

## Highlights of 2000 General Meeting Minutes

### January

- Presentation of miniature canoe to Bob Arthur for his service as Commodore from 1997 to 1999. Presentation of miniature canoe to Ray Driscoll for his efforts on behalf of Houston Canoe Club. He was awarded a lifetime membership.
- Request for volunteers to form a committee for Olympics 2012.
- Presentation of Awards for 1999-y2k Survival Kit, Mileage Awards, Participation in most trips award, Trip Leader of the Year Award, Rookie of the Year.
- Recognition and appreciation of officers who served in 1999.
- Purser's Report - \$37,780
- Rendezvous – Lillian Tigard officially resigned as Rendezvous Chair. Lillian provided a spreadsheet showing the growth of Rendezvous from 1994 to 1999
- Program – River Rescue (ACA video)

### February

- Houston Canoe Club received a letter from Governor George Bush thanking us for writing a letter requesting extending the Wild and Scenic River designation along the Rio Grande.
- Notification to members about new policy concerning use of waiver for both ACA Paddle America and HCC waiver to meet insurance guidelines.
- Presentation to Natalie Weist for leading the most trips in 1999.
- Program – Participating and Leading Trips by Bill and Donna Grimes.
- Rendezvous Committee seeks Chairperson.

### March

- Announcement of new park on Oyster Creek opening in May.
- Paddle Tips – Cindy Bartos on Launching a Canoe
- Rendezvous introduces new Chair – Dr. Kevin Casement
- Rendezvous loving cup was returned and given to Kevin Casement as encouragement.
- Program – Slide show of Canada trip by Paul Woodcock

### April

- Earth Day HCC booth exhibit a big success.
- Special Guest Amy Pruitt with the Buffalo Bayou Regatta announced this as the 30<sup>th</sup> year the regatta will be held.
- Paddling Tips – Differences in paddles, shafts, lengths, blade type and width by Bob Arthur.
- Proceeds from Rendezvous 1999 were presented to the club in the amount of \$10,819.21
- *Motion*: A motion was made for a portion of the 2000 Rendezvous proceeds to be divided between TRPA-Texas River Protection Association, Galveston Bay Foundation, and Red River Authority. The motion was voted and passed.
- Hulsebosch Committee gave a brief history of the committee and their election status.
- Program – Jack Krohn had an assortment of slide, photos, and videotapes playing simultaneously from Texas Water Safari 1987.

### May

- Review of the various newspaper articles that club members have appeared in the last two months.
- Paddling Tips – “What happens when you swim” by Paula Dittrick
- Hulsebosch Committee – *Motion* was made to accept all previous nominations by acclamation. Motion was voted and carried.
- Program – Jim Null-“Taking Photos on the River”

#### June

- Visitors to the club meeting from Tennessee, Great Britain, Florida, Texas, and North Carolina
- Paddling Tips – Frasier Baker on “Staying Hydrated”.
- Water Safari Report given by Grady Hicks
- Program – “Bay Day” slide show presented by Tom Douglas and History of Armand Bayou Nature Center.
- Deposit for Rendezvous campsites were made.

#### July

- Rivers & Rapids sold to members at discounted price.
- Paddling Tips – Advantages and Disadvantages of feathered versus non-feathered paddles by Natalie Weist
- *Motion* to approve \$1,000. 00 for the HCC Christmas Party. Motion was passed.
- Program – “ABC’s of Skin Cancer” by Dr. Shapiro and Jim Null

#### August

- Paddling Tips – Appropriate painters and end lines for canoe. – Martha Williams
- Program – Venomous and Non-venomous snakes in and around Harris County.-Mike Howlett
- Appointment of nomination committee by John Bartos. Chair-Mary Carter (HCC governor), Mark Andrus (HCC governor), Martha Williams, Frasier Baker, Cheryl Cleary.

#### September

- Paddling Tips – Hydration systems that allow you to drink and paddle – Grady Hicks
- Hulsebosch Committee Report named recipients of donations for continued education and protections of waterways. \$5,410.00 total donations to \$760.00 to the Bayou Whitewater Roll Sessions at the YMCA, \$1,000.00 to the Biopreservation Association, \$1,000.00 to TRPA, \$1,440.00 to Armand Bayou to purchase canoes, \$710.00 to YMCA to purchase canoes, \$500.00 to Monarch School for Educational Environmental camp.
- Program – Monarch School gave a slide presentation of the building of a canoe, and their trip on the Llano.

#### October

- Rendezvous success stories
- Canoe Club Challenge – HCC got the challenge cup back. Frasier Baker to keep until next year.
- Overview of the San Marcos Symposium on the subject of possible canoe registration.
- Nominations were accepted for 2001 Officer positions.
- Program – Bio Preservation Website – Dr. Lee Graham

#### November

- Paddling Tips – Loading of Kayaks by Mary Carter
- Petition circulated against threat of canoe registration
- Decision to have Christmas Party on December 2 in lieu of December General Meeting
- *Motion* to reserve all campsites at Huntsville State Park for Rendezvous 2001 if financial arrangement can be worked out. Motion was voted and carried by show of hands.
- *Motion* to approve all candidates as nominated for the 2001 Officer positions. Motion was voted and carried by show of hands. New officers are: Jim Null – Commodore, Frasier Baker – Vice Commodore, Candy Donahue – Purser, Marilyn Peery – Recorder, Donna Grimes – Newsletter Editor, Bob Scheffler – Governor, No Fleet Captain at this time.
- Motion for HCC to donate \$500.00 plus match any funds donated by club members to the American Red Cross and designate that it be used to improve the small water boats program. Motion voted and carried by show of hands and contributions.
- Program – Glacier Bay slide show – Natalie Weist