

Canadian Shuffleboard Congress
Annual General Meeting
Monday, October 3, 2011 @ 2:00 p.m.
Delta Burnaby Hotel and Conference Centre, Burnaby, BC

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. In attendance were:

Jamie McCrimmon	President
Rod Betker	1st Vice President
Rick Litman	2nd Vice President
Doreen Hegan	Secretary-Treasurer

and 38 other members.

2. The following voting delegates were recognized:

V.I.S.A.	Leigh Hegan
B.C.S.A.	Lorraine Burchynsky
S.A.A.	Bill Cowan
S.A.S.A.	Vernon Maguire
S.S.A.	Liz Patrick
M.S.A.	Faye Mitchell
O.S.A.	Theresa Lynk
E.O.S.A.	No rep

Jamie McCrimmon advised the members when a vote is required, only the voting delegates are able to vote, however, the voting delegates should review the issue with their charter members prior to voting. As this is an AGM, anyone can address the meeting. I also want to thank the executive for all their help this year.

3. **MINUTES**

Rod Betker read the minutes of the last General Meeting of October 4, 2010. Jamie McCrimmon asked for any omissions or corrections. Lorraine Burchynsky moved the minutes be adopted as read with the following changes 7. New Business a) Hall of Fame i) 2010 inductees - amend Rick Litman to read Builder/Player. Faye Mitchell seconded the motion.

Motion carried

4. **REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**

a) Doreen Hegan read the Statement of Operations for 2010-2011. Rod Betker certified the books after an audit. Susan Clark moved the Statement of Operations be adopted as read. Rita McCrimmon seconded the motion.

Motion carried

b) Vernon Maguire, Rules Committee - Chairperson read the report as follows:

The Rules Committee was busy later in the year with 2 rule additions being analyzed and added, effective starting at this tournament. This process took over 2 month before the majority came to agreement.

The first rule addition was sent in by Rick Litman. He wanted to add a rule on practising on the tournament boards at Canadians. Rick stated no rule was in place as to whether or not participants could practice on the tournaments boards. The written request by Rick was forwarded to all of the Rules Committee members and an analysis began on what was best to add.

The new rule reads as follow:

“Practicing on boards being used for the tournament at the Canadian Championships is not permitted with the exception of Part VI – 8.3. Charters must provide at least 1 practice board which is not part of the tournament boards. All other tournaments following Congress shuffleboard rules may or may not allow practice on boards at the discretion of the Charter hosting the event.”

The next rule addition was sent in by Rico requesting feedback on meetings at the middle of the board before 10 points are reached in the Canadian Championship games. Again, this rule was analyzed extensively by all of the members and resulted in the following new rule addition:

“At the Canadian Championships no meetings are permitted at the center of the board until the game has reached 10 points by either team. After the 10 points have been reached, there is a maximum of 3 meetings by each team until the completion of the games. Scorekeepers must be informed at the time of each meeting so that a record can be kept to confirm the number of meetings.”

This new Committee as recommended at the AGM last year has been very successful in the fact that we have time to listen to all points of view without emotions becoming an issue and also taking time from the Annual General Meeting.

Discussion: What is the penalty if more than 3 meetings? Is there a time limit?

Since this is the first year the committee thought it was best to do a trial basis this year and amend if we need too. Lorraine added the score sheets are already equipped with boxes to indicate the number of meetings.

Some of the charter reps were communicating with their people but not all were. Each Rules Committee Rep should contact as many of the members as possible to get their feedback.

Vernon Maguire read the Rules Committee Report for 2011-2012. David Coulthard moved the Rules Committee Report be adopted as read. Peggy McCrimmon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried

5. **CORRESPONDENCE - NONE**

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

a) **CAPO Royalties:**

We will request a cheque on the even years since there aren't many purchases each year. VISA is the only charter to purchases wax this year with a total of \$21.60.

b) **Website Changes and/or Maintenance:**

Jamie thanked Doreen for all her work maintaining the website. Thank you to Gyro-data for their continued support in sponsoring our website. Doreen informed everyone she might not be able to post the results because she is having trouble with importing the data.

A reminder to all charter to let Doreen know of any executive changes.

c) **EOSA Update:**

EOSA held two tournaments (Sept 10th to September 24th) with 6 teams at each. There has been some interest from other cities within EOSA boundary to host tournaments in different locations.

Discussion: The executive confirmed EOSA has paid their dues in February along with the other charters. The membership felt missing one host year wasn't a problem but they did have some concerns about not sending a full team.

**Moved by Vernon Maguire
Seconded by John Crites**

That Eastern Ontario Shuffleboard Association (EOSA) be allow to carry on with charter affiliation providing dues are paid by the end of February 2012. To be reviewed if EOSA is unable to provide a full team at the 2012 Canadian Championships in Victoria.

Motion Carried

7. **New Business:**

a) **Hall of Fame:**

i) 2011 HOF Inductees – Darlene Docile, Theresa Cartwright, Diana Madsen (Fallen members) Neval Currie, Reg Shepherd, Bob Brunelle and Jim Hay will all be inducted as players. Brian Burchynsky will be inducted as a Builder/Player this year.

ii) 3 vacant committee positions are available:

Current Congress President - 1 yr team

3 year term - Chairperson – currently Rick Litman

3 year term - currently Joanie Millar

Jamie McCrimmon asked for volunteers for these positions. Rick Litman agreed to continue to be the chairperson. We tried to call Joanie to see if she would run again but with no luck. Jamie said he would contact her.

b) **Crests:**

Doreen informed the members we only ordered crests for 1 year because of the costs this year - \$22.00 each. Doreen spoke with a company in Victoria "Showcase Awards" which were offering a similar crest for \$7.75 (no chenille). The executive gave Doreen permission to spend the money on set-up fees so a sample would be available at the meeting for members to compare. Doreen asked the voting delegates come to the front and give their opinion. There results were unanimous we will switch to Showcase Awards. Doreen asked the members which company we should order the aggregate crests from. It was agreed we would order the aggregate crests from the Showcase Awards.

c) **Corporate Sponsor:**

Jamie informed the members we have a 3 year contract with Shell Canada Inc. of \$2,500.00 with \$500 being retained by CSC for HOF expenses and \$2,000 going to the host charter to help off-set some of their costs. Jamie is also working with two other oil companies to donate the same. Everyone thanks Jamie for obtaining a corporate sponsor. A thank you letter will be sent to Shell. It was suggested to have Scott from Shell attend the banquet.

d) **Canadian Open 2012 - Host Charter Manitoba:**

The event will take place the July long weekend (June 29 – July 1, 2012). Play will take place at the Norwood Legion which is just down from the Norwood Hotel. We will begin with the Singles on Friday night June 29th starting at 6 p.m., the Mixed on Saturday June 30th starting at 10 a.m. and the Doubles on Sunday July 1st starting at 10 a.m.

To book a room contact the Norwood Hotel at 1-888-888-1878, there are 15 rooms on hold until May 29, 2012.

Group Name/Reservation #: Shuffleboard Association / 30126

Rates (not including tax): \$119.00 in a standard room with 2 beds

\$129.00 in a king deluxe with one king

\$175.00 in an executive suite

Your group rate includes parking, local calls and internet access.

If you are planning on attending, it would be greatly appreciated if you could send an email to Faye Mitchell at faymitchell@shaw.ca or call (204) 229-7280. This way we will have an idea of how many boards to set up. (More information can be found on the CSC website <http://www.canadianshuffleboardcongress.com/Tournaments.html>.)

e) **Host Charter for 2012 (VISA) and 2013 (OSA) Canadian Championships:**

2012 - Chucky Boustead (VISA – President) informed the members the 2012 Canadians will be held at the Ramada Inn (same location the Cdns were held the past 2

times). Chucky handed out brochures on the hotel and informed the members the cost of the rooms was about \$55 - \$60. The hotel has just completed some renovations with all new carpets and mini fridges in every room. More information can be found on the CSC website <http://www.canadianshuffleboardcongress.com/Championships.html>

2013 – Theresa Lynk (OSA – Secretary-Treasurer) informed the members the 2013 Canadians will be hosted in Kitchener/Waterloo and they are currently negotiating a hotel.

f) **Others:**

i) **More Teams:**

Debbie Howe asked charters to think about her suggestion until Canadians next year. She thought since we are trying to get more people involved each charter could send the top 2 teams in each category to the Canadians. Talk to your members and bring your ideas to the 2012 Canadians.

ii) **HOF – Banquet Tickets**

Lorraine asked about the responsibility of the banquet tickets. Doreen informed the members that in past years we have only paid for those being inducted but not participating in the current Canadians.

Lorraine read one of the HOF Committee rules:

3. Request the Canadian Shuffleboard Congress to purchase a banquet ticket for each of the inductees nominated who will be in attendance at the Awards Banquet.

It doesn't say anything about not paying for those who are currently participating.

The Canadian Shuffleboard Congress will pay for all HOF Inductees attending the banquet.

Lorraine also asked about printing of the brochures – It was discussed and decided the host charter will be responsible for printing the brochures.

iii) **Shipping of Congress Trophies:**

Marlowe informed the committee the airlines are now only allowing 1 bag per person so the winner is responsible for the shipping costs for the trophies. There was discussion about who should pay for the shipping of the trophies eg. winning charter, individuals or Congress. It was decided because they are Congress trophies, Congress should pay for the shipping. Doreen asked everyone wishing to be reimbursed to submit their receipts. Doreen also reminded the members to mail their receipts ASAP for shipping the trophies home. Char Lucas volunteered to contact Purolator about sponsoring the shipping of the trophies. Jamie thanked her for looking into this for us.

iv) **Rules Committee – wording change:**

Committee members to read 1 member from each charter in good standing, remove 8 members on the rules committee.

- v) **2014/2015 Canadian Championships:**
Rod Betker informed the members he and Bill Cowan have been discussing the possibility of switching host years so Saskatchewan can host the 50th Championships.

**Moved by Rod Betker
Seconded by Mike Provencher**

That Saskatchewan will host the 2014 Canadian Championships and Edmonton will host the 2015 Canadian Championships.

Motion Carried

8. **TOURNAMENT FORMAT** – Host Charter – British Columbia Shuffleboard Association
Jamie asked Lorraine to speak on behalf of the host charter.

Lorraine welcomed everyone to Burnaby and the 2011 Canadian.

Meet & Greet tonight will take place in the Scala lounge, main floor of the casino at 6:30 p.m. I believe Elaine has spoken to everyone about their dinner order. If you haven't spoken with Elaine please let her know when you arrive at the Scala Lounge.

Players make sure you pick up your participant bag. Remember to take out your banquet ticket and there is also a pay \$5 get \$10 coupon from the casino – both in a small envelope in the bag.

It will not be a late evening.

Transportation:

If you haven't already let Theresa know about your departure, please do so by Wednesday so we can ensure we have arrangements to get you to the airport.

For getting around during the week, most places i.e. shopping, liquor store, restaurants are within 5-10 minute drive or cab.

If we have transportation people available, we can provide rides. Check in with head table.

There is a hotel shuttle to Metrotown. Need to arrange with the front desk ahead of time.

Hotel:

The casino is open 24/7.

Restaurants: Starbucks
EBO Restaurant – same floor – opens at 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Scala lounge – lots of different specials – breakfast @ 6:30 a.m.
Other food places to the right of the Scala lounge
– take out sandwiches, soup, etc.
Grand Dynasty and Japanese restaurant.

Banquet tickets:

- Purchase tickets from Elaine before NOON on Wed Oct. 5th.
- Tickets are \$40.
- Banquet on Sat evening starts at 5:30 – Dinner at 6:30.
- Dan William's band Right as Rain is playing.
- Practice boards - 2 available at the far end of the playing room. Keep in mind tournament play is close by so not too rowdy.
- Playing Room - Smoking on the Smoking Terrace just outside of the front doors of the Grand Villa ballroom – partially covered.
- Bar opens at 11 am and will stay open until midnight.
- Drinks are \$5 for regular bar drinks and beer and \$6 for wine, imports.
- Hotel requests no outside food in the playing room. We will have snacks during the day and lots of food in the Hospitality room at break time and all teams will have two byes so can always go and grab something to eat.

Tournament:

- Start at 9 a.m. each morning – Tuesday-Mixed Doubles, Wednesday – Men's and Ladies Singles, Thursday – Men's and Ladies Doubles – playoffs on Friday at 10 a.m.
- As you know, the Eastern Ontario charter was unable to send a team so the format has changed a bit - same as last year being 7 charters and not 8. Therefore, on each round, one charter will have a bye. There will be free boards all the time.
- 3 Judge system
- Congress Rules apply. Note new rule in Doubles only
New Rule – no meeting in the middle of the board until one team reaches 10 points. Only then can there be a meeting at the middle of the board and each team is allowed only 3 meetings. The scorekeeper will keep track of the # of meetings on the score sheet.
- 15 pts singles and 17 pts doubles – play to 17 – marked off 18 – 21 on the scoreboards
- Finish first round, approx 1 hour break – Hospitality Room will be open and will open later if needed. There will be drinks and lunch.
- At the end of the double round robin, 1st, 2nd & 3rd place need to be determined.
- Tie breakers will be played – single knockout will be used to establish the 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions.
- 1st place team gets a bye to the final on Friday.
- 2nd and 3rd place teams playoff at the end of the round robin play “best-of-three” match on one board.
- As mentioned, Playoffs on Friday will start at 10 with the Mixed, approx noon for Singles and 2 pm for Doubles.

9. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- a) Jamie McCrimmon thanked the current Executive who will retain their positions until the end of the 2011 Canadian Championships at which time their positions are null and void. He asked the host charter to chair the elections.

b) Nominations were open for President

Faye Mitchell nominated Jamie McCrimmon Accepted

Bill Cowan moved that nominations cease.

Marlowe Halvorson seconded the motion.

Jamie McCrimmon was elected by acclamation.

c) *Nominations were open for 1st Vice-President*

Liz Patrick nominated Rod Betker Accepted

Vernon Maguire moved that nominations cease.

Mike Provencher seconded the motion.

Rod Betker was elected by acclamation.

d) *Nominations were open for 2nd Vice-President*

Vernon Maguire nominated Rick Litman Accepted

Jamie McCrimmon moved that nominations cease.

Liz Patrick seconded the motion.

Rick Litman was elected by acclamation.

e) *Nominations were open for Secretary-Treasurer*

Jamie McCrimmon nominated Doreen Hegan Accepted

Vernon Maguire moved that nominations cease.

Mike Provencher seconded the motion.

Doreen Hegan was elected by acclamation.

g) **Canadian Congress Executive for 2011 - 2012:**

President	Jamie McCrimmon
1st Vice-President	Rod Betker
2nd Vice-President	Rick Litman
Secretary-Treasurer	Doreen Hegan

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

a) Vernon Maguire moved the meeting be adjourned. Marlowe Halvorson seconded the motion.

Motion carried

b) Meeting ended at 4:25 p.m.