Annual Meeting summary 11-1-1026

CPA gathered for the Annual Membership meeting and elections—plus a pot luck lunch at the WSSC Supplee Community Center 16601 Supplee Lane, Laurel MD on Sunday November 1, 2026.

Coordinator Paula Hubbard led off our 1 PM meeting with 36 attending plus 2 more via ZOOM participating, plus there was a Morning kayak trip to from nearby Supplee Landing led by Ralph Heimlich.

Many thanks to so many of our kayaking folks, trip and Piracy leaders, and event volunteers, who work behind the scenes keeping the club active—many were attending Sunday.

Treasurer Rich Stevens gave the Annual Financial Report for the year -to-date: his detailed report and bar charts were posted at the meeting and available in this issue. The club finances are in good order; current balance of $19,400. There were a few more expenses with newly returned workshop events SK101 and SK102 staying in the black, logo gear restocks and sales increased, dues collected $2,581, a 19% drop. Office expenses including printing and mailing membership cards, office supplies, and Post Office PO BOX 341 rental, Meetup fee, ZOOM fee, and Web site technical support expenses were $1,325, a small increase of 1.32 %. Liability insurance for on- the-water- activities is now $ 1,437, a decrease of 42% due to removal of camping on private lands coverage.

Membership Secretary Sue Stevens gave a brief overview of membership trends and attendance at major kayaking day events, including: In February, Basics of Sa Kayaking SK101 workshop = 50 + 18 volunteers participating; in March Paula's Free Basics of kayaking Navigation workshop = 24; in June, Sea Kayak Basics on -the water Skills SK102 = 50 plus 39 volunteers assisting on the water and land support; in July, Gear Swap/ Skills Day (Fall out of your Boat Day) had 59 participating. Overall, 297 members are active in the club- that's over 60 %.

Overall CPA membership is now 509, with 56 (11%) new members; and 101 renewals including those 20 paddlers amazingly returning out of the blue to send in their annual dues. Life members = 88 or 17% of membership. The handy CPA Meetup group calendar lists 1,161 participants at this point—a lot more than our paying club members. Over 278 (or 25%) of the Meetup are actively participating in events. The numbers are highest in the warm months per Meetup stats.

Trip Participation summary was presented by Ralph Heimlich who collects and manages the CPA waiver retainers, as required by our insurance coverage policy. Using info from the collected annual waivers, that Piracy and trip leader submitted (some still needed), and metrics from

Meetup signup participation, he was able to generate overview of event participation. There were 17 separate trip leaders and 16 co-leaders at 45 + different day events, including 9-day trips, 9 camping weekends, and 15 training events. He has several charts comparing earlier years totals. We had no organized club winter hikes posted so there is lots of room for new volunteer-hike leaders too!

Open floor discussion created a lot of ideas, enthusiasm, how to attract more and younger future kayaking members. Fewer younger members spotted. It is recognized by formal organized boating clubs, as John Juzbasich summarized: Younger folks are not into joining clubs or organized events, as many squeezed for time, cost-expenses, storage issues, and family, many social active commitments. Boating participation is down across the board. He is offering to set up kayak fishing opportunities, safety trips and needs support from other kayak safety leaders/volunteers.

All: recommended to create a new team for planning and for increasing social outreach-engagement, recommended by Michael Seaman, who has organized other activities. A motion was proposed by Leigh Mariassy and all voted to approve: To invest in more social outreach tools, for outreach, improve current CPA Facebook communication posts, and other new social connections. There are more social platforms to utilize. We discussed partnering with Canton Kayak Club to offer joint trips and locations. A Social Outreach/ Training session will be setup to expand on suggestions. Greg Hollingsworth agreed to contact Cat Miller to increase the number of CPA Facebook administrators and, if possible, to open it public access.

Ralph Heimilich offered his own large meeting space for a Spring session to continue today's progress. We also discussed emptying the storge shed contents at the former SK102 Lake Anna location. Members discussed the possibility of renting or locating a storage pod unit at a local marina or other convenient location for inside storage of kayaks, and a cost analysis for users. Someone suggested creating QR codes to facilitate access website and to pay dues. Several recommending setting up a half day intro for Trip Leaders basics and using Meetup basics.

Rich Stevens and Ricardo Stewart both recommended that our piracy group use their familiar piracy locations for more weekend opportunities for day trip locations to increase opportunities for other kayakers who cannot join during the week to discover the creeks around the familiar piracies.

Luci Hollingsworth and Karen Wilson announced SK101 for 2027. They are seeking volunteers and for the popular kayak runway "show". They are planning to hold SK101 at a new location at the Kent Island Queen Anne County public library, to be set for late April 2027. Paula Hubbard will be offering a free Navigation workshop late February 2027. She also stated that SK102 will be early June 2027 at Conquest Beach again. Paula Hubard will be contacting Sue Byerly to

confirm reservation date; and seeking a NEW registration coordinator to take over from Maxine Mead, as well as needing new volunteer instructors and new folks to coordinate a few loaner kayakers for those still figuring out their best boat.

SKILLS Day FOOYB Day is already set for JULY 10, 2027- Mark your calendar. Other locations are still pending reservation dates. KIPP TRAINING will return, testing new locations around Kent Island and the Bay as water quality conditions vary during the season per Greg and Luci Hollingsworth. Volunteer editor(s) are needed to assist with The Chesapeake Paddler newsletter, please contact Editor Ralph Heimlich.

Ralph Heimlich and Kathy Neale tabulated the Election results. With 36 E-votes online and 8 paper ballots submitted on site. Results are:

Paula Hubard Coordinator; Rich stevens – Treasurer; Sue Stevens - Secretary

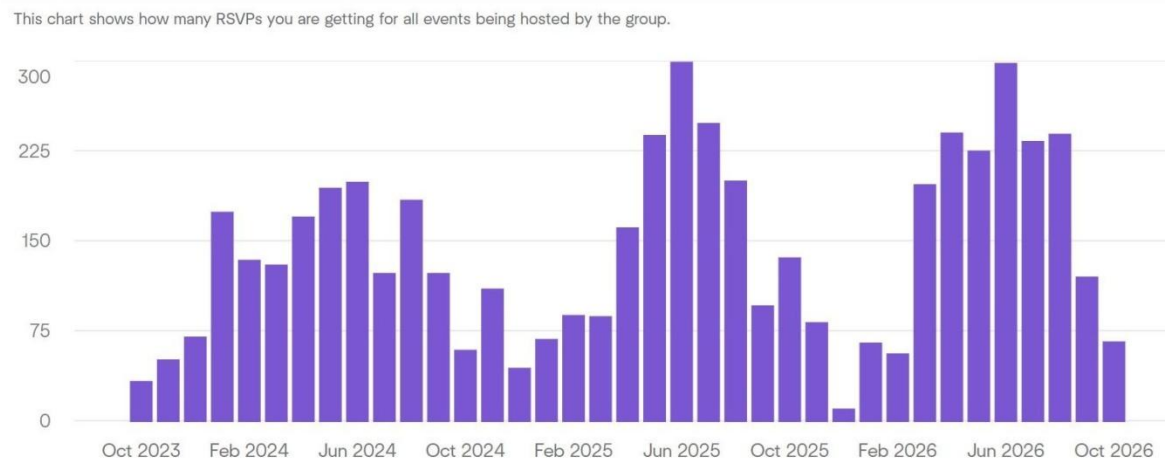
Steering Committee 2027 members: Lisa Arrasmith, Marilyn Athanason, Luci Hollingsworth, Ben Mayock, Ricardo Stewart, Jean Wunder

Meeting adjourned 3:30 PM

Many thanks for everyone who came out Sunday, offering great discussion, many good suggestions, brought potluck offerings and assisted in clearing tables and chairs, and cleaning before and after the meeting.

Annual Membership Report after the Annual Membership Meeting 11-1-2026

This year is proving to be very interesting for our members both new and longtime active folks.
Checking out a 3-year bar chart of monthly Meetup membership activity, it shows the natural seasonal ebb and flow each year; most members are attracted to kayaking and participating during the long summer days and warmest months.



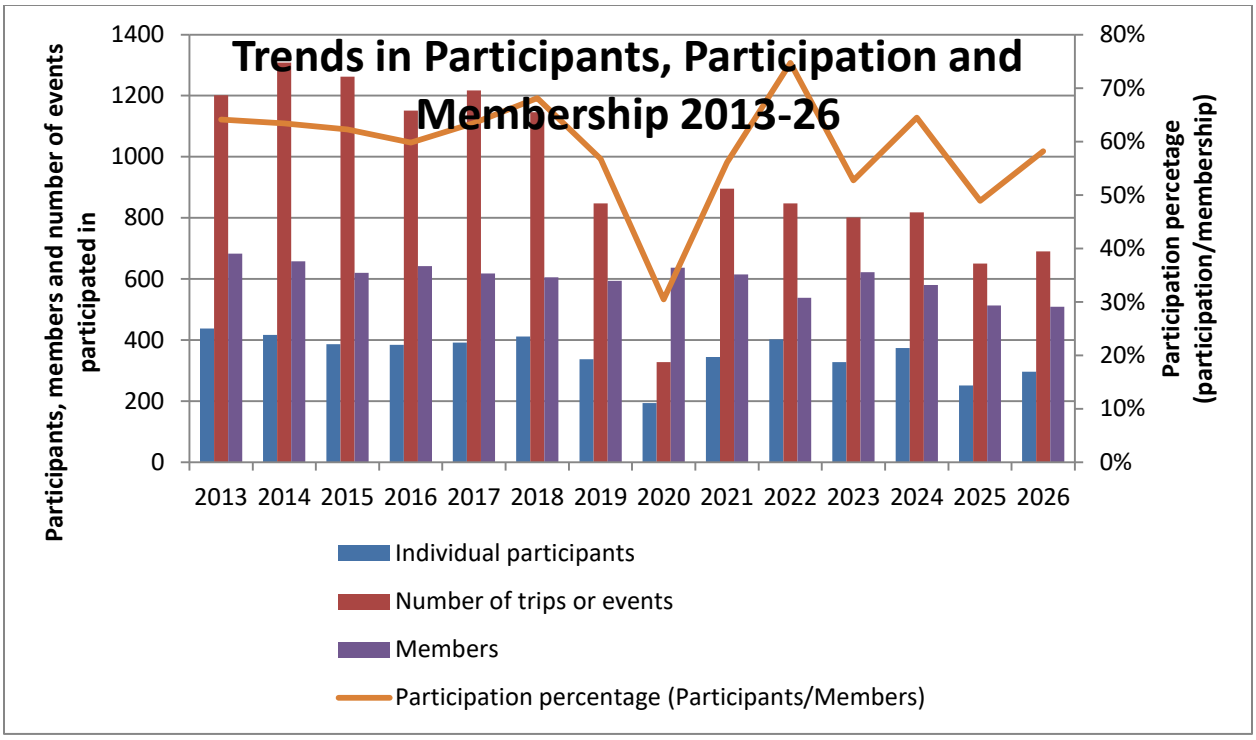
Activity naturally drops off during the colder water season annually, despite many having cold water gear available. We heard during discussions that a lot of folks(younger peeps testing the waters) are not into joining organized group activities, kayaking clubs, or purchasing much gear, but rather getting some sort of basic craft and trying it out individually. Other water sports are popular—including easy to store and haul Stand Up Paddleboards (SUPS) and fishing kayaks.

With our Introduction to Kayaking Basics SK101 (in February at Cult Classic Brewery), Introduction to Sea Kayak Navigation in March, and On the Water Kayak Basic Skills Training SK102 (in June at Conquest Beach), a lineup of full day classes returned to our 2026 calendar! Fall OUT of YOUR BOAT (FOOB) Day moved to July—to fit into the lineup after SK102 Training—and ahead of return of the Bay 's jellyfish and stinging sea nettle season. All classes were volunteer run, were well publicized, well attended and generated a building number of new members, more volunteers and participation.

Currently, dues paying CPA Membership stands at 509 (including Family members), a very small change from 2025 total of 513, or 580 in 2024. There were 56 new members joined this year—that's 11% of our total. There were 101 renewals, including the bump from SK102's ONE year memberships extension Fee. The 20 YEAR Life members currently equal 88—that's 17% of membership. It was amazing to have 20 more members who returned out of the blue and renewed their dues without asking. Most folks do renew for 4 years @ $35 so they are good through 2030!

A question asked at the Annual Meeting was "What percent of members are participating?". Analysis of participation and membership data shows that in 2026, individuals participating were 296 from a membership base of 509 (58%). This has increased from 49% in 2025, and varied from a low of 30% in 2020 (Covid year) to 74% in 2022.

While the Meetup participation chart shows 1,162 members, with 297 (or 25%) most active in summer months, the highest new arrivals join in February ahead of SK102 registration. I sent out brief notes and dropped whose have not visited CPA Meetup in last 10 years, back when CPA Meetup was first initiated. Most all CPA dues-paying members are active on Meetup for its calendar of events. Pass on the good news- there is more to come in 2027!


Trends in Participants, Participation and Membership 2013-26
Participants, members and number of events participated in
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600
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200
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80%
70%
60%
50%
40%
30%
20%
10%
0%
2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026
Individual participants
Number of trips or events
Members
Participation percentage (Participants/Members)

Chesapeake Paddlers Association, Inc.
2026 Annual Meeting Financial Report

The figures in this interim report are based on the figures from 10/16/25 through 10/15/2026, not annual figures. CPA is on a calendar year fiscal basis as set by the Club bylaws and by our federal and state corporate charters. The Annual Meeting financial report is designed to provide an overview for planning purposes. The final annual financial report will come out toward the end of January.

The Chesapeake Paddlers Association, Inc. is in good financial shape. Our cash on hand was almost unchanged and increased by $360.18 or 1.98%, from $19,039.94 to $19,400.12. The closing balance includes $18,528.04 in the CPA bank account, $172.08 in the PayPal account and $700.00 in cash that I am holding from the sale of two of three kayaks that were donated to the Club by Brent Collins, an old member.

From the time of the last annual meeting to this one, through the hard volunteer work of a number of our members, we successfully offered or sponsored a number of events for the Club's members and the interested general public at large. Ralph and Beth Heimlich held last year's Holiday party and a Memorial Day BBQ this year. We held Gear Day/Fall Out of your Boat Day hosted by Jess and Lise Parker at Selby-by-the-Bay Community Clubhouse in June with the help of Sue Stevens, Paula Hubbard, myself, and numerous other organizers and volunteers. Paula Hubbard also ran a kayak navigation class at the Kent Island Library. Cathy Smith offered three free zoom classes on Getting Your Body Ready for the warm water kayaking season. Luci and Greg Hollingsworth revived the Kent Island Practice Paddle Series (KIPP). Sue and Rich Stevens organized the 22nd edition of the Loons of the Adirondacks at Blue Mountain Lake. The Piracy stipends were funded. The 2025 Annual Meeting was held at the Brewery. Susan Stevens is still managing, ordering and stocking of our logo gear and attending many events to make our hats and shirts available to our members. We covered the ongoing banking and office expenses. Our insurance liability policy is paid and up to date. We are current in filing the necessary state and federal tax returns. I apologize if I've missed recognizing any of the many others, including trip leaders, that contributed to a very successful year.

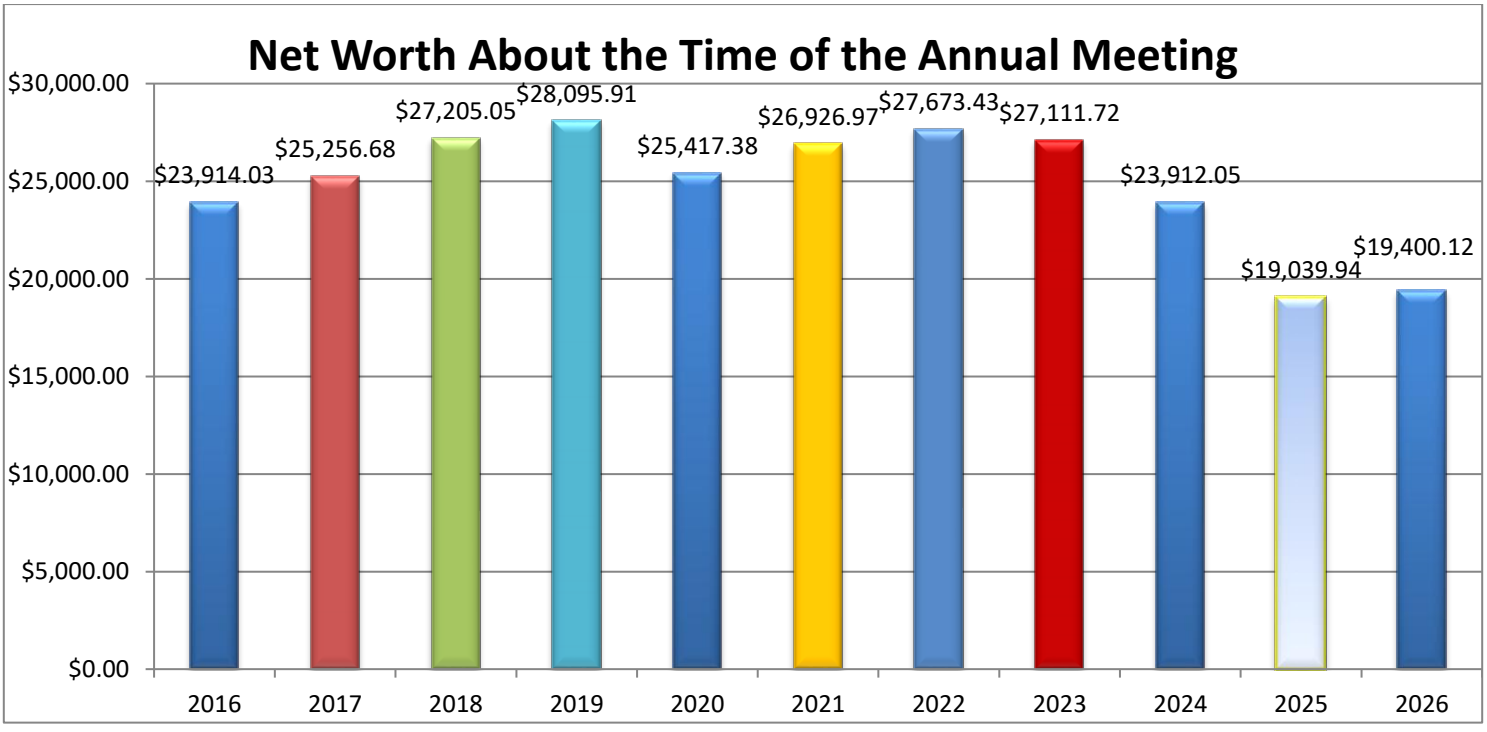
The following is a condensed listing of most of the major account transactions for the period from the last Annual Meeting plus some financial charts. Some of this year's highlights are the following:

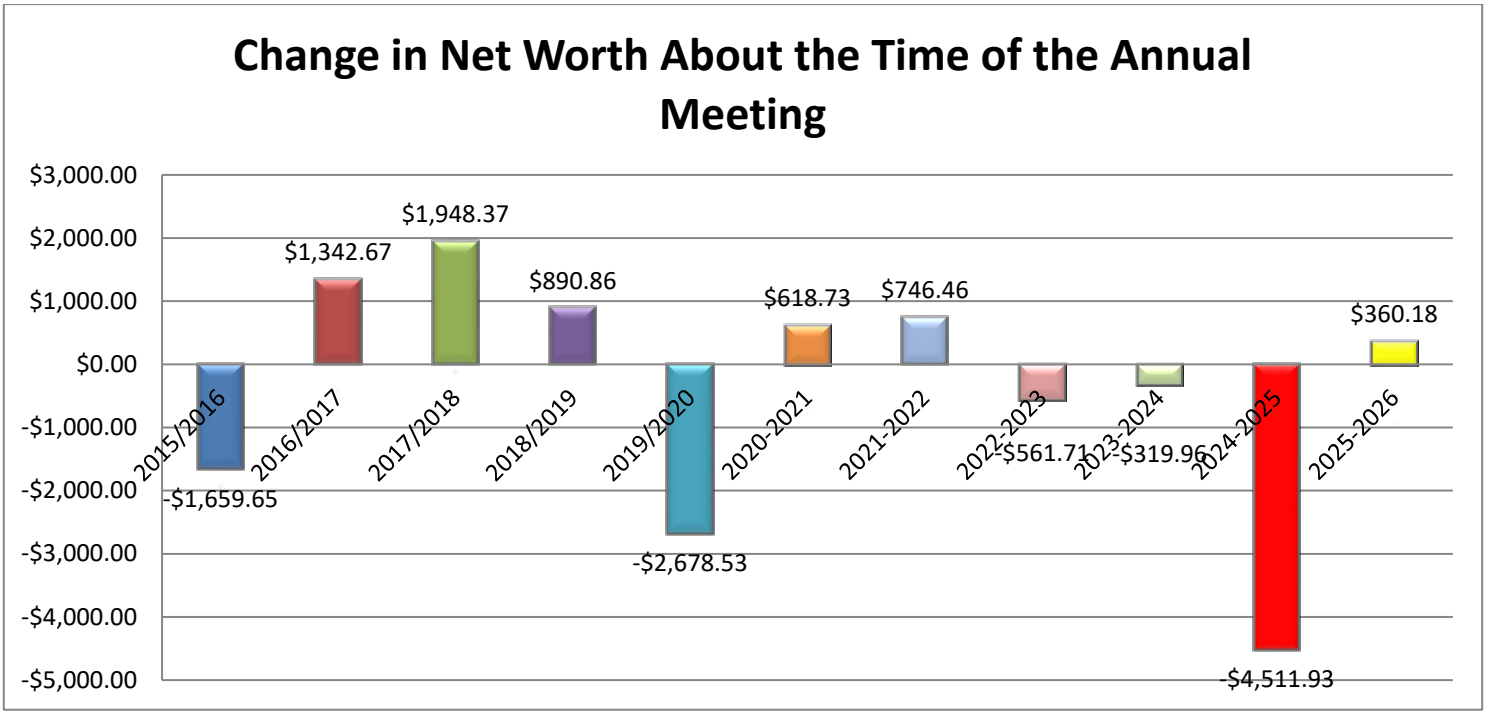
- **Beginning Balance:** Reported as of last year's Annual Meeting was $19,039.94. The ending balance was $19,400.12 as of 10/15/2026 for a slight increase of $360.18 or 1.98% for the comparable period last year. Last year at this time there was a decrease of $6,338.68 or 28.0%
- **Membership Dues:** Collected, $2,581.66; $118.00 by check or cash and $2,463.66 net by PayPal. PayPal fees for online membership were $140.34. From the last Annual Meeting report over same period, we collected $3,187.37 in dues. This year saw a decrease of $605.71 or 19.00% from the previous year. This is somewhat more concerning than the overall cash on hand.
- **SK101:** One of CPA's premiere annual events returned and was held at Cult Classic Brewery to great success. It was organized by Laurie Collins and Marilyn Athanasion, and a host of other volunteers. Expenses were $1,138.26 for food, miscellaneous supplies, Eventbee, and PayPal fees. Income was $2,018.40. Profit from this event was $880.14. Last year SK101 was not held.
- **SK102:** CPA's other signature event also returned. With Paula Hubbard, Maxine Mead, Sue Stevens, and large group of instructors and other volunteers, the 27th annual event was highly praised by the students who attended. The expenses were the venue which cost $800.00 with a $150.00 refundable deposit. The $800.00 was paid in September 2025 when the reservation was made. In the future we can save $200.00 if the reservation is made by a Queen Anne's resident. Additionally, $480.00 was listed as an expense and credited to the included CPA one-year memberships. PayPal fees were $120.00 for a total expense of $1,400.65. Total income was $2,790.00, including the return of the $150.00 deposit for a profit of $1,389.35. Last year SK102 was not held. A breakdown of financial figures for both SK 101 and SK102 were posted at the Annual Meeting and available on request at treasurer@cpakayaker.com.
- **Navigation Class:** Offered to CPA members by Paula Hubbard and sponsored by CPA, expenses were $53.97 for food and coffee.
- **CPA Gear Day/Fall Out of Your Boat Days:** Something that has turned into a major new annual event was run in July, hosted by Jess and Lise Parker with the help of Sue Stevens and numerous other organizers and volunteers at the fabulous Selby-by-the-Bay Community Clubhouse. It was a hit again this year. This event was entirely sponsored by CPA and was open to interested members of the public. Expenses were $250.00 for the venue rental, $165.00 clean-up deposit, and $20.85 for ice and supplies, for a total expense of $435.85. The clean-up deposit was voided and due to a plumbing catastrophe that required us to leave a bit early, we have been credited for the venue fee to be used next year on July 10th. Total expenses for this year were $270.85.
- **Meetup and Web Site:** These were some of our major expenses over the last year. We spent $379.46 for a 12-month Meetup subscription. Our Zoom account was $175.00. We spent $82.17 with Moniker Services for email and domain renewal; $60.00 for SendLayer, an email support service; $149.00 for Wordfence, a web editing program; and $480.00 to Gregg Banse for web hosting and technical support. Total expenses were $1,325.63 up from $1,308.35 last year, a small increase of $17.28 or 1.32%.
- **General Office, Printing, and Mailing Expenses:** Including post office box, printer supplies, membership cards were $685.42, up $93.92 or 15.88% from $591.50 last year at this time. Most of the expense was for membership cards, office supplies, and the post office box. Membership cards and mailing expenses were $149.22 and the Post Office box rental was $296.00. Office supplies that included file folders and printer supplies were $219.18.

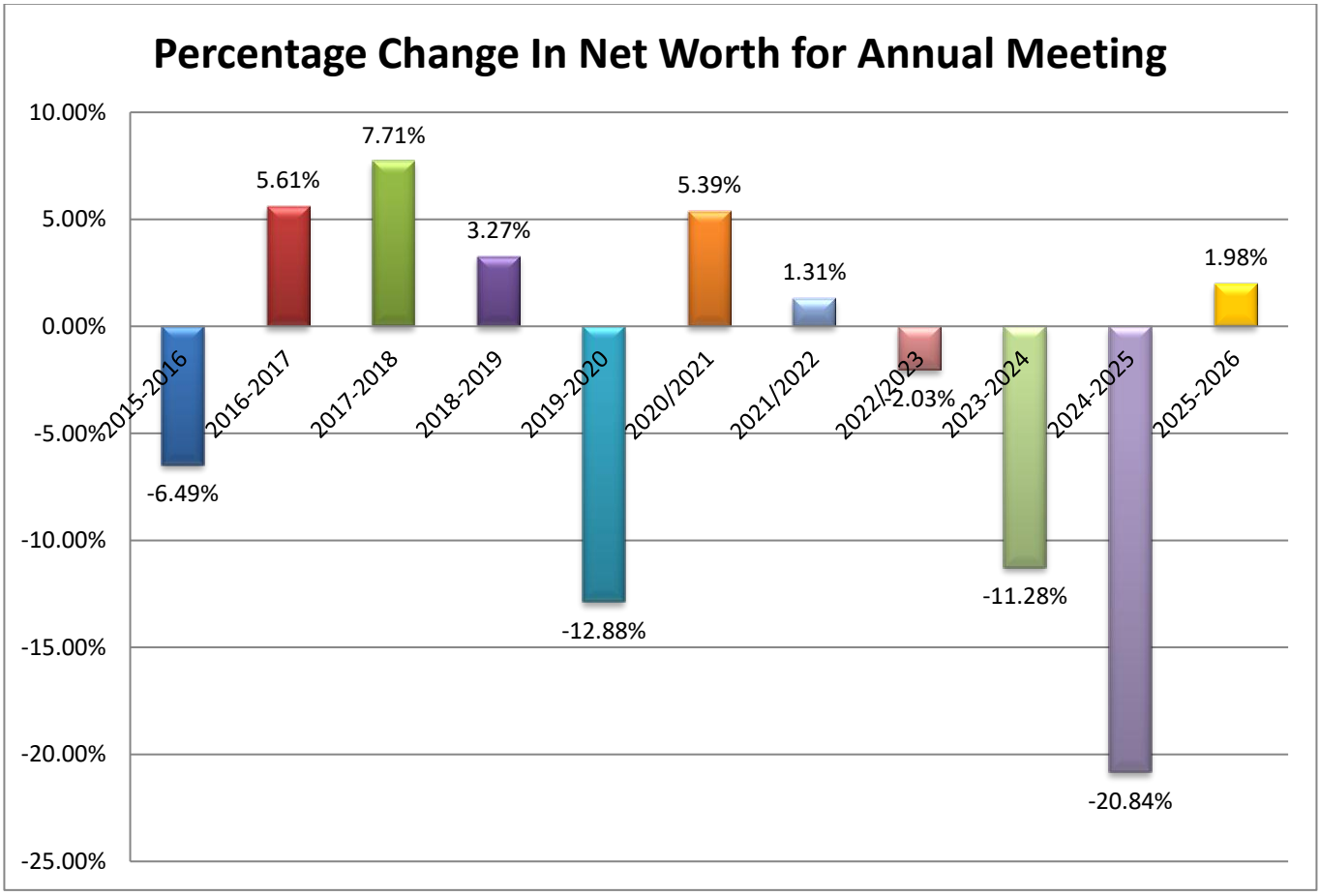
- **Logo Gear:** Sales were $1,600.00 and purchases were $2,620.20. Sue reports that we currently have $1,764.00 in retail value of shirts and hats in stock plus a large number of magnetic stickers that sell for $3.00 each. Last year there was a net profit of $315.00. Logo gear is sold at near cost.
- **Liability Insurance:** Cost was $1,437.95, for our policy that covers on-water activities. Last year our liability policy was $2,486.00, a decrease of $1,048.05 or 42.16% from last year when our policy covered camping on private property for SK102.
- **Annual Meeting:** Last year's was held at Cult Classic as a pot luck and there were no expenses. This year's held at T. Howard Duckett Park cost $480.00 with a $200.00 refundable deposit as of 10/15/2026.
- **Piracy Expenses:** From 10/16/2025 to 10/15/2026; Pirates of the North $245.00, Pirate of the Atlantic Coast $140.00, Pirates of Arundell $280.00, and Pirates of Baltimore $455.00. Total Piracy stipends for this time period were $1,120.00. This is down from $1,426.50 in 2025, a decrease of $306.50 or 21.49%. Only the Pirates of Baltimore have claimed their stipend for 2026 as of 10/15/2026.
- **Holiday Party:** Hosted by Ralph and Beth Heimlich in 2025. Expenses for food and supplies were $47.58. Thanks to the Heimlichs for allowing a raging hoard of Pirates to swarm up the driveway and pillage their home.
- **Credit Card Cash Back:** $123.61.
- **PayPal Class Action Suit Settlement:** $12.58
- **Future Major Expenses for the Fiscal Year:** Holiday Party and Piracy Stipends**.** Some of these are pending, and will come due before the end of the year. Income and other expenses for the next two months, aside from those enumerated above, are variable but relatively small. Fortunately, we were in a good financial position going into this period and hopefully the coming year will remain the same.

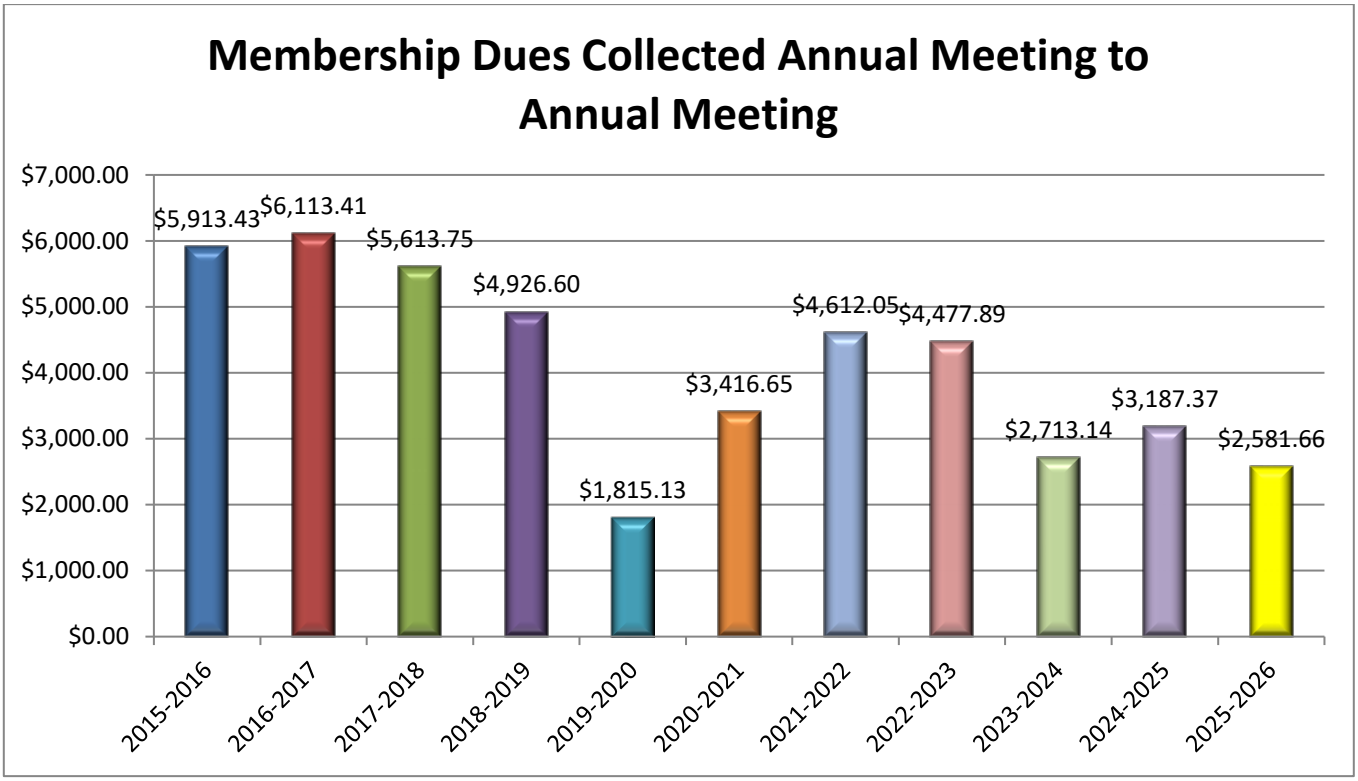
This report covers the major income and expenses of the Chesapeake Paddlers Association, Inc. since the last Annual Meeting. Detailed records of all transactions are available, but not listed in this report for simplicity and privacy considerations. Any questions please e-mail me at Treasurer@cpakayaker.com .

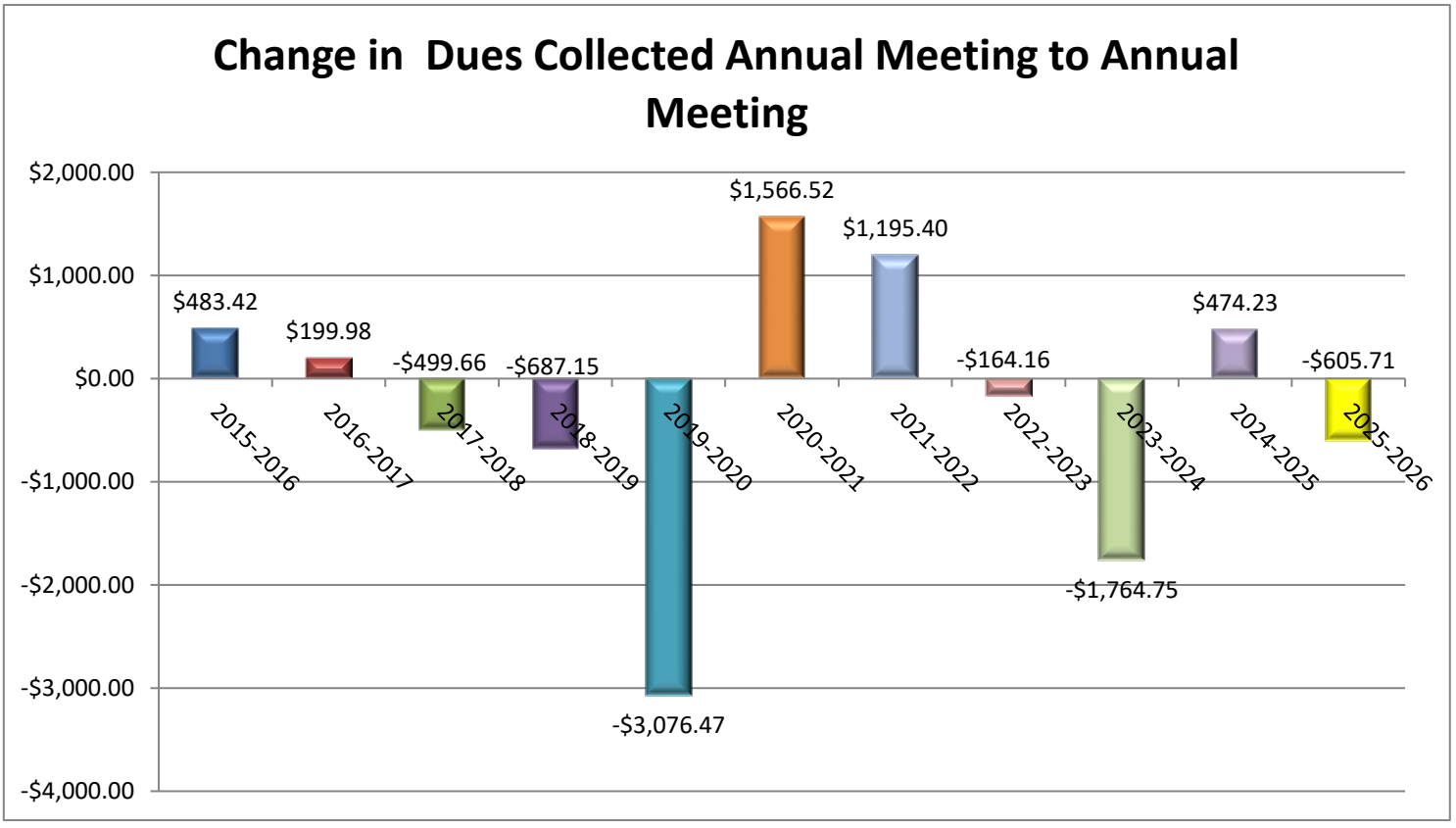
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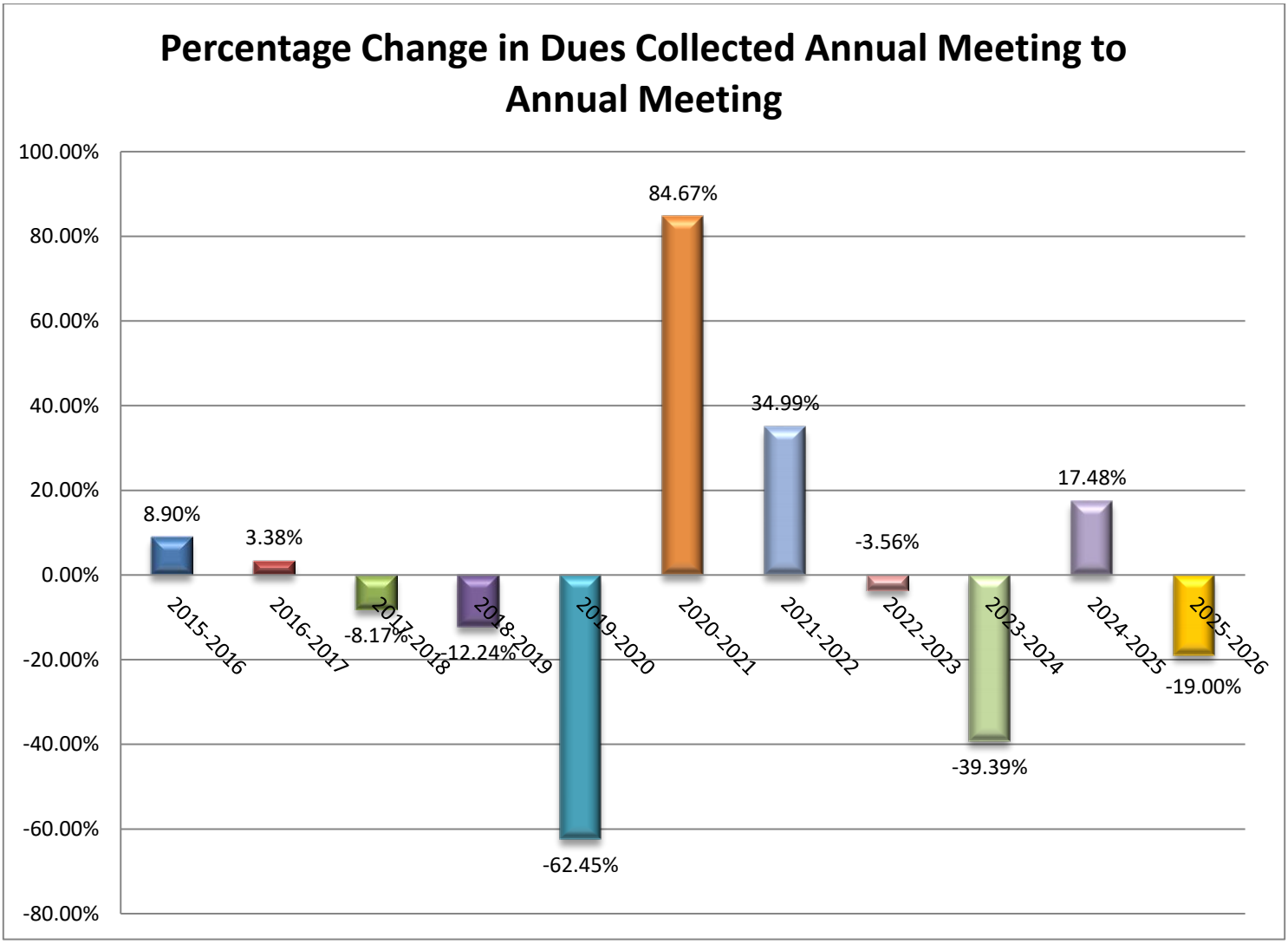



Change in Net Worth About the Time of the Annual Meeting
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$1,948.37
$890.86
-$2,678.53
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$746.46
-$561.71
-$319.96
-$4,511.93
$360.18


Percentage Change In Net Worth for Annual Meeting
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3.27%
-12.88%
5.39%
1.31%
-2.03%
-11.28%
-20.84%
1.98%


Membership Dues Collected Annual Meeting to Annual Meeting
$7,000.00
$6,000.00
$5,000.00
$4,000.00
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Change in Dues Collected Annual Meeting to Annual Meeting
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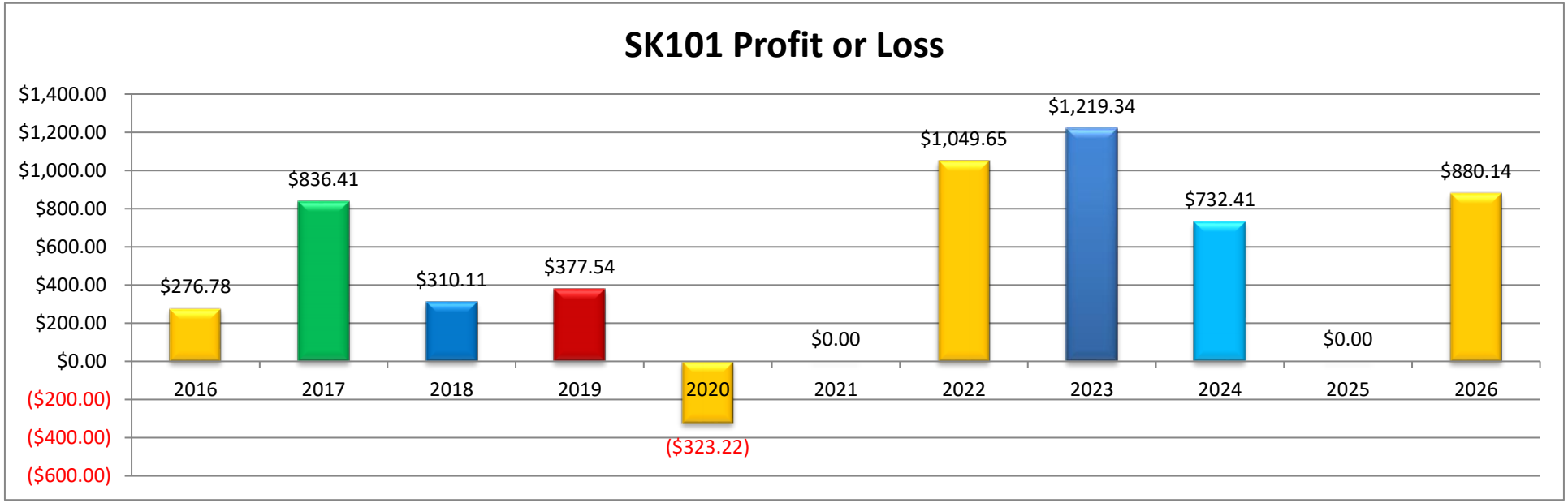

Percentage Change in Dues Collected Annual Meeting to Annual Meeting
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3.38%
-8.17%
-12.24%
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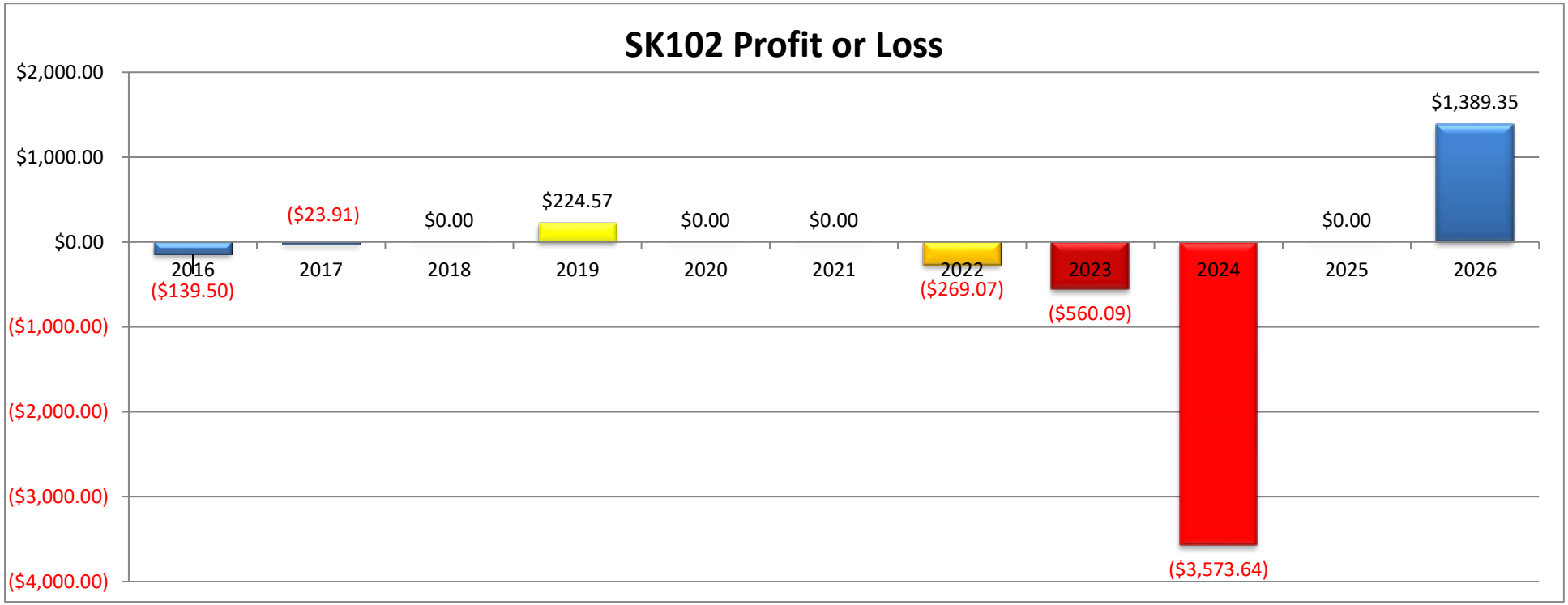
CPA SK101 Financial Report 2026

	Item or Check Number	Date	Payee	Memo	Category	Amount
Event Expenses						
	Credit Card	2/19/2026	Cult Classic Brewery	Event Space, Food	Event Expense: SK101	-$600.10
	1818	2/27/2026	Laurie Collins	Eventbee Fees	Event Expense: SK101	-$124.70
	1819	2/27/2026	Sue Stevens	Beverages	Event Expense: SK101	-$17.66
	1820	2/27/2026	Marilyn Cooper	Food & Appeciation Gifts	Event Expense: SK101	-$131.63
	Credit Card	2/28/2026	Cult Classic	Food	Event Expense: SK101	-$56.96
	Credit Card	2/28/2026	Dunkin Donuts	Coffee	Event Expense: SK101	-$45.98
	Transfer	2/28/2026	CPA	2 Logo Shirts	Event Expense: SK101	-$40.00
	PayPal Fees					-$85.44
	Refunds by PayPal					-$35.79
	Refunds by Check					$0.00
	Total Expenses					**-$1,138.26**
Event Income						
	Payment by Cash					$40.00
	Payment by Check					$120.00
	Payment by PayPal (Gross)					$1,858.40
	Total Income					**$2,018.40**
Profit or Loss						**$880.14**

CPA SK102 Financial Report 2026

	Item or Check Number	Date	Payee	Memo	Category	Amount
Event Expenses						
	1807	9/22/2025	Paula Hubbard	Venue Rental	Event Expense SK102	-$800.00
	Membership Fees			Membership Fees	Credited to Membership	-$480.00
	PayPal Fees		`			-$120.65
	Total Expenses					**-$1,400.65**
Event Income						
	Payment by Cash			SK 102 Payment	SK 102 Payment	$0.00
	Payment by Check			SK 102 Payment	SK 102 Payment	$0.00
	Payment by PayPal (Gross)			SK 102 Payment	SK 102 Payment	$2,640.00
	Venue Deposit Refund					$150.00
	Total Income					**$2,790.00**
Profit or Loss						**$1,389.35**

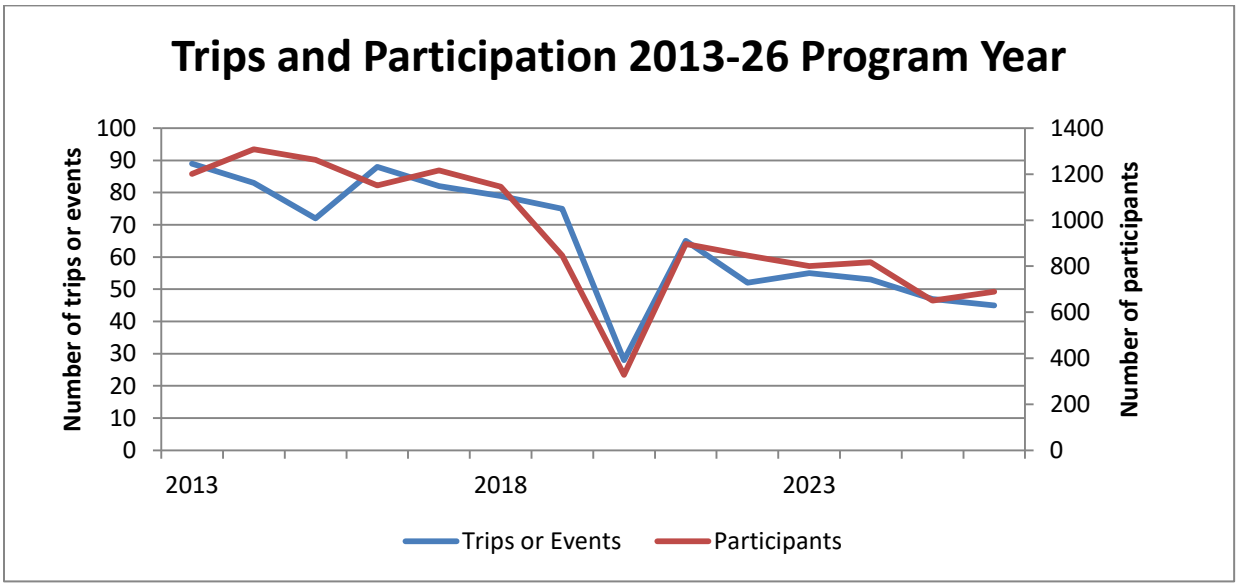

SK101 Profit or Loss
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$276.78
$836.41
$310.11
$377.54
($323.22)
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$1,049.65
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2016
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SK102 Profit or Loss
$2,000.00
$1,000.00
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($1,000.00)
($2,000.00)
($3,000.00)
($4,000.00)
($139.50)
($23.91)
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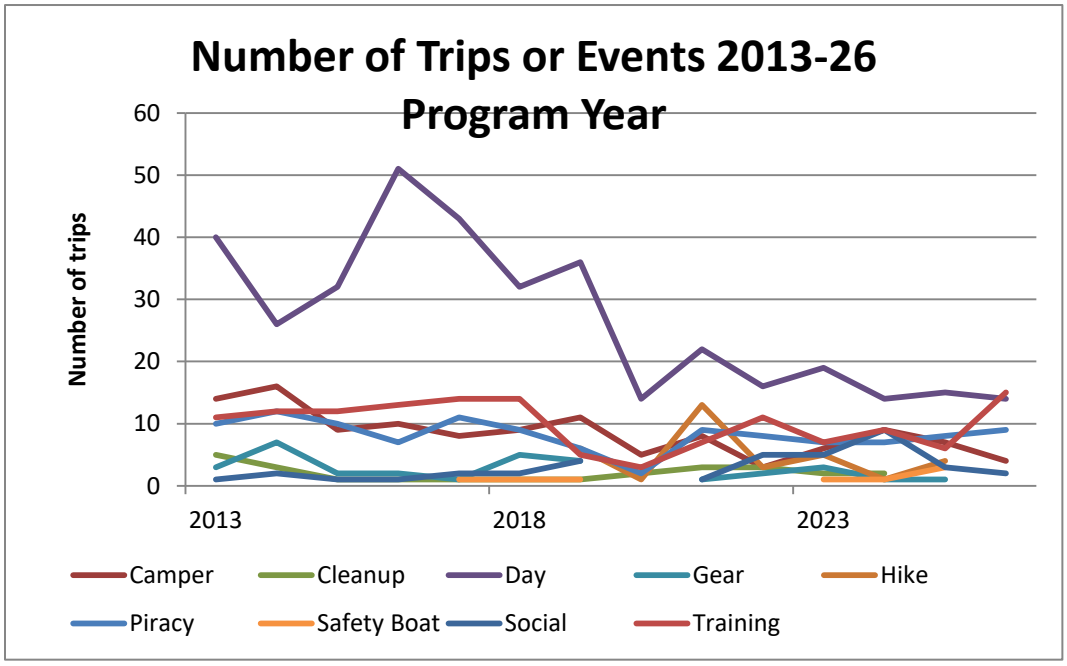
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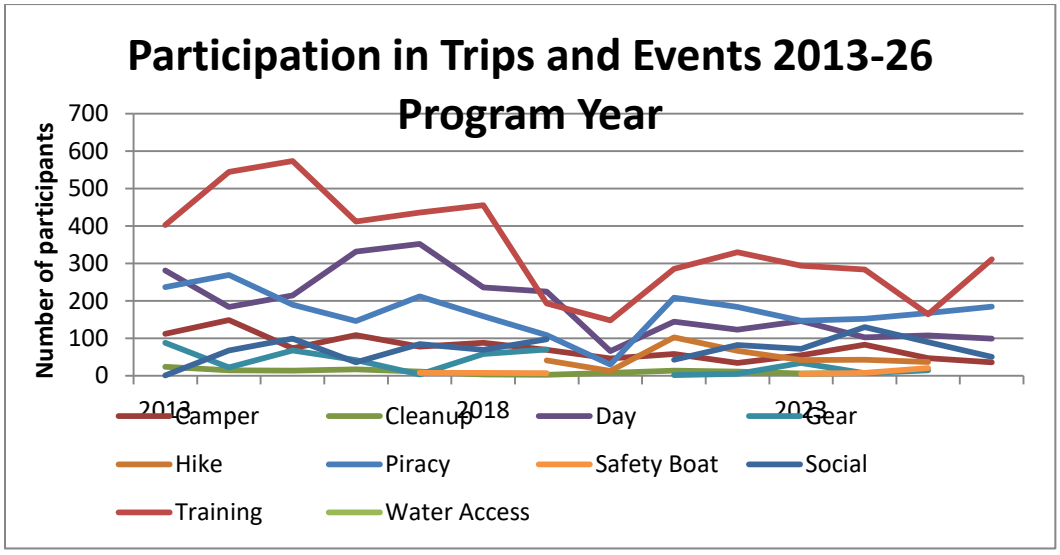
By Ralph Heimlich

CPA had 17 individual trip leaders and an additional 16 co-leaders, leading a combined 45 trips or events, with 120 days of activity in program year 2026 (Nov-Oct). That's about what we did last year, but is below our peak number of events in 2017, and our peak participation in 2015. This is despite re-instituting key events like SK-102, SK-101, and KIPP. 296 individual participants took part a total of 690 times during the year, for 1,187 participant-days. The number of participants is up from last year (296 participants vs. 251), and the number of times they participated is also up (690 times vs. 650)



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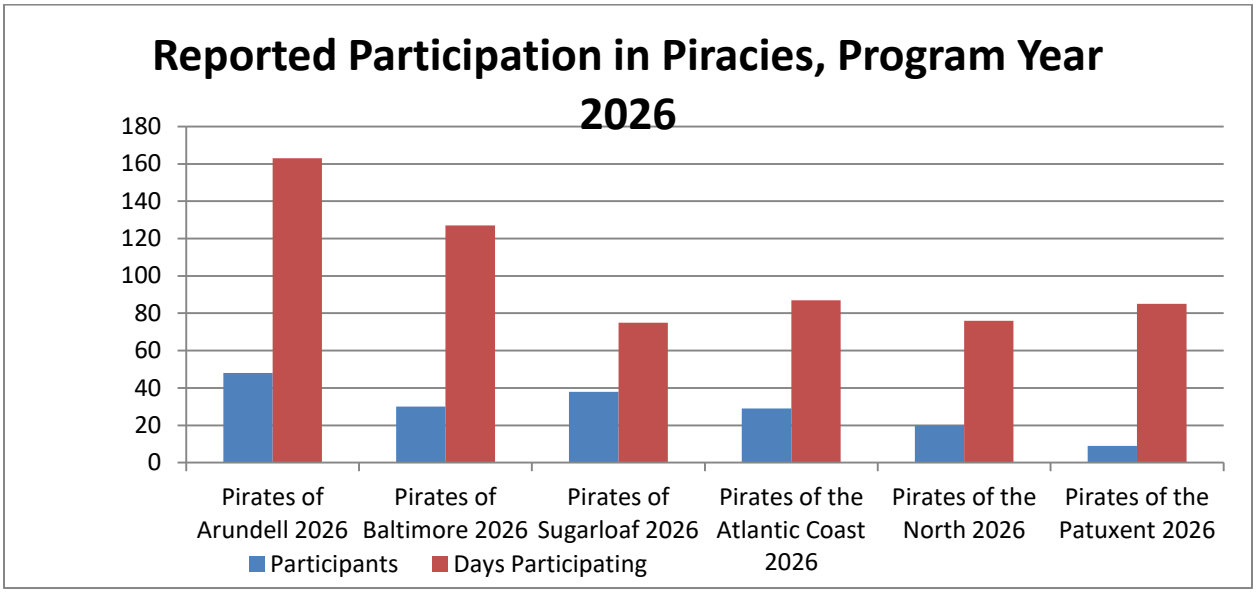




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Active trip leaders included Ralph Heimlich (26 days), Sophie Troy (23), Rich and Sue Stevens (19), Tony Tvaroha (17), Jean Wunder (17),Jessica Rich (16), Laure Bowman (16), Dan Wells (14), Scott Bekker (12),

and Bob Shakeshaft (11). I made an active attempt to capture the Piracy leadership this year, with most of the Piracy leaders attending between 10 and 15 sessions during the season. Piracy leaders carry the bulk of the get-togethers with weekly participation in nearly all of them. Assignment of "leadership" and "co-leadership" is somewhat arbitrary and based on who is posting events and seems to be the guiding force.



Trip Leaders and Co-Leaders, Program Year 2026					
Participant	**Trips Led**	**Days Led**	**Trips Co-Led**	**Days Co-Led**	**Total Days**
Ralph Heimlich	11	26			26
Sophie Troy	6	6	2	17	23
Sue Stevens	4	19			19
Tony Tvaroha	1	17			17
Jean Wunder	3	3	1	14	17
Jessica Rich			1	16	16
Laure Bowman			1	16	16
Dan Wells	1	14			14
Scott Bekker	1	12			12
Bob Shakeshaft	1	11			11
Gerald Sweet			1	9	9
Joan Sweet			1	9	9
Luci Hollingsworth	7	7			7
Greg Hollingsworth			7	7	7
Gail Addis			1	7	7
Ben Mayock			1	5	5

Lisa Giguere	1	4			4
Laurie Collins	2	2	1	1	3
Cathy Smith	2	2			2
Marilyn Cooper	1	1	1	1	2
Ricardo Stewart			1	2	2
Dave Isbell	1	1			1
Melissa Eichner	1	1			1
Paula Hubbard	1	1			1
Tom Heneghan	1	1			1
Bob Pearlman			1	1	1
Jess Parker			1	1	1
Jesse Aronson			1	1	1
Lisa Soukup			1	1	1
Rich Stevens			1	1	1
Scott Winget			1	1	1

By better documenting participation in Piracies, the number of participating days for top participants changes from previous years. This year's top participants (in terms of number of days participating) are Ralph Heimlich (38), Jessica Rich (34), Sophie Troy (34), Rich and Sue Stevens (30 and 26), Laure Bowman (24) and Jean Wunder (23). Thirty-seven members participated 10 or more days in the season, and an additional 58 participated 5 or more but less than 10 days.

These results point up the continuing need to develop more trip leaders and encourage our membership to get out and paddle more. The biggest single factor in increasing participation is having more trips and events to participate IN. Here's hoping 2026 will continue to improve, and that more trips and trip participation will be forthcoming.

Participants by Number of Trips and Days, Program Year 2026 (5 days or more)		
Participant	**Number of Trips**	**Number of Days**
Ralph Heimlich	18	38
Jessica Rich	13	34
Sophie Troy	15	34
Sue Stevens	12	30
Rich Stevens	10	26
Laure Bowman	6	24
Jean Wunder	10	23
Bob Shakeshaft	3	19
Tony Tvaroha	1	17
Robert Moore	7	17

Alan Bowman	12	17
Joel Gallun	3	16
Gail Addis	10	16
Jeff Pitcher	2	16
Lois Wyatt	6	15
Dan Wells	1	14
Scott Bekker	3	14
Terry Schroepfer	1	14
Adam Mattel	3	13
Bob Pullman	6	13
Marianne Gibson	5	13
Melissa Eichner	10	13
Bela Mariassy	4	12
Andy Moser	4	12
Marla Aron	3	12
Laura Ventura	4	11
Chip Walsh	3	11
Serge Arbona	1	11
Anjelo Arbona	1	11
Dave Isbell	4	11
Suzanne Farace	6	11
Gary Habicht	3	10
Katherine Neale	6	10
Beth Boyd	5	10
Janet Jastremski	3	10
Kathy Neale	3	10
Karen Kohanowich	3	10
Gerald Sweet	1	9
Joan Sweet	1	9
John Juzbasich	9	9
Debbie Bell	5	8
Jennifer Fox	4	8
Ben Mayock	4	8
Luci Hollingsworth	8	8
Greg Hollingsworth	8	8
Judy Isbell	1	8
Dean Athanasion	5	8
Robert Tolley	6	8
JennyPlummer Welker	4	8
Jesse Aronson	3	8
Richard Brink	2	7

Jamie Phillips	7	7
Tom Burrell	2	7
John Mavri	3	7
Greg Welker	3	7
Zhen Zhang	5	7
Robert Shakeshaft	1	7
Beverly Payton	4	6
Frank Spino	1	6
Jack Levin	2	6
Marilyn Cooper	6	6
Samm Magsino	6	6
Laurie Collins	6	6
Aht Viravaidya	6	6
Suzanne Eliot	2	6
Helen Dawson	1	6
Keith Betts	2	6
Ray Lischner	4	6
Julie Cain	6	6
Christos Kyriakou	6	6
Rick Leader	3	6
Peter Boyd	1	6
Peter Butrite	1	6
Digger	1	5
Jack Clark	5	5
Bonnie Gease	3	5
Paula Hubbard	5	5
Ricardo Stewart	4	5
Steve Jarvis	5	5
Lisa Giguere	2	5
Jim Rupp	1	5
Peter Henry	1	5
Virginia Lamprecht	2	5
Audrey Dannenberg	2	5
Richard Neale	1	5
Kathy Ellwood	1	5
Jennifer Lowe	2	5
Karen Wilson	5	5
Pamela England	1	5
Cathy Smith	5	5
Maywin Liu	5	5
Bob May	4	5

James Allen	1	5
Mary Warder	1	5
Lisa Arrasmith	5	5