

# DOLLAR & PENCE

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a newsletter of Nelson &amp; District Credit Union

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## Spring Into Summer Edition

### New CEO Announced

After an extensive search process, your board of directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Tom Murray as your new CEO, effective May 1, 2016. Tom Murray's appointment comes as Doug Stoddart departs after 24 years of dedicated service to Nelson & District Credit Union.

Tom has been a valued staff member for 11 years and an active community volunteer, and he is highly respected by his peers and colleagues. He competed for the CEO position with over 20 highly qualified applicants from across Canada and demonstrated that "Logically. Locally." is a criterion that is just as important to the CEO's job as it is for our Credit Union's statement of values. No one understands our community and its needs better than long-time community members, and no one understands NDCU better than long-time employees.



Tom Murray - CEO

Tom has an economics degree from Stanford University and an MBA in finance and environmental management from the University of Washington. Before joining NDCU, he worked as a private business consultant and as the regional loans manager for Community Futures Development Corporation in Nelson. Tom lives in Nelson with his wife and two children.

On accepting the CEO position, Tom stated, "I am very excited for this opportunity, and I look forward to stewarding our Credit Union's continued success. I'm passionate about credit unions and co-operatives, as their values are increasingly important in building resiliency and sustainability in our rural areas."

"I've had the honour and pleasure of serving our members for over 11 years," Tom closes, "and I look forward to continuing that work in the communities we serve. I will work with the board,

management and staff to continue to build an organization that clearly values co-operation and community. Our Credit Union will strive to be number one in bringing value to our members and our communities, and continue to be one of the best employers in the region."

As the elected board chair of NDCU I am pleased to offer some comments on Tom Murray's appointment on behalf of the directors:

- The search leading to the appointment of our new CEO was extensive and our search committee received a wealth of applications and was very pleased with the high calibre of talent that the posting attracted.
- Based on the data collected from the board, our staff, and consultation with external HR professionals, we determined we were looking for a CEO who can meet our key goals and continue to build on our ability to support our members and the communities that we serve.
- Tom brings an incredible level of knowledge of credit-union operations, much thanks to Doug Stoddart's influence, and a strong passion for our communities and a leadership style based on teamwork and co-operation.

These characteristics will be essential in meeting our goals. We are excited to have Tom as the new CEO of Nelson & District Credit Union. If you have further questions regarding Tom's appointment, please do not hesitate to contact me. I would be happy to discuss this or any other questions you might have regarding your Credit Union.

Regards,

Andy Chute,  
Chair, Nelson & District Credit Union

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## What to Consider in an Evacuation Situation

The local officials have come to your door and have advised you that you have 5 minutes to pack what you can, and get out of your house due to an imminent threat. Now you find yourself standing in your living room paralyzed with indecision. What should I take...what's important...where is it?

Fire season for our communities is here, and now is the time to get prepared. Here are some tips that might help you make the most of that 5 minutes to help you, your family and your neighbours.

**1. Create a "Go Bag".** Place inside what is vital and important for your family to cope for up to a week out of your home. Put this bag near an outside door for easy access.

### Suggestions include:

- a. Important documents – passport, medical info, insurance
- b. Food & Water – enough for at least four days for all members of your family and any pets – don't forget a can opener!
- c. Medication
- d. Cash – try to have smaller denominations
- e. Cell phone chargers, flashlight and extra batteries
- f. First aid kit
- g. Blankets and sleeping bags
- h. Dust masks, moist towelettes, plastic bags ( can be used for personal sanitation if necessary)
- i. Sturdy shoes, change of clothes, jacket & rain gear
- j. Comfort items for small children

**2. Let's not forget our pets!** They need food, water and bedding too. If you have a carrier make sure your name, your pet's name and your cell phone number are written on the carrier.

**3. Keep your gas tank full and ensure that you have local area maps.** You don't want to have to sit in line waiting to get gas.

**4. Social media and direct text's are the best way of communicating – a text will often go through when calls do not.** Avoid calling whenever possible as calling uses much more battery power. Make sure all your important phone numbers are in your phone and that you have a paper copy in your go bag in case your phone dies and cannot be recharged.

Once you have that in place, you may want to take some steps to think about what you can do to make your home less susceptible to threats such as fire or flood.

Please visit [www.nelsoncu.com/tips](http://www.nelsoncu.com/tips) for the full article on planning for an evacuation, plus other informative articles and tips for everyday living.

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## 2016 Annual General Meeting Re-cap



Michael Bancroft

At Nelson & District Credit Union's 65th Annual General Meeting held in Nelson, BC on Tuesday, April 19, 2016, the Credit Union released positive financial results for 2015, announced long-term employee service awards, introduced acclaimed directors, acknowledged outgoing CEO Doug Stoddart and hosted a very successful Conversation Café with a panel of local community champions.



Lauren Barker

At the AGM, acclaimed directors Michael Bancroft, Lauren Barker and Colin McClure were introduced. Bancroft and McClure will serve as directors for the Nelson representative area while Barker will serve as the director at large, all for three-year terms. One director Rossland representative area position received no nominations and remains vacant. The Board of Directors also acknowledged outgoing director Regina Day for her dedicated service and passion towards the credit union system.



Colin McClure

On Wednesday, April 20, 2016 the Board of Directors elected long-standing Nelson area director Andy Chute to the position of chair. Chute has 10 years experience as a director, including the past six sitting on its executive committee.



Andy Chute - Chair

John Edwards, East Shore area director and past-chair, was elected first vice-chair while Nelson area director, John Kortram, was elected second vice-chair.

Even though this year's election process has completed, it is not too early to start thinking about next year. If being a part of the Board of Directors is something that interests you, we encourage you to contact our Executive Assistant, Virginia Makaroff, at 877.352.7207.

## ENTER TO WIN **ONE** 4-PERSON ESSENTIALS EMERGENCY KIT

The essentials emergency home kit contains **ONE** component for emergency preparedness. This 72 hour survival support bag is a starter to ensure **BASIC** emergency needs are met.

To be entered into the draw please return this clip-out to your community branch of Nelson & District Credit Union by 5:00pm on Friday, July 29, 2016.

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