



**St. John's Area Meetings**  
**Jan 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Present:**

Gerard Curtis	Chairperson
John Simmons	Secretary
Aldo Giangrande	Treasurer
Bruce Nickerson	Director
George Durnford	Director
Pat Kavanagh	Director

**Guest:**

Allison Hicks	NP Liaison
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**1. Call to Order**

Gerard Curtis called the meeting to order at the St. John's Trailblazers Club rooms at 10.46 AM.

Gerard mentioned that the Xmas Social was well attended and from the feedback he has received everyone enjoyed the function. Aldo noted that approximately 65 people attended the social and there was plenty of room.

**2. Review of the Minutes**

Gerard referenced the minutes from the last meeting. John noted that there were no minutes as we only discussed the Xmas Social preparations. Bruce mentioned that we also set the date for the Annual Dinner on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Legion on Blackmarsh road. He said he needed the deposit for the Legion. He will confirm the amount and get a check from Aldo.

**3. Business Arising**

Nothing arising from the last meeting.

**4. Financial Report**

Aldo presented a financial report for the past year and a proposed budget for 2019 for both Rattling Brook and St. John's Area. Aldo passed over the receipts for the 2018 Rattling Brook expenses and the St. John's Area expenses to Gerard to review.

Aldo passed out a document listing retiree spouses not having dues deducted. He said that the company would require the surviving spouse to sign an authorization slip to have the dues deducted upon the death of a Trailblazer. It was felt that we would not want to do this on the death of a member. However, we will continue to provide the spouses benefits of our association.

On a motion by Gerard seconded by John both documents were approved with revisions suggested at the meeting.

**5. General Discussion**

Allison will arrange for the AGM on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. She will investigate an accessible location. There will be meetings in the morning, a lunch with soup and sandwiches and the AGM at 2.00 pm.

The Dinner and dance will be held on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6.30 pm at the Legion on Blackmarsh road. The Lobster Boil will be held again at Bruce's place. At Otterbury Hollow. If we exceed 60 attendants and we have bad weather we may need tents or an awning for Bruce's back Deck. Allison said she would check to see what tents the company has.

There may be interest in a Golf Tournament. Gerard will check with Glendenny on availability and cost for golf, carts and meal for August or September of this year.

It was decided that we will hold the Bingo at our South side facility in March of 2019.

Allison Hicks said that the Newfoundland Power Xmas Dinner and Dance will be held Nov 30<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn. They can handle the numbers and the function will be much less expensive.

Gerard moved that Pat be named Director of Special Events. Aldo seconded the motion. It was unanimously passed.

We have lost three directors in recent history and there was a question as to how many we required. Aldo suggested we ask Nick Aylward to become a Director. It was agreed for Aldo to contact Nick on this.

## **5. 2019 Schedule**

### **St. John's Area**

#### **Trailblazers Schedule**

- Meetings- Jan 9<sup>th</sup>, Mar 14<sup>th</sup>, Mar 28<sup>th</sup>, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, Sep 5<sup>th</sup> and Dec 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Pizza & Bingo- Mar 20<sup>th</sup> Southside Road.
- Ladies Night Out- Apr 18<sup>th</sup>
- Area Dinner- Legion Blackmarsh Rd- May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:00 pm
- AGM- May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2:00 pm, St. John's
- Lobster Boil- Jun 7<sup>th</sup> 1:00 – 6:00 pm – Otterbury Hollow
- BBQ- Soccer Hut Mount Pearl – Sep 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm
- Ladies Night Out- Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Christmas Social- Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, Southside Road – 12:00 noon

## **6. Adjournment**

The next meeting will be on March 14th, 2019 to review preparations for the Bingo in the calendar of events for 2019. The meeting was adjourned at 11.53 AM.