

Ontario Sailing Annual General Meeting Minutes
Sunday, January 29, 2017
Salon 105, Main Floor, Enercare Centre, Toronto

Meeting called to order @ 10:08 am.

Mark Searle, President

Mark Searle welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Mark Searle, President

Mark had the following individuals stand to be recognized ... a special welcome to:

- Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport – Barbara Lyon-Stewart
- Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport – Scott Cooper
- Ontario Sailing Past President / Sail Canada President – Todd Irving
- Sail Canada CEO – Don Adams
- Sail Canada Board Members Bob Greenhalgh and Hugh McGugan
- Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons Executive Director – Walter Kowalchuk
- Ontario Sailing Past Presidents Donna Scott, David Sprague, and Ron Kobrick

Mark Searle asked for a Motion to approve the Minutes of the AGM of January 17, 2016.

Motion: Ross Cameron
Second: Donna Scott
Carried

Report of the President and Executive Director

Glenn Lethbridge,
Executive Director

- Glenn thanked everyone for attending especially Ontario Sailing's Ministry Representatives, Athletes, Coaches, Instructors, and Parents
- Glenn thanked the Ontario Judges and Race Officials for everything they do.
- Glenn encouraged everyone to read Mark and Glenn's report in the Annual Report.
- It's important to support sailing. Sailing will not be a good sport if we don't all stay behind it by supporting the clubs and schools.
- In the past year, Ontario Sailing redid their Strategic Plan and at the same time, the Province of Ontario relaunched their program "Game On" which is their sport plan.
- What does that mean for our clubs and our schools? It really means direction, support, supporting our athletes, our coaches, our officials and our schools.
- Ontario Sailing has a lot of great programs ... the only way we can service you is to keep the line of communication open between Ontario Sailing and our members. Please make sure that your club's contact information is kept up to date when with Ontario Sailing when Board changes occur ... we want to be able to contact you.
- Glenn thanked the Board of Directors for their support of Ontario Sailing. Good Governance starts with a great Board and Ontario Sailing has that ... they support the staff, they support the members, they are all volunteers and find time in their busy schedules to support sailing.
- How do we get Board members? Reach out to Mark or Glenn for more information.

Report of the Treasurer

Tom Bolland, Treasurer

- Tom thanked the staff of Margaret Mummery (our bookkeeper) and Glenn Lethbridge for preparing the accounts for the auditors.
- Tom thanked the Finance Committee that helps on a regular basis go through the financial statement and make sure the organization is steering a straight path.
- Tom thanked Hilborn, our auditors, who gave Ontario Sailing an unqualified audit report on Page 1 of the Audited Statements dated March 31, 2016.
- Page 2 shows the balance sheet ... it's a snapshot in time.
- It shows that we have a good cash position with a half a million dollars in cash, some receivables, some restricted investments and a few capital assets (primarily boats and trailers).
- In the liabilities, there's deferred revenue.
- This takes us down to the net assets ... basically the organization is managed to have about 3-4 months of working capital to get through the year.
- In the Income Statement, it shows that Ontario Sailing raised 1.2 million dollars and we will spend 1.2 million dollars ... we're a not-for-profit.
- What does Ontario Sailing do?
 - Administration ... we fundraise; we raise money through membership fees;
 - Athlete Development ... we raise money to support our athletes while they are competing.;
 - Leadership Development ... fees for our coaching and the instruction of coaches to get them certified.
- We had a small loss but it was insignificant when you're dealing with 1.2 million dollars.
- We have a general restricted fund which is money that comes in from donors that put a restriction on and we don't have a specific fund.
- We have 2 other restricted funds ... the Hans Fogh Fund and the Alice Boston Fund ... both help athletes in their respective communities.
- Question from Ross Cameron ... On page 9, under Athlete Development, he sees a huge reduction from one year to the next and he's wondering if it's a trend. Tom indicated that it's not a trend but that Athlete Development has some unique characteristics. In this particular year, we had the PanAmGames and we had \$100,000 from an SPF grant ... and you also have the expenses from each. Ross was concerned that the Training Centres were losing funds and Glenn assured him that they weren't. You would be able to see the difference
- Tom asked for a Motion to accept the Auditor's Report of March 31, 2016.
- Tom asked for a Motion to appoint the Auditing Firm of Hilborn LLP as Auditors at a fee to be set by the Board of Directors for 2016/2017.

Motion: Ross Cameron
Second: Greg Scott
All in Favour - Carried

Motion: Donna Scott
Second: Greg Scott
All in Favour - Carried

- Tom asked for a Motion to approve the actions of the Board of Directors.
 - Be it resolved that all Acts, Contracts, By-laws, Proceedings, Appointments, Elections, and Payments enacted, made, done and taken by Directors and Officers of the corporation on its behalf since the last Annual General Meeting, as the same are set out, or referred to in the Minutes of the Meetings of the Directors, or the Officers, or the Financial Statements be approved, ratified and confirmed.”

Motion: Joanne Abbott
 Second: Graham Dougall
All in Favour - Carried

Mark asked if there were any questions for the other Directors & Committee Chairs. There were no questions from the floor.

Mark Searle, President

- Mark Searle asked for a Motion to Accept the Annual Report

Motion: Donna Scott
 Second: Leigh Davidson
All in Favour - Carried

Proposed new Ontario Sailing By-Laws

Mark Searle, President
 Glenn Lethbridge, E.D.

- 5.1 Membership Classes - We have had 5-6 membership classes but have only used one. Therefore, a proposal to change to only one membership class as this has been the common practice for many years and is in keeping with voting at our AGM (the old bylaws had other classes such as honorary and special).
- 6.4 Quorum - The proposal is to change quorum to twenty members from the current ten required.
- 7.1 Board of Directors - Terms of three years are being proposed for the board. The old bylaws did not have terms or term limits so each Board Member served for a year at a time. It is suggested that in order to put the terms into place, we will assign terms of 1-3 years for the existing Board (3 for those being appointed this year).
- 11.4 Some general wordsmithing to update some of the general practices of the Association as directed in our current policies and procedures.
- 13.2 Indemnity some updating in keeping with other NFP bylaws.
- The old bylaws are version 7 and the new bylaws will be version 8.
- Mark asked for a motion to approve as circulated new Ontario Sailing Association By-Laws

Motion: Bob Hedley
 Second: Richard Bissonnette
All in Favour – Carried

Mark Searle thanked the members of the 2016 Board of Directors:

Mark Searle, President

President	Mark Searle	Port Credit Yacht Club
Treasurer / Secretary	Tom Bolland	Barrie Yacht Club
VP-Training	Graham Fraser	Maple Leaf Fund
VP-Racing	Stephanie Mah	Westwood Sailing Club
VP-Business Development	Carolyn Weckesser	Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club
VP-Recreation	Susan Houston	Sarnia Yacht Club
Director	Ron Kobrick	Island Yacht Club
Director	Peter Bradley	Nepean Sailing Club
Director	David Zeni	Toronto Windsurfing Club
Director	Michael Hart	Muskoka Lakes Association
Director	Jay Kirkpatrick	Maple Leaf Fund
Director	Greg Scott	Maple Leaf Fund
Past President	Donna Scott	Mimico Cruising Club

Ron Kobrick thanked the 2016 Board of Directors.

Ron Kobrick, Nominating
Committee Chair

- Ron recognized the retiring members of the Board of Directors and thanked them for their contribution to Ontario Sailing ... Graham Fraser, Susan Houston, Ron Kobrick, and Stephanie Mah.
- The Nominating Committee's recommendation for the 2017 Board of Directors is: Tom Bolland, Peter Bradley, Michael Hart, Emily Hill, Steve Jay, Jay Kirkpatrick, Lisa Marr, Alan Redfern, Gregory Scott, Mark Searle, Carolyn Weckesser, and David Zeni.
- Ron Kobrick made a Motion that the membership accept those named as 2017 Board of Directors for Ontario Sailing Association.

Second: Donna Scott
Carried

2016 Ontario Sailing Awards were announced and presented.

The winners were as follows:

AWARD	WINNER	ACCEPTING	PRESENTING
Ontario Sailing LORC Championship	Kevin Brown	Glenn Lethbridge	Glenn Lethbridge
Gill North America Sailors of the Year	Brenda Bowskill	Deb Bowskill & Stan Gore	Colin Clark - Gill North America
Hans Fogh Developing Sailor of the Year	Sarah Douglas	Dale Douglas	Morten Fogh & Thomas Fogh
Female Junior Sailor of the Year	Clara Gravely	Clara Gravely	Donna Scott
Fogh Marine Youth Sailors of the Year	Jack Porter Gray Snyder	Jack Porter Gray Snyder	Morten Fogh
Joanne Abbott –Female Sailor of the Year	Danielle Boyd	Ross Cameron	Joanne Abbott
Angus ‘Bud’ Roulstone Leadership Award	Nigel Crosscombe	Nigel Crosscombe	Pat Roulstone
Regatta of the Year	Sailfest @ Sarnia Yacht Club	Kelly Boston on behalf of co-chairs Kelly Boston & Brandy Boston)	Joanne Abbott
GAM on Yachting Award of Excellence	David Starck	Dave Sprague	Mark Searle
President’s Trophy	Edward Graham Dougall	Edward Graham Dougall	Past Presidents Todd Irving, Donna Scott, Ron Kobrick, Dave Sprague & Current President Mark Searle

<p>Greeting from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport</p> <p>It's been another successful year working with sailing. She is happy to say that only 18 provincial sports organizations met the requirements for sports recognition and sailing was one of them.</p> <p>She indicated that one of her major focusses going forward is to increase the participation of girls and women in sport. It is something that the Ministry sees as a priority across Canada.</p> <p>At the last Olympics, 60% of Canada's team was female. We need to actively engage females to drive those numbers even higher. The more we work together, the better it will be. Children get better when they are pushed - Girls get better when they are pushed by boys.</p> <p>Currently the population in Canada is slightly more female although only 15% of females participate in sport vs. 35% of males. Only 1 in 10 high school females enroll in optional phys-ed classes. If a female does not participate in sport by the age of 10, there's only a 10% chance she will physically active at 25 years of age.</p> <p>We need to find ways to encourage girls to participate ... the number of female coaches had dropped over the years and we need to change this.</p> <p>Men need to encourage wives and daughters to get active. It's better for their health ... there are many statistics to back this up.</p> <p>She looks forward to continuing to work with sailing going forward.</p>	<p>Barbara Lyon-Stewart</p>
<p>Welcome from LOCCA (Lake Ontario Club Cruising Association)</p> <p>LOCCA is a part of Ontario Sailing. LOCCA's mission is to promote and help coordinate cruising amongst member clubs on Lake Ontario.</p> <p>The focus of last year was to update its website so that member clubs could exchange and publicize reciprocal information on the website and get rid of reciprocal letters.</p> <p>LOCCA will be meeting after the AGM and everyone is welcome.</p>	<p>Graham Dougall</p>
<p>Mark reminded everyone to support Ontario Sailing's Partners & Sponsors listed on the back of the Annual Report and on the Ontario Sailing website.</p>	<p>Mark Searle</p>
<p>Mark thanked the staff of Ontario Sailing – Glenn Lethbridge, Krystal Smith, Margaret Mummery, Cam Lymburner, Melanie O'Brien, Chris Hewson, Chris Cowan, Thomas Fogh, Lisa Roddie</p>	<p>Mark Searle</p>
<p>Motion to adjourn at 11:44 am.</p>	<p>Motion: Leigh Davidson Second: Bob Greenhalgh Carried</p>