

1st V-P Report 2003-04

The 1st V-P has the pleasure of reporting to the Board and the membership for a number of Association committees. The individual committee reports have also been submitted so I will only comment on selected highlights and on some of the activities of the 1st V-P

Membership in 2003 remained steady with an increase of 2 personal memberships and a loss of 3 institution. [Changes in the membership fee structure seem not to have had a negative effect on membership levels]

The Bibliographic Control Committee saw the publication or the new edition of *Cartographic Materials: a manual of interpretation for AACR2 (2002 revision)* a major new resource for map collections. As described in the BCC report this is the result of several years of work by a number of our members.

The BCC has also prepared and conducted a Map Cataloguing Survey which will be valuable in future planning.

Conferences are a major responsibility for the 1st V-P. The 2003 (Victoria) Conference was a most successful event, as will already be know by those who attend or read the reports in Bulletin # 117 & 118. Held jointly with the Canadian Association of Geographers (CAG), the Canadian Cartographic Association (CCA) and the Canadian Regional Science Association (CRSA) over 700 members from the various associations congregated at University of Victoria for a rich program of sessions and other activities. Congratulation and thanks go to Lori Sugden and her team for a great event.

Planning for the 2004 conference started in summer 2003 with Hugh Larimer, Univ of Manitoba, taking on the local arrangements responsibilities. This conference will be joint with CAPDU and part of the Congress of the Social Sciences. Hugh and Gary Strike (CAPDU) have been handling the local arrangements while the program team of Rosa Orlandini (Chair) and Christine Cullingsworth have constructed an exciting program.

Plans are already developing for our next two conferences. CARTO 2005 will be at Memorial University, St John's, Nfld., jointly with our CCA colleagues. There are also tentative plans for the 2006 conference to take place in Ottawa in conjunction with celebrations of the centennial of the National Atlas of Canada.

Respectfully submitted.

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