



Nine Lives

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HHI CONVENTION DUNCAN BC CANADA SEPTEMBER 2023

Ron and I arrived in Canada and met Snark of the Universe Paul Todd (he was doing the driving) and we headed over by ferry to Vancouver Island. We arrived a day early and spent a day sightseeing in Victoria. What a fantastic place we visited the Empress Hotel and a few other places.

A visit to Craigdarroch Castle which was built by Robert Dunsmuir a Scottish immigrant who made his fortune from Vancouver Island coal. It was built between 1887 and 1890, unfortunately he passed before the house was finished. The use of timber is extensive and it appears on all floors. The cost for the timber with all its intricacies back in 1888 was \$45,000.00. Imagine what it would cost today.



Beautiful - the craftsman work is just extraordinary.



The convention started with the Snarks Reception on Friday night. Followed by the HHI Board Meeting. There was Whale watching or a Sawmill tour that the conventioners could do.



JIV Cat ready to start Board meeting.



The JIV contingent, Heather and Ron Gattone With Harvey Strack



The AGM was on Sunday and we started with the flag presentation -JIV was there with its banners

**CONGRATULATIONS TO LESCHENAUTIA CLUB 274 FOR BEING AWARDED
THE CLUB PROJECT AWARD FOR 2023.**



Harvey Strack L84754 of Leschenaultia Club 274 being presented with the Banner Pin by Snark Paul Beltgens 90928



The Hoo-Hoos out on the sawmill tour . The JIV cat did not attend this function he was busy accompanying Heather Gattone 100067 on a shopping tour instead.

The JIV cat went on adventures and he was noted visiting the Malahat skywalk what a way to spend the afternoon.



The view from top

So tall

The walk up

Ron Gattone R101 found the easy way down.



One of the highlights of the convention was a dinner at the BC Forest Discovery Centre we travelled on a train to the centre of the forest where we had a most enjoyable dinner a 20oz steak or salmon cooked expertly by the members of the Cowichan Valley Hoo-Hoo Club 229 and we were entertained by a dance troupe of the local First Nations Tribe.

The Bar-B-Q van



On the bus to the BC Discovery Centre



After the convention Paul Todd, Ron and I spent a few days in Vancouver.

The Capilano Suspension bridge and a walk through the forest was one of the best ways to spend the day.



Paul Todd and Ron Gattone



The view from the bridge



Fascinated by totem poles.

All in all a great convention meeting up with friends you only see once a year, making new ones. Enjoying the camaraderie of Hoo-Hoo fellowship, living the Golden Rule and of course you have to do all off the Business side as well.

The Golden Rule is to be:

Fraternal, Helpful, Grateful, Friendly, Tolerant, Progressive, Industrious, Ethical and Loyal