



Peninsula Soccer Association - Annual General Meeting

April 19, 2012, Alex Campbell Clubhouse
Blue Heron Park North Saanich BC

1. **Meeting** was called to order at 7:03 pm
2. **Welcome/Introductions:** – Dave Erb (President) introduced the members of the Board and expressed his thanks for their support this past year.
Board of Directors: Dave Erb, Mike Synnuck, Kim Erb, Christine Bennett, Gordon Oates, Moses Pimentel, Laine Bennett, Paul Coulson, Bob Hope
Regrets: Chris Wallace, Mike Pryor, Eric Bye

Staff: Dixie Allan Registrar

Members in attendance: 18 ordinary/voting

3. **Motion:** to approve Roberts rules of order **Carried**
4. **Motion:** to approve agenda **Carried**
5. **Motion:** C Bennett **2nd** D West
That the minutes of the AGM of April 04/2011 be approved **Carried**

6. Officer Reports: **President:**

Another season is nearly over and as always it seems far too soon. We need to look back and review our clubs season and to plan for next year. We used Blue Heron to its Maximum capability with closures; we now are at the point where the field maintenance must include a rebuild of the sand fields. We are installing 9800 feet of drain pipe 1000 tons of course sand and slopping the field with a crown.

We partnered with the Town of Sidney in the application of a BC small towns grant of \$960,000 at Iroquois Park field. With great disappointment the grand was not selected. However talking with MLA Murray Coell and councilors from Sidney, there will be new grants to apply for and both levels of government are dedicated to see field turf at Iroquois park.

On April 14 at 2:00pm in the afternoon we opened to the public and our association, the "ALEX CAMPBELL CLUBHOUSE". Many teams have booked time to have their season ending party and team meetings. I truly hope that all in our club fully use our new addition to Blue Herron Park. It was not easy in completing the club house. Without the



help of the following volunteers the completion of the club house would have never been; Bob Hope, Sharon Guenther, Kim Erb, Christine Bennett, Mike Synnuck, Lain Bennett, Bob Tanner and the many volunteers who painted, dug, cleaned, swept, shopped, coordinated with suppliers and trades and worked hard, thank you very much! Please take note in the club house the fantastic murals painted by local artist France Trépanier

Our greatest asset in our club is our youth and adult players. The second greatest is our coaches, managers and coordinators. But there are many behind the scene, volunteers that keep our club organized, our jamboree a success, concession open and ready for business, clothing sales affordable, fields playable and painted, uniforms, constitution updated, referees assigned and educated, club assistant referees trained, practice schedules and coaches clinics. There are many countless hours of volunteer time consumed in keeping our soccer players on the pitch. We are also finishing our biggest project in our clubs history; Blue Heron Project, complete with a club house. If you want to volunteer working on the club house please contact Laine or Christine Bennett or me to have your name added to the list.

I want to thank all Volunteers on behalf of all of you for their dedication and time well spent for their splendid efforts.

Some of our 14 board members are reaching their terms (board members are elected for two year terms) some will be having their names put forward again and others stepping down. This means there is an opportunity for many of you to take a part in building our club. Please give a serious thought of being nominated at the **AGM**.

The board recognizes the need for an all weather pitch and currently has a budget line item saving towards a turf field.

Blue Heron Fields are being rebuilt, more drainage pipes and crowning. We have purchased our aerator and fertilizer spreader. Now we will have the ability to do maintenance as soon as the field conditions require it.

If you would like to make a charitable donation to our club for the Blue Heron Development Project please contact Mike Synnuck or call me to discuss.

We also have a "buy a brick program" contact Mike Synnuck or me for more information.

Tax receipts can be issued upon request.

All the work completed did not come with a "market value charge". Many companies did reduce or cancelled their fees because this is a community project that all may use. I would like to recognize the following companies and people that are not necessarily part of our club but have contributed to the Blue Heron Project, as follows;



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| MLA Murray Coell, (Olympic/Paralympics Live sites Grant \$330,000.) | B.C. Hydro |
| District of North Saanich (Grants in Aid) | Horizon Power |
| Town of Sidney (Grants in Aid) | Don Mann Excavation |
| Municipality of Saanich Engineering | Butler Brothers Supplies |
| United Rentals | AAA Rebar Only |
| Shane Smith Contracting | Mrs. Campbell (175,000.00) |
| Canem Electrical | Mr. Alex Campbell Jr. |
| Andrew Sheret Ltd. | Elite Sheet Metal |
| Terasen Waterworks | Western 1 Rentals |
| Stantec Consultants | Tanner Excavation |
| Applied Engineering Solutions | Dave Bowcott |
| AME group | Capital Electric |
| Levelton Consultants | Thomis Electric |
| Sidney and North Saanich Memorial Parks Society | Westburn Electric |
| Island Asphalt Co | Gescan Electric |
| WestRock Construction | Stelly's Carpentry Program |
| Parker Johnson Roofing | Peninsula Rock Products |
| DL bins | Elite Metal Works |
| AME Consulting Group | Central Saanich Lions (10,000.00) |
| Excelsystems (10,000.00) | |

Respectfully Submitted, David Erb

Treasurer:

Financial Report for the year-ended February 29, 2012:

I am pleased to provide the following comments relative to the financial statements for the year ending February 29/2012. Registration fees were up \$17,000 over last year, and while field development and Capital Levies are down by a similar amount, overall revenues were up by \$87,000 as a result of a large donation received from Mrs J Campbell to assist with the completion of the clubhouse.



General Operating expenses were up by some \$17,000 which was largely attributed to the depreciation costs of the clubhouse for this past fiscal year in the amount of \$24,000.

The result of the above items resulted in a net surplus of \$164,000 of which \$140,000 was redirected to the construction costs of the Alex Campbell Clubhouse. The clubhouse is estimated to be about 98% complete as of year-end, with only minor costs associated with cabinets and counter tops yet to be covered.

PSA was granted an occupancy permit for the Alex Campbell clubhouse in February of this year. The clubhouse has been capitalized over 20 years to conform to the lease held through Memorial Park Society.

We are currently showing some \$82,000 in cash at year-end, and the Board has elected to utilize a large portion of these funds to refurbish the playing fields at Blue Heron park, with the work expected to commence immediately.

Respectfully submitted, Gordon Oates, Treasurer

Motion: to approve financial statements as of February 29/2012 **Carried**

Motion: to accept Proposed 2012/2013 Budget **Carried**

Secretary:

ACTIV Software Soccer Registrar for our registration has worked out extremely well and thanks to ACTIV for all their technical support. ACTIV has now moved to the next level. They now have clients throughout the province and their software has been enhanced significantly.

The office at the clubhouse is now up and running. Over the next few months I will endeavor to move all club related file on to our office desktop. Printing club related information is now available on our new Pipes Business systems machine. We have three available computers. (Registrar, office desktop, and laptop with widi capability. A projector and large flat screen are also available for technical development.

I would like to personally thank all of the members of the board for their dedicated involvement over this past season.

Respectfully Submitted, Robert Hope

Motion: to accept all officers reports **Carried**



7. Committee Reports

Technical Report:

Introduction

First things first, after some neglect on my part over the season, this spring we restarted the Technical Committee monthly meetings. Having the clubhouse as a permanent home has allowed us to set meeting times and location, which provides for better planning and organization for the Technical Committee. The Tech Committee now meets every second Thursday of the month. Over the spring and summer we will focus our attention on improving our program for the coming 2012-13 Season, with increased focus on the younger age groups.

I would also like to recognize the Technical Committee members Richard Mosher, Moses Pimentel, and Christine Bennett for their continued support, advice and direction. I will also be looking to recruit additional member to the committee over the next little while. Finally I would like to recognize Nick Daniel, our head coach for his continued advice and support of Peninsula Soccer's players, coaches and programs.

The Rise of VIPL

Spring and summer of 2011 where a busy time for me with frequent (weekly) meeting of a LISA committee struck to develop options for the new Vancouver Island Premier League (tier 2 soccer). PSA developed (in conjunction with LISA) and backed a plan often referred to as the Zonal model, which promoted the development of 4 zones in Lower Island and would have provided player's access to VIPL irrespective of how their club teams performed. This was not the model selected for VIPL, the choice in the end being a compromise system of qualifying, promotion/relegation (the system we have today). PSA felt and still feels that the Zonal model is the best approach for player and coach development. I have noticed a growing interest from many in the Zonal approach recently and I still hope that over time this system will replace the current VIPL system.

HPL (now BCSPL)

Summer of 2011 also brought about the rise of the new BC Soccer Premier League, a provincial league of 8 teams in each age group from U13 to U18. PSA is proud to say (and this reflects well on our coaches and technical program) that we have at least 6 PSA alumni who play on these teams. PSA is supportive of the BCSPL and hopes to see more of our players making the grade in the future.

Both VIPL and BCSPL do however present soccer in the lower island with new challenges, with declining enrolment across the region, additional levels of soccer makes it increasingly difficult to have competitive leagues at all levels (there are only so many players to go around). VIPL as structured causes some concern from a development



point of view as there is an added pressure to win that can come at the expense of development; this I feel is a step backward for soccer in our area. The uncertainty of VIPL also seems to have had a negative impact on registration for a number of clubs including PSA.

Technical Program Highlights for 2011-2012

- Nick was asked to coach a BCSPL U18 Boys team this past season. We had a plan to cover Nick's absence, as he would not be available Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturday's during the BCSPL season. Unfortunately things did not work out as planned and we could not find an alternate coach for Saturday's, this mostly impacted the U7 age group. On a more positive note Nick has almost completed his UEFA A license and club players are already benefiting from what he has learned.
- Grant Darley returned this year to offer a revamped and improved keeper clinic program (more on this below)
- Harj filled in for Nick, providing technical support / training for U8 to U10 boys and girls on Mondays and Wednesdays but we were not able to cover off the Tuesdays and Thursdays U8 to U10 training that we provided last year.
- Toward the end of the year Jorge Haro also joined the technical staff, initially as part of the assessment team, but we will also make use of his services in our spring league program and next season. (Jorge is a resident of Sidney and an ex Peruvian U21 international)
- In all we have far more Technical assistance options to select from than we did last year
- In Jan of 2012 PSA sent 9 players to the LISA ID camp program for U10 and 11 players (one of the players was selected even though they were a U8 player).
- We also provide 2 summer camp programs and 2 regular season technical skills programs this past season (more later)
- PSA in recognizing problems in the past with our fields during the winter rains spent considerable time in trying to organize alternate practice locations. Whilst we were able to use our strong relationship with LISA technical staff to get time at PISE in December and January, we were not able to find additional field time for the club as a whole due to the high demand for turf field space from other users. Despite some of the challenges early in the season we still managed to provide more than 100 hours of infield instruction over the season.

Game Observation (Player and Team Evaluation)

Nick was able to observe Saturday games through part of November, Jan and part of Feb during the BCSPL closed season. Game observations help Nick to learn more about the club, it's players and coaches, our strengths and weaknesses as well as allowing him to assess players and teams in a game setting.



District Cup Finals and Results

PSA had 6 teams make it to the District Cup finals this year they are:

- U13 Boys Silver CHAMPIONS, MVP- BENJAMIN PERDIGAO
- U16 Girls Gold CHAMPIONS, MVP- SHAVONNE BARCHEN-HOBSON
- U15 Girls Gold 0-1 Loss to JDF MVP- VANESSA GUERRA
- U15 Boys Gold CHAMPIONS, MVP- RUSSELL BENNETT
- U17 Girls Silver 2-3 loss to PL, MVP- SOPHIE HEGLAND
- U17 Boys Silver 2-3 shoot out loss to SSU MVP- JACK DARLEY

Congratulations to all those who participated

Coach Education

CSA and BCSA are changing their coach education and certificate programs. While we have had meetings with CSA and BCSA we do not yet know if these changes will have any real impact on coaching. LISA is also looking to change the way coach education is provided, to make the program more accessible from a financial point of view. As we know more we will pass on the information to club members. PSA is a strong supporter of coach education and encourage coaches to participate in these programs. There is more talk each year about making coaching education compulsory it is probably only a matter of time before this is a reality.

Keepers Training

Grant Darley returned this year with a new, more focused keeper program that ran on Tuesday evenings thorough the season. This program was aimed more at identifying and developing players with a strong interest in being a goalie. We plan to expand the program next year to younger age groups, all participants that I talked with were very happy with the extra training.

Soccer Camps / Spring League

Summer Soccer Camps

Over the summer of 2011, PSA conducted 2 one week long soccer camps (one in each of July and August). We were please with the participation and pleased with the feedback we received. PSA will be offering these programs again this summer.

Fall and Winter Skills Academy

This year we also offered a fall and winter skills academy program on Sundays. Both camps were well attended and feedback was positive. As a result we will offer this program next season too, possibly expanding it to other age groups.

More than 80 players, many of them new to soccer, attended spring league 2011. For the younger age groups the focus was on fun and games with a pizza party at the end and t-shirts for all participants. For the older groups the focus was more technical but



still with the game component. This year's spring league program will be on Tuesday Nights from May 1 onward for six weeks.

Assessment Process

Player assessments are underway (March to end of April)

The process is administered by Nick and is a combination of games and skills tests for U11 to U14 girls, and U12 to U14 boys and where numbers warrant. If required older groups can be accessed through tryouts

With declining enrolment we will be looking to combine age groups where it makes sense (hence the assessments for U11 girls).

Team Formation and Coach Selection Process

Team formation and coach selection will take place after player assessments. Coach and player selection will be as per club policy. Right now coaches that register online, may not show up as 2012/13 coaches, so for now I ask all returning coaches to simply email me (pacoulson@shaw.ca) to indicate their availability. PSA will notify parents when the system properly accounts for returning coaches.

Proposals for Next Season's Technical Program

- Coach Education. PSA Intends to hold the new Community Coach Child's coaching course at the beginning of September (one day program)
- Earlier start to the season for training (beginning of September) for U8 to U11, teams may not yet be formed, but the sessions will be open to all in the age group and coached by Nick or alternate. We did this in some but not all age groups last season.
- For next season we are looking at improving scheduling for the technical program, to post it sooner so that coaches can hopefully avoid timing conflicts. These sessions will be lead by the head coach or his alternate
- For age group U11 to U14, training with the head coach will be once every two weeks. for the U8 to U13s, fully half the practices could be under the direction of the head coach.
- Those at the U15 to U18 levels will be able to invite Nick out to a set number of training sessions per season, We aim to at least be able to provide the same as last year which was 3 sessions before Christmas
- The above is subject to budgetary restrictions, over the summer we will fully cost the program.

Other Programs

- Coaches drop in soccer on Sunday afternoons with some coaching camps from time to time with Nick
- Mum's soccer will be offered again, possibly we will have a full women's team
- Friday training program specific to positions, defenders, Midfielders, and Forward



Conclusion

- The Technical Committee will continue to look for ways to grow and improve our technical program within PSA
- The Technical Committee is interested in feedback from players, coaches, and parents

Respectfully Submitted, Paul Coulson

Head referee:

Thank you to Rob Mann for all of his efforts assigning small side referees to our small side games. I assumed the position of full field referee scheduler for full field games.

Our regular monthly referee development meetings were well attended. This shows a definite concern for overall consistency by our peninsula referees

Unfortunately we said Good Bye to a few referees. Ray Illsley went back to university, Mike Hood accepted a job in Vancouver, Grant Parkins accepted a job with Butchart Gardens, and 3 others chose not to continue.

I would like to congratulate all of our coaches and players for their decorum on the field. There was significantly less poor sportsmanship this season.

The club will be hosting several referee development clinics in the fall. An entry level full field referee clinic is schedule for Sept 7, 8, 9/2012; a full field referee refresher clinic is scheduled for Sept 16/2012; a small side referee clinic is scheduled for Sept 23/2012

Respectfully Submitted, Robert Hope

Member Services:

Overall it was a very productive year. First: moving our uniforms, equipment and clothing sales out of our old U-Haul storage unit to the new clubhouse. Second: setup in the equipment storage room and retail room was completed in March 2012. The brighter and more spacious room was appreciated by all of those who volunteered for the equipment returns.

The clothing sales room is now available to our members for the gear they need to stay warm and dry as well as promote club pride in wearing our colors. The new room is more accessible for sales during games, tourneys, meetings and equipment handouts.

Having everything to do with the club in one location is a great benefit.

We have introduced some new items this past season. They are on display within the clubhouse.

Thank you to all the volunteers that assisted in equipment handout and recovery this season. Many hands makes the job easier.

Motion: to accept all directors reports **Carried**



8. New Business:

Elections:

President: (2 years) David Erb acclaimed

Vice President (2 years) Laine Bennett acclaimed

Secretary: (2 years) Robert Hope acclaimed

Directors (5) (2 years) Christine Bennett, Paul Longpre, Paul Coulson, Winifred Hays-Byl, Moses Pimentel

Directors (2) (1 year) Robb Mann, Alan Soulidre

Motion: To approve the appointment of a 15th director for two years **Carried**

Director appointed: Dale West

9. Round Table:

10. Appoint Audit Committee:

11. Meeting Adjourned: 8:45 pm

Secretary