



Williams Lake Sportsmen's Association

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WLSA Executive MINUTES February 4, 2008

Present: Wayne Biffert, Mike Chesley, Doug Hill, George Chignell, Moe Monita, Lorne Barron, Roger Gysel, Ed Oliver, Debbie Powers-Barron, Barry Jenkins, David Keely, Corky Berkelaar, Jacques Drisdelle.

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Responsibilities for 2008:

- **WLSA Archery rep:** Mike Chesley
- **BCWF Liaison:** David Keely
- **Hunting Regulations and Allocation rep:** Roger Gysel is considering. Jacques Drisdelle volunteered to provide consultation. Barry will contact Roy Slavens and Marty Beets to see if they are interested.
- **Fishing Committee:** Moe Monita (Chair) & Mike Chesley. The Ministry of Environment (MOE) would like to make a presentation to the club. The Ministry would like to initiate a Regional Fisheries Advisory Committee. We need to provide representation if we want to have input into fishing regulations.
- **Black Powder:** open
- **Banquet Chairman:** Mike Ramsey
- **Shotgunning:** Barry Jenkins (Executive Rep) & Cliff Stinson
- **Building Maintenance:** George Chignell
- **Range Maintenance and Firearms Permits:** Lorne Barron
- **Communications and Website Maintenance:** Debbie Powers-Barron
- **Merchandise and Fundraising:** Wayne Biffert
- **Handguns:** George Chignell
- **Junior Olympic Program (JOP):** Corky Berkelaar & Mike Chesley
- **Membership Chair:** Lorne Barron
- **Nominations:** Dave Keely & Jacques Drisdelle
- **Wilderness Watch:** George Chignell & Moe Monita. Program now called RAPP (Report All Poachers and Polluters). Signs need to be replaced. Moe Monita will check to see if MOE and the Conservation Officer Service will provide. Due to higher fuel prices, it is cost prohibitive for members to patrol. Suggest that members can distribute pamphlets and replace signs when out hunting.
- **Trophies and Awards:** Roger Gysel (Chair)

- **Protected Areas, Treaties and Land Use:** Judy Jenkins & Jacques Drisdelle. The focus of this committee is to keep people informed.
- **Range and Hall Coordination and Booking:** Barry Jenkins (Chair) & Gerry Lucas.
- **CORE:** Barry and Judy Jenkins

Old Business:

- Roger and Dena Gysel were not able to put together a PowerPoint Presentation for the 2008 Wild Life Banquet as they did not receive enough pictures from the membership. They would like to create one for the 2009 Banquet. They would like to receive as many pictures as possible of fish and game that are harvested in 2008 along with descriptions so they can put a presentation together for next year. Debbie Powers-Barron will put forward the request on the web, in the newsletter and through email.
- **2008 Wild Game Banquet:**
 - ~ Final Attendance Count: 100 people
 - ~ The Moose Horn Draw grossed approx \$1200.00, rifle cost approx \$695.00
 - ~ Approx \$733.50 gross from Raffles – only expense was ½ cost of the Marty Beets knife
 - ~ The Bar grossed approx \$787.00 (expenses are the cost of liquor and mix)
 - ~ Tickets grossed approximately \$2800.00 (expense is the cost of caterer)
 - ~ Doug Hill will make deposit to bank and will Provide Ed Oliver with all receipts. Doug reported he is making all the deposits separately.
 - ~ Mike Ramsey and Doug Hill will give final banquet statement to Treasurer, Ed Oliver.
 - ~ George Chignell reported that some couples only received one ticket to the banquet which did not give them equal chance regarding door prizes.
- Barry Jenkins advised that the club needs a business license to own guns. Jacques Drisdelle to follow up.
- Club mail was distributed
- Report received on the bacteriological count of the club's drinking water. Total Coli forms < 1 100 ml & E. Coli < 1 100 ml, both well within acceptable limits.

New Business:

- Holly Mathias and Caroline Chupa of the Sea Cadet Biathlon team submitted a request to put together a biathlon trail on the WLSA grounds. It was agreed that they can go ahead.
- Letter received from the Sea Cadets to co-locate with the WLSA. President Barry Jenkins will enter into personal discussion with the group and will form a committee of two or three people to further explore the issue. Barry stated there has also been interest expressed by the Rocky Mountain Rangers to use WLSA facilities.

- WLSA is going to explore possible funding from the Credit Union Community Investment Fund for needed repairs to our siding, a paint job and new benches for the Rifle Range.
- WLSA needs someone to maintain club house floors before and after functions. Debbie Powers-Barron will follow up.
- WLSA plans to send two people to the BCWF Convention and AGM. Wayne Biffert will follow up to ensure that the registration fees have been paid. The club needs two volunteers to attend.
- Kersten Slavens won the 2nd place trophy for “Mule Deer Typical Ladies”, however, she did not receive her plaque. Roger Gysel will check to see if it is in the box he took home after the banquet.
- Dan Mobbs has not received his giveaway trophy for “Mule Deer – Typical – Archery”. Roger Gysel has the plaque to go on the trophy, Mike Chesley to follow up.
- BCWF Lottery: Wayne Biffert is selling tickets but the tickets must be guaranteed so if you want one, contact Wayne. It was decided that anyone wanting tickets can pay Wayne and he will then forward the tickets to you.
 - ~ Cost of the tickets is \$10.00
 - ~ Only 3500 are being sold
 - ~ There are two grand prizes to choose from: A trip for 2 to Langara or a 6 Day Canadian White Tail hunting trip in Saskatchewan courtesy of Jim Shockey’s Hunting Adventure. 2nd prizes are either a trip to Las Vegas or a \$500.00 shopping spree at Italian Sporting goods. Debbie Powers-Barron Will post this information on the web, in the newsletter and will send out an Email.
- A donation has been requested from the BCWF for their Annual Fundraiser. Roger Gysel suggested that we donate a Marty Beets knife. Executive voted to spend \$200.00 to purchase one and will give Marty a tax deductible receipt for the difference in the value of the knife and the price paid by the club. Roger Gysel volunteered to speak to Marty. Wayne Biffert agreed to ship it off to the BCWF.
- Roger Gysel will contact Marty Beets to inform him that the club can provide a tax deductible receipt for the knife he donated to the 2008 Banquet.
- Treasurer, Ed Oliver, informed the club that insurance is due for 2008. Last year the cost of insurance was \$5800.00. This year the cost has risen to \$7463.00. The reason for the increase is that the value of our building has increased. We have also increased our liability from 2 million to 5 million. Included in the cost increase is the value of the equipment owned by the Cariboo Archers. Mike will be taking their portion of the cost increase (which could be as high as \$250.00) back to the Archers.
- The Ministry of Environment (MOE) would like to come to a club general meeting to give a presentation on invasive fish species which are being privately stocked in some lakes. They would like to attend the January 18th meeting. Barry Jenkins to follow up.
- Mike Chesley reports that the archery wall needs to be replaced and would the club help with the cost. Mike will be going back to the Cariboo Archers to inform them it is their responsibility to provide the costs for this project. Doug Hill also

suggested the WLSA attend an archery meeting to let them know the state of our finances and about our responsibilities to the Archery group.

- Regarding Archery: It has been determined that there are more people shooting than are signing in. Also, it appears that there are several Archery members that do not have WLSA membership. This is a liability issue for WLSA. Mike Chesley will contact Archery regarding this issue. Note that March 30th is the Archery AGM.
- Debbie Powers-Barron would like to add a Junior Olympic Program page (JOP) page to the website. Corky Berkelaar will provide the background information and pictures for this page.
- Clubhouse key #19 was given to George Chignell.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.