

**West Quebec Wheelers**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**Saturday, 15 January 2011**  
Wing Hon-Fu Tae Kwon Do School  
**Aylmer, Quebec**

1. **In attendance:** Chris Mullington, Philippe Richer, John Large, Rick Bourgeault, Patrick Pelda, Gary Monette, Harry Musson, Deb Hine, Nadia Marshy, Kelly Knowles, Lawrence Leahy, Chris Foley, Brent Atkins, Martin Deschamps, Marcel Lavoie, Ken Clement, Kirsten Fu, Neil Crawford, Kevin Nelson.

2. **President's Report**

Chris reported it was a good year for the Club. We ended the year with some money in the bank. The annual spring and fall rides were successful, as were the roller races. We have a number of new members.

3. **Financial Report**

Philippe presented the 2010 financial statement.

Of note: The Club did not make as many contributions to projects as it has done in the past. The clothing revenue and sales balanced. Using PayPal to collect membership, clothing, and event money is a good idea. We have a healthy balance in the bank at the end of the year.

4. **Echelon Project Report**

John reported that the Tour de Martinique did not happen for the Echelon Project this year. He has been looking for another race. Kiwi Mike (Leach) is in New Zealand for the next year, and there is a race there which might be an option.

John also took this opportunity to give us an update on another event he is very involved with, the Gatineau Grand Prix. Along with the international women's time trial there will be a road race and a sportif event, set for the May long weekend.

Then John started to tell the Club his moving to Aylmer for the cycling story, so the President cut him off.

5. **Member Suggestions/Other Discussion**

WQW is currently registered with the Ontario Cycling Association. There was some discussion about whether we should be registered with the Quebec association instead (WQW has been in the past) – it makes no difference to racers as a racing license is based on one's address. Philippe will look into the requirements, costs, etc., to register with Quebec to see if this is of any benefit to the Club.

William asked if the Club had non-profit status, and whether we could take advantage of any grants available. He will look into what might be involved.

There was also discussion about what sorts of events/initiatives the WQW should support. It was generally agreed that any actual monetary funding of initiatives support local riders, but that the Club is very willing to support other initiatives (such as the recent drive to collect bikes, parts, tools and clothing for the Bikes for Cuba initiative.

Gary wants to compile and announce a list of Club rides. This list will include rides already in existence, such as the rides organized by William, Chris, and Club annual rides, and new rides, too. Gary promised rides would sometimes start even earlier than 12 noon!!

William suggested that roller races be held outside of a bar setting to encourage junior riders to participate. Perhaps hold an event in the schools?

Thanks to Martin for fixing the clock for the rollers.

## 6. Election of Board of Directors for 2011

President: Nadia Marshy

Communications Director: Alex Michel

Finance Director: Kevin Nelson\*

Racing Director: Rick (Rico) Bourgeault

Ride Director: Gary Monette

Director at Large: Patrick Pelda

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Many thanks to last year's Board for their work. A very special thanks to Chris for his 3 years as President. He will dry clean the airline pilot's uniform that the club paid for and pass it along to Nadia.

\* At the AGM, during his presentation of the Financial Report, Philippe Richer indicated that he would be willing to carry on as the club's Finance Director, though he would also gladly pass the torch to another member. He was subsequently, and spontaneously, unanimously acclaimed in that role. Kevin Nelson arrived late to the meeting and, at the Election portion of the meeting, saw that the role did not come up for re-election and it appeared to be a done deal. However, Philippe and Kevin spoke after the meeting and the torch has now been passed to Kevin, who is confirmed as the club's Finance Director. Barring any serious and overwhelming opposition to this declaration, this change is effective immediately and the Board of Directors are as listed above. **Many thanks to Philippe for his multiple years of service to the club in this role.**