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Hello Friends,

The snow is falling and the New Year is dawning...WOW! The past year was eventful, not only in regards to the life of the club, but for many, personally as well.

As we were enjoying our Christmas Social on Dec. 11th, our dear friend, John Hunt passed away. Our heartfelt condolences go out to John's family. A memorial service took place in Hamilton. He leaves large shoes that will need to be filled, including for our club. These include: making grab bags, preparing door prizes, submitting club auction items, making sure all the local advertising for our show is done, arranging for the judge's gifts. We are counting on our membership to step-up to the challenge and volunteer for one or several of these roles.

Our need for a **Vice President** is also very real. This position has been vacant for some time. It may not/does not necessarily mean you have to be president next year, but you certainly would 'in training' for leading meetings and to help organize OXPEX/OTEX. Please consider standing for this position for the good of the club.

The **club fundraiser** for the Canadian Cancer Society continues, in recognition of those fighting cancer and/or lost their battle with cancer. Please continue to remember those who are struggling with this disease in your thoughts and prayers.

The **'one page' exhibit** for this session will be your choice. So now is a good time to start looking through your stamps to determine what you might need to complete a page. Remember, a one-page exhibit needs to tell a story and feature at least 3 philatelic elements. The due date for the page is **March 25, 2020**.

We will continue with our **"Stamp Share"** this session. These have been very informative. If you received a cover with a 2019 stamp on it, you are one of the lucky people who have been chosen to share information about that stamp with the club.

Preparing and planning for **OXPEX/OTEX, scheduled for March 21, 2019**, is now in full swing. We trust you are working on your exhibits and have also freed your calendar to help with all aspects of the show.

You will find the Winter/Spring schedule with this newsletter. I have also sent the schedule electronically. I hope to send out emails on the Monday before a meeting to remind you of what is happening and update any changes to the meeting schedule. Again, I am using former show covers to use up postage and envelopes which were already printed.

Looking forward to reconnecting with everyone on Wednesday, January 8, 2020!

With kindest regards,

Henny Uyl