



**BURNABY CANOE & KAYAK CLUB**  
**Minutes of the General Meeting**

**Date** November 30, 2005  
 Nosella Residence, Burnaby.

**Present** Jeff Raymond                      Dave Nosella                      Dan Bisalputra  
                  Katja Rademacher                      Debbie Wollbaum                      Darrell Pearse  
                  John George                      Krista Rasmussen                      Satnam Basra  
                  Hugh Alley                      Lynn Dagenais

➤ **Refers to an ACTION ITEM**

**1) Review of Previous Action Items**

<u>Previous Action Item</u>	<u>Status</u>
Lynn to post schedule on BCKC website.	Complete
Lynn to send out addresses for Running/Core strength practices or post on website.	Complete
EVERYONE to send pictures of athletes to Lynn for Club Brochure.	Lynn did not receive many. She will send out another email.
Jeff to determine the clubs liability regarding individual members wearing a life jacket or not. Does the club have to police it?	Our insurance says we do not have to police so long as significant measures have been taken to inform all members. ➤ Krista & Katja to post a sign. ➤ Katja to put notices in private boats.
Jeff to talk to MJ about dragon boating and life jacket requirements.	Incomplete. Jeff to action before next meeting.
Katja to check on possible Club order for winter clothing (Helly Hanson and/or Westbeach).	Most people winter training are well outfitted for the weather, so a club purchase will not be organized right now. However, a Westbeach sale will be announced soon for those interested.
Dave volunteered to pressure-wash the ramp again.	The dock is in much more dire need than the ramp. ➤ Jeff to contact the city to see if they will do the dock and the ramp.
Satnam to send email with all the details. Heide H to put together template letter for raise donations for silent auction. Katja to print tickets designed by Satnam.	These are related to the pub night fundraiser, and are now complete.
Lynn to organize calendar.	Incomplete. Lynn to action before next meeting.

**2) Election of Auditor**

Dan Bisalputra was nominated by Hugh Alley. Seconded by Krista Rasmussen. Carried and adopted unanimously.



### **3) Recruitment Planning**

It was agreed by all that more effort has to be put into recruitment this year, particularly to increase interest in the CYPR, summer camps and training groups. After a lively brainstorming session, a subcommittee, comprised of Satnam, Hugh, Debbie and Katja, was formed and have been tasked with creating a recruitment plan.

- The recruitment committee to submit a recruitment plan to the executive by Jan 18.

### **4) Whistler Conference Highlights**

Many people at the meeting attended the conference, and it was deemed a success by all attendees from BCKC. The speakers' messages were useful, and the opportunity to socialize was enjoyed by all. It was mentioned that there weren't enough activities that involved the youth, and that other clubs did not seem to enjoy it as much as BCKC.

### **5) Coach's Report**

Winter training has been going well with six people in the junior program and six in the masters. Lynn secured a Physio clinic on Monday nights to allow everyone to work out in good facilities.

December schedule is a bit different than the norm to accommodate a training camp and the holidays. Changes are:

- The last regular training session of 2005 with Lynn is on Thursday Dec 15.
- Dec 16-20 is the training camp which most of the junior paddlers will be attending.
- Currently, the Dec 21 – Jan 11 training is unsupervised as Lynn is away.
- Lynn to try to find a backup coach to run the training during that period.

Lynn also brought up the question about fees for people who only want to train one day/week instead of the full training schedule.

- The executive to discuss the feasibility of 'drop-in' training.

### **6) Treasurer's Report**

There is approximately \$11K in the basic account and \$28K in the gaming account.

There was also a reminder about coaching fees for those participating in the coached program.

- Hugh is going to provide a list, updated monthly of who has paid for the coached programs.

### **7) Dragon Boat Report**

There is going to be a real effort to get a committed group together to compete in Dragon Boat. Although it is unlikely that Alcan is attainable this year, a core group now will help grow the program. As an aside from this, we want to make our club and programs easier to find out about. We would like all club members to spend a bit of time on the internet searching for words that you would expect to bring up the BCKC website (e.g. dragon boat). If you find words that you would expect to return BCKC as a match in an internet search, please send them to Jeff. As we get these words, we will attempt to make the website more visible on internet search engines.

- All members spend some time searching the internet for the BCKC website. If you find relevant words that do not return BCKC as one of the first three matches, email them to Jeff.

We want to get the schools involved in Dragon Boat programs this year. Jeff and Lynn plan on discussing the dragon boat program with Phys Ed teachers for students in grades 6-12, in all the Burnaby schools, but need contacts there.

- Could all members with children at these schools speak to their PE teachers about Jeff and Lynn coming in for a short chat about a Dragon Boat program. If the PE teacher is willing, send Jeff their contact details.



## 8) Other Items

### a) Fundraiser

The fundraiser was a huge success. Not only did it raise in excess of \$2000, everyone had a great time, and the support of Burnaby business in providing auction items was fantastic.

Satnam praised all the people that helped in so many ways to make the evening successful, but was disappointed that some club members did not support it at all. He expected everyone to at least buy tickets, even if they couldn't attend.

Satnam (hopefully with the assistance of Heidi H) has volunteered to organize the next fundraiser, and also look at fundraisers that involve the entire family.

- Satnam is going to provide a list of the sponsors to put links or mentions of them on the BCKC website.
- Satnam and Lynn are going to write thank you letters to the sponsors.

### b) Canada Day Regatta in Regina

Jeff mentioned that every year there is a scramble to ensure there is bus space available to get the BCKC athletes to Regina for the 3 day Canada Day Regatta. This year may be an even bigger challenge as there will be trials to determine priority for space on the CRBC organized bus. Jeff is hoping that there is enough interest to send a BCKC vehicle. To that end, if everyone could start thinking about their intentions on going to the regatta. The sooner numbers are known, the easier it will be to plan. There was also mention of a potential spring fundraiser with the funds being raised being directed towards the Canada Day Regatta expenses.

### c) Kris' Regional Centre Report

No update for the Regional Centre as all of it is going to be in the Handbook.

### d) BCKC Blog

There is now a BCKC Blog! For those of you not familiar with Blogs, they are, essentially, an online journal, published by one person, updated frequently, and any readers have the ability to add comments.

- Visit the BCKC Blog today at [www.burnabylake.com/blog](http://www.burnabylake.com/blog)
- Add a comment!

### e) New Year's Party for all club members

Lynn is going to organize a bowling party for all club members at the end of January. Details to be shared via BCKC-announce.

### f) War Canoe

Discussion evolved about the status of our war canoe. They could use some care and attention, especially if they will be getting more use next season. John, Dave and Katja are going to work together to put forth to the executive a proposal about our options to refinish/repair our most used war canoe by January 18. Lynn is going to look into pricing for a new war canoe and explore the possibility of selling 2 of our war canoes and perhaps replacing them with a new war canoe.

## 9) Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, January 25, 2006 at 6:45pm** at the Nosella's residence.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.**