

Annual General Meeting 2019

The 2019 Annual General Meeting is over and we have a new Board of Directors and some amended bylaws and regulations. Outgoing Commodore Casey de Jong presided over a lengthy and discussion-filled meeting in the full-to-capacity Clubhouse.

Each Director presented an overview of the past year in their particular position, thanking those who have helped in key areas, and outlining what is coming up in 2020. Outgoing Secretary Richard Stevenson in particular included in his report a list of people who ended their membership in the Club as of November 1, which was much appreciated by the audience. As longtime member Jon Healey noted, we have not traditionally had this information and it was very well-received, giving people time to reflect.

Eric van Soeren held the floor during the presentation of several bylaw and regulation changes. With a motion to accept the bylaw changes as presented on the floor, there was lively discussion and differing opinions about introducing a bylaw to deal with “conduct not befitting a member.” Eventually, a motion to postpone that motion was defeated, and the bylaw changes were endorsed by a healthy majority of members. The new Board was elected by acclamation.

A motion by Richard Stevenson to present Honorable Life Membership to Norbert Schlenker was enthusiastically received by the crowd, who gave Norbert a spontaneous standing ovation and unanimous support of the motion.

“Now Past Commodore” Casey was thanked by “Finally Not Past Commodore” Eric, and the meeting was adjourned.



2020 Board of Directors, *back row L-R*: Fleet Captain Cruising Arne Hetherington, Treasurer Norbert Schlenker, Vice Commodore Roy Marlatt, Wharfinger Doug Manton, Secretary Michael Clark, Fleet Captain Dinghy April Faget, Staff Captain Mike Dawson; *front row L-R*: Past Commodore Casey de Jong and Commodore Chris Cheeseman.
Missing: Rear Commodore Grant Wickland, Fleet Captain Racing Greg Taylor
(Colleen Shantz photo)