

**Canadian Wayfarer Association  
Executive Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday 11 October 2023, 8:00 pm  
Via Zoom**

*In attendance: Rob Wierdsma, Scott Ramsay, Al Schonborn, Kit Wallace, Mike Codd, Anne Pugh, Jan d'Ailly*

*Absent: Alastair Ryder-Turner, Leo Van Kampen, Steph Romaniuk, Dave Hansman, Alan Asselstine*

1. Agenda: standard agenda with item added for AGM planning; approved by consensus.
2. Minutes of the Meeting of 9 May 2023 (circulated immediately after the meeting, and again in late Sept)
  - Approval as circulated (moved by Scott, seconded by Al); carried.
3. Treasurer's Report
  - Mike reported that there is over \$12,000 across the bank accounts;
  - Mike also noted that he has received a cheque for advertising, which is yet to be deposited, and there is another advertising invoice to be paid;
  - Outstanding bills include payments to Rob and Steph for trophy engraving.
4. Membership Report
  - Kit reported that the membership stands at 64, including a couple of new members that joined over the summer;
    - 13 honorary members, 3 advertisers, and 10 supporters are included in the 64;
  - Anne has been talking to a prospective new member joining from MSC;
  - Kit has transferred \$75 to Mike from the PayPal account.
5. Events Calendar
  - Al noted that he will follow up about any plans for a rally following the Midwinters, and post details once he has them
  - Al also noted that the NA Rally will be held at Hermit Island in August;
  - Fanshawe YC has indicated the 2024 June Bug regatta will likely be held a week later than normal.
  - Scott noted the Warm Water Regatta is being planned for 22 – 23 June;
  - Mike offered to reach out to TS&CC about hosting an event there, likely on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of July;
    - Al noted that there will be 3 major title events to be hosted in Canada (Ontarios, Canadians, and North Americans); any one of which could be held there;
  - Anne will mention to Mike Duncan about the possibility of holding an event at MSC;
  - Peterborough and Ottawa are other potential hosts;
    - Rob suggested the 24 – 25 August weekend for Peterborough
    - Al will reach out to LDSC to gauge their interest in hosting again in 2024;
  - Once the venues have been settled, then a final decision on where each of the majors are held can be made.

## 6. AGM Planning

- Al noted in an email prior to the meeting that there was some interest in returning to the tradition of holding the AGM in January;
- Mike mentioned that TS&CC could be back as a venue for the AGM in January.
  - The consensus leaned strongly in favour of going back to the traditional date, to coincide with the first Saturday of the boat show.
  - **[Action: Mike to relay the request to TS&CC]**
- Al noted one correction to be made to the last AGM minutes.
- There was some discussion of prospective members to recruit to the Executive.
  - Some feelers have been extended, but there haven't been any indications of commitment yet;
  - Further discussion of new recruits to be held at the next meeting.
- Annual awards: to be discussed at the next meeting.
- Al indicated there are no rules changes to be discussed.

## 7. Other Business

- Al noted that Steph has stepped down as the Ad manager, so Al has picked up the task;
  - he has four advertisers lined up for renewal, and three others to contact about renewal.

Next meeting: Wednesday 15 November at 8:00 pm via Zoom;

if necessary we can hold a follow-up meeting in early Dec to plan any final details for the AGM.

- Mike extended an invitation to hold meetings at his house if there was any interest in returning to holding in-person meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm (moved by Sue; seconded by Al)