

## Travel SIG notes for March 7, 2024

11 attendees, maybe a few more? In alphabetical order based on memory:

Scherry Allison (?)

Pam Jordan

Michael Hohol

Walt Lyons

Kevin McCaghren

Kristi Norman

Ed Ogle

Robert Petterson (?)

Rich Roberts

Joan and Jim Sayre

Albert Wang

Presented slides on:

Poll results

Previous “expedition” outings (much of the information from Guy Turenne)

Some information on previous “travelogue” meeting (information from Guy Turenne and Walt Lyons)

Discussion/comments on meeting:

It was suggested to go to monthly in order to gain traction, so there will likely be an April meeting.

Try to have sign-up for future meetings so there is a planned agenda. If a particular destination is to be discussed, can see if multiple people have gone there.

(Update: Albert currently considering Thursday April 18 for next meeting.)

Albert Wang is current SIG leader/moderator but asked if someone was interested in taking this role. Kristi Norman indicated she might be willing to take this role in the future.

Discussion/comments on travelogue:

Need to have some sort of structure or parameters on content. Examples: best images, what do you need to know for that trip, what might you do different. If topic is known, allow questions to be asked in advance.

There was some debate on time limits being short or long. If too long, especially if too many images shown, it may start to bore some of the audience. If too short, might not cover some information well.

May want to ask who’s gone on a trip in the last year and is willing to present.

Discussion/comments on expeditions:

If an expedition outing is proposed, those interested can set up their own email thread or meeting afterward on their own schedule (not tied to Travel SIG schedule) to organize.

Subject of spouses on trips was brought up.

Recommended to contact Rick Dunnahoo and ask if he would speak about trip planning.

(Update: contacted by email on 3/11, he seems to be amenable to speaking on this.)

Albert Wang gave sample travelogue slide set on 2023 trip to Churchill, Manitoba, Canada to see polar bears and beluga whales