

# Program Development Committee: 2004 AGM Report

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## Equipment Lending Program

- ◆ After many very successful seasons, we decided to start to wind down the Equipment Lending Program, because it had grown too big to be administered by a volunteer (150 hours estimated for 2004), and it was continuing to grow quickly. We peaked at 29 bikes and 10 wetsuits in Autumn 2003. 13 bikes and 5 wetsuits have since been sold. Michelle is administering the remaining wetsuits, while Kevin continues to administer the remaining 16 bikes. Kevin helped 4 new triathletes purchase new or used bikes from various sellers this year.

## Clubs

- ◆ Funds in the form of a grant have been distributed to two clubs this year for club development.
- ◆ There were 7 sanctioning clubs in 2004 that met the club policy requirements.

## Race Series

- ◆ The Provincial Championship Series are well attended in most age groups with awards and recognition going to women in 12 categories (only 1 less than last year) and men in 15 categories (also 1 less than last year).
- ◆ All Grand Prix events now offer a duathlon and many included a sprint duathlon.
- ◆ Tri-a-Tri events remain a popular option for novice athletes.

## Development Programs

### 1. *Swim Program*

- ◆ The swim program continues to play an important role in our member's training programs, under the coaching of Kris Hildebrand and Kelly Mahoney.
- ◆ In October of 2002, a new swim policy was adopted by Triathlon Manitoba, which still seems to be working well. This year, Anita took over the administration of the swim program, which frees up the coaches to concentrate on their programming.
- ◆ The swim program for the new season, will again be posted on the website.

### 2. *Clinics*

- ◆ Four coaching clinics are proposed for this fall.
- ◆ For the second year, a 10-week Triathlon clinic was offered through The Running Room in the spring this year. There were fewer participants than last year, attendance dropped sharply after the snow in May. The clinic was well received by The Running Room and is again on the calendar for spring 2005.

## Bingo Policy

- ◆ Triathlon Manitoba continues to be an active participant in bingos allocated by Sport Manitoba and the Manitoba Lotteries Corporation.
- ◆ Bingos will continue to be allocated by Triathlon Manitoba based on the total number of registered members in a club or program with access to bingo fundraising.
- ◆ The program continues to run well and is an important source of funds for Triathlon Manitoba and participating clubs.