

## Annual General Meeting of the membership

Oct 7, 2017

Venue: Langley Passive Park - picnic structure

(36 Ave at 208th Street; Langley, British Columbia)

### Agenda

12:00 - Sign-in

12:15 - Call to order, board introductions and affirmation of quorum (20 members present)

12:20 - AGM agenda approval and addition of other business

12:25 - Motion to approve minutes from AGM Oct 1, 2016 (see Appendix 1)

12:30 - Annual report - President (see Appendix 2)

12:40 - Financial report - Treasurer (see Appendix 3)

12:50 - Board elections (see below)

1:00 - Other business

1:15 - Adjournment

<b>Elections</b>	
<p><b>President-elect:</b> nominations and presentations (elected to a one-year term, three year leadership position) BCDS nominations committee recommendation: Stewart Mclsack</p>	<p>Presentation of officers:            - <b>President:</b> Carolynn Howard            - <b>Past president:</b> Leanne Fulton</p> <p>Appointed officers:            - <b>Duck golf coordinator:</b> Tara Lynch            - <b>Membership:</b> Paul Brownfield            - <b>Communications:</b> Jenne Brett</p> <p>Members at large (MAL):            - <b>Interior:</b> Carrie Neal, Dennis Greffard            - <b>Islands:</b> Colin Filliter            - <b>North:</b> Daniel Martin, Curtis Spence            - <b>Lower Mainland:</b> Brendan Stookey</p> <p>Volunteers:            - <b>Statistician:</b> John Gould-Thorpe            - <b>PDGA rep:</b> Leanne Fulton</p>
<p><b>Treasurer:</b> nominations and presentations (elected to a one-year term, to extend to a two-year term for 2018 election) BCDS nominations committee recommendation: Steve Crichton</p>	
<p><b>Board Executive:</b> nominations and presentations (elected to a two-year term) Tara Lynch (to continue in year two of her term)</p>	

## Appendix 1: BCDS 2016 AGM Minutes

BCDS 2016 AGM

October 1, 2016

Venue: Langley Passive Park Disc Golf Course

### **1:45pm Credentials check in, proxy verification, sign-in, lunch**

**1:50pm Call to Order, Board introductions, and affirmation of quorum** (57 Members present, full list at end of AGM document)

### **1:51pm AGM Agenda approval and addition of other business**

Motioned by Tara Lynch, seconded by Jenne Brett

### **1:52pm Motion to approve the minutes from October 3, 2015 meeting**

Motioned by Chris Carlton, seconded by Eric Vachon

### **1:53pm Annual Report – President**

- World Team tournament held in August was a huge success for BC disc golf
  - o Coverage and response has amplified the BC disc golf presence
  - o Organizing committee would like to thank all those who participated and volunteered to make the event a success
  
- Despite the weather, Provincials were well-attended in Myra Canyon, Kelowna. Thank you to the Kelowna Disc Golf Club for an outstanding event.
  
- 2016 BC Open was positive event with extended layout to accommodate players.
  
- Duck golf is starting, first event today
  - o BCDS will be looking for feedback regarding event caps from players

### **1:58pm Financial Report – Steve Crichton, Treasurer**

- Membership has increased
  
- BCDS funded several causes throughout the year, most notably the Team Worlds tournament
  
- Full financial report will be posted online



## 2:00pm Board elections

- President-elect: nominations and presentations (elected to a one-year term, three-year leadership position)
  - o BCDS Nominations Committee recommendation:Carolynn Howard
  - o *Unanimously passed*
  
- Treasurer: nominations and presentations (two year term)
  - o BCDS Nominations Committee recommendation: Steve Crichton
  - o *Unanimously passed*
  
- Board Executive: nominations and presentations (elected to second half of two year term)
  - o BCDC Nomination Committee recommendation: Tara Lynch
  - o *Unanimously passed*
  
- Presentation of other officers:
  - o President (moving on from President-elect): Leanne Fulton
    - Debt of gratitude to past-president Dan Laitsch for his dedication to the BCDS
  - o Past-President (moving on from President): Hector Diakow
  
- Appointed officers:
  - o Events/Duck Golf Coordinator: Ryan Hammerquist
  - o Membership: Paul Brownfield
  - o Communications: Jenne Brett
  - o Regional Reps
    - Lower Mainland: Stewart Mclsack
    - Interior: Paul Brownfield
    - North: Daniel Martin/Curtis Spence
    - Kootenays/Columbia Valley: Kevin King
    - Islands: Tara Lynch
  - o Members at large
    - TBD
  - o Volunteers
    - Web Master: Mario Duarte



## **2:04pm Other Business**

- Please sign the petition being circulated today (October 1, 2016) for disc golf in Surrey
- Request from feedback regarding duck golf caps

## **2:06 Adjournment – Motion to adjourn put forward by Dan Laitsch, seconded by Steve Crichton**



## Appendix 2: President's Report

2016-17 was full of highlights, including the most well-attended Duck Golf series so far, events throughout BC reaching as far north as Fort St. John and Dawson Creek, the opening of a new course in Clearwater, approval to develop a new course in Terrace, and a very successful PDGA A-tier BC Open. BC was well represented in top-level competition, including **Matt Dixon's** qualification for the USDGC and impressive results from **Stewart Mclsack** at the Beaver State Fling and the Amateur World Championships. At the World Team Disc Golf event in Colchester, England, gold-medal winning Team Canada was largely comprised of players from BC. We are definitely doing a lot of things right.

### Accomplishments

The 2016-17 Duck Golf season saw us complete a seven-event series, which included 730 registrations (not unique - includes repeats) and the distribution of a total pro purse of approx \$6500.

This past season we experimented a new way of managing the Duck Golf series, soliciting bids for and ultimately brought on AceRunners to manage the events and prize fulfillment. All who competed benefited from exceptionally well-run events and the commitment, dedication and hard work of **Eric Vachon**, **Wes MacIntosh** and **Mike McMillan**. The benefits were numerous, including consistency of experience event to event, a wide variety of selection of prizes, well-organized administration and paperwork, management of irregularities, withdrawals and refunds, taking on a sizable share of the work and allowing for tournament directors to focus on designing their courses, organizing volunteers and working with municipalities for permits.

One of the Board's greatest successes was the development of new website under the guidance of **Jenne Brett** and **Mario Duarte**. They migrated the content from the old BCDS website to new, more secure hosting service and built out a new site using a 'drag and drop' (very user-friendly) website builder with integrated social media and payment modules for membership. The back end of the new site is intuitive enough that it's easy for just about anyone to make updates and posts.

Jenne is also responsible for working with **Darin Mickleson** to take over administration of the original BCDS Facebook page. She went on to develop a new moderated BCDS page and a discussion board group. The BCDS Facebook page is linked with BCDiscSports.com, helping to ensure content/messaging is consistent. The group page is intended to be interactive, and offers a forum for conversation and notifications amongst members.

We faced a massive and growing demand for events, which forced the BCDS board and AceRunners to continue to be nimble and develop contingencies. With the leadership of **Stewart Mclsack**, **Eric Vachon** and **Brad Henderson**, relationships were fostered with Tall Timber and 18 Pastures ball golf courses, allowing for the accommodation of greater and greater numbers of players on bigger, more competitive courses consistent in caliber of those on the PDGA's A-tier pro tour.

One of the summer's greatest successes was the PDGA A-tier BC Open, directed by **Eric Vachon**. This event had a pro purse of \$7,300 (one of the biggest in BC disc golf history) and attracted some of the top touring professional players, who along with the entire field of competitors experienced a memorable and expertly-organized event. The generous support of many of the local clubs brought **Ben Baker** of Central Coast Disc Golf to BC to film the competition, which once aired, will help to put BC on the map of the PDGA's tour schedule going forward for tens of thousands of subscribed viewers.



## Challenges

Grant funding application was again unsuccessful due to new, more stringent reporting requirements, despite the tireless effort of treasurer **Steve Crichton**. Under new grant application guidelines, specific conditions include much more detailed financial reporting and a focus on educational programs and infrastructure development. If we are to focus on successful grant applications going forward, the BCDS will need to work on defining our identity and vision for the future as an entity. Is refocusing on education and infrastructure development the direction the membership would like to see us grow? Notably, our leverage would increase significantly if we double membership to minimum 1,000 members.

While working to meet demand for Duck Golf events was a success, it was also a challenge. Extremely inclement weather forced the cancellation of our February event in Mission, a Duck Golf first, and this difficult decision was not well-received. I stand firm that player safety is of primary importance and the board in consultation with Brad Henderson made the right decision to cancel. Unmanageable demand in the past has led to over-long tournament days when the winter daylight hours are short and slow play with groups larger than four per tee creates a less-than-ideal player experience. Our goal is to provide the best possible (and safest) player experience we can.

For the 2017-18 season, AceRunners' role in the running of Duck events will evolve; they will take a step back. While a great loss for the community, it will open opportunities for other suppliers to be a part of prize fulfillment component of events. Under this new structure, registration will be set up and managed by the BCDS, with registration money going directly into BCDS account, which will create efficiencies.

## Other updates to Duck admin process include:

- Tightening registration deadlines; going forward our refund policy will be no refunds after a week before time of event: saving TDs considerable effort and streamlining organization and planning.
- BCDS to work with individual TDs to determine prize suppliers with recommendation to use on line gift cards from a variety of vendors and spread the spend through a spectrum of suppliers with the aim to employ local vendors whenever possible. AceRunners will continue as one of these vendors.

## Looking ahead

In the coming season, we aim to work on our communal vision for the BCDS in consultation with the membership. What is our vision for the future? What do you, the members, want us to focus on?

Our pledge as a board is to continue to administer and support tournaments and events in BC in the most transparent fashion possible, to continue to supply insurance for events and to continue to work on setting up clear succession plan for future boards for all aspects of the work we do. We will aim to grow our membership base and to continue to prioritize showing value to our membership.

With an exciting new season of Duck Golf upon us, we are honoured to support this amazing community we are so fortunate to share with each other. Please reach out to me or any of the board members directly with any ideas or concerns. I'm looking forward to seeing you out on the course.

## Appendix 3 - Financial report

<b>Revenues</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Gaming Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>2016</b>
Provincial Funding	0	0	0	0
Membership Fees	\$2,460	0	\$2,460	\$2,460
Tournament Registration	\$2,895	0	\$2,895.00	\$3,825
Fundraising	\$1,247	0	\$1,247	0
Interest & Other	\$18.74	0	\$18.74	\$22.17
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$6,620.74</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$6,620.74</b>	<b>\$6,307.17</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Admin	\$874.65	0	\$874.65	\$516.35
AGM	\$275	0	\$275	\$275
Banking	\$25	0	\$25	0
Bursaries	0	0	0	0
Club Grants	\$0	0	\$0	\$3,970
Coaching	0	0	0	0
Course Development	\$0	0	\$0	\$1,600
Honorariums	0	0	0	0
Infrastructure	\$0	0	0	\$0
Insurance	\$2,000	0	\$2,000	\$2,000
Membership dues	\$0	0	0	\$0
Misc	\$2,000	0	\$2,000	\$2,000
Promo/Marketing	\$0	0	0	\$0
Seminars	\$0	0	0	\$0
Storage	\$2,935.80	0	\$2,935.80	\$2,789.40
Tournament Operating Cost	\$2,864.34	0	\$2,864.34	\$2,374.68
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$8,974.79</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$8,974.79</b>	<b>\$15,516.43</b>
<b>Excess of Revenue over Expenses</b>	<b>-\$2,327.05</b>	0	<b>(\$2,327.05)</b>	<b>-\$10,777.99</b>
<b>Fund Balance at beginning of year</b>	<b>\$9,207.97</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$9,207.97</b>	<b>\$19,985.96</b>
<b>Year End Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$6,880.92</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$6,880.92</b>	<b>\$9,207.97</b>



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	General Fund	Gaming Fund	Total 2016/17
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash on Hand	0	0	0
Cash in Bank	\$6,620.07		\$6,620.07
Membership Shares	0	0	0
Prepaid Expenses	0	0	0
Short-term Investments	0	0	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$6,620.07</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$6,620.07</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Accounts payable & Accruals	\$260.85	0	\$260.85
<b>Fund Balances</b>			
Externally Restricted	0	0	0
Internally Restricted	0	0	0
Unrestricted	\$6,880.92	\$0.00	\$6,880.92
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund</b>	<b>\$6,620.07</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$6,620.07</b>