

**Squamish Windsports Society**  
**Minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting**

Held on Nov 16, 2011 at West Vancouver Yacht Club

**Directors Present:**

Sandra Bicego (President), Jamie Martin (Vice-President), Chris Glazier (Treasurer), Woody Adal (Secretary), Colin Ernst (Race Director), Jean-Michael Trembly (Operations Director and Site Manger) , Simon Kent (Legal Director).

**Directors Unable to Attend:**

None

**Members Present: 15**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the president at 7:41 pm

2. President's Report & Significant Developments: Sandra Bicego

- This was another successful year with the spit being really busy, windsurfers and kiteboarders used the Spit without getting in each others way. We had great onsite management and beginners were helped out by experienced members.
- The website was kept up to date and the real-time wind reporting worked well.
- There was no further development at Nexen Beach as there were financial issues.
- The Lease with the district has not been renewed; it seems the District of Squamish has not allocated time to review and renew the lease for 2011. The 2012 Board of Directors will continue to secure a lease next year.
- The Spit road was graded twice; the material used for the surface was the cheapest stuff available for the DoS.
- The end of season clean up was completed; however, there is a private trailer that is sitting on the spit and a note was Posted on it to vacate the area

3. 2010 AGM was supplied in a handout before the meeting.

- Motion to approve the minutes of the 2010 AGM.
- Moved by Don Campbell and seconded by Sandra Bicego that the minutes be approved.
- CARRIED.

4. 2011 Treasurer's Report: Chris Glazier

- The report was supplied in a handout before the meeting.
- We had the largest day fees collected in the history of the society at \$17,000 and more paid members than any other year.
- For the year the Society made \$1647; we have no debt.
- Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for 2011.
- Moved by Don Campbell and seconded by Steven Codrington that the Treasurer's Report be approved.

- CARRIED.

#### 5. Race & Other Events:

##### Race: Colin Ernst

- Prize money was adequate; big thanks to the major sponsor Pacific Pilsner.
- Prizes were donated from local shops and were used for a Raffles. Sponsorship brought in \$3700, racing fee \$2225, raffle \$740. There was also revenue from beer sales and T-shirts.
- This year the SWS joined up with the Squamish Yacht Club as an extra fleet for the Squamish Open Annual Regatta.  
SWS did not realize the benefit of teaming up with SYC.
- \$4225 in prize money was distributed to the racers and freestylers.
- Local shops have expressed an interest in becoming a sponsor; however SWS did not have enough staff to negotiate participation.
- There was media coverage via radio, TV and newspaper.
- The world's 3 best course racers were impressed with the racing area.
- Chris thanked Colin Ernst, on behalf of the society, for making this event a success.

##### Kite-o-ween: Kalena

- Reported got sponsorship from local sponsors.
- A tour bus dropped stopped by and the tourist took many pictures.
- The event got good press.
- Kalena paid extra attention to the cleanup effort.
- There were triple the amount of entries from prior years (35 registered + 20 bandits).

#### 6. Operation's Report: Jean-Michael Trembley

- Site manager wishes to acknowledgment to the staff that they did a great job this summer.
- There were a total of 1104 retrieval.
- For the season there was one dislocated shoulder and a sliced finger.
- There were no major damage to the jet ski this summer.
- SWS contracted an excavator to rebuild windsurf and kiteboard launch. More gravel for surface next year (\$9000).
- The current Peat gravel lasted for 6 years. The gravel should not be laid near the water as algae buildup is a problem.
- Built a few small benches and reinforced the picnic tables
- Did two comprehensive site cleanup during the year.
- Cement tiles (Pavers) were used to define a walkway in the launch area. The Pavers were well received by the members.
- The Society will get new felt mats for next year.

7. 2011 Video presentation: Jim Hegan

8. New Business:

Jamie Martin:

- New sign put up by Squamish Estuary Management Committee; stakeholders involved First nations, Depart of Fisheries & Ocean, District of Squamish, Province of BC.
- There are tourist to the area that do not know the facts about the estuary. The sign will describe the species and the sensitive environment in which they live.
- SWS donated \$500 for the construction of the site and will be maintained by SEMC.
- No criticism of the operation at SWS by SEMC and they are happy with the season end cleanup.
- SWS publish the map of the no go zone on the website.
- All SWS members should stay away from Wildlife Management Area (WMA).

Mike Harding:

- Stevenson in Hood River and Sherman Island in Sacramento have designated Landing and Launching areas. SWS should devise a similar line management solution. SWS does have landing and launching areas however, they are ignored or members are not aware of them communicated. Site staff will be directed to enforce communicate and enforce this.

9. Election of Officers:

Each position was unchallenged and each officer was elected unanimously by the members in attendance.

- President - Simon Kent
- Vice-President - Jamie Martin
- Treasury - Chris Glazier
- Secretary - Woody Adal
- Director:Operations - Jean-Michel Tremblay
- Directors:Race - Don Campbell, Mark Leng

10. Adjournment:

It was moved by Woody Adal and seconded by Sandra Bicego at 10:30 PM that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED.