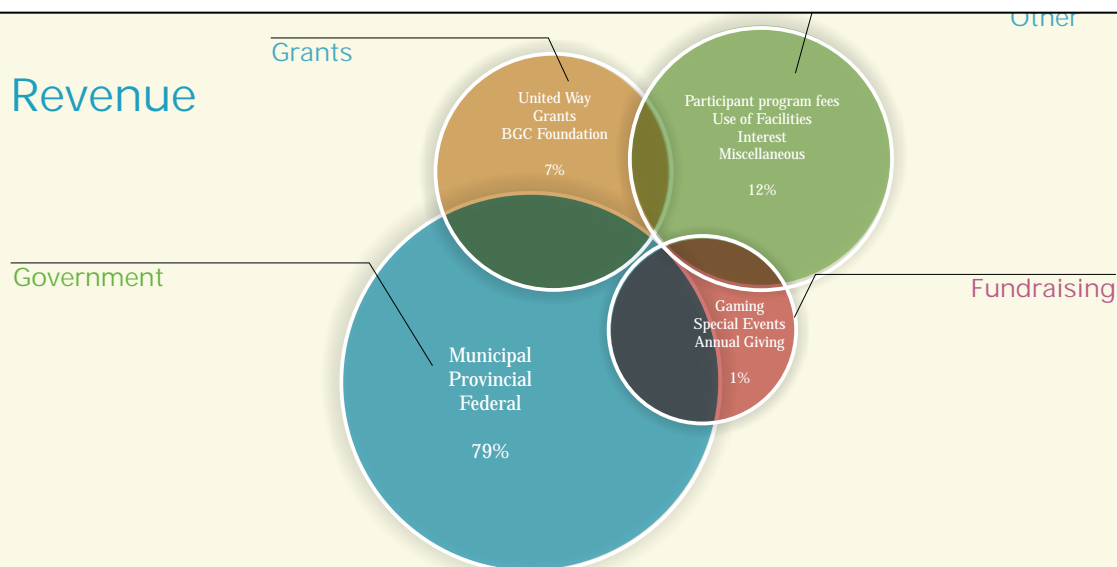
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Statement of Operations & Changes in Fund Balances
 (Boys & Girls Club Services of Greater Victoria)
 Extracted from the complete Audited Financial Statements
 For Year ended January 31, 2014

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund	Bull Memorial Fund	Total 2014	Total 2013
Revenue:					
Provincial grants	\$ 3,133,334	-	-	3,133,334	3,129,619
Municipal grants	20,000	-	-	20,000	30,167
Federal grants	7,139	-	-	7,139	6,926
United Way contributions	105,000	-	-	105,000	112,364
Foundation and other grants	318,810	-	5,157	323,967	186,111
Fundraising - gaming	82,000	-	-	82,000	74,000
Fundraising - special events	1,283	-	-	1,283	15,146
Participant program fees	396,275	-	-	396,275	281,587
Use of facilities	134,781	-	-	134,781	199,564
Miscellaneous	1,067	-	-	1,067	3,572
Interest	3,319	1,495	-	4,814	8,229
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	-	38,169	-	38,169	24,192
Gain on disposition of assets	-	150	-	150	1,250
	<u>4,203,008</u>	<u>38,814</u>	<u>5,157</u>	<u>4,247,979</u>	<u>4,072,727</u>
Expense:					
Wages and benefits	2,837,655	-	-	2,837,655	2,851,990
Program delivery	858,708	-	-	858,708	692,843
Transportation	90,558	-	-	90,558	104,775
Building occupancy	246,459	-	-	246,459	244,553
Office	119,860	-	-	119,860	112,095
Fundraising and development	3,885	-	-	3,885	5,448
Miscellaneous	38,940	-	-	38,940	30,022
Professional fees	47,743	-	-	47,743	51,052
Amortization of property and equipment	-	74,618	-	74,618	55,113
	<u>4,243,808</u>	<u>74,618</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,318,426</u>	<u>4,147,891</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expense	(40,800)	(34,804)	5,157	(70,447)	(75,164)
Fund balances, beginning of year	231,678	261,069	87,075	579,822	654,986
Transfers between funds	(29,825)	29,825	-	-	-
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 161,053	256,090	92,232	509,375	579,822



WE THANK OUR DONORS

The donors listed have contributed to Boys & Girls Club Services of Greater Victoria and/or the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Victoria Foundation in our 2013/2014 fiscal year (1 February 2013 to 31 January 2014). With respect to our Endowment and Capital Funds, this year we have only listed the contributions received in the year of reporting although we have continued to name the funds that exist.

We have endeavoured to make this donor listing as complete and accurate as possible. We sincerely apologize for any errors or omissions.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

The Bull Memorial Fund

The Victoria Foundation Bull Fund

The Ruth Bull Fund

The Coast Capital Savings Adventure Based Learning Fund

The Coast Capital Savings Youth Leadership Fund

The Philip S. Chan Memorial Fund

The Betty Hansen Memorial Fund

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The Harman Family Fund

The Mel Cooper Fund For Youth Leadership

The CIBC Wood Gundy/Michael O'Brien Bursary Fund

CIBC Wood Gundy

Mr. Michael O'Brien

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- In memory of Evelyn Snowdon

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CAPITAL

Open the Doors Campaign - Central Saanich Building

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Ms. Kate L. Mansell

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Outdoor Centre

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- In Memory of Peter Spillette

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 Mr. Brigg Low

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Province of British Columbia -
 Ministry of Children & Family
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*Care Home Parenting Program - Car
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Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada -
 Microsoft Canada - *Central Saanich -
 Game Tech*

Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada -
 CIBC - *Central Saanich Torch Club*

Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada -
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Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada -
 President's Choice - *Central Saanich -
 Basic Need Brighter Futures*

Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada -
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 & Strong Girls programs*

Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada -
 Capital One - *Millstream Keystone*

District of Central Saanich
 - *Central Saanich Club*

City of Victoria - *tax exemption for
 1240 Yates*

Corporation of the Township of
 Esquimalt - *Harbourside Club -
 Camperships, Bursaries; & Youth
 Leadership*

Corporation of the Township of
 Esquimalt - *Harbourside Club - tax
 exemption*

Gaming Policy & Enforcement
 Division - *Community Clubs; Outdoor
 Education/Recreation; Summer Camp; &
 Youth Leadership*

District of Metchosin - *tax exemption
 for Outdoor Centre*

National Association of Friendship
 Centres - *Central Saanich Warrior
 Women Program*

Provincial Employees Community

Services Fund - *Community Clubs*
 Service Canada - *Summer Jobs*
 United Way of Greater Victoria -
*Empowerment of Discovery - Community
 Clubs*

Victoria Imperial Lions Club -
*Youth Leadership - Oasis Youth
 Conference fees*

Harbourside Club

Downs Construction

Jumpstart

Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities

Nutrition Program

Mr. William Martin

Outdoor Centre

NTA - FRAFS

Parents Together

Dr. Jim Hackler

Summer Camp/Camperships

Gordon Head Lions Club

Victoria Foundation

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Other / Third Party Events

CSEE Student Association
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Peacock Billards Ltd.
Vancouver Island Charity Riders

WILD ABOUT WHALES



The Gala

A component of the Wild about Whales event was the gala, initially planned to be held aboard the Orca Spirit II. Those plans were scuttled due to an accident in dry dock with the ship but our own spirit, however, was not damaged and we rallied to find another venue at the Ward Room (thanks to Roger Girouard's sponsorship) and the show went on. Our guests had a relaxing, fun evening with great food and entertainment. Krista Hagstrom, our Millstream Club Coordinator, and Colton McKee provided our guests with an overview of the great services we offer to children and youth in our community. It was a lovely evening and one of the highlights was the entertainment provided by our auctioneer, Iain Hooley. We also had a magician who wowed the crowd and our music bingo session was a delightful addition to the line up for the evening.



Race Day

The weather cooperated for Race Day and it was sunny and bright. All the kids had a great time on the bouncies and lined up to have their face painted. They also enjoyed some arts and crafts and of course the Froggy Fly Fling was another star attraction.

Just before 1 pm the race got underway and wind and tide made for a quick race. We did have a bit of a glitch just after the winning whales were scooped up. One of the booms to keep the whales from escaping out to sea gave way and several whales made a run for it. Of course they were no match for our Race Captain, Mike Fox, who spent the next hour or so rounding up the errant whales!

Overall, the event raised \$27,000 from sponsorships, gala activities and whale race tickets which was directed to our after-school programs and activities.



Message from the Foundation President

This past year seems to have gone by so quickly – it seems if I just finished the last report! But I am pleased to be back to share the year with you and some more exciting projects on the horizon.

The challenges of supporting and providing services to as many children in our community continue all year round. The impact of providing children with a safe supportive environment with affordable programs and subsidies in these difficult economic times is hugely important to the continued well being of our children and youth and our survival as a community. Families face many more difficulties during economic downturns in providing just the basics for their children. Certainly our programs and services are essential to making a huge difference in their lives. Our youth still need careful nurturing to maintain a positive place in our community regardless of what is happening in the marketplace.

Our dedicated staff work hard to respond to the needs of some of today's challenges offering programs to improve literacy and numeracy, more opportunity for physical activities in programs, anti-bullying strategies and to provide critical support to parents in their difficult jobs.

I note that again in the Victoria Foundation Vital Signs Youth report, youth are asking for more places to play and express themselves in a safe environment. We need to listen to those we serve and make a commitment to support all that we can in our actions and fundraising.

We have seen lot of hard work by our Foundation Board members who remain committed to supporting the Boys and Girls Club. It was indeed encouraging to hear from the CARF review that the Foundation's fundraising efforts, events organizing and donor encouragement are considered a great asset to Club operations. Our role is only part of the sum of what happens in this organization. I must laud all the wonderful staff for their help and commitment in supporting the Foundation in our fund raising events.

Our staff and Board members were on deck for the Wild about Whales event held in June 2013, which was also well supported by the same dedicated volunteers and sponsors.

The Open the Doors campaign will support the building of a new home for our growing club in Central Saanich along with much needed operational and endowment support for programs provided by all our Community Clubs. We are enjoying fantastic support from the local municipality and are very grateful for the generous donations or pledges we have received to date. We hope to break ground in the near future, but of course we still need to ask you to support us in providing funds to make this a success. I would also like to thank the staff for their time and effort to ensure the success of the Open the Doors campaign.

We are so very grateful for all of our volunteers and supporters this and in previous years. We thank those local organizations, businesses and individuals who understand the difference we are trying to make in providing a safe, inclusive community for youth.

I would like to thank the Foundation and Services Board for their dedication, time and hard work this past year. It is on a bittersweet note I write as this will be my final report and I shall be leaving the presidency in the capable hands of Michael O'Brien. I have enjoyed working with all of those involved in this wonderful organization and learned a great deal in the time I have spent here. Thank you especially to Kate Mansell, our Director of Development, for her dedication to the Board and to the organization and to Michael O'Brien for his continued personal commitment and tremendous fund raising support over the past year.

Cheryl d'Estrubé



We were delighted to participate in the Provincial Employees Community Services Fund (PECSF) annual campaign launch in September. Their grant supports after-school programs in four communities that provide academic, social, recreational and personal development opportunities that children and youth need to not only 'survive' but thrive.



Michael's Arts & Crafts have been very supportive by holding drives to encourage customers to donate school supplies in the fall and books in the spring. Here one of their employees holds up a sample of the books we received last spring. What a wonderful way to help us bring the power of books to our kids. Michael's has also supported our kids by donating toys at Christmas.



Sears also remembered us at Christmas and their Tree of Wishes brought a myriad of gifts for the kids at our Community Clubs.

Report from the Treasurer, Foundation

January 31, 2014 ended another successful year for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Victoria Foundation ("Foundation"). Total assets of the Foundation increased \$148,223 and the net surplus of revenues over expenses for the three funds that comprise the Foundation was \$34,362.

During the year, the Foundation distributed \$299,183 to Boys & Girls Club Services of Greater Victoria to assist that agency in its delivery of services to children, youth and families. This is an increase of \$137,245 over the prior year and is the result of an increase in donation revenues.

The Foundation's investments increased to \$1,115,480 between holdings of the Endowment Fund and the Capital Fund. Investment returns for the year were 9.7% for the Endowment Fund and 3.6% for the Capital Fund.

As the result of a most generous \$42,090 gift from CIBC Wood Gundy and Michael O'Brien, a new Endowment Fund was established during the year bearing the names of the funders. The CIBC Wood Gundy / Michael O'Brien Fund (Central Saanich) will help fund programming in a new Boys & Girls facility in Central Saanich to be constructed in 2014.

We would like to again thank our donors for their support of the Annual Appeal and other funds and for those who gave of their time and energy to fundraising events and other activities of the Foundation.

Gerald Bunting, CGA



WestJet continues to be an excellent community partner with local staff hosting Christmas parties, complete with Santa and all the trimmings. They also have provided travel vouchers that we have been able to use for fundraising.



We have developed a great relationship with the wonderful people at the Westshore Centre and as a result our Youth Leadership programs benefitted from a donation of \$2,100!



Ellie James made a trip to Vancouver to pick up our new Variety bus last March. She is accepting the keys from Barbara Stewart in the small inset picture. The new bus replaced a very old one that was well past its best by date!

Development Office Report

Each year as I compile the list of donors for the Annual Report, I come to appreciate once again the incredible support that we receive from our community and in some cases from beyond. From our monthly supporters to those who support our Annual Appeal and through to corporate and foundation grants and donations, we are truly blessed with a cadre of people who really get us and the miracles we accomplish in our work with children, youth and families. Thank you! You help us create those miracles.

Sometimes we get unexpected gifts that seemingly come out of the blue. Just before Christmas we received a cheque for \$100,000 from a trust company and the donor wished to remain anonymous. While we were able to thank the individual indirectly through the trust company we will never know who this amazing person is. The donation was used to support our after-school programs and services offered in 4 communities – Esquimalt, VicWest, Langford and Central Saanich. These Community Clubs really open the door to opportunities that kids just may never experience otherwise. We are indebted to this individual for this exemplary demonstration of philanthropy.

Christmas brought other substantial gifts as well – one for \$10,000 – but these gifts are just scratching the surface of all the wonderful people who support us each and every year, sometimes donating more than once. I think of the great people who provide monthly gifts and two of them increased their monthly gift this past year. Third party events are another blessing for us and a good example are the people organizing the Odd Fellows Poker Tournament who continue to amaze us with their dedication and commitment to supporting their community. Michael O'Brien again demonstrated his commitment to Boys & Girls Clubs through the establishment, in partnership with CIBC Wood Gundy, of an endowment fund to support our Central Saanich Club operations.

Of course, not all of the support we receive comes in the form of a monetary gift. In 2013 we began planning to replace the Central Saanich Club. The District of Central Saanich offered us an excellent site to build the club in 2014 and the Mayor, Council and District staff have provided us with extraordinary help in the whole process. The Brentwood Bay United Church deserves a huge thanks from us for giving us a home for over twenty years! What a remarkable group they are and we are delighted that we will still be in close proximity in our new location.

Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada have worked hard in developing a number of corporate partnerships that pay huge dividends to the clubs across the country in the form of grants. Our Millstream Club benefitted from their partnership with Kraft for our Strong Girls Program as well as the Cool Moves program. A grant from Capital One supported Millstream's Keystone Youth Leadership Program. Our Central Saanich Torch Club (youth leadership for 11-13 year olds) benefitted from the partnership with CIBC. Also at Central Saanich, Microsoft's Game Tech program saw our kids learning how to create their own video games. Our Care Home Parenting program received a grant from the General Mills Fare Advantage program.

But we receive grants from other funders as well and three significant grants we receive are through the United Way who contribute \$105,000 for the Empowerment of Discovery programs at our Community Clubs; a community gaming grant from the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch of \$82,000 that supports Community Clubs, Youth Leadership, Summer Camp and our Outdoor Centre programs; and the Provincial Employees Community Services Fund provided almost \$18,000 from their annual campaign which also supports our Community Clubs.

We cannot miss acknowledging the significant support that we receive from the District of Central Saanich and the Township of Esquimalt. And what about Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities – they contributed just over \$18,439 to support kids in accessing physical activities.

Well, I think you get the picture! We are truly blessed with a wide spectrum of support and we are indebted to each and every donor, volunteer and staff person who believe in our work and walk the talk - a heartfelt thanks to all of you. You make a huge difference in the lives of children and youth by caring and demonstrating it so tangibly.

Kate Mansell

In their own words...



Youth Leadership

Thanks again for the wonderful trip to Strathcona Park - Chloe had a great time. Boys and Girls Club is AMAZING and has provided Chloe with so many learning opportunities/life skills and adventures within such a positive, inclusive, tolerant and thoughtful environment. THANK YOU ALL for the great work you do and the difference you are making. Sincerely, Carla and Tom Egan



Strong Girls

Thank you for giving these girls a place to go, and being a great role model. I struggle as a single dad, and I'm really not in touch with my feelings, or how to raise a teenage girl. This program has really helped her to see what real women are like and not in a magazine, and that she doesn't have to be perfect, she only has to be healthy. Thanks again. - Parent of 12 yr old

I sing the praises for Boys and Girls Club wherever I go. I always joke that I am going to leave everything I have to Boys and Girls Club when I pass, because I will always be eternally grateful for everything you have done for my daughter! You're true angels! Can't thank you enough! - Parent of 16 yr old



Outdoor Adventure (Millstream)

Just wanted to thank you and Kyle on Carter's behalf. He had a very good time with the Outdoor Adventure group. He really enjoyed all the activities, he is very outdoorsy and hands on so it was right up his alley. He had lots of great things to say about both of you. He tells me that last night was the end and there aren't any plans to continue in the New Year. ☺



Care Home Parenting Program

In 2008 I was a pregnant youth in the C.H.P.P. I am ever-so-grateful for the amazing support I was able to receive from the care home family, and my worker Angela. At the time I had been homeless, and I feel in retrospect that this program was a catalyst for me becoming the loving mother and care filled human being I am now."



Anney's Closet

Anney's Closet has been a great partnership with our Care Home Parenting Program! Anney Ardiel of the Westshore Soroptomists Club has developed a tremendous resource of small household items, and our participants have already benefitted greatly. "Moving on my own was really important to me, but the stress of moving on my own was: Could I afford it? Could I survive? Would I have enough things?" Cynthia Newman said. "This covered a big huge portion of the things I'd have to buy, so it gave me more money to buy groceries for my daughter or take the bus more often or buy a bus pass. I got to put [the money] toward something else I also need."

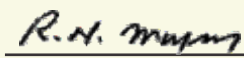
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
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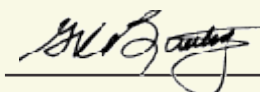
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YEAR ENDED January 31, 2014 with comparative information for 2013

	Operating Fund	Endowment Funds	Capital Fund	2014 Total	2013 Total
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash	\$ 213,602	3,331	49,607	266,540	242,650
Accounts receivable	920	760	2,893	4,573	6,107
Interfund balances	328,829	(223,873)	(104,956)	-	-
	543,351	(219,782)	(52,456)	271,113	248,757
Investments	-	751,693	363,787	1,115,480	977,234
Other assets	-	24,375	-	24,375	24,375
Property and equipment	-	-	2,311,140	2,311,140	2,323,519
	-	776,068	2,674,927	3,450,995	3,325,128
	\$ 543,351	556,286	2,622,471	3,722,108	3,573,885
Liabilities and Fund Balances					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 261,788	-	-	261,788	147,927
Fund balances:					
Invested in property and equipment	-	-	2,311,140	2,311,140	2,257,519
Externally restricted	-	556,286	173,513	729,799	698,473
Internally restricted	-	-	137,818	137,818	190,920
Unrestricted	281,563	-	-	281,563	279,046
	281,563	556,286	2,622,471	3,460,320	3,425,958
	\$ 543,351	556,286	2,622,471	3,722,108	3,573,885

These statements have not been prepared for general purposes. Some members may require further information. Complete audited financial statements are available upon request in print or downloadable format.

Approved by the Directors:

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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS & CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
(BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF GREATER VICTORIA FOUNDATION)
EXTRACTED FROM THE COMPLETE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR YEAR ENDED January 31, 2014

	Operating Fund	Endowment Funds	Capital Fund	Total 2014	Total 2013
Revenue:					
Donations	\$ 231,765	44,028	11,452	287,245	243,790
Fundraising events	33,368	-	-	33,368	19,629
Use of facilities	40,000	-	-	40,000	40,000
Investment income	64,496	-	12,999	77,495	40,121
	369,629	44,028	24,451	438,108	343,540
Expense:					
Donations	294,755	-	4,428	299,183	161,938
Fundraising costs	50,090	-	-	50,090	50,361
Stationery, advertising and postage	6,831	-	-	6,831	10,333
Accounting, audit and legal fees	6,270	-	-	6,270	5,675
Office and bank charges	9,166	-	103	9,269	7,740
Amortization of property and equipment	-	-	32,103	32,103	32,770
	367,112	-	36,634	403,746	268,817
Excess(deficiency)of revenue over expense	2,517	44,028	(12,183)	34,362	74,723
Fund balances, beginning of year	279,046	512,258	2,634,654	3,425,958	3,351,235
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 281,563	556,286	2,622,471	3,460,320	3,425,958

Open the Doors Campaign

A New, Forever Home for Central Saanich Club

1978 - Boys & Girls Club Services of Greater Victoria began programming in the Central Saanich municipality in 1978 at the request of the local council. We used several locations – schools, Brentwood Hall, an old firehall and a house.

1994 – purchased a triple-wide trailer unit that was eventually situated on the property of the Brentwood Bay United Church.

2012 - Our 2010-15 strategic plan included facilities renewal and the Central Saanich Club was scheduled for 2015. In the late fall of 2012, however, our facilities coordinator discovered some pretty severe issues at the Central Saanich Club. After removing existing fixtures and flooring from the boy's washroom in preparation to repair these problems, considerable dry rot and wet rot was found in the floor joists, floor headers, and wall studs and sheeting. Further inspection indicated the rot was so extensive, the exterior wall and floor was no longer adequately supported. In consideration of the age of the building and the considerable cost to remove and repair damaged structures, it was decided to replace the building. In the short term, to ensure safety, we have opted to close the boy's washroom and are now using only one washroom for the up to 20 youth in attendance at any one time.

2013 – Decision made to replace old facility with a newly constructed building. As the current facility is situated on the land owned by the Brentwood Bay United Church, however, we had some concerns about the length of time we may have on the Church property. We concurrently researched other options with regards to location of the building and approached the District of Central Saanich with respect to a potential site on district property.

After a presentation to council, Mayor Alistair Bryson made a motion to direct district staff to investigate potential sites and this was passed unanimously. Ultimately, there were four sites that were identified by district staff. After many meetings regarding rezoning, a public hearing and further discussion, a site was finally agreed upon in close proximity to the library, senior's and cultural centre. We couldn't have asked for a much better outcome!

We are very excited about our new forever home and expect to have a grand opening in the fall of 2014. We can hardly wait to get those shovels in the ground!



Opening the Doors to Opportunities

In addition to opening the doors literally by building a new club, we are also fundraising to open the doors in more figurative ways - through the programs and services that we offer at our Community Clubs. These clubs in Esquimalt, VicWest, the Westshore and Central Saanich offer a safe and nurturing environment that supports the development of their skills, build positive behaviours, and create lasting, healthy relationships with adults and peers. Each one responds to the needs of their kids in their community and offer a variety of programs in addition to after-school care. Outdoor Adventure, Literacy/Numeracy, Youth Leadership, and gender specific programs – and they are all built upon our belief it is all about relationships, relationships, relationships! Most of us can identify a significant relationship with an adult during our childhood that really

helped us become what we are today. The staff at our Community Clubs build those relationships every day.

All of the programs we provide include a diverse mix of recreation, play, intentional learning, and skill development. There is an increasing body of knowledge that emphasizes the positive links between quality child and youth programs and an increase in academic achievement. Engagement in learning builds educational equity and key skills necessary for success in today's economy. The benefits of recreation, play and physical activity are indisputable - it improves or enhances self-esteem, academic performance, peer and family relationships and prevents/reduces disease, violence, and negative behaviours such as smoking and substance abuse.

Funding Requirements

Capital		
Construction of new CS Facility		\$290,000
Appliances/furnishings/equipment		20,000
Disposal of old facility		10,000
		\$320,000
Operating		
After-school operating support		
- Central Saanich	80,000	
- Millstream	50,000	
- Harbourside/VicWest	50,000	
- Vic West	30,000	
Ancillary Parent support	20,000	
		\$230,000
Endowment		
Bursary Fund (program fees)		50,000
Central Saanich Endowment		100,000
		\$150,000
Total Funding Required		\$700,000

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November 5, 2013

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the students and staff of Brentwood Elementary School, I would like to highlight the ongoing commitment and dedication the Central Saanich Boys and Girls club have offered our school.

Our grade 1-5 students greatly look forward to participating in the weekly activities facilitated by the staff from the Boys and Girls Club. Currently, two main programs are being offered to our students; The Active Club and the Numeracy and Literacy Games Club.

The 'Active Club' has been instrumental in promoting healthy social and emotional learning as well as creating a strong sense of belonging for our students. Each week the students eagerly await for the bell to ring so they can hurry outside to reconnect with the staff from the Boys and Girls Club and begin engaging in the weekly activity. In addition, the staff facilitates a 'Numeracy and Literacy Games Club', which promotes and strengthens numeracy and literacy skills through the use of games. Students help and support each other, exhibit positive attitudes towards each other, are physically active and enjoy this time with their peers.

The staff at the Boys and Girls Club have reached out to all students at Brentwood Elementary; resulting in the creation of very positive relationships. This partnership has been an invaluable community resource for our students and their families.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if additional information is required.

Sincerely,

Cathy Crocket-Moore
Vice Principal

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