

# 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, 28 February 2011

**Where:** Mary Winspear Centre

## **MINUTES OF THE ANGLERS' GENERAL MEETING HELD 24 January 2011**

### **Members and Guests Present –**

**President Brian Dunic called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.** It was moved by Barry Freeman and seconded by Bert Vander veen that the minutes of the last meeting (November 22, 2010) be accepted. MOTION CARRIED.

### **INTRODUCTION OF 2011 EXECUTIVE**

President, Brian Dunic	250-655-1077
Vice-President, Larry Dalziel	250-655-6548
Past President, Jim Halston	250-652-7891
Treasurer, Dallas Stober	250-655-0033
Secretary, Shirley Johnson	250-658-8591
<b><u>Directors:</u></b>	
Claude Theriault	250-656-6857
Dave Stephen	250-656-4807
Ken Clements	250-652-2993
<b><u>Ramp Chairman:</u></b>	
Ian Nadiger	250-656-5147

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

N/A

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Dallas Stober

As the Treasurer was not able to attend this evening there was nothing to report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Ramp Report** - Larry Dalziel and Jim Dunn

Brian introduced Larry Dalziel and Jim Dunn who are responsible for managing the ramp duty volunteer responsibilities this year. In February Larry and Jim will bring a volunteer calendar so that members can sign up for ramp duty.

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

Brian Dunic reported that the Sidney Anglers' Association had to pay out \$438. to repair the ticket machine last year. It has always been our responsibility. Brian further advised that he and Dallas indicated to the Town that it is getting more expensive to fix this machine and it would be appropriate for this expense to be shared 50/50 with the town when the new agreement is signed.

Don Carter suggested that we take the expenses out of the money we give to the town at the end of the year – Brian will look into this.

**Bar Report/Inventory**

Brian advised the membership that, before the New Year, Stan announced that with the new drinking and driving regulations, etc..., he has decided to step down from his role of tending bar for our meetings; he will however continue to manage the bar at the AGM and the picnic. Stan also noted that he doesn't really sell enough beer at each meeting to warrant the amount of hassle that the administration of this function causes. The Mary Winspeare will no longer sponsor us for the liquor license as they have done in the past. In order to continue this function we would have to go to the RCMP and local liquor store for each event/meeting to have them sign off on our license. Brian asked if anyone is willing to take this on. There were no interested members.

As a result, we will no longer have alcohol at our meetings.

**OLD BUSINESS:****1. Fishing Derby Update - Dave Stephens**

Dave mentioned that Ken Clements would be selling Derby tickets at the meeting.

Sponsorship – Dave Stephens advised that Home Hardware sponsored \$1000. cash and should be recognized for this. Bruno Bauer is also going to sponsor this event– don't know how much, however, his support is appreciated also. If you know anyone who wants to sponsor please let us know.

Rod tickets have been printed and are available for sale at Trotac Marine and Island Outfitters with Derby Banquet tickets as well – they will hopefully be selling over the internet soon, as soon as we sort out some issues with PayPal.

There will be a moorage discount at Van Isle Marina during the Derby but at this time we are not sure how much the discount will be (we think it will be two nights as about 50 cents a foot but this isn't confirmed). The Town of Sidney is also supporting the Derby by providing power and possibly waving launch fees.

The Works Department application has gone in and will go before Town Council as we will have liquor and gaming license. We have rules and regulations developed and they are on the back of the tickets.

We are trying to keep the number of volunteers down but definitely need some for specific tasks. Anyone who has an Industrial First Aid or Serve it Right designation we can definitely use them. Dave advised that he would be circulating a roster at the meeting and indicated that members who are interested should sign up. We require volunteers to provide their name, number, email and any specific skills including dates of the Derby that they are available. We aren't restricting volunteers to members, so if you have relatives, friends, etc... that might be interested in volunteering please let them know to contact us. We will fund the fuel if you are selected as one of the five patrol boats. Other tasks we require volunteers for is for the set-up of tents, marshalling, parking and people at the ramp. There are always lots of jobs to do at a Derby. If you could sign up we would really appreciate it.

Dave further advised the membership that we are urging as many of the sponsors as possible to come forward with corporate banners for the tents, fencing, etc.... Colin has come up with a couple of logos for the club and salmon derby as potential banners for the Derby which can also be used for other Association functions such as the Museum display and annual picnic. We propose two

Banners; 2 ft wide and 8 ft long at \$150 each (a sample of the banners was circulated to the membership for viewing).

Don McIvor advised the membership that he and Gerry Fisher have been asked to call on potential sponsors, however he has not been advised what the sponsorship package is. He emphasized that we need to be consistent with what we offer and have a package that applies to everyone on an equal basis. He asked what we are offering the sponsors? Do they get free rods? Are the sponsors allowed to fish in the Derby? These are the questions that need to be answered in order for us to solicit and entice sponsorship. Don also mentioned that, traditionally, banquet tickets have been supplied to sponsors – he asked if we will be following through with this? Don advised that he and Gerry will stay after this meeting and we need as many of the Committee members as possible to stay after with us so that decisions can be made on these matters as soon as possible.

Dave advised that one of the things that the Committee talked about in the past is that we weren't kicking back any rods to the sponsors or dinner tickets as that takes money away from the sponsorship amount. Don argued that this should not be the case; we have got to give them something to entice their sponsorship. It doesn't cost us that much in the long run.

Dave advised that we will wait to discuss all of these issues at the end of the meeting and that anyone who wants to stay for this is welcome. Don Carter suggested that we should not give away launches at our ramp as we usually collect and this money goes to enhancement.

2. **Derby Prize Money:** Brian Dunic advised that in October we presented a notice of motion that we would be voting on the following at the AGM:

Members will be requested to pick up their prize winnings from the regular Anglers' Derbies at an SAA meeting - it can be any meeting, as long as they attend and pick up the prize money before the AGM every year otherwise those winnings will be donated to conservation efforts directly on behalf of the Anglers.

As we did not do this at the AGM, I would like to vote on this item this evening. First of all I need a motion?

Larry Dalziel moved seconded that we vote on this motion and Barry Freeman seconded. Motion carries by a show of hands with no discussion.

3. **Reminder** : Brian advised everyone that the fees for membership have increase from \$15. to \$20. for a single membership and from \$20. to \$25. for a family membership as voted on at the AGM.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Dan Claxton**, our new member, wanted to address the membership to speak about the Coho Net Pen and talk about his side of the Pink Net Pen issue. He was going to come tonight but had another meeting that required his attendance. He wants to have us help with a Coho net pen, at least one on James Island and a second off of the foot of Sidney. Brian further explained that this would be the same idea as we had with the Pinks in that they would be acclimatized to this area and when they come back to spawn it is hoped that they would come back here. We would get them from Goldstream and they (the Tsawout Band) will be taking care of the paperwork, etc...

Chris Bos advised that for those of us who know how the process went for the pink salmon – he believes that that there is nothing wrong with going with this but he thinks that they should be held to the same standard that we were held. As they advised us, there is extreme risk to the transfer of fish. He asked Brian that he make sure that this is done to the highest level of standards so we are not responsible if something goes wrong. They can't transfer fish without the transfer permit. We went through other levels such as a risk assessment and he believes that they should have to go through the same.

Brian advised that Dan is at the Coastal Visions Conference. He advised that Shirley has sent out a copy of the information on this Conference and will resend it. This is a free forum if anyone is interested.

2. **PAST PRESIDENT** – Brian Dunic presented Jim Halston, our Past President with the official Past President's hat. He also thanked Jim on behalf of the membership for his hard work. There was a round of applause from the membership.

### **FISHING REPORTS OR STORIES**

Don McIvor – caught a 12lb on cut strip at Arbutus.  
Brian Dunic advised that he caught quite a few crab.

**MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE DRAW**

Robino Dunic's name was drawn at the last meeting for \$50. but he was not in attendance. The draw for this meeting was for \$75.

Brian advised that as we have 175 members signed up and only sixty or tags we will be waiting until the next meeting to do a double draw for attendance and we will have enough tags to do this at that time.

**OTTO WIGGINS WINTER DERBY – January 16, 2011 – Results:**

<b>ANGLER</b>	<b>SPECIES</b>	<b>WEIGHT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>LURE</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> place</b> Leo Chrzanowski	Chinook	19 lb 14oz	Arbutus	Glo Blo Hootchy
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> place</b> Dave Watson	Chinook	17 lb 9 oz	Coal Island	Strip
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> place</b> Brian Dunic	Chinook	16 lb 7oz	Coal Island	Strip
<b>4<sup>th</sup> place</b> Barry Freeman	Chinook	14 lb 1 oz	Coal Island	Purple Haze Hootchy
<b>5<sup>th</sup> place</b> Ryan Freeman	Chinook	12 lb 10 oz	Coal Island	Purple Haze Hootchy
<b>Junior Prize</b> Connor Larkie	Chinook	4 lb 6oz	Coal Island	Anchovy
<b>OTHER FISH CAUGHT</b>				
Bob Hall	Chinook	12 lb 4 oz	Fairfax	Anchovy
Chris Macris	Chinook	10 lb 10 oz	Coal	Anchovy
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Dan Claxton	Chinook	9 lb 9 oz	Coal	Strip
Jim Halston	Chinook	9 lb 3 oz	Coal	Tomic Plug
Steve Roberts	Chinook	8 lb 1 oz	Fairfax	Coyote Spoon
Steve Dvorsky	Chinook	6 lb 3 oz	Moresby	Anchovy

**Winner of attendance draw for \$25. at the Derby was Chris Macris.**

Brian advised the membership that the Derby winners could collect their cheques/trophies at the front of the room.

### **NEXT DERBY**

Fish and Chips Halibut Derby - Scheduled for Sunday, March 27, 2011

**LADDER BOARD:** Bert van der Veen:

<b>OCTOBER:</b>
- Cliff Kindree, 10.6 and 9 lb Chinook at Coal Isl. and 9.8 and 7 lb Coho at Sidney and Pender
- Leo Chrzanowski, 9.10 lb Coho at Sidney
- Alex Onischuk, 8.8 lb Chinook at Red Can
- Colin Menzies, 7 lb Chinook at Saanich Inset
<b>Winner of Draw for October is: Alex Onischuk</b>

<b>NOVEMBER:</b>
- Don McIvor, 14.8, 6 and 6 lb Chinook at Coal and Sidney
- Dave Kerr, 12.7 and 6 lb Chinook at Sidney Channel
- Cliff Kindree, 8 lb Chinook at Coal
- Jim Lee, 8 lb Chinook at Sidney Channel
<b>Winner of Draw for November is: Don McIvor</b>

<b>DECEMBER:</b>
- Brian Dunic, 14.5 lb Chinook at Fairfax Point
<b>Winner of Draw for December is: Brian Dunic</b>

**GUEST SPEAKER: Chris Bos - Halibut Allocation and Coho Conservation also to be discussed.**

At their IPHC (International Pacific Halibut Commission) meeting they will make the decision within days of that meeting as to whether or not we will be able to fish Halibut and for how long.

Letters and postcards must go out and we would like a copy plus please send us a copy. Grant MacPherson has made copies of the package that is on the website and copies are available at the back of the room if you would like a copy.

Port Hardy is doing a meeting as are Prince Rupert , Terrace and Port Alberni. We are doing what we can on your behalf but we need the voice of the people to speak out against this. Not form letters but actual original drafted letters. Phone your MP and tell him/her that you are angry and want him/her to do something about this.

70%of all commercial caught halibut leaves this country – this year it will probably be 90%. Your supermarket prices will go up if you want to put Halibut on your dinner table this year.

We are recommending that from Feb 1 – Dec 3, we have a limit of 2 per day and 2 in possession and that will make minimal impact.

Unfortunately we ran out of time before Chris could address the Coho Conservation issue.

**UPCOMING SPEAKER:**

Our next speaker will be announced at a later date.

**MEETING DATE:** Monday, February 28, 2011

A Motion for adjournment was made by Ken Clements and seconded by Don Young. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.