

# **Cataraqui Canoe Club of Kingston Report of Annual General Meeting Monday, October 3, 2005**

The meeting was held in the Delahaye Room, Kingston Frontenac Public Library, Johnson Street, Kingston, with Commodore Dukke van der Werf in the Chair. She called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. with 42 members in attendance, and a further eight by proxy, for a total of 50.

## **Approval of Agenda**

"That the agenda, as presented, be approved"

Proposed by Ed Jezak, seconded by Don Harris. CARRIED.

## **Minutes of the Last General Meeting**

After reading the minutes aloud to the assembly, the Secretary proposed

"That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on October 6, 2004 be approved as published and read"

Seconded by Carolyn Bonta. CARRIED

## **Committee Reports**

The officers named below presented brief reports, as summarized in the following paragraphs:

Treasurer - Ed Jezak

Recreational Tripping - Dugald Carmichael

Volunteers - Beth Orr

Treasurer Ed Jezak distributed copies of his financial report to the meeting and explained its contents line by line. He informed the meeting that Michael Johnson reviewed the Club's financial records for the period April 1, 2004 to March 31, 2005, and found all to be in order.

"That the first part of the Treasurer's report be accepted"

Moved by Ed, seconded by Eunice Harris. CARRIED.

For the current fiscal year to date (April 1, 2005 to October 3, 2005) income exceeds expenditures by \$7,422.87. Total assets at present amount to \$30,583.30.

"That the second part of the Treasurer's report be accepted"

Moved by Ed, seconded by Eunice Harris. CARRIED

Dugald Carmichael expressed satisfaction that there has been a very good variety in the club's scheduled events this past year, including not only the usual canoeing, kayaking, hiking and skiing, but also rock climbing, orienteering and skating, as befitting the season. Most trips are repetitions, but there are a few new ones as well. He expressed particular satisfaction in that the entire length of the beautiful - and in sections, challenging - Salmon River has been paddled in separate scheduled trips this past season. The highlight of the season, however, was the scheduled canoe trip on the Dumoine River led by Peter Kopp, about which more later. He concluded by stressing the desirability of being constantly on the lookout for new and interesting venues.

Beth Orr opened her remarks by thanking the many members who volunteered their time for the many different club activities, including boat house duty, instructing or assisting in courses and clinics, helping at Open House and at the new members BBQ, putting out the Newsletter, to name the most prominent ones. As well, there are the community oriented programs, especially the summer paddling for the Boys and Girls Club, and the safety boat brigade for the K-Town Triathlon. Trip leaders deserve special mention as volunteers extraordinaire.

## **Commodore's Report**

"It is quite encouraging", stated Dukke van der Werf, "that membership remains at the 300 level, and it is gratifying that many more new members than usual are active from the start. There have been large numbers of new members participating in scheduled outings, as well as in the course offerings. Instructional courses have been filled to capacity and have been well received. An innovation this year that extends our reach somewhat was the sea kayaking course. Having been quite successful it will be added to the club's regular roster of course offerings. Special thanks are due to trip leaders and course instructors who are the backbone of the club's existence. This year, three members of the Board of Directors are resigning, namely Barry Irish, Margaret Wild, and Beth Orr. We owe each of them our most sincere thanks for their many contributions over the past several years."

Dukke concluded her remarks with this statement "This meeting marks the end of my term as Commodore, and I wish to thank all members of the Board of Directors for their support over the past two years."

## **Ratification Motion**

"Moved that the membership ratifies all the acts and decisions made by the Board of Directors of the Catarqui Canoe Club of Kingston on behalf of the Club during their term of office which expires on October 3, 2005".

Proposed by Gary Birrell, seconded by Ed Jezak. CARRIED

## **Appointment of New Board of Directors**

Carolyn Bonta, as chair of the Nominating Committee, explained the procedures followed in selecting nominees from the general membership for election to the Board of Directors, as

proposed in the Nominating Committee's report. She invited other nominations from the floor for each Board position individually. As there were no further nominations, Carolyn moved

"That the nominees be declared appointed by acclamation."

Seconded by Leslie Benecki. All in favour, none opposed. CARRIED

Accordingly, the following are declared to be members of the Board of Directors for the coming year (\*new members):

Commodore - Ed Jezak

Vice Commodore - Carolyn Bonta

Secretary - Charles Hannan

Treasurer - Michael Johnson\*

Past Commodore(non-elective position) - Dukke van der Werf

Other Board Members - Dugald Carmichael, Ralph Kennedy\*. Jane Knibbs, Josephine Matyas\*, Deryck Perault.

## **Adjournment**

Carolyn Bonta proposed that the meeting adjourn. CARRIED (8:10 p.m.)

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## **Entertainment**

Following a short interlude for refreshments, Dugald Carmichael presented a gripping and colourful slide show in which he recounted this summer's CCC whitewater trip on the Dumoine River. With certain pictures, he took pains to point out some of the niceties of whitewater paddling techniques, thereby adding much interest to the show. With certain other pictures he raised loud laughter without the need to utter a word. At the conclusion, Dugald received sustained applause in appreciation for a very entertaining evening.