



Columbia Shuswap Invasive Species Society (CSISS)
Annual General Meeting Summary
September 22, 2015, 9:00am to 3:30pm
CSRSD Board Room, Salmon Arm, BC

In Attendance (Round-table of Introductions)

Hamish Kassa; Chair CSISS	Roan MacAulay, Kalastar
Chris Cochran; Vice-Chair CSISS	Kyle Bush, Kalastar
Catherine MacRae, MFLNRO	Mason Swanson, Kalastar
Toni Walton, Buckerfields	Nixon Swanson, Kalastar
Bert Revel, Salmon Arm	Lisa Scott, OASISS
Gerry Leering, Salmon Arm	Lori Schneider Wood, Shuswap Trails Alliance
Heather Peacock, Buckerfields	Phil MacIntyre-Paul, Shuswap Trails Alliance
Crystal Chadburn, MOTI	Martine Beck, MOE (via conference call)
David Rooney, Illecillewaet Greenbelt Society	Matthias Herborg, MOW (via conference call)
Bruce Husband, Salmon Arm	Brian Heise, TRU
Diane Millar, MFLNRO	Catherine Tarasoff, TRU
Bryan Chruszcz, Parks Canada	Graham Weating, MOE
John Friesan, NORD	Andrea Schraeder, MOE
Ben Van Nostrand,	Jodi Romyn, ISCBC
Adam Croxall, BC Hydro	Natalie Stafel, Executive Director, CSISS
Brad Swanson, Kalastar	Robyn Hooper, Program Coordinator, CSISS
Emmah, Kalastar	Laura Gaster, Program Assistant, CSISS

Regrets

Margaret Gibson, Blind Bay	Director Martin, CSRSD
Joyce deBoer, Wildsight Golden	Sara DeVita, MFLNRO
Pat Gaviller, Resident	Director Morgan, CSRSD
Jennifer Vogel, CKISS	

Welcome and Roundtable of Introductions

Hamish Kassa, CSISS Chair, welcomed everyone to the AGM and led a roundtable of introductions.

Latest Results from Yellow Flag Iris Research in Southern BC

Catherine Tarasoff, TRU, shared her latest results from her Yellow Flag Iris research in Southern BC.

Invasive Fish in the Columbia Shuswap

Brian Heise, TRU, introduced some invasive fish to watch for in the CSRD and shared his current research into Northern pike in the Columbia and Pend d'Orielle Rivers.

Aquatic Invasive Species Updates from the Province of BC

Martina Beck, MOE, shared the latest updates from the Province regarding Zebra/ Quagga mussels and other Aquatic Invasive Species. She and Matthias Herborg, MOE answered questions from the floor.

2015 Program Overview

Natalie Stafli, CSISS Executive Director, welcomed everyone to the AGM and provided a brief intro into the 2015 Program Summaries.

Operational Updates

Robyn Hooper, CSISS Program Manager, presented a 2015 field season inventory and aquatic updates. Presentation available upon request.

Education and Awareness Updates

Laura Gaster, CSISS Program Assistant, provided an update on outreach activities in 2015. Presentation available upon request.

Financial Report

In the absence of CSISS Treasurer, Natalie Stafli presented the 2013 and 2014 revised financial statements (available upon request). Motion to accept revised 2013 Financial Report made by Hamish Kassa, seconded by Bryan Chruszcz, all in favour. Motion to accept revised 2014 Financial Report made by Chris Cochran, seconded by Adam Croxall, all in favour.

Election of 2015-2016 Directors

Nominations and Acclamations:

NEW ELECTED MEMBERS – September 2015- September 2016

- Hamish Kassa, Nominated by Bruce Husband, seconded by Bryan Chruszcz, all in favour
- Diane Millar, Nominated by Catherine MacRae, seconded by Adam Croxall, all in favour

- Chris Cochran, Nominated by Hamish Kassa, seconded by Catherine MacRae, all in favour
- Adam Croxall, Nominated by Bryan Chruszcz, seconded by Diane Millar, all in favour
- David Rooney, Nominated by Catherine MacRae, seconded by Adam Croxall, all in favour

TWO YEAR TERM – Continuing from 2014-2015

- Bryan Chruszcz
- Margaret Gibson
- Darren Komonoski
- Bruce Husband

Eurasian Water Milfoil Control in the Shuswap (Presentation and demo)

Hamish Kassa, CSRD, presented a background and introduction to Eurasian Water Milfoil. Participants were able to see a harvester parked near the Salmon Arm Wharf.

Provincial Boat Wash/ Decontamination Station Demonstration

Graham Wheating and Andrea Schrader, MOE set-up and demonstrated a provincial boat wash decontamination station.

Clean, Drain, Dry Program Updates

Jodi Romyn, Invasive Species Council of BC touched on the background and results to date of the Clean Drain Dry program.

Discussion and Questions

Hamish opened the floor to participants, no questions/concerns noted

Wrap-up

Hamish Kassa and Natalie StafI thanked participants and event sponsors (CSRD, MFLNRO, CBT, MOTI, and ISCBC). Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:30pm