

VSC e-News

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GREETINGS FROM YOUR NEW EDITOR

The year 2007 marks a milestone in the history of the Vancouver Singapore Club. The Annual General Meeting was adjourned for the 1st time in more than 10 years due to lack of quorum. At the adjourned AGM held 2 weeks later, a new Executive Committee comprising 11 of the outgoing members was elected. Mr Teong Sin Kwek was elected as the new President of the club.

Volunteer work requires personal contribution and sacrifice. The new Executive Committee is made up of a very dedicated, committed and experienced team. The social interaction and achievements after each successful event is just rewards for the executive committee.

As your new Editor, I hope to present to all members news updates and reports of activities held. Contributions to the newsletter will be most welcome and if at some activities, I am interviewing you, please help me to do my job well.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2007/2008

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Message from the President

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Dear Fellow Members

Greetings ..

On 5 May 2007, a new Executive Committee was elected to serve for the term 2007/2008.

The new Exco is made up of highly motivated and committed members who are prepared to sacrifice and volunteer their time to manage and organise events for the enjoyment of members. Please come and meet with these awesome people at the Social Night on 23 June 2007.

Summer in Vancouver is a wonderful time for VSC activities. Several have been planned to replace those that are not popular with members or serve only a few. Please read the e-Newsletter for more information.

Foremost in my agenda for the year is the issue of succession planning. It is imperative and healthy for VSC to have new leadership after two or three years. I wish to encourage our members to step forward to offer your expertise and time to serve in the next Executive Committee.

VSC is undergoing changes. You are encouraged to give the Exco your feedback.

On behalf of the Exco, I look forward to seeing all of you at the events that we have planned for you.

Sincerely

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ACCOUNTS FOR 2006/2007

At the Adjourned AGM, the accounts could not be presented.

The Executive Committee hopes to resolve this matter soon and present the accounts to the members.

VSC's CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

At the Adjourned AGM, several members have asked that the club's Constitution and By-Laws be put up on the club's website.

This is being done now and when you next visit the website, please download a copy for your reference.

LATEST NEWS FROM SINGAPORE ON GST OFFSET PACKAGE

On 1 July 2007, the government of Singapore will increase the rate of Goods and Services Tax (GST) from 5% to 7%. To help cushion the impact of this increase, all adult Singapore Citizens will get GST credits.

Please visit http://www.gstoffset.gov.sg/index.htm for more information.

SIA PROMOTIONAL FARES

Before contacting SIA for the promotional fare and booking, members are requested to email your name to <u>president@singaporeclub.ca</u> for verification. VSC will then inform SIA on the validity of membership.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES

•	23 June 2007	 Social Night at Killarney Community Centre Room 203 6260 Killarney Street, Vancouver Time: 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm Price: Members & Children of members: \$5 per person Guests: \$10 per person Priority will be given to members on a first come first serve basis, subject to receipt of payment. Please mail cheque to reserve your place. Maximum: 70 persons.
•	21 July 2007	Annual Picnic at Barnet Marine Park, Burnaby

- 10 Aug 2007 Singapore National Day Celebration Dinner
- 25-26 Aug 2007 Two day trip to Bellingham and Seattle Premium Outlets

WEBSITE

VSC's website <u>www.singaporeclub.ca</u> is hosted and updated by courtesy of Mr Horace Bong of Zytech Enterprises (<u>www.zyenter.com</u>).

Horace is a life member of VSC. VSC wishes to record our appreciation and thank him for his kind contribution. For more information about VSC, please visit our website.