



# ***VANCOUVER INTERLINE CLUB NEWSLETTER***

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WACA

***WORLD TRAVELLERS***

## **FOR AIRLINE EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES**

*WITH LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL EVENTS*

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### SILENT AUCTION

NOV.24TH

AT

THE BUCK & EAR & GRILL

STEVESTON

see poster inside



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Recently I attended the 51<sup>st</sup> World Airlines Clubs Annual General Assembly as a delegate in Funchal Portugal. I had the opportunity to ask a number of questions which the Vancouver Interline Club wanted answers for.

Topics discussed up at the AGA meeting were.

- WACA Vision
- Footprint in Travel and Tourism
- The new WACA Corporate Image
- Position WACA as a sustainable and socially responsive "Not for Profit" within the industry.
- Strengthen our WACA Relief Fund and be responsive to humanitarian cause ie Vietnamese Street Children
- Zero Waste Flights
- Welcome back to WACA the Interline Club Sri Lanka
- To provide social and economic cases to the benefits of airline industry and the community in general.

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## VIC CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2018

Nov 24 Silent Auction Buck & Ear

Dec 12 Lafarge Park



## 2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT	Freddie Whiting	307-1909
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ASSISTANT		
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ASSISTANT		
PAST PRES	Fred Buchi	581-5508

## FROM THE EDITOR

We are always happy to receive your travel stories and pictures for publication in the newsletter.

Check out the new updated WACA website.

[www.waca.org](http://www.waca.org)

Please note our new address: Vancouver Interline Club, 14067 113A Avenue, Surrey, BC V3R 2K6 or use the e-mail on our new web site <http://www.vancouverinterlineclub.ca> Our new email is: [yvrinterlineclub@gmail.com](mailto:yvrinterlineclub@gmail.com)

To sign up for the e-mail version of the newsletter, send your e-mail to [maxpat@telus.net](mailto:maxpat@telus.net)

The Vancouver Interline Club has joined Facebook. You can now follow us and WACA on Facebook, as well as on our website.

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE** (cont'd from page 2)

### Question 1.

What happens in the event the current president is unable to continue his role?

While I asked the question, the WACA Council laid out who was on the council but did not answer who would assume the presidency.

The WACA Council consists of the following

Elected President – Maga Ramasamy

All other council members are appointed by Maga and they consist of the following

Chief Financial Officer (CFO) - Sharon Slessor

Chief Marketing/Events Officer (CMO) - Julian Chau

Administration Manager - Keith Miller

### Question 2

What has happened to the idea of Home Share that Maga introduced two years ago in Cannes, France?

I brought up the topic and all Maga said is “Why you don’t take it over”

A number of other delegates mentioned that there is a insurance issue/concern and to check your own insurance policies prior.

### Question 3

The WACA website.

At the Cannes AGA, VIC brought up issues regarding the website. Fred Buchi, suggested that I would help to maintain it. At first it was accepted but a year later there was little or no change.

Rosemarie Mamede once again brought this up last year at the 1st WACA Council Meeting of 2018 to be held on 21<sup>st</sup> of May that I was suggested to help.

At this meeting, Rosemarie Mamede once again brought up once more but Julian now said that he has been too busy with his new job and that is why it’s been delayed but it is Fred Buchi who is to help maintain the WACA website.

There is talk about WACA creating a new Web Portal application.

While not live at the moment it will have three levels...

WACA Executive level

Interline Club Level

Member Level

This system should allow each Interline club better control of their members information and thus saving time and will not need the Airline Club presidents to sign authorization forms to attend events. It would also keep track of when members need to renew their memberships along with current address, phone contact and email information.

### 2019 AGA Proposal

Location for the 2019 AGA is Mozambique, South East Africa. Close proximity to Johannesburg (JNB). Accessible by Air, Road and Rail

Date: 27-31 October 2019 (Date is Confirmed) See the WACA website for more info on Pre and Post tours.

For the 2020 AGA, Two groups have stepped up and offered to host...

- Jordan Interline Club
- Vancouver Interline Club

There will be a vote upon both clubs presenting their bid proposals at the 52<sup>nd</sup> AGA in Mozambique, Africa on the 30<sup>th</sup> of October, 2019

I know it will be a lot of work but I believe we can do it. I hope you support me and vote to host the 2020 AGA in British Columbia, Canada

Freddie Whiting, President, VIC

## Vancouver Interline Club Halloween Party Oct 30, 2018

We had a 37 people came out for our party this year and most people came in costume. The winners were:

#1 Annie Dolney ....Our resident Clown “Stitching Annie”

#2 Claude Hewitt.... Hippie ...”I Got You Claude”

#3 Patrick Finch... Longhaired Reaper “Scariest”

#4 Freddie Whiting.....”Cutest” in his jammies & fluffy tail

Our 50/50 winner was Michael Harbott and he shared the winnings with our Charity and each got \$82.00.

We had several door prizes and the winners were:

Norma Garroway, Mary Gardiner, Judith Guevara, Pat Lindeman, Ron Shackelly, Lydia Chen, Sue Laufer, Aino Canavan, Doreen Zenert, congratulations to all of you.

Freddie gave us an update on the AGA in Portugal and announced that the AGA for 2019 is in Mozambique, Africa and all details will be available on [www.waca.com](http://www.waca.com) or Facebook. He also announced that Vancouver Interline Club is bidding along with Jordan for the 2020 AGA so we will put together a package to be presented at the 2019 AGA.

Thanks to everyone for coming to our party and for dressing up it was a great turn out and hope that you all had a good time.

Cheers Ann Senko/Chairperson Entertainment Committee



## Tours and Information Report

\*Oct 7 – 14, 2018 Pre Tour, WACA – Toured Imperial Cities of Marrakech, Fez, Rabat and Casablanca.

Interline Club Portugal hosted and organized two full buses of WACA Interliners to tour Morocco with its amazing sights, sounds and olfactory heightening events. The two groups started at opposite ends of the country and met in Fez for one night and it was great to see our fellow interliners and swap stories of our adventures. The rich history of Morocco was fascinating and the country side varied and sometimes picture perfect with its old suks, mosques, palaces, roman ruins and walled cities.

The bus rides were sometimes long and taxing (12.5 hrs from Marrakech to Fez) and it was suggested to members of WACA and the Interline Club Portugal that the group would have preferred to either be flown or have an overnight stop in between. More free time to shop and relax instead of the daily rushing about was also discussed among the two groups. Our Moroccan tour guides were not really suitable for our mostly English speaking groups and more support was needed from the Interline Club Portugal representatives on tour group 2 as sometimes we felt abandoned and helpless especially when issues arose over unexpected flight cancellations. (most of us spent the night on the cold and uncomfortable floor in Lisbon airport prior to our flight to Madeira and no consideration was given to the elderly to find them better sleeping arrangements within the airport ) Rosemarie Mamede, Interline Club Portugal arranged for food vouchers for us for three meals for which we will be eternally grateful and luckily the storms passed and we were able to fly out the next day to meet up in Funchal.

Oct 14 – 18, 2018 – 51<sup>st</sup> WACA Annual General Assembly – Funchal, Madeira was one of the highlights for everyone. For one tiny island perched on mostly mountains and hills it truly is a beautiful and amazing place; just what we needed to relax and unwind. Plenty of free time and some very wonderful organized bus tours of the mountains and rock terraced hillside farms and orchards. Approx 168 Interliners from clubs around the globe danced and partied, (sometimes threw down some Euros for a chance at lady luck. (AGA in resort hotel with casino). The Vegas style revue entertainment was top notch and got us on our feet for dancing and was talked about throughout the rest of the trip among those of us fortunate to participate in the post tour of southern Spain.

\*Oct 18 – 24, 2018, Post Tour, WACA.

Alentejo and Andaluzia. With the majority of interliners departing after the AGA, Interline Club Portugal filled one bus departing Lisboa for the final leg of our 3 week journey, with an afternoon stop at Evora Portugal, where we viewed Roman ruins and an amazingly beautiful Catholic Cathedral. ( we didn't get to see the chapel of skulls located in another section of the city but that will have to wait for another visit].

The cities of Seville, Granada and Cordoba Spain were the highlights of the tour for most of us. Most of our hotels were located within or next to the ancient walled cities and the rich and fascinating history of Roman, Visigoth, Moors, Jews and Christians awaited us at every one of our overnight stops. Our last hotel in Cordoba actually had Roman ruins under the hotel and had been partially excavated much to the delight of those of us who ventured down the emergency fire stairs inside

In Cordoba many of our interliners choose to take the train to Madrid and continue home from there or use it as a launching point to continue on with further travel adventures instead of the six hour bus ride back to Lisbon

Overall it was a fantastic and enjoyable WACA 51<sup>st</sup> Pre, AGA and Post tour travel adventure and most of us took hundreds if not thousands of photos that will bring back great memories of our fellow interliners and the close comradeship we all shared.

### 2019 Tours

Feb 6 -13, 2019 Interline Club Israel. Sunny Winter Interline Event in the Holy land. \$1139 USD, Single Supplement \$578. Deposit \$395 USD January 15, 2019. Balance upon arrival. See WACA, Website - Events

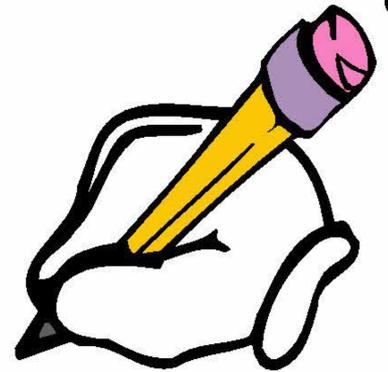
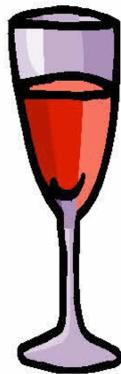
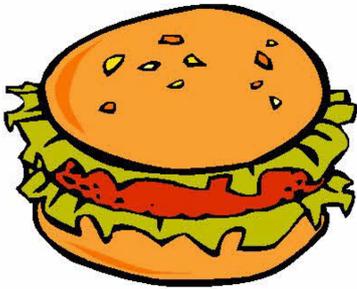
Claude Hewitt

Chair, Tours & Information - VIC

# Vancouver Interline Club Presents



## The Silent Auction *for Charity*



**When: Saturday, November 24th, 2018 from 18:00-20:00**

**Where: the Buck & Ear & Grill,  
Steveston Hotel, 12111 Third Ave, Steveston, BC**

**Cost: Members \$20.00**

**Non-Members \$25.00**

**Become a member: \$10.00**

**Menu: Beef or Veggie Burger with Drink (sleeve of lager or glass of wine), Tax and Gratuity included**

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR**

As usual, we are asking members to bring items for the Silent Auction. Please ensure that your items are in good condition to encourage bids. If possible, bring a friend to help support our charities and of course, don't forget your wallet

## **ELECTIONS FOR VIC 2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Vancouver Interline Club's Annual General Meeting will be held , Dec 3/ 18

Location : 10471 - No. 4 Road, Richmond A.Harward All current members are urged to vote for the new executive. Nominations for the new Executive must be sent in to the club

VANCOUVER INTERLINE CLUB 14067-113A Ave. Surrey B.C. V3R2K6 , or given to a current director by December 1, 2018 The position of President is a 3 year term automatically filled by the Vice President in 2020. The following positions are open for nominations. (assistants required also!)

**VICE PRESIDENT:** The Vice President will assist the resident in coordinating the general affairs of the club and acts as liaison between the executive and various appointed committees.

The Vice President automatically takes over the position of President in 2020 therefore this is a three year term position.

**SECRETARY:** The Secretary will take the Minutes at each executive meeting, will deal with all correspondence as needed. Must be able to work without direction, and be able to compose own letters and initiate follow-ups, etc. Also records names of prize winners at events.

**TREASURER:** The Treasurer is the Club's "banker". Must be good at figures and budgets. Will prepare a monthly statement of assets / liabilities.

**SOCIAL DIR.:** The Social Director will set up and coordinate all the Club's monthly events.

**PUBLICATION:** The Publications Director will write and produce the newsletter, coordinate mailing of same, and produce any other publication required.

**MEMBERSHIP:** The Membership Director will keep the Club's membership and newsletter mailing list up to date, issue new membership cards and be available at interline functions to accept new memberships.

**TOURS & INFO:** The Tours and Information Director will advise the Publications Director of interline tours available to members, keep records of same and be responsible for answering queries from members.

**NOMINATION FORM FOR 2019 EXECUTIVE**

I hereby nominate

\_\_\_\_\_

for the position of

\_\_\_\_\_

for Vancouver Interline Club for the 2019 term of office, on this date

\_\_\_\_\_

signature of  
nominator

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I hereby accept the above  
nomination

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Nominees name

\_\_\_\_\_

Address

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone:

\_\_\_\_\_ Airline

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