

BCHA EXECUTIVE MEETING AGENDA

Saturday March 13, 2010 at the Cloverdale Horseshoe Club

SIGN IN: Sam Tomasevic, Fred Ormiston, Dorothy Krimmer, Cheryl Degraaf, Elyse Brunelle, Derek Greveling and Marcel Pinette.

CALL TO ORDER: 11:05 am

AMENDMENTS/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None

MINUTES FROM 2009 AGM WINFIELD: Cheryl motioned that they not be read again from the AGM it was seconded by Fred Ormiston and passed.

BUSINESS FROM MINUTES: None

CORRESPONDANCE:

John Hamler to read Nick Culic letter and Cheryl to read Canadian Advertising letter.

1) Cheryl read an email from John Hamler stating that John had a sinus infection and would not be attending this meeting.
2) Cheryl read a letter from Nick Culic from Summerland that was sent to John Hamler. Please see the email below from nick..... My main concern and the concern of at least 90% of all our members across BC and beyond is (LOSING MORE MEMBERS) These last ten years we lost over 200 members, that's a lot! Last season I went to many tournaments all over the Province and the Senior Games, whilst there, I spoke to many Horseshoes players. They all agree (90%) that we have to change to the handicap system of scoring! Let's vote on it or just implement it!!! The only way to save this game is to just implement it! Let us all hope that's its not to late already! I remember last year in Winfield you ran a tournament (the way it should have been run from now on) with the handicap... That was as far as I was concerned the best tournament of the past 10 years. And nobody complained, a very fair tournament if ever there *was!*

The executive talked about it and gave reasons why handicapping is not the best way to go, but in the document "RULES & REGULATIONS" that went out to all clubs last year under Rule #5 it states that it is up to the individual clubs to handicap or not their tournaments. As long as they are advertised as handicapped. Cheryl Degraaf will send out a response to Nick Culic regarding his letter. Sam Tomasevic reminded Cheryl to write in Nicks response letter that when they play handicapped one pitcher must always throw first from one end and the other pitcher first from the other end. Also must have a shoe limit.

3) Cheryl read a letter from Susan MacDonald (President of the Victoria Club) with the costs of having advertising in their official program for the Canadians. Fred Ormiston motioned that we take out a Full Page Ad and it was seconded by Marcel Pinette. Passed. Cheryl Degraaf will do up the ad and send to Executive for approval before sending to Victoria.

4) Cheryl Degraaf read a letter from Dorothy Butts to Cecil and his return answer. Hi Cecil, I have a question for you. I don't know why people ask me these questions, but, if you can answer it for me you will make me look smart. Its about the 2 dollar raise in affiliation fees. Does the raise start in 2009 payable in 2010 or starting in 2010 payable in 2011? What I am hearing is that the rule was not made until August of 2009 and provincial fees were already set and collected by the province without consideration of this raise. Therefore that extra \$2 would not come from the player but out of the pocket of the Province. Our BCHA is having an executive meeting tomorrow in Vancouver and they asked me to check into this for them. Thanks for a any info you can give me. Dorothy.

REPLY: Hi Dorothy, Real nice to hear form you with a legitimate question "When does the Provincial begin increase from \$1 to \$2." It seems the July 2009 AGM it was voted in favour but it being the year of the vote, it could not go into effect

until the following year 2010 where a \$2 fee collected per each Provincial member would be sent before end Jan 2011 to Horseshoe Canada. Anyone correct me if this is any different than noted. Thanks Cecil.

Cecil is correct. Members will pay \$14 in 2010 and the BCHA will send in \$15 Elyse Brunelle said Jim Ball asked what happens to the \$14 the BCHA gets from each member and Dorothy Krimmer said that \$2 of it goes to Horseshoe Canada and the other \$12 goes to operating costs and that Jim can read the treasurers report to see exactly where it goes.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Dorothy Krimmer Dorothy handed out the financial report and asked if anyone had any questions? Fred asked about raffle money and Dorothy explained that it doesn't show up in this report because it takes affect at the BC Champs in Sept of each year. Dorothy will open up a separate holding account to put his money in.

COMPUTER/LAPTOPS: Dorothy checked into this and has a quote for \$850 per laptop. Dorothy will purchase them. Cheryl asked what to do with the very old and outdated computer and the executive said to give it away to a school or charity. Dorothy will be putting in an application for the games grant.

CRESTS: Cheryl said we have the crest for the BC Internationals and the BC Champs for 2010

TOURNAMENTS 2010: BC International in Abbotsford is okay to go ahead. They have 16 courts in now and hope to have a clubhouse built before the "Internationals. Also the Highway man Bar will be putting in added money again t his year. Derek asked if the Comox clubs tournaments are sanctioned this year. We said that because Mark Fortin is the new President we have to give him some time to come under appliance. Dorothy will talk to Mark and update us.

TOURNAMENTS 2011: Sam talked to Archie Radowits from Abbotsford and they are willing to host the BC International again in 2011. Cloverdale put in an application to host the 2011 BC Championships and it was voted on and passed. Cloverdale will host the 2011 BC Champs.

HALL OF FAME: Application by June 30 to Fred Ormiston. BC Hall of Fame this year is "Male Player" We have received one nomination "Lloyd Reyklin" 2011 will be Female Player and 2012 will be promoter. The Canadian Hall of Fame this year is "Male Player" and in 2011 it will be Female Player plus one female promoter and one male promoter.

SUPPLIES AND JACKETS: Fred Ormiston handed out an inventory list. Fred said that if anyone wants to order Can flips or Presidents they should go thru the Victoria Club.

NEW BUSINESS: There was discussion about how we give clubs \$800 for the BC Internationals and the BC Championships and they give us back \$500 so they gain \$300. We want to reword the application so that they must give us \$600. We also discussed what will happen if we are no longer able to get the gaming grant each year. We discussed that we may have to go to fund raising

REP REPORTS:

INTERIOR: JOHN HAMLER: Cheryl read the following report from Salmon Arm in John Hamlers absent. The club is inactive throughout the winter as many of our members are away, while others are busy with cards, curling, bowling and other events. The executive members take turns checking the club house for the usual vandalism. It is with great regret we announce the passing of long time member John Wasilenkoff. There will not be any local service and the family suggest that memorial donations may be made to the Salmon Arm Horseshoe Club. We look forward to having some of the members from the Golden Club join us - following the disbandment of their club. Welcome Golden boys and girls

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ISLAND/POWELL RIVER: DEREK GREVELING: Dry Creek Club - We have had a good year so far. We

now have 30 ft roofs for 6 of our courts. We have been playing all winter. Some health issues with some of our players. Pete McMurdo is having heart problems. Gearing up for the Island Championships in the first weekend in June. Hope for good turnout. Our treasurer is using an entry from like the BC's and Canadians to try and make registration easier. We have had our elections. Louis Cyr is president, Jack Dabney is Vice Pres., Margaret O is treasurer and Linda Greveling is Secretary. Nanaimo - Not much has been happening there. Sam Taylor recently lost his father. Ladysmith - They have been doing general repairs and putting new roofs up. The men still play 2 times per week thru the off season. Victoria - Still fund raising for the Canadians. Been having Texas Holdems tournaments next March 20th. Be getting clubs to advertise as another fund raiser. Fall League play has started and the next league is about to start. Powell River - Has been pretty much dormant for the winter getting ready for the start of the season. Had their first officer meeting now getting ready for the first AGM Cucumber land - have not heard for the club so unknown as to what is happening there.

LOWER MAINLAND: ELYSE BRUNELLE: Maple Ridge - There are only 6 members a Maple Ridge and nothing much is going on,. Bruno said that the club is slowly deteriorating and that this is probably the last year that the club is in the association, Bruno asked the city to build a cover like the picnic area about 12 x 16 but the city is asking the club to pay for half of it. And there is no money in the club. Also every member has to put extra money in for the insurance and he thinks its not fair to have to pay \$120 for a small club of 6 members. Cloverdale - Jim Grant is the new president at Cloverdale since Oct 2009, he is getting new shirts done for every member. Jim said they are nice. Jim approached the school. Grade 12 students have been playing for the last 2 or 3 years and he wants to try and get the grade 10 and 11's playing. Jim has put up anew website www.cloverdalehorseshoeclub.com Abbotsford - Archie aid they have run into a few snags with the City but hopefully we have ironed them all out. The 16 courts are in and have been seeded so hopefully the grass will grow. They are working on the building now. They have excavated and almost ready for the footings. Things are progressing but will probably be touch and go for the first tournament in May. Building may not be completely ready but should have the courts in order. Central Park - Central park has been quiet, always the same little group that are there every day. They have 1 new member. They are having their first meeting March 28. They played washers during the winter. They asked the park board to put a sign on Boundary Road to let people know where the horseshoe club is behind the pool.

NORTHERN: MARCEL PINETTE: Vic Vallee will be having a meeting in prince George and will email the minutes to Marcel who is on the executive. Quesnel has the same executive as last year. <Marcel is the new Tournament Director. Len Neathe has cancer. Gloria is ill. Bonnie Herrett and Dennis have joined the Quesnel Club. Sharon Atkinson and her husband are joining the Quesnel Club.

GOOD & WELFARE: Sue Bertrand had another stroke but is doing well. Bob Barkers son passed away. Lil Collins recovering from minor ailment.

OPEN FLOOR: Cheryl Degraaf asked "Why can't we have all the championships on the same weekend each year so that it doesn't affect other tournaments. Sam will try and get that to work out next year. Dorothy went over the list of cities mentioned on our insurance policy and she will get it updated as some of the cities listed are no longer an active club.

ADJOURNMENT: Dorothy motioned to adjourn meeting seconded by Elyse and passed. Adjournment 2:20 pm