

# 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

6:30 pm, Thursday January 25, 2023

Barrie Public Library, Painswick Branch

## Agenda

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- Opening remarks / Welcome
- Approval of Minutes from last AGM
- Presentation of Annual Report and Financials
- Motions to be put forward
- Elections for Board of Directors
- The 2024 Season Plan
- Any other business // Open Forum
- Closing remarks



# 2023 Financials

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## 2023 Year End Finance Report

### 2023 INCOME STATEMENT

OPENING BALANCE	<b>\$10,099.18</b>
MEMBER FEES and jerseys and cc fees	\$29,232.00
REFUND FROM ICE FESTIVAL	\$847.50
TOTAL INCOME	<b>\$30,079.50</b>
EXPENSES	
BANK FEES	\$120.60
CREDIT CARD FEES	\$1,063.96
BOAT RENTAL	
2023	\$3,240.00
INSURANCE	\$1,439.10
DRY LAND TRAINING	\$1,525.50
REGATTAS	\$5,587.75
MEMBER REFUNDS	\$460.00
MISC (tent, batteries etc)	\$227.31
COACH FIRST AID AND CPR	\$40.00
JERSEY PAYMENT	\$5,123.35
COACHING FEES	\$6,214.00
TEAM SNAP	\$950.01
CHARITY DONATIONS	\$1,760.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	<b>\$27,751.58</b>
ENDING BALANCE	<b>\$12,427.10</b>

Some key points from this year's finances:

- At the beginning of the year we had \$279.95 set aside as part of our cash balance for future CPR and First Aid Training from a previous donation from IBEW. \$40 was used for training this year, leaving a balance of \$239.95 set aside (from the total cash balance) specifically for CPR and First Aid Training for our members.
- \$1,000 of the cash balance is to be set aside for advertising and recruitment purposes, from a previous donation from Busch Systems

The Club received \$1,000 in sponsorship dollars from Moore Packaging, to be used as follows:

- \$1,000 sponsorship of the Moore Dragonslayers dragon boat team, for the Barrie Dragon Boat Festival

The club also received private donations covering the costs of the website, and advertising costs.

## Membership Fees

<b>Year</b>	<b># of Members</b>	<b>% Change y/y</b>	<b>Total Fees</b>
2016	124	n/a	1860
2017	110	-11%	2090
2018	101	-8%	2525
2019	105	4%	2625
2020	67	-36%	1675
2021	8	-88%	200
2022	37	+363%	925
2023	99	+168%	2475

What do these membership fees cover?

There are a number of costs involved with running the Club, some of which are broken down as follows:

- Dragon Boat Canada membership totaled \$113.00
- Insurance costs totaled \$1,439.10
- TeamSnap \$950.01
- Bank fees of \$120.60
- Website costs of approximately \$250 were donated in kind

After all club costs are considered, the membership fees paid in 2023 have not covered our total administrative expenses, however it is very close.

# Motions to be put forward

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None

## Elections

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### Current Board Members

Directors are elected to the Board for a two year position. The following Board Members are within their 2 year period and/or wish to extend their term on the Board:

- Sean Levison (Jan 2021 – Jan 2023)
- Jennifer Ruth (Jan 2022 – Jan 2024)
- Kathleen Doherty (Jan 2023 – Jan 2025)
- Steven Labelle (Jan 2023 – Jan 2025)
- Mathieu Samson (Jan 2023 – Jan 2025)

Nicole Emmonds, and Karen Baldwin will be stepping down from their positions. Ryan MacDougall will also be stepping down, as he has moved to Toronto and will be paddling with a club there. We will miss you Ryan!

This leaves a total of up to four (4) positions available on the Board. We require a minimum of five (5) and maximum of nine (9) directors.

This is a list of all positions:

- President & Chairman of the Board
- Vice-President
- Director of Finance
- Secretary
- Director of Athletics
- Director of Events
- Director of Fundraising and Sponsorships
- Director of Public Relations
- Director-at-Large

**Positions of office will be determined at the next board meeting, which immediately follows the AGM.**

## **Nominations to the Board**

Nominations may be presented on the floor, with support of two members in good standing.

# 2024 Season Plan

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## **Bring on 2024!**

2023 was a fantastic year for the club, with a record number of new paddlers joining us. With such a large influx of new paddlers with various paddling abilities, there were certainly some growing pains felt within the club.

Learning from last year and from previous years, we are making some changes for the 2024 season. For the most part we will be going back to individual teams with set races, while also giving the teams a chance to pick a regatta of their choice and hosting a separate paddling session for practice only.

Here is a brief summary of what we have planned:

### **PaddleFit – NEW for 2024**

Description: This team will NOT be attending any races, and will be paddling just for fun. We expect a wide range of paddling abilities from beginner paddlers to more experienced paddlers just looking to get in an extra practice

Practices: Wednesday evenings from late May to late August (subject to change)

Coach: Stephanie Smith

### **PaddleAvengers – Beginner/Recreational Mixed**

Description: This is our beginner/recreational dragon boat team

Practices: Monday evenings from late May to late August (subject to change)

Races: Port Perry and Barrie

Coach TBD

### **PaddleStrong – Intermediate/Competitive Mixed**

Description: intermediate/competitive dragon boat team

Practices: Thursday evenings from late late May to late August

Races: Welland, Barrie, and one other festival of the team's choosing

Coach: TBD

### **That's What She Said – Intermediate/Competitive Women's**

Description: intermediate/competitive women's

Practices: Monday evenings from late May to late August

Races: Hamilton, Barrie, and one other festival of the team's choosing

Coach: Kathleen Doherty

### **Barrie Northmen – Intermediate/Competitive Men's (Open Division)**

Description: intermediate men's (open) division team

Practices: Tentatively Wednesday evenings from late May to first week of September (possibly moving to Tuesdays)

Races: Hamilton and GWN Challenge

Coach: Carrie Gordon

### **Mixed Barries – Intermediate Mixed, paddling in September only**

Description: this is a combined mixed team of DBB paddlers, paddling for the month of September only

Practices: day of the week to be determined, only during the month of September

Races: Christie Lake, end of September

Coach: TBD

## Other Business

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## Adjournment

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The new Board will meet immediately after the AGM.

The next AGM will take place in January 2025.