

**2010 Saskatchewan Triathlon Association
Corporation
ANNUAL REPORT**



The Sportplex - Regina
March 5, 2011

Special Resolutions

From the Executive Committee

Resolution No.1: Be it resolved that Heagy Altrogge Matchett & Partners LLP, or such other public accounting firm as selected by the Executive Committee, be appointed to perform the audit of Triathlon Canada for the year ended December 31, 2011 and that the Executive Committee set the remuneration.

Resolution No. 2: Be it resolved that a new membership category termed Day-of-Race Team fee for 2011 be created. The fee is for each individual on a team entry for a STAC sanctioned triathlon and costs each team-member \$10. The fee would provide each member the rights associated with a day-of-race member.

Resolution No. 3: Be it resolved that beginning in 2012 day-of-race option be removed from the STAC membership package. All race participants would be required to be full members of STAC to participate in any STAC sanctioned activity.

**2009 Saskatchewan Triathlon Association Corporation
Annual General Meeting
Willows Golf and Country Club, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
March 6, 2010**

In Attendance: (list from Fred)

1. Welcome and call to order, 5:40pm – N. Golden
2. Presentation and adoption of agenda

Motion: To accept the agenda as distributed.

Moved: G. Kokonas 2nd: E. Howlett Carried

3. Approval of minutes from 2009 AGM – overview of minutes read aloud by K. Mitchell

Motion: To accept the minutes of the 2008 AGM

Moved: C. Katz 2nd: R. Cormier Carried

4. Business arising from the minutes
 - none
5. President's report (see attached report) – N. Golden
 - new STAC website
 - great support by F. Dyck
 - Mary's Hope Foundation gift has been used to establish a legacy fund
 - Established a Triathlon Centre
 - Thank you to the board members especially the outgoing members (G. Kokonas, D. Grauer and J. Marshall – a joy to work with)
6. Director's Reports
 - a. Officials, Timing and Results (see attached report) – D. Gallo
 - One NTO workshop
 - Two level one clinics
 - STAC officials at 16 different events in 2009
 - Level two clinic April 10, 2010
 - b. Coaching (see attached report) – E. Howlett
 - Community stream coaching, 28 people over 3 yrs
 - Comp Intro in 2010
 - C. Priebe and P. Ash coaching the Juniors
 - R. Edwards has completed competition development coaching program
 - SK Triathlon Centre formalizes youth and junior training
 - Bid to increase funding was denied by SK Sport but we are pushing ahead with it
 - c. High Performance (see attached report)– R. Cormier
 - Thanks to the High Performance committee members for their hard work

- d. Youth and Junior (see attached report) – C. Katz
- Increase in youth memberships
- Youth race series in 2009
- CSG inaugural year for Triathlon – Top 5 performance
- Western Canada games in 2011

Motion: To accept all reports as presented

Moved: C. Priebe 2nd: R. Edwards Carried

- 7. Financial year end statements – J. Marshall
- financial statements distributed and verbally summarized

Motion: To accept the audit statement as presented

Moved: J. Marshall 2nd: M. Gibson Carried

Motion: To appoint Heagy Attrogge Matchett and Partners LLP as the STAC auditor for 2010.

Moved: J. Marshall 2nd: E. Howlett Carried

Motion: To increase membership fees for 2010 (\$35 for adult, \$20 for Junior, \$70 for Family and \$20 for race day).

Moved: J. Marshall 2nd: G. Kokonas Unanimous

8. Election of directors – N. Golden

Board members continuing on:

- D. Gallo
- K. Mitchell
- E. Howlett
- C. Katz
- N. Golden
- R. Cormier
- M. Gibson

Exiting board members:

- J. Marshall
- G. Kokonas
- D. Grauer

New board members:

- A. Stalwick

Open nominations:

- Any other nominations to the 2010 STAC board of directors?
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Motion: To accept the 2010 STAC Board of Directors as listed.

Moved: C. Priebe 2nd: R. Edwards Carried

9. New Business

- none

10. Adjournment: 6:16pm

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Moved: E. Howlett 2nd: D. Gallo Carried

Report from the President 2010

2010 was another successful year for STAC. Our membership continues to grow, provincial race participants steadily increase and the number of races that STAC sanctions has also increased.

STAC saw a number of firsts in 2010 including the first ever Junior Elite Race in the province. On July 11, Saskatchewan hosted the Living Sky Tri at Pike Lake that saw more than 49 elite junior triathletes from across Canada participate. Of course an event of this magnitude could not have been possible without the amazing dedication of STAC's many seasoned volunteers. Kudos and thanks to the Big Sky Tri race committee of Ron Golden, RossAnn Edwards, Glen Patkau, Don Gallo and Fred Dyck, as well as the many other tireless volunteers who supported them.

Another first for STAC was the creation and operation of our Saskatchewan Triathlon Centre (STC). With RossAnn Edwards as the Coordinator, and under the guidance of the STC Advisory Committee, STAC is focused on building stronger grassroots and community events across the province, increasing capacity to talent ID youth and juniors and finally supporting age-group and junior athletes as they pursue excellence in the sport.

Sponsorships and funding continue to be a major focus for STAC and in 2010 STAC saw a six fold increase in sponsorship. On behalf of all of our Board and membership we thank our sponsors without whom many of our events would not be possible.

In closing, I would like to thank the amazing team of individuals that has made up the STAC Board during my time as President and earlier. Much has been accomplished due to the efforts of these dedicated and hardworking individuals and it has been my pleasure to serve among them. I would like to thank our single outgoing Board Member, Robert Cormier from Prince Albert, for his efforts over the past two years.

Finally, to Fred, our coordinator extraordinaire who has made the job of President an extremely enjoyable one, I thank you!

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicole Golden
President

The STAC Finance and Audit Committee Report 2010

The STAC Finance and Audit Committee terms of reference were established in April 2009 in accordance with revision of the Financial Policies & Procedures. The purpose of the committee is to oversee the financial reporting process and monitor ongoing compliance with internal control and auditing processes.

The finance committee for 2009 consisted of Evan Howlett (STAC Treasurer), Fred Dyck (STAC Coordinator) and John Marshall (Past Treasurer) and Nicole Golden (STAC President).

This committee was active in 2010 overseeing the following:

- Analysis and Preparation of the 2011/2012 budget submission to Sask Sport
- Completion of the Sask Sport Annual Funding Review Questionnaire in preparation for the Annual Funding Review process, which occurs every three years.
- Attendance at annual funding review session with sask sport
- Review and approval of Member Assistance Grant applications
- Ongoing monitoring of revenue and disbursements throughout the year
- Meeting with the auditors in February 2010 to review financial statements for the year-end audit process.

Respectfully submitted,

Evan Howlett
STAC Treasurer

STAC Official's Report 2010

Sask Competitions

- This year we had 18 events province wide.
- 40 officials were used to cover these events.
- 18 different officials were used in all.

Sask Officials' Clinics

- 5 clinics were held.
- 1 teachers' level clinic (12 teachers Dundurn).
- 3 level 1 clinics (30 new officials Yorkton, Regina, Saskatoon).
- 1 level 2 clinic (9 new officials Saskatoon-Regina).
- 3 facilitators presented .

Sask Officials' Newsletter

-We have published three officials' newsletters. This is a way to communicate with officials, keep them informed and interested in being part of the Sask officials team. The newsletter also seeks to gather input from officials.

Budget

- We have kept cost for officiating the same while increasing the number of officials at each event, providing opportunities for experience and mentorship, while limiting travel.
- We purchased four radios for officials use.

National Technical Officials Clinic-Kelowna

-We now have 2 active NTO's. 1 in Regina and 1 in Saskatoon as a result of workshop attendance and participation in the Canadian National Triathlon Championship in Kelowna Aug 2010.

Triathlon Canada Rules June 2010

- The new TC rules were implemented for The Living Sky Tri, a junior national event, and The Regina Beach Triathlon as it was our provincial selection competition.
- Major changes included, terminology, a larger draft zone and the addition of penalty boxes.
- The rules with regard to wet suit use and water temperature now include air temperature

Team Guidelines Implemented

-The new team guidelines were implemented at the Frank Dunn Race in Waskesiu. There were 48 teams and the new guidelines helped maintain order, fairness and safety. Signs marking the exchange zones included these guidelines to help educate athletes. The LOC was receptive to this implementation.

Rules committee

A rules committee was established and has met, to review current practices in our province. We have looked at the new rules and how to implement them as well other issues such as fraud, security in transitions and appeal and protest procedures.

SSG 11

-The technical document for the summer games 2012 was submitted and the Technical Delegate met in Meadow Lake October 15 & 16, 2010 with the local organizing committee.

Respectfully Submitted
Don Gallo

Coaching Report 2010

Over the past year there have been many developments in terms of triathlon coaching in Saskatchewan. As outlined below, progress is being made at both the provincial and national level in the areas of coach education, coach collaboration, the development of coaching resources, and coaching opportunities.

On November 27-28, Tracey Shelley, master facilitator for Triathlon Canada, came to Regina to facilitate an NCCP (National Coaching Certification Program) Adult Community Coaching Course. Carly Priebe co-facilitated as part of her training to become a Learning Facilitator. Eight coaches from southern Saskatchewan attended.

The community course represents "Part 1" of the competition introduction process. It is hoped that, within the next year, there will be enough interest in Saskatchewan to bring in Tracey Shelley (or another Comp Intro facilitator) to run "Part 2" and "Part 3" courses.

The next current level of coaching education, competition development, is only open to qualified coaches. RossAnn Edwards, coach for the Saskatchewan Triathlon Center, has been accepted and is currently pursuing competition development certification.

Over the last year, Carly Priebe has been mentoring under Tracey Shelley to become a Learning Facilitator for Community Coaching courses. After a recent meeting in Vancouver, she is officially certified. This is good news for Saskatchewan as having our own facilitator will decrease the cost of hosting coaching education courses. In addition to becoming a Learning Facilitator, Carly Priebe was the head coach for the Canadian Paratriathlon team that competed in Budapest, Hungary in the fall of 2010. As a result, she has been approached by Triathlon Canada to be the lead on a committee to develop a curriculum for Paratriathlon coaching education in Canada.

Another area of development at the national level is a curriculum for Youth Community Coaching. This will be similar to the Adult Community Coaching courses but be directed specifically at coaching youth. It is hoped that, within the coming year, potential Saskatchewan Summer Games coaches will be able to take this course.

This is an exciting time for triathlon coaching in Saskatchewan and in Canada. Over the past year, I attended Triathlon Canada meetings in Ottawa and Vancouver where I have had the opportunity to interact with and learn from other coaches, Triathlon Canada board members, and NCCP staff. I look forward to continuing on the STAC board and promoting long term athlete development, coaching certification, increased access to coaching resources, and increased collaboration between coaches in the province.

Respectfully submitted,
Carly Priebe
Director of Coaching

Club and Membership Report 2010

2010 once again witnessed an increase in annual membership for the Saskatchewan Triathlon Association Corporation. At the close of 2010, STAC had on file 936 active annual members across all categories.

	2010	2009	2008
Total Membership (all categories):	1334	1426	1352
Total Full Season Membership:	936	796	700
Adult:	724	611	557
Youth/Junior:	212	185	143
Race Day Adult:	287	431	289
Race Day Youth/Junior:	111	199	283

The increase in membership fees as well as an increase in the submission of race-day fees resulted in an increase of over \$10,000 in membership fees.

STAC funded 20 club events through the Member Assistance Program in 2010. These events ranged from clinics for youth and kids of steel participants to 17 races across the province. Highlights of the race season included La Ronge hosting the 20th annual Freeze, Breeze n' Wheeze, STAC and STCI hosting the first ever junior elite race in Saskatchewan, the Living Sky Tri, and the Regina Multisport Club hosting the first ever See Dick Tri triathlon and introducing an Xterra race to the calendar. At the close of 2010, STAC certified a new club in Saskatoon, the Tri Amigos, and has plans in place for new clubs in 2011. Officially, STAC had ten member clubs at the close of 2010.

The STAC Board of Directors proposed in the fall of 2009 rate increases for all membership categories in 2010. These rate increases came into effect January 1st, 2010. The STAC Board of Directors has agreed to not offer any rate increases to membership fees for 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Gibson
Chair of the Club & Membership Committee

High Performance Report 2010

2010 was a transitional year for the high performance committee as I took over the role of director from Robert Cormier in the fall. The high performance committee for 2010 consisted of:

- CJ Katz – STAC Vice President, Youth & Junior Committee Chair, Parent
- Susan Clark – Saskatchewan cycling
- Gary Pallet – Manitoba High Performance coach
- Shane Armstrong – former Elite Athlete/CSG committee member
- RossAnn Edwards – provincial coach, parent
- Robert Cormier – out going director

There were several inquiries regarding funding allocations in 2010 that required some clarification. Work began on revising the policy statement to clarify the funding guideline ambiguities brought forward by the membership. Work also began on reviewing and re-evaluating the times required for High Performance and Performance standards.

The new website look and feel and the responsiveness with which it has been updated has been an asset to producing more exposure for our high performance athletes. Thank you to Fred Dyck for work toward this goal.

Recommendations for the upcoming year:

1. Update Performance funding application form to capture required information to substantiate qualifications
2. Update and adopt High Performance and Performance time standards based on review and re-evaluation of current times
3. Update High Performance and Performance standards policy to clarify issues brought forward in 2010

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Hehn
Director of High Performance

Youth Report 2010

YOUTH: The summer of 2010 continued to be a terrific year for youth in Saskatchewan. The youth races for the year included Icebreaker, Brainsport KOS, Spin-Off Spadina, Yorkton, DuckMountain, and the inaugural Living Sky Triathlon. In addition, STAC secured KOS sponsorship from Evraz in the amount of \$11,500 which has been allocated for the KOS program in 2011, 2012 and 2013. Triathlon Canada has funds allocated for KOS funding and STAC has submitted an application for the continued support and development of youth triathlon in Saskatchewan.

Western Canada KOS Championships: Saskatchewan athletes medaled in both the men's and women's categories with Keisha Besler and Brammon Edwards capturing gold and Brennen Smith finishing third. A total of 9 Saskatchewan athletes participated in this race.

A Kids of Steel Western Championship has been proposed to be held alongside the National Championships at the Kelowna Apple and is scheduled for August 20-21, 2011.

Man/Sask Fun Challenge Regional Championships: The annual Markham Cup Regional Championships between Manitoba and Saskatchewan were held for the 13th year at Duck Mountain in August 14-15, 2010. Saskatchewan had few participants this year due to conflicting race dates.

Living Sky Triathlon Junior Elite Race: A successful debut for this triathlon offered by STAC and STCI with 11 Saskatchewan youth participating.

2012 Saskatchewan Canada Summer Games: STAC has begun the initial phases of developing coaches and setting up clinics to prepare for the 2012 Saskatchewan Summer Games. Decisions need to be finalized on how to proceed with coach development.

Clinics that STAC funded through Member Assistance Program Grants: Kickstart Clinic, Draft Legal Cycling Clinic

Clinics STAC Funded from Regular Sources: Christmas Training Camp, Warm Weather Training Camp, Arizona

Other Activities:

- KOS Race Series including medals for each participant (Four races in the series in 2010)
- Provided officials and equipment for the Dundurn Diggers KOS Triathlon
- Supported qualified athletes to attend Junior Nationals and other junior elite events

Respectfully Submitted,
Amanda Stalwick
Youth Director