

**Utah Windriders Association Annual Meeting Minutes**

**May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 7:30-8:15PM**

**Location: Brewvies Pub, 677 S 200 W, Salt Lake City, Utah**

**Attendance: 91**

Meeting conducted by Rick Heninger-UWA President with Jim Southwick silent classic windsurfing footage in background! Sarah Ranes and Josh S. collected membership dues at the door.

Welcome and thanks to all who came. First time doing meeting at Brewvies. Thanks to all who have paid their membership.

Current Checking account balance is \$3,700

Financial policy- All membership dues and donations to be deposited into America First Credit Union Checking account. All checks to be signed by two people. Three signers are currently on the account. Rick Heninger, Bob Houk, and Josh Shirley.

**OFFICER NOMINATIONS:** Grant McAllister

Grant proposed that the following officers be maintained in current positions:

Rick Heninger-President, Josh Shirley- VP Windsurfing Chair, Sarah Ranes- Social Chair

It was proposed that a rearrangement be made for the Kiting chair. Heather Shenck was nominated and voted in as Kiting Chair which was rearranged in the following. (Later it was clarified that Heather is VP Kiteboarding/Social Chair and Les Vierra will serve as Kiting Community Political Liaison).

Also, thanks was given to Dimitri Milovich and Grant McAllister for years of service given to the UWA . Rick McClain was nominated and voted at the new Membership Chair taking Grant McAllister's place. Bob "Trip" Houk was nominated and voted as the new Secretary/Treasurer taking Dimitri Milovich's post. It was also moved that the UWA adopt a new position, UWA Historian/Photographer, and Fred Grundell was kind enough to accept that nomination and affirmative vote.

2008 Officers      Rick Heninger-President  
                          Josh Shirley-VP Windsurfing  
                          Heather Shenck-VP Kiting/ Social Chair  
                          Sarah Ranes- UWA Social Chair  
                          Les Vierra- UWA Kiting Community Liaison/Political Rep  
                          Bob "Trip" Houk-UWA Treasurer/Secretary  
                          Rick McAllister- UWA Membership Chair  
                          Mike Rossberg- UWA Website Chair  
                          Fred Grundell- UWA Historian/Photographer

*UWA Volunteers to be recognized:*

Josh Gubler- Website maintenance!  
Craig Goudie- Weather report  
Marty Lowe- Rush Fence Project

**NATURE OF ORGANIZATION of the UWA:**

Rick Heninger asked:Are Windsurfers and Kiders getting what they would like out of the UWA?

-A question to be considered for future meetings.

-Rick Heninger talked about his view of the UWA. The small events don't need to be over the top world shaking events. The new events we've added are simply to add enthusiasm. Any competition is just for fun and mostly for competing with your own abilities.

-Brian Shenck mentioned some simple ideas for more small/random events that kiders could do. Yuba campout weekends. Ozone will help the UWA by sponsoring the Kiting side of some of the simple events.

-It is the Utah Windrider's Association. Windsurfing and Kiting are both going to stick around. It's the UWA creed to respect that. It's about the session! That's all...

## **SUMMER 2008 SCHEDULE**

- UWA Meeting may 1<sup>st</sup> Brewvies with Video Meltdown 2008 and Swap May 3<sup>rd</sup> Powerex. (done)
- UWA Utah Lake Crossing Carp Rodeo- Weather permitting sometime in May, preferably a Thurs, Friday, or Saturday, of course on a North wind. TBA. It'll just be a big triangle across a little upwind around a bouy and back to Pelican Bay Marina, the start and finish. Followed by a social bbq/windsession!
- Beginner Day 2008 June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, Same gig. Skyline High and Grantsville res. Get your beginners rounded up
- Utah Summer Games- Brett Bingham of the Utah Sailing Association spoke at the meeting.
  - Encouraging all to Participate, Deer Creek, Sailboat beach. \$20 entrance.
  - Encouraged kilters to participate. Great opportunity to gain exposure.
  - 56 different sports participate in the Utah Summer Games
- UWA Sulphur Creek Campout... Same gig! Sometime in late summer. Most likely August

## **IMPORTANT ISSUES:**

-WEBSITE nicknames. Once again it was requested to help the kind volunteers maintaining the website that nicknamed accounts be changed to first and last names. One initial and name is acceptable. Please help out and change your account accordingly.

- UWA Recognizes
  - Josh Gubler was recognized for his help with the website and given a \$50 gift certificate to Bigwinds
  - Craig Goudie by paying for his 2008 I-Windsurf account. Which helps all of us with even better forecasts. Also, he was given a \$50 gift cert. to Bigwinds.
  - Dimitri Milovich and Grant McAllister for years of service to the UWA. We hope to build upon all you've done for the UWA over the years.
  - Mike Rossberg for his service as President of the UWA. And for the facilitation of Powerex deals.

## **SAILING/RIDING SITES: (mentioned)**

- Lindon is being cleaned up more and more... SSB still alive... Grantsville... Morning sailing sessions are for real and bring out a fun morning crowd... Utah Lake Provo Boat Harbor needs something, some kind of cleaner access to the water (Carl Christensen). We're working on it. The Army Corp of engineers make things difficult. They say that sandbagging between the big boulders can inhibit the wave absorption that spaces between the boulders can provide. It's being considered though.
- RUSH! Save it! We need water!!! Marty talked about the farmer whose fence goes out into water. Marty was given the charge on this project. Marty will post about a work project to help build the fence. Negotiations on going about costs etc. This will keep a fence from being out in the water.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

- BYU Sailing club wants your old junk... Post it on the UWA classifieds and they will contact you to get it. Dan Hyatt came to speak at meeting... But some "old" stuff they won't take and should be made into a workbench!

EPIC SESSION REPORT: Rick asked for 2 of the most MEMORABLE epic session reports of the year...

- Eric C. talked about his salt ponds sesh where one of his sails blew into the freeway and got pummeled by a semi truck! But the session was epic... Salt stalagtites clung like dingleberries to his leg hairs.
- Daryl spoke of epic rides in South Padre on his kiting gear... 10 days straight!
- Trip talked about some of his epic vacations... Panama canal.
- Marty tried to convey the zen of floating over rolling hill after rolling hill in the strawberry area!
- Rick H. resisted talking about 3 weeks in Maui...

FINALLY, It was asked if it was worth it to do the meeting at Brewvies and overwhelmingly all voted yes. So, next year we will have another MELTDOWN... Start getting those cameras rolling and capturing stuff that will be fun to watch next year. Or simply edit some of your classic video that you already have!!!

**Meeting adjourned and a TON OF DAKINE, BIG WINDS, NEIL PRYDE, POWEREX, OZONE, UWA STICKERS etc. were given out.**

**THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE SPONSORS... Steve Nyhus printed out the stickers of the UWA Logo. UWA purchased them for a great price. Thanks Steve. Thanks to Sarah, Rick H, Josh S, Grant, Mike R, and Brian Shenck for tracking down the swag and prizes.**

THANKS TO JIM SOUTHWICK, CRAIG GOUDIE, KENNY FARNSWORTH, BILLY BORDY, RICK HENINGER, BRIAN SHENCK, and JAKE BUZIANIS for making good and getting some video for the Meltdown.

Meeting ended at ~8:15PM... Videos ended at 10 minutes to 10PM!!!

Thanks again to all who came! Hope more will come and enjoy the event next year.