

# Hook, Line & Sinker

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## **Our Purpose**

To encourage and develop interest in sport fishing and to foster and actively promote conservation and to participate in activities designed to promote habitat restoration and salmon enhancement in the Sidney area.

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## **Next Meeting**

**Time: 7:30 p.m.**

**Date: Monday, 22 March 2010**

**Where: Mary Winspear Centre**

## **MINUTES OF THE ANGLERS' GENERAL MEETING HELD 22 FEBRUARY 2010**

### **Members and Guests Present –**

**President Jim Halston called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm**

It was moved by Dave Kerr and seconded by Ken Clements that the minutes of the last meeting (February 22, 2010) be accepted. MOTION CARRIED.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Jim Halston advised the membership that we received a letter from the Town of Sidney supporting the placement of our Pink Net Pen at the foot of the dock at the end of Beacon Avenue.

### **NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

Dennis Jordhoy

Don Young

Mr. Stober

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Dallas Stober

Assets	\$ 12,700.	Tide Book Receipts	\$ 5,200.
Current YTD Earnings	\$ 1,300.	Ramp Receipts	\$ 2,000.
Membership Dues	\$ 900.	Ramp Expenses	\$ 1,300.

Notes: Dallas noted that we have 64 memberships renewed for 2010 and 15 more tonight.

Dallas reminded the membership that there is plenty of Sidney Anglers' Merchandise still available. Hats are \$15. each, T-shirts \$10. each and Burgees are \$20. each (there are 87 left).

A motion was made by Doug Ellison and seconded by Gerry Fisher to accept the report. The membership were all in favour.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Ramp Report** - Richard Lake and Claude Theriault.

Claude advised that there was no new information to report.

**Town of Sidney Report** – Brian Dunic and Dallas Stober

Dallas mentioned that there was some damage to the wharf at the ramp but that a new wharf was going in.

**Bar Report** – Stan Stubbs

<b>Beer</b>	58 cans	<b>Coolers</b>	16
<b>Pop</b>	26 cans	<b>Cash</b>	+39.80
<b>Wine</b>	4 ltrs.		

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Pink Net Pen Update** - Jim Halston advised the membership that, to date we have not received any confirmation from DFO that we will be receiving approval for our Net Pen and at this late date he didn't think that we could pull it off as there are so many tasks involved to make it happen. The Pink Net Pen is not likely to become a reality for us this year.

Grant MacPherson suggested that we contact the Cowichan and ask if they have the ability and resources to take the fry. Jim and the membership felt that this was a great idea.

2. Further to a concern brought up at the last meeting by Stan Stubbs that the membership was in violation of a prior Sidney Anglers' Association motion regarding donations to non-fishing related groups, etc..., Jim Halston confirmed that we were indeed in violation. He advised the membership that, in future, we will require a notice of motion at least one month prior to a motion being passed for donations more than \$500. to any fishing or non-fishing related group. Executive can vote on and pass a motion for donations of up to \$500. for any "fishing related" group without further input from the rest of the membership.
3. A motion was made at our last meeting (motion 1000-10) to discuss the issue of a membership roster being distributed to all members. There was discussion with the membership as to what information should be included on this list and it was decided that it would be a list of just names and phone numbers. It was agreed that the list will be distributed at our April meeting and unless a member notifies a member of Executive either through email or by telephone by April 19th that they do not wish to appear on the list, their name will be distributed on a roster to all members at our April 26, 2010 meeting.

Doug Ellison suggested that perhaps we should also add a disclaimer regarding the use of the information on the list at the bottom of the roster.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Upon approval of the membership Bruno Bauer spoke to us about some new prawn traps that he would be building and selling at his Aqua Tackle shop. He talked about how he came to build these traps and discussed the many advantages of the traps over the conventional traps being used - including that they will catch more prawns. He advised the membership that these traps are better than commercial traps, however, they do not stack. The traps sell for \$75. each and come with a 3 year guarantee on parts. He also advised that if you buy three you will get a special deal. Give Bruno a call at his shop

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(phone: 250-361-7724) or visit his shop at 10109c McDonald Park Road, across the highway in Sidney. Please note that it is best to call ahead as he is not always there. Also see our Sidney Anglers' website for more info and a map of how to get there.

2. Edgar Hutchinson asked the membership if they would be interested in a Sidney Anglers' Coffee Meet. The majority of the membership were definitely interested so an appropriate day of the week (Wednesday) was selected by a show of hands.

The meet will be held every Wednesday at 10.00 am. at Mary's Bleue Moon café, Canora Road and everyone is welcome. This will be a meet where a bunch of friendly people can get together every week to discuss fishing tips and tricks or anything else you might be interested in. You don't have to show up every week and you can drop in for a few minutes or stay for a longer period - it doesn't matter - this is your Coffee Meet and all we ask is that you enjoy yourself. If you have any comments or questions, please contact Edgar Hutchinson at 250-656-2504.

3. Barry Freeman brought up the Halibut Derby and made a motion (1001-10) that it be changed to March 14, 2010. The motion was seconded by Bruno Bauer. He gave a number of reasons why this should be changed and there was some discussion. A vote of the membership was taken and a majority of the membership was in favour of this change by a show of hands.

**FISHING REPORTS OR STORIES**

- Clive and Bob caught two Halibut - one 30lbs and the other 28lbs - using octopus and white grub.
- Bob Haney caught an 8 lb salmon south of James island and also caught a 22lb and 38lb Halibut using an electric chair hootchie on salmon gear.
- A friend of Barry Freeman's caught a 15lb spring.
- Jim Halston caught a 70lb Halibut trolling the Fairway.
- Grant MacPherson and Larry Dalziel both mentioned that the herring were in at the Gorge and various spots off the waterfront in Victoria.

**MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE DRAW**

Russell Moore's name was drawn last meeting for \$25. Colin Menzies was the winner of the draw this evening and he accepted a cheque for \$25. Congratulations Colin.

**NEXT DERBY**

**Fish and Chips Derby** - March 14, 2010

**LADDER BOARD:** January - Bert Vanderveen:

<b>January:</b>
Brian Dunic - 22.9lb and 10.12lb chinook - Fairfax
Barry Mayes - 18.8lb chinook - Sidney Channel
Steve Dvorsky - 14.5lb and 11.2 lb chinook - Moresby
Gerry Fisher - 11.11lb chinook - Fairfax
Peter Kopac - 10.5lb - Moresby
Luke Gysbers - 9.3lb - Coal
Grant MacPherson - 8lb - Sidney Channel
Dallas Stober - 7.8lb, 7lb and 6.6lb - Arbutus and Moses
Ken Clements - 7.3lb - Powder Wharf
Colin Menzies - 6lb - Pat Bay
<b>Winner of Draw for January is Dallas Stober</b>

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Tonight's speaker, Joanne Skakun, spoke to us about How to Catch Halibut. Joanne talked to the membership about the equipment required, the bait used and demonstrated sliding set-ups for hook-ups, anchoring methods, trolling setups, harpooning and hog tying your catch, etc... She also provided a an anchoring diagram for Shirley Johnson to scan and send out to the membership. As always, the membership enjoyed Joanne's informative presentation.

**UPCOMING SPEAKER:** For March's meeting one of our members, Tom Davis of Rhys-Davis Lures, will be giving a presentation to the membership about fishing bait and he will be discussing various techniques.

**MEETING DATE:** March 22, 2010

**A Motion for adjournment was made by Ken Clements and seconded by Cliff Kindree. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.**