

## **Benefits:**

Newcomer Clubs offer an invaluable service in each community and it is through the National Newcomers' Council of Canada that we can link everyone together, share ideas and make each club stronger because of it.

Each Newcomers' Club member has access to the National Newcomers' Council of Canada website [www.nationalnewcomerscouncil.ca](http://www.nationalnewcomerscouncil.ca) which contains our quarterly newsletter "The Link". It is full of articles on Newcomer interests across the country, ideas for meetings and activities, information on our yearly Annual General Meeting, fund raising activities and environmental issues.

Being part of the National Council gives Canada wide national exposure of your club on our National website.

Each individual Club member is also eligible to attend the AGM and become part of the National Executive as we are always looking for new members and fresh ideas.

For example, a member of our Board of the National Council states:  
"I was the President of the Comox Valley Newcomers Club on Vancouver Island last year and I would often get calls from ladies moving to Vancouver Island asking about the club which they had discovered on the National Website. We are also very involved in working with clubs that are just forming or who are struggling and need support and ideas from other clubs."

## **Costs:**

Prospective Member Clubs have asked us why the annual dues are dependent on the number of members in each club

As you know, instead of charging each individual Newcomers' Club member ,we only charge each Club a fee, so clubs with more members pay a higher overall fee.

Please see our audited Statement of Revenue & Expenses for each year, (specifically the 2007 Statement is in the 2007 Q4 copy of "The Link") for details on how the funds we raise are used to achieve our objectives of friendship and the sharing of ideas to make our clubs stronger.

Respectfully submitted: Judy Francis, NNCC Registrar/Treasurer May 2, 2009