

2017 Annual General Meeting minutes

Thursday, March 30, 2017 at Ina Grafton

1. Welcome

Cam welcomed everyone to the meeting. About 30 members were in attendance.

2. 2016 Financial and Membership report: Cam

The bank balance at the time of the meeting was about \$3,600. Club insurance and race bibs had been recently purchased. Income from race fees was lower due to the new partnership with the Niagara Falls International Marathon (NFIM). However, miscellaneous revenues mostly offset this difference. Charitable donations were slightly down in 2016. These included the following amounts:

Gillian's Place: \$ 2,000 Bruce Trail Association: \$10.000

BIAN: \$23,000 (total donations from all sources)

Rankin Cancer Run: \$ 2,500 Community Care: \$ 226 Help-a-child-smile: \$ 100

Membership was up by about 27% compared to the previous year. Members were given an opportunity to respond to or question the 2016 AGM minutes and financial statements. There were no comments.

3. Motion to accept the 2016 AGM minutes and financial statements

The minutes were accepted by Rob Montgomery and seconded by Henri Ragetlie. The financial statements were accepted by Rob Montgomery and seconded by Stuart Galloway.

4. 2017 Board of Directors

Cam Johnson: President

Vic Thiessen: Vice-President

Debbie McIntyre: Treasurer

Jerry Gibb: Newsletter editor and webmaster

Henri Ragetlie: Race Director Mark Mullaly: Race Director

Karan Gardiner: Race Director (with Pat Gardiner) and Social Committee

Dave Smith: Past President/Member-at-large

Rob Llord: Member-at-large

Board members retiring: Outgoing President Raymond LeBlanc and Kathy Illich

Motion to accept the 2017 Board of Directors:

The Board was accepted by Pat Hinton and seconded by Dawn Riekenbrauck.

5. President's Report

Cam gave a brief report on the past year. He thanked the four Race Directors and the Board for their hard work and the members for their continued support of our club. Cam also emphasised the benefits of our \$30 annual membership, which now include a \$5 discount off each club race for members who renew or join using our Race Roster.com application. We are also developing a new club apparel line. The first item is a new club vest and we are also proposing a club t-shirt which would be given to all new members and be available for purchase by existing members for just \$5.

6. Social Committee Report: Karan Gardiner

Karan began by recognizing Stuart Galloway for his achievements in Australia at the World Masters' event, for which he received the Athletics Canada Master of the Year award. Karan thanked Bernie Goy for organizing the Bowling and Golf events yet again, and Dave and Lisa Smith for hosting the summer barbecue. The barbecue, the wine run and especially the Christmas party were all well attended. In 2016 the Christmas party returned to Henley Island, which seemed to be well received. Karan commented on the need for the Social Committee to work to make the party more financially viable, which may involve a change to the catering, menu and ticket pricing.

7. President's Award

Raymond and Cam both spoke about the recipient of this year's award, which was presented to Kathy Illich to acknowledge her many years of volunteering for the club at races and for organizing, promoting and supporting our social events.

8. Comments and questions from the floor

Dave Sebeslav asked a question about the role of the Sunday trail apes within the club. Henri Ragetlie explained the history and continued development of this trail running group which was formed in the early 1990s when they ran from St. John's Outdoor Studies centre beside Short Hills.

9. Motion to adjourn: Proposed by Mario Cancellara, Seconded by Rob Llord. The meeting adjourned at 7:32.