



ALBERTA WHITEWATER ASSOCIATION

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Report to the 2009 Whitewater Canada Annual General Meeting,

November 28, 2009

Ian Jobe, President

AWA by the Numbers (2009)

984	members	
18	member clubs	
2	member associations	- Alberta Slalom Canoe Kayak Assn (ASCK) - Alberta Canoe Polo Assn. (ACPA)
2123	non-members serviced (clinics, materials)	
48	FTE months of paid staff / service providers	
52	officially sanctioned events hosted	
637	participants in officially sanctioned events within Alberta	
62	coaches, instructors, evaluators (IT, course conductors), learning facilitators that participated in professional development	
120	active coaches, instructors, learning-facilitators and evaluators	
46	technical officials that participated in professional development	
67	active volunteers	
18	public / school presentations	
6	clubs that support and maintain facilities in their communities to support training for development / competitive slalom whitewater kayaking.	

Board of Directors

Ian Jobe	Calgary	President
Sue Azofiefa	Calgary	Vice President
Althea Shaw	Canmore	Treasurer
Edmond Duggan	Edmonton	Secretary
Mark Taylor	Calgary	Dir. Facilities & Environment
Simon Coward	Calgary	Dir. Paddler Development
<i>vacant</i>		<i>Dir. Events</i>

Staff / Service Providers

Chuck Lee	Pincher Creek	Executive Director (Apr'09 to present)
Saskia van Mourik	Calgary	Technical Director (end Nov'09)
Mike Holroyd	Calgary	HP Slalom Canoe Kayak Coach

Discipline Chairs

Judi Frank / Joanne Cole (ASCK Pres.)	Medicine Hat/Crowsnest Pass	Slalom
Jean Leduc (ACPA President)(TBC)	Edmonton	Canoe Polo
<i>vacant</i>		<i>Freestyle</i>
<i>vacant</i>		<i>Wildwater</i>
Rebecka Riddell-McKay	Jasper	Recreation

Financials

AWA annual operating budget is ~210,000 (excl. ASCK and ACPA).

ASCK annual operating budget is ~125,000

Financial Support

- Government of Alberta
 - Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation (ASRPWF); general operating grant (annual)
 - Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation (ASRPWF); HP Coach grant (annual)
 - Hosting Grant; Nationals / PanAms (event specific)
 - Individual athlete grant (project specific; max. 3 grants of \$1,000 lifetime per athlete))
 - STEP (Summer Temporary Employment Program) grants for summer employment
 - Alberta Gaming & Liquor Commission; casino AWA (Dec. 08) (every 2y)
 - Alberta Gaming & Liquor Commission; casino ASCK (Sep. 09) (every 2y)
- Government of Canada
 - HRDC (Canada Summer Jobs) grants for summer employment
- Whitewater Canada
 - RDC funding (annual application and review for eligibility)
- Sponsorships
 - Undercurrents paddling shop (Calgary) Slalom Canoe/ Kayak team sponsorship (\$1,500); second year running
 - Various area businesses provided equipment, services and prizes at Provincials and other events.

Sanctioned events

(hosted by AWA, AWA club or official participation at events hosted by other associations)

Event Title	AWA AWA Assn AWA Club Hosted Event	Location	Dates
ASCK HP Camp	✓	Mexico	February 9-22
ASCK HP Camp	✓	Charlotte, NC	February 16-22
ASCK HP Camp	✓	Chilliwack, BC	March 18-29
ASCK HP Camp	✓	Ottawa, ON	May 18-28
ASCK Development Camp	✓	Whistler, BC	August 4-10
ASCK Development Camp	✓	Whistler, BC	October 15-18
Alberta Provincial Team Trials	✓	Kananaskis	May 9-10
Alberta Provincial Team Trials	✓	Kananaskis	July 26-27
Canadian Junior National Team Trials		Ottawa, ON	May 29-31
Canadian Senior National Team Trials		Ottawa, ON	May 29-31
Calgary Penguin Slalom Race	✓	Calgary	May 2
Alberta Cup #1	✓	Innisfail	June 6-7
Alberta Cup #2	✓	Crowsnest Pass	July 5
Alberta Cup #3	✓	Sundre	August 22-23
Alberta Provincial Championships	✓	Kananaskis	September 18-20
Canadian National Junior Wildwater Championships	✓	Kananaskis	July 29
Canadian National Senior Wildwater Championships	✓	Kananaskis	July 30
Canadian National Junior WW Slalom Championships	✓	Kananaskis	Aug 1
Canadian National Senior WW Slalom Championships	✓	Kananaskis	Aug 2
PanAmerican Slalom Championships	✓	Kananaskis	July 2-3
North American Junior Olympics 1		Minden, ON	July 4-5
North American Junior Olympics 2		Ottawa, ON	July 11-12
North American Junior Olympics 3		Valleyfield, QC	July 18-19
Southern Alberta Summer Games	✓	Crowsnest Pass	July 2-4
POCC Kayak Camp 1	✓	Lundbreck Falls	June 29 - July 3
POCC Kayak Camp 2	✓	Lundbreck Falls	July 13-17
POCC Kayak Camp 3	✓	Lundbreck Falls	July 20-24
AWA Central Youth Camp	✓	Sundre	August 20-23
AWA Northern Youth Camp 1	✓	Peace River	July 23-26
AWA Northern Youth Camp 2	✓	Fort Smith, NWT	July 27-31
Lethbridge Youth Kayak Camp	✓	Lethbridge	July 14-16
Lethbridge Youth Kayak Camp	✓	Lethbridge	July 21
Lethbridge Youth Kayak Camp	✓	Lethbridge	July 28-30
Lethbridge Adult Kayak Camp	✓	Lethbridge	August 4-6
Lethbridge Youth Kayak Camp	✓	Lethbridge	August 11-13
3 Rivers Rendezvous	✓	Beaver Mines	May 15-18
Kananaskis Whitewater Fest	✓	Kananaskis	August 14-17
Grande Cache Wild River Rendezvous	✓	Grande Cache	June 5-7
Brierlies Whitewater Classic	✓	Rocky Mountain House	August 21-23

MEC (Mountain Equipment Coop) Paddle Fest		Edmonton	June 13-14
MEC (Mountain Equipment Coop) Paddle Fest		Calgary	June 20-21
Alberta Paddle Fest	✓	Sundre	July 10-12
Slave River Festival	✓	Fort Smith, NWT	August 1-3
Fraser Fest	✓	Jasper	August 29-Sept 1
TAK (freestyle) Slave River Trip	✓	Fort Smith, NWT	July 25 - August 10
Red Beard Canoe Polo Tournament	✓	Calgary	April 18
Sundre Slalom - Canoe Polo event	✓	Sundre	March 14-15
ACPA - Cup of the North Int'l Canoe Polo Tournament	✓	Edmonton	Feb 20-22
Continental Cup (Canoe Polo)	✓	Edmonton	August 7
Canadian National Championships (Canoe Polo)	✓	Edmonton	August 8-9
EWP Fall Provincial Tournament (Canoe Polo)	✓	Edmonton	November 28
Canada Canoe Polo Training Camp	✓	Edmonton	December 27-29

Technical Programs

- HP slalom canoe / kayak
- Development programming
 - Slalom
 - Freestyle
 - Creekboating & Waterfalls
 - Youth / adults
- LTAD
- NCCP

Outreach Programs

- Alberta Summer Games
- Youth Camps
- Kayak Camps (Clubs and AWA)
- Paddlefests & River Rendezvous' (Clubs and AWA)

Facility Development:

- Pincher Creek - Boulder Run Slalom Course - Oldman River. Maintained by the Pincher Creek club.
- Blairmore - Crowsnest River. Newest slalom course built in 2009. Maintained by the Pincher Creek club.
- Kananaskis - Canoe Meadows - Kananaskis River. \$200,000 project over 2008-2009 completed.
- Calgary - WID (Western Irrigation Drainage) Weir - Bow River. \$12 M project started construction in 2009. Expected completion spring 2011. Plans do not currently include a slalom courses. Four drop pools to be built suitable for general kayaking, freestyle and associated instruction.
- Calgary – Deerfoot Meadows (“The Meadows”) - Bow River. Moving water / flatwater channel course with 16 permanent gates. Established in Fall 2008. Permission for storage container obtained in Oct’09.
- Edmonton – Rundle Paddle Ponds. Continues to be a central point for paddling clubs in Edmonton

Volunteer Development

As of 2009, Alberta has seven (7) IJCSL certified ICF Officials.

Key Strategic Goals Forward for the AWA

- Alberta Summer Games July 19-21, 2010 in Peace River(Full teams in all 8 zones – key is new playoff format)
- Alberta Slalom Development Team outreach to junior athletes in rural areas
- LTAD and Kayak Kids Paddling Passport
- NCCP upgrading and rollout of new program with new Learning Facilitators scattered around the province
- Development of Paddling in Alberta (exclusive of Sprint)
 - enhanced cooperation amongst associations
 - slalom / freestyle / wildwater / canoe polo
 - club development
- Canoe Meadows – obtaining a long lease on this facility to be operated by the AWA. This will provide more flexibility and utilization opportunities for paddlers with better amenities in the future.