

## CHHA North Shore Branch Report

Our Annual General Meeting was held on September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM on Zoom. There were 13 members and 4 guests present. At the meeting the incumbent Board members were re-elected along with new Board member Ping Lau for another year. They are: Hugh Hetherington, President and Treasurer, Susan Gelinias, Vice President and Website Coordinator, Doug Muir, Recording Secretary, Deborah Maloon, Director and Clinic Liaison, Alan Dion, Director and Past President, Ron Chapman and Ping Lau as Directors-at-Large. The annual report, financial report and budget for 2022-2023 were all approved and adopted by the members present.

Following the AGM at 7:30, Gael Hannan gave a presentation called “Getting Better at Hearing Loss”.

We continue to host two Sound Advice hearing loss workshops monthly. The West Vancouver Seniors’ Activity Centre session on the First Friday of each month at 10:00 AM is currently still being held on Zoom and the Silver Harbour Seniors’ Activity Centre session on the last Monday of each month at 10:00 AM is now in-person. We have had talks with the West Vancouver Seniors’ Centre and we will be starting hybrid sessions combined with both in-person and Zoom on October 6<sup>th</sup> 2023. Presently, attendance is good for each of these sessions, and we are reaching people from far beyond our area of operation due to the Zoom meetings.

For our April evening presentation held on April 17, we invited Bowen Tang, of Cochlear Canada to give a presentation called “When Hearing Aids are no Longer Enough”. Bowen is the Engagement Manager for Western Canada.

Evening presentations are held five times a year with guest speakers in February, April, June, September, and November on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. These are currently being held on Zoom.

Our next upcoming evening meeting is with Lorianne Jenstad. Ph.D, RAUD on June 19<sup>th</sup>. Lorianne will be presenting on the topic, “Advocating for Hearing Health Care Change in BC”.

We publish a quarterly newsletter, Mountain Ear in March, June, September, and December.

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