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**Aboriginal Action Circle (AAC) / Cercle d'action autochtone (CAA)**

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We seek to assist the PSAC, the National Capital Regional Council (NCRC) and the Locals that compromise the council in carrying out the actions outlined in the PSAC Statement of Principles on Aboriginal Peoples' Rights.

## **Meetings**

There is a meeting in the region at 5:30 at 15 Holland, in the Ottawa regional office every fourth Wednesday of the month. A smudging ceremony takes place at 5 p.m.

## **Current representatives (2013)**

Chair – Vacant

Representative to the NCR Council – John Henri Commanda [john.henri@videotron.ca](mailto:john.henri@videotron.ca)

Secretary - Marie-Louise Larocque: [marie-louise.larocque@tc.gc.ca](mailto:marie-louise.larocque@tc.gc.ca)

Treasurer - Toni Mathews - [toni.matthews@vac-aac.gc.ca](mailto:toni.matthews@vac-aac.gc.ca)

## **Aboriginal Action Circle Annual Report for the National Capital Regional Council**

2012 was a somewhat challenging year for the AAC with a change in leadership which resulted in a lower than normal participation rate at local meetings and events. With that being said, members who did attend meeting and events demonstrated the commitment to improving and enhancing the quality of life for those Aboriginal People whom they were representing. Congratulations to the members who endured the various challenges and maintained their pride to ensure the visibility and voice of the AAC in the NCR.

The following outlines a number of the activities and events which the AAC undertook in the past year.

- Participation in the Labour Day parade
- Participation in Idle No More events on Dec. 21 and Jan 11
- Hosted a Christmas dinner for the clients of the Shawenjeagamik Drop In Centre
- NAPC meetings which both Charlotte and Edward attended
- Leadership summit which both Charlotte and Edward attended
- National Human Rights Committee with Charlotte attended
- Networking with the Urban Aboriginal People group
- The AAC also met in September, October and December.
- December was the AAC Annual General Membership meeting (Elections)

## **Since the January 2013 NCR Council meeting the following activities have taken place:**

- Regular monthly meetings (Feb, March, April and May)
- Election of a new Chair (*report submitted before May meeting*)
- Strategic Planning Session took place February 2013