

# DEWDNEY PLAYERS ANNUAL DUES

## BACKGROUND

For many years, dues collection has been informal. Most recently, it has fallen to the Producers to collect dues from people who “sign on” to a production. At AGMs, various people have performed the task.

Recently, membership statistics have experienced a dramatic uptick in interest. However, due to the above-described informality of dues collection, those statistics have little or no useful meaning or value.

In order to start collecting *reliable* membership statistics, we will revert to the method of dues collection as defined in the Bylaws.

36. The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all the members of the Society and their addresses, send all notices of the various meetings as required, and shall be responsible for collecting and receiving the annual dues or assessments levied by the Society, such monies to be promptly turned over to the Treasurer for deposit in a Bank, Trust Company, Credit Union or Treasury Branch as hereinafter required.

Membership is defined in Article III of the Bylaws. Clause 18 states:

Membership expires at the end of each fiscal year. A grace period extends membership to the beginning of the AGM, by which time membership must be renewed by payment of the membership fee, in order to attend the AGM and vote.

The following information is pertinent.

- Dewdney’s fiscal year runs from July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Reg Gothard is currently the secretary.
- Fees are currently set at \$10.00/yr for individuals and \$25.00/yr for a household.

## MEMBERSHIP FOR 2025-26 AND BEYOND

Individuals and households may renew their membership any time after June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Membership must be renewed (or in the case of new members, taken out) ***before the AGM is called to order*** in order either to attend the AGM and vote, or to vote by proxy at the AGM.

**Membership becomes valid when payment is received via e-transfer, or when the secretary or their nominated delegate processes your payment.**

## HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

### AT A GENERAL MEETING

If you become a member or renew your membership at a general meeting, fill in a form and make your payment. The information requested on the form will be as follows:

- First and last names of each member (or prospective member).

- Email address. In the case of a household membership, please provide an email address for each household member. The same email address may be used for two or more household members.
- Mailing address.
- Phone number(s). This is OPTIONAL.
- A note about how you will pay (or have paid).

Payment methods are outlined below.

#### ALL OTHER AVENUES

Many people join or renew when they sign on to a production. Very occasionally, a person may join or renew at some other time.

In all these cases, please provide the above information to the Secretary in writing, via one of these methods

- email to [secretary@dewdneyplayers.com](mailto:secretary@dewdneyplayers.com),
- the Cast and crew agreement that you sign when you become part of a production. (In these cases, it is the Producer's responsibility to forward the information (and payment if made by cash or cheque) to the secretary.

#### PAYMENT METHODS

Payment methods (in order of preference) are:

- a. E-transfer to [secretary@dewdneyplayers.com](mailto:secretary@dewdneyplayers.com).
- b. Cheque (Made out to "Dewdney Players" and handed over to the secretary or the Producer of the production in which you are involved.)
- c. Cash (handed over to the secretary or the Producer of the production in which you are involved.)
- d. Credit card (if Dewdney's credit card processing facilities are available).

The secretary will ensure that you receive a receipt.

#### QUESTIONS, CONCERNS

Please email the secretary at [secretary@dewdneyplayers.com](mailto:secretary@dewdneyplayers.com).