

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, 23 January 2012

Where: Mary Winspear Centre

MINUTES OF THE ANGLERS' ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 28 November 2011

Members and Guests Present – 69

President Brian Dunic called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm It was moved by Claude Theriault and seconded by Dave Stephen that the minutes of the last meeting (October 24, 2011) be accepted. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS

N/A

CORRESPONDENCE

N/A

PRESENTATION OF THE SIDNEY ANGLERS' ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL AUDIT
FISCAL YEAR 2010/2011: – Doug Ellison

At the request of the President, an audit of the financial records of the Sidney Anglers' Association including the records for the operation of the Launch Ramp for Fiscal Year 2010/2011 was conducted during the period of 7 to 27 November 2011.

The Sidney Anglers' Accounting Records as presented by the Treasurer including records covering the revenue from the sale of annual memberships, ramp launch tickets, seasonal and annual launch passes and the 2011 Annual Derby were reviewed for the period commencing 1 November 2010 to 31 October 2011. The financial statements dated 31 October 2011 recording a membership equity of \$14,222.40 were deemed to present fairly the true financial position of the Association to the end of the fiscal year. The financial records were subjected to extensive scrutiny due to some inconsistencies encountered due to the change of treasurers midway through the Financial Year. With the assistance of the current Treasurer and past President/Treasurer Brian Smith, it was determined that the records reflecting a membership equity of \$14,222.40 as at Oct 31, 2011 is truly presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards and on a basis consistent with that of the previous year.

Discrepancies noted during the course of the audit were discussed with the Treasurer and resolved. A reconciliation of the Coast Capital Savings Bank Balances was included in the documents presented to Executive to confirm that they are in agreement with the end of the Fiscal Year Financial Statements presented by the Treasurer. In addition, some recommendations were given to the Treasurer and the Executive to enhance the accounting records in future years. These too are documented.

A motion was made by Dave Stephen and seconded by Bill Stringer to accept the Financial Audit for Fiscal 2010/2011 as reported. The membership was all in favour.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. An update was given by **Bill Stringer regarding arrangements for the Annual Sidney Anglers' Fishing Derby**. He also advised the membership that the website was now up and running.
2. **Elections for the 2012 Executive** – The President introduced our Elections Officer, Mr. Rick Fell. He advised the membership that the elections would take place later in the evening and requested than anyone wishing to make a nomination talk to Rick early in the evening so that he can prepare.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2. Donation to the Food Bank** – It was moved by Brian Vanderkracht and seconded by Cliff Kindree at our previous meeting that the Anglers donate \$500.00 to the Food Bank.

The President proceeded to request a discussion or vote on the motion. There was, again, a vigorous discussion on the matter. Some members made strong cases for the donation to proceed. Members pointed out that there are other charities that should receive equal consideration. Another member felt that this was the only charity of this kind in Sidney. Yet another made the argument that this wasn't a conservation related donation and we should continue with the drop box and private donations and it would not be necessary to make a donation from the Association.

Alex Onishchuck made a new motion to donate \$500 to the Food Bank and Cliff Kindree seconded that motion. The motion was carried by show of hands from the membership in favour.

The President advised the membership that we have provided a drop box for non-perishable foods and thanked members for their donations. He went on to advise that we had a representative in attendance at this meeting who was willing to accept any generous personal donations.

- 3. RAMP** - Larry Dalziel and Jim Dunn

A draw was held for everyone who volunteered on the Ramp this year and the winner of the rod and reel combo was Don McIvor. Congratulations Don!

FISHING REPORTS OR STORIES

Rick Fell reported that he caught six Coho off of the Powder Wharf in Sidney Channel recently.

Another member reported catching springs 60, 50 and 40 ft down at the red can boy.

MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE DRAW

At the meeting before last, Ken Clements' name was drawn for \$200. At the last meeting we did not have an attendance draw because Ken was away spending his winnings and we did not have the membership list with us, so tonight we held a draw for \$25. The name drawn was Jimmy Lee (not in attendance). Another name was drawn, Doug Hamilton who was also not in attendance. The Next Draw is for \$75.

NEXT DERBY

Otto Wiggins Winter Derby, Sunday, 22 January 2012

LADDER BOARD: Bert van der Veen:

OCTOBER:
Winner of Draw is: Cliff Kindree with a 5.5 lb Coho.

2012 ELECTIONS FOR SAA EXECUTIVE – Rick Fell, Electoral Officer

Brian Dunic advised the membership that, our member, Rick Fell volunteered to take on the role of Electoral Officer this year and, since our last meeting and the email sent out by our Secretary regarding the elections, he has been accepting nominations for the SAA 2012 Executive.

Rick took the floor and after a brief overview of how the Election process would be conducted, he asked for nominations for each position on Executive one at a time. Each nomination was followed by a show of hands to vote on the nomination.

President :

Grant MacPherson and Don McIvor nominated Brian Dunic – no objections - the nomination is voted on by a show of hands in favour.

Brian Dunic is appointed to the position of President.

Vice-President:

Dave Stephen and Gerry Fisher nominated Larry Dalziel – no objections – the nomination is voted on by a show of hands in favour.

Larry Dalziel is appointed to the position of Vice-President.

Secretary:

Cliff Kindree nominated Shirley Johnson – no objections – the nomination is voted on by a show of hands in favour.

Shirley Johnson is appointed to the position of Secretary.

Treasurer:

Brian Smith nominated Ken Clements – no objections – the nomination is voted on by a show of hands in favour.

Ken Clements is appointed to the position of Treasurer

Directors:

Dave Stephen nominated Bill Stringer
Larry Dalziel nominated Dave Stephen
Richard Lake nominated Claude Theriault

No objections to these nominations. A show of hands is called for each nomination and **all are appointed.**

Member at Large:

Dave Stephen nominated Jim Halston. Cliff Kindree nominated Richard Lake. Both were asked to leave the room. No objections were heard for these nominations. A show of hands was requested to vote for each nominee and **Jim Halston was appointed by a majority.**

THE BUFFET AND DOOR PRIZE DRAW

The President invited everyone to enjoy the impressive buffet of smoked salmon, salads, desserts, etc.

While members enjoyed the buffet Cliff Kindree conducted the Door prize draw. Each attendee received a free door prize ticket. There were a limited number of prizes awarded in numerical order. Each winner received the specific prize associated with the number drawn.

MESSAGE TO THE MEMBERSHIP

The President thanked all of the members for their participation in our Association and its numerous activities. He went on to say that we are here as a group of individuals to enjoy the camaraderie and social aspects as well as our common interest in fishing.

Brian went on to say that our annual events such as this and our Barbecue in June are a highlight we all look forward to in addition to our Annual April Fishing Derby and other smaller derbies. The love of the ocean and fishing, as well as our conservation/volunteer activities are what brings us all together as a group.

Brian advised that we have accomplished a great deal to reach our goals in 2011 and he said that he looks forward to working with all of you to make 2012 an even happier and more successful New Year.

UPCOMING SPEAKER: To be determined

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, January 23, 2012

A Motion for adjournment was made by Cliff Kindree and seconded by Dave Stephen. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.

EVERYONE HAVE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS SEASON AND A

HEALTHY/HAPPY NEW YEAR!