

BSSC 2026 Annual General Meeting
February 3, 2026, 19:00
In-person Attendance – Venice House
Virtual Attendance - Zoom

Members present: Cindy M, Dale M, Ken W, James B, Rob B, John B, Louis, Desiree, Melissa E, Geoff K

Members on Zoom: Connor B, Rob P, Kryztle C, Danny N

1 Welcome

a) Quorum achieved (more than 25% voting members present)

2) Minutes from February 4, 2025 Annual General Meeting

- Minutes read by Rob B
- No amendments. Approve minutes

John motion/Ken 2nd – Unanimous

4 Reports

a) Harbour Master

Blackstrap Sailing Club Harbour Master Report 2025

Submitted by James Briens

The 2025 sailing season at BSSC got off to a start Saturday May 3rd.

This was our opening day to get the site ready for the upcoming sailing season. We had a solid turn out of members and all regular tasks were done fairly quickly. The seacan was reorganized, new wind sock was hoisted and the club house and biffy's cleaned up. We had some minor damage to our launch pad due to ice pushing up the pads on break up. Just a few days prior it looked like we would escape mother nature's icy grip but a big east wind blew in and messed things up. Were able to cut to some of the lines connecting the pads and remove them so we could flattened them out as much as possible. The launch pad works reasonably well. Here's hoping we can dodge another bullet this year.

Thanks to Dale Miller for keep our old riding lawn mower going. Having it makes it easier to maintain upkeep on our site. Currently Dale has the mower and is planning to do more maintenance.

Rob Bechard was able to sell our heavy weight 20hp outboard motor. He then purchased a new light weight, easy to start 10hp. This motor saw good use on the race committee boat with no problems arising.

Our club boats saw good use particularly the Hobie Wave. Big thank you to Danny Norato and Tod Baudais for producing a video for rigging the Wave. This video plus rigging a Laser and how to tie knots are now on our club website. Well done fellas!

We still have issues with the massive thistles on site but I will try to stay on top of it. Very tough plants to kill!

Sept 20/25 was close up date, for the site, it was well attended and all jobs got completed.

Sept 27/25 saw about 8 members show up to tear down the old biffy!! YAY!!!!

The following weekend we began building the new washroom facility. This structure is gender neutral with (2)36" wide doors to allow wheelchairs to pass through easily. There will be plenty of room to move about in each room. A new ramp will be built in the spring to allow wheelchairs to enter the structure easily. I would like to thank Ken Weisgerber and Rob Bechard for all the hard work in building this facility!!! Thanks to Tod B for being our errand guy, really appreciate it. A very big thank you to Greg Sutton for the use of his generator. That unit worked flawlessly. Thanks Greg!

Plans are still in the works to build an axle for the land end of the dock so we do not have to lift it.

Hoping it will be done for this year!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to making this a great spot to sail from!

b) Sailing School

Sailing school was great success. 2 classes. Filled up in a week. Approached Karl about a third but he is hesitant due to lack of coaches. Good welcome to the club event.

Rob B sent email to Park Manager about partnering or marketing. Rob B is also investigating highway sign too.

c) Racing

Ebs sunset series. Consistent turnout. 1. Karl, 2. Joe, 3. Connor

d) Communications

Big update to website. Danny is a rockstar with social media videos. Instructional video starring Dale.

e) Social

Facebook page & Instagram & YouTube social media accounts created by Danny

Corn roast had a good turnout

BBQ's were well received including after sailing school.

Tame a cat day had no wind but we had fun.

Generally, using facilities more. Get togethers with members.

f) Commodore report

12 additional members added in 2025 season

Mobile sailing school was good and sold out in less than a week.
Good socials
Two operating safety boats
New motor for boat
Club sail boats - Rob P. donated a Getaway for 2026
Everything in the club is trending upwards in a good way
Thanking everyone who contributed to all the different activities/chores

Motion to receive reports
James motion/Dale 2nd - Unanimous

5 Financial Statement

a) Statement Review - Cindy
Sent out by email. Good year this year.
Cash \$12235

Motion to accept financial statements
Cindy Motion/Rob B 2nd - Unanimous

b) Auditor/Reviewer
i) Membership resolves not to appoint an external auditor in the fiscal year
December 1, 2025 to November 30, 2026.

Motion to wave Auditor/Reviewer
John Motion/Tod 2nd - Unanimous

6 Commodore Cup Presentation

Our 2025 Commodore Cup Award goes to Tod Baudais for all the things he does.

7 Confirmation of Acts of Directors

That all acts, deeds, contracts, accounts, resolutions, proceedings, elections, appointments and payments by the Directors and Officers of the Corporation for the last fiscal year of the Corporation, preceding this meeting be and the same is hereby approved, ratified, and confirmed.

James motion/Dale 2nd. - Unanimous

8 Business Arising from Minutes

- Revisit: Insurance for fleet boats. Ongoing.
- Revisit: Old 420. No progress last year.

Rob B motion/Dale 2nd - Unanimous

9 New Business

- New washrooms that are accessible are being built. Grab bars. Needs siding and ramp.

- New video about bathroom demolition and construction
- Want to schedule the burn for the debris for the old washroom
 - James gave information to Rob about the previous burn
 - Rob B will send out an email about burn
- Schedule this year to get the wheelchair ramp built for clubhouse
- Washroom deck and siding
- Mobile sailing school Mid July. Approached Karl about 3 classes.
 - Would we teach a course? Might require certifications. Liability? Can we raise cost of current classes? Maybe there's another week free?
 - Connor: Evening class works well.
- New Boat donated from Rob P. Hobie Getaway. Thanks Rob!

10 Calendar of Events

Open day May 2: Opening Weekend

May 6 to June 24 (Wednesday nights): Sunset Series

June 6 with 7th backup: "Mountain Madness" Regatta

July 13-July 17: Sailing school. Adult and Youth 12+. ?????

August ??: Tame a cat day

Sept 5: "Great Corn Roast" Fun Sail

Sept 19: Fall cleanup. Starts at 10:00am.

Feb 3, 2026: AGM

Motion to accept dates

Ken/Dale 2nd - Unanimous

11 Election of Directors

Commodore – Rob Bechard (2 yr term)

Vice-Commodore – Ken Weisner

Past-Commodore – Cindy Miller

Treasurer – Cindy Miller

Secretary – Tod Baudais

Harbour Master – James Briens

Communications – Tod Baudais (with Danny backup to do Social media)

Race Director – Rob B/Dale/Tod

Social director – Angela Cromarty/Danny Norato

Members at large – Desiree Munro/John Barry/Dale Miller/Melissa Esford

Motion to approve directors

Desiree motion/ James 2nd - Unanimous.

12 Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn. *Cindy motion/ Dale 2nd Unanimous*
- Meeting called at 8:11pm