

2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, November 05, 2015 6:00PM Italian Club, Regina

Minutes

Present: Erin Kiefer, Scott Kiefer, Frankie Pelletier, Paul Cutting, Terry Lazarou, Theresa

Gibson, Rob Nelson, Don Laing, Chris Gdanski, Mark Gibson, Chad Vickers, Shane McKechney, Jackie Hatherly, Sydney Gdanski (jr), Karen Harasen, Nicole Smith, Milos Kostic, Patrick Ash, Diane Yachina, Terry Allan, Maria Rupcich, Scott Anderson, Pamela Anderson, Brianna Hodges, Marylane Marchuk, Ekalak, Chainakul, Kelsey Schaeffer, Laura Fauchon, Terry Hooper, Max Moore, Katelle Halpope, Rick Vircavs, Kathleen Harel, Jennifer Evancio, Chandra Mark, John

Law, Randy Longman, Brendan MacKenzie, Peggy Martin-McGuire

I. Welcome to all members: Erin Kiefer

II. Motion to approve 2015 RMC AGM agenda: Jackie Hatherly

Seconded by: Mark Gibson Vote: All in favour-YES

III. Motion to approve 2014 RMC AGM minutes: Mark Gibson

Seconded by: Terry Lazarou Vote: All in favour-YES

IV. President's report: Erin Kiefer

The Club had a successful year in 2014-15. There are a lot of new faces coming to training and races and volunteering. We might be experiencing a turnover over participants in the triathlon community. We are concerned that we are losing local participation at races, and while it seems that training participation is up, participation at local races is down. This is also the situation in Saskatoon, and confirmed nationwide at the Triathlon Canada meeting.

The snowshoe series was very successful last winter and received positive media attention. The race director partnered with the Regina Cycle Club for a fat bike and snow shoe event.

The IceBreaker kids and adult races were held on the same day, and later in May, this year. There were some kinks to work out with having the event on one day that will be improved upon next year. The weather was excellent and the race will be held in late May in 2016.

The See Jane Tri/See Dick Tri series lost money this year, which is the first time the See Jane race has not made a profit. This was as a result of lower than usual participants and higher costs for out of province chip timing. See Jane continues to be an excellent event and a great way to attract people to the sport.

The Women's Only race was profitable this year and had about 70 racers. We will continue to try to increase participation at this race.

A new race was introduced at Echo Lake and was also the qualifier to go to World's for the Olympic distance. The race will return in 2016 with hopes of growing.

The Bumpy Bison Offroad race and the Battle at the Butte races did not happen this year as a result of other priorities of the Race Directors.

Obtaining chip timing at a reasonable price is becoming a challenge due to popularity of chip timing and very few vendors.

This year we introduced an RMC session at Level 10 with Brendan MacKenzie that has had high demand and has been well attended. We also completed a few speaker sessions that were interesting and also had fairly good attendance.

We have a new swim coach for Tuesday nights, Dr. Daniel Rutledge is coaching at the Lawson and members are enjoying his sessions.

Youth training is very popular and Terry Hooper has done a tremendous job organizing the team.

The indoor cycling moved to Martin Sports Academy and that space is working out well.

The once very popular Thursday night rides have lost interest. There is some turnout early in the season that trails off by summer. This is likely due to the number of other organized training groups available.

Chris Gdanski has proposed developing an after-work low-cost/no-cost race series for RMC members that we will be exploring next summer.

Booking facility time continues to be a challenge and managing relationships with the City and the University is time consuming. Several Board Members have been engaged with the City through their pool space allocation review. This involves attending meeting during the work day and quite a bit of issue management. Thank you Terry Hooper for taking the lead on this for the club.

We had good communication with Sask Triathlon in the past year and have a very good working relationship with the Exec Director. Erin attended a club president's meeting in

Saskatoon in the spring to discuss common issues, and participated in another meeting with fall to discuss aligning race schedules.

We completed a clothing order again this year, but through Champion Systems. The Champion Systems ordering process is easier to manage as no money needs to be collected by a manager and there are not minimum orders to be met.

We were happy to have Dutch Cycle and Western Cycle as season sponsors again this year. We continue to appreciate their contributions to our club. The club reviewed our sponsorship package this year and made a renewed effort to ensure season and race sponsors paid us early in the season.

We also had our new trailer wrapped and we are working on selling the old trailer.

The Board raised membership fees from \$10 to \$15 for the 2015-16 season. The club offers several opportunities to attend no-cost events and \$15 remains a very reasonable membership fee. The club sold 304 adult memberships and approximately 100 youth memberships in 2014-15.

The gear swap held in March was successful.

V. Financial report: Erin Kiefer

RMC had a net profit of \$14,578 in 2014-15. This was primarily due to our races and training throughout the year. The Club is in a healthy financial position with sufficient assets to cover liabilities. The profit we earned over the past year has increased our accumulated surplus.

There was a lot more activity in the Youth Team this year compared to 2013-14. Revenues saw a threefold increase and expenses increased by over two fold.

Races that saw a profit this year include: Echo/Spoke 'n Hot/KOS & Icebreaker/Snow Shoe Series/Bumpy Bison. Races that saw a loss this year include: See Jane & See Dick/Battle at the Butte. Revenue from Splash and Sprint is from a MAP grant related to the 2013-14 race. No race was held in 2014-15.

We accrued a lot more in Accounts Payable in 2014-15 due to the timing of expenses coming in that impact the year – new treasurer and new ED of STAC. The Club has total surplus of \$35,581.

Motion to accept the 2015 financial report: Rob Nelson

Seconded by: Karen Harasen

Vote: All in favour-YES

Motion to forego a full audit of the 2016 financial statement and opt for a review: Jackie

Hatherly

Seconded by: Maria Rupcich

Vote: All in favour-YES

VI. Comments from the floor

- a question was asked about our Strategic Plan, how often we review it. We review it every second year and we align it with STAC's.
- questions were asked around our Chip timing since it was our biggest expense. We discussed Sask having their own timing system. STAC is motivated to look into this for a provincial solution and is hoping to have a new solution in the new year.

VII. Elections

Thank you to Frankie Pelletier, Peggy Martin-McGuire and Chris Gdanski for their years on the RMC Board.

President Erin Kiefer Vice President **Rob Nelson** Theresa Gibson Secretary Treasurer **Corrine Barnett** Communications **Paul Cutting** Training Coordinator Jason Daum Race Coordinator Maria Rupcich Youth Program Coordinator Terry Hooper Volunteer Coordinator Marylane Marchuk Member at Large (Youth) Derrick Mann

Call for nominations from the floor (repeated 3 times)

Motion to approve the slate of candidates: Don Laing

Seconded by: Shane McKechney

Vote: All in favour-YES

VIII. Motion to adjourn: Paul Cutting Seconded by: Terry Lazarou