

# 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 November 2010

**Where:** Mary Winspear Centre

## MINUTES OF THE ANGLERS' GENERAL MEETING HELD 25 October 2010

**Members and Guests Present – 41**

**President Jim Halston called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm** It was moved by Bert van der Veen and seconded by Cliff Kindree that the minutes of the last meeting (September 27, 2010) be accepted. MOTION CARRIED.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None.

## NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS

**Norm Paquette**

**Jeanette Larson**

## TREASURERS REPORT: Dallas Stober

Assets	\$ 13,000.	Ramp Receipts	\$ 31,600.
Current YTD Earnings	\$ 1,667.	Ramp Expenses	\$ 25,300.
Membership Dues 131 Paid Members	\$ 2,130.	Tide Receipts	\$ 3,200.
		Merchandise (Caps, Burgees, etc.)	\$ 725.

A motion was made by Dave Kerr and seconded by Claude Theriault to accept the report. The membership were all in favour.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

Richard and Claude are retiring from this function and we are looking for volunteers.

Larry Dalziel and Jim Dunn volunteered to supervise the ramp for the next year. A special thanks to you both for taking on this role!

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

Brian advised that they met last week but that there was nothing to report.

### **Bar Report** – Stan Stubbs

Stan announced that with the new drunk 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.

He posed the question to the membership of whether or not we should continue to have alcohol at our meetings. It was decided that we would postpone any decision on this matter for the AGM.

<b>Beer</b>	42 cans	<b>Coolers</b>	7
<b>Pop</b>	35 cans	<b>Cash</b>	60.20
<b>Wine</b>	12 ltrs.		

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. There was a discussion and presentation regarding Sidney Anglers Association hosting and running a Fishing Derby in the New Year (this was presented at the latter part of the meeting after the guest speaker, so some members decided not to stay for this portion).

**OLD BUSINESS CONT'D:**

The members were so interested in moving forward with the derby that with a group of 32 members (twelve more than necessary for a quorum) we had a unanimous vote to hold the derby. The members did not want to wait until the AGM and delay the process. The Derby Committee will now go forward to actively seek out sponsors and prices on all aspects associated with the operation of a major fishing a derby of this kind.

Jim Halston advised the membership that the Derby Committee meets every two weeks and invited members to attend if they would like to participate in the planning and organizing of this event.

2. A motion was passed at the last meeting to increase our SAA Annual membership dues.

The motion was: to increase our Sidney Anglers' Membership Fees by \$5 from \$15 - \$20 for a single and family membership to \$20 and \$25 next year contingent upon it not being in violation of the Constitution.

Executive have reviewed the constitution and it states that such a motion "may" be passed at the AGM, therefore, we are presenting a notice of motion that this will be put to a vote at the AGM on November 22nd.

There was a very lengthy discussion on this issue which branched off into several other issues such as "how to save money on our expenses so that we didn't have to raise the dues". The Executive agreed to look into these issues however as our constitution dictates, it was noted that we will be voting on this issue at the AGM in November.

3. At our last meeting we a notice of motion was presented for a donation of \$1,000. to the Sidney Lions to be put to vote at our October meeting.

Jim Halston asked if there was any opposition to the motion being voted on before we proceeded to a vote. Richard Lake advised the membership that he opposes to the motion and that the donation should be fish/conservation related as we have spoken about in the past. Doug Ellison advised that he opposes but would make a motion instead to donate \$500. He suggested that we could have a can with a slot in it for cash donations and a box for food donations at the AGM as well.

Several members really liked the idea of having private cash donations and a box for canned/boxed food donations at the AGM instead of making a formal donation from the SAA.

It was noted that we needed to vote on the original motion made by Don McIvor before we can consider any other motions. Don Young seconded the original motion to make a \$1000. donation to the food bank. It was put to a vote and it was defeated as there was no support from the membership.

After this, Doug Ellison decided not to go forward with his motion to donate \$500. to the food bank and instead suggested that we go with his other idea of private cash donations and a box to be provided at the AGM for canned/boxed food donations. Jim Halston noted that we didn't have to vote on this but that he wanted to see how many people were interested in doing this. The support for this idea was overwhelming so we will proceed with this suggestion for the AGM. It was noted that any cash donation \$20.00 or over would receive a tax receipt.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Derby Prize Money: This is a notice of motion that we will 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.

2. Nomination of Life Members: If any members wish to nominate another member for a lifetime membership please advise Executive by email of the reason for the nomination by November 1/2010 so that the lifetime memberships can be presented at the AGM.
3. After hearing of the good returns at Goldstream in our Fishing Reports and Stories section (noted below) Doug Ellison made a motion that we make a \$1000. donation to Goldstream Hatchery and the motion was seconded by Will Keay.

A very lengthy discussion then ensued regarding our relationship with the Goldstream Hatchery. Some members also recommended that we a representative of the Goldstream Hatchery come and speak again at a meeting in the new year and we could then present them with the donation. There was a great deal of support for this idea.

Ideas also came about to consider making a donation to the Duncan/Cowichan Hatchery as well. This needed to be looked into further to determine a correct contact and discuss the issue with them. Jim Halston agreed to work on developing a contact for future consideration of a donation.

The original motion was finally voted on and passed by a vote of well over 50 per cent of the membership. The \$1000. donation to the Goldstream Hatchery was approved and Jim Halston agreed to invite them to speak at a meeting in the new year so that we can present them with the donation.

### **FISHING REPORTS OR STORIES**

- Richard Lake was hiking at Goldstream and there were quite a few fish, a few coho and one or two springs.
- Jim Ralph mentioned that they already have springs and coho. Joyce Menzies said it was the best return they had in 10 years.
- Doug Ellison said that if they are having good returns we should ensure that we support them - this led to the motion noted above regarding the donation to Goldstream.
- Someone else mentioned that Sooke apparently had good returns, late, but good.

### **MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE DRAW**

Cliff Kindree's name was drawn for the \$75. at the last meeting so the draw tonight is for \$25. Eric Oja's name was drawn, however he was not in attendance so the draw at the next meeting will be for \$50.

### **NEXT DERBY**

January.

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

<b>LATE AUGUST, EARLYSEPTEMBER:</b>
- Al Larkey 16.7 lb Chinook at Pender Bluffs.
- Alex Onischuk 6.8 and 6 lb Sockeye at Pender Bluffs.
- Ken Clements 6.3 lb Sockeye at Pender Bluffs.
<b>Winner of Draw for Sept is: Ken Clements</b>

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Bruno Bauer gave a presentation to the membership about Winter Fishing Techniques - thanks for sharing your knowledge with us Bruno.

**UPCOMING SPEAKER:** No speaker until the new year.

**MEETING DATE:** Monday, November 22, 2010

A Motion for adjournment was made by Brian Dunic and seconded by Dallas Stober. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.