

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 12/10/16  
Via Skype

Meeting opened at 7:55pm.

PRESENT: Mark Graham (Chair), Michael McMahon, Riv Robson, Lloyd Mulholland, Roger Steel, James Griffiths, Paul Linnett and Marilyn Sorensen.

APOLOGIES: Nil

CLUBS REPRESENTED: Manly/St George, Belmont, Middle Harbour, Drummoyne and Illawarra.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

*Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> August 2016.*

1. Restructured Association – Discussion on the possible restructuring of the Association structures is on-going.

It was moved Lloyd Mulholland seconded Michael McMahon that the previous minutes be received and adopted. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Australian Association - invitation for Mark Graham and Michael McMahon to attend their Skype meetings due to the significant contribution by the NSW Association to the Australian Association funding. They can be involved in discussion, but not any voting as they are not formal members of the Executive Committee.
2. Middle Harbour - 10 skiff registration forms.
3. Drummoyne - 4 skiff registration forms.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Notice of today's meeting.
2. Email to Clubs - advising of requirements for this seasons skiff registrations and race entries and other outcomes of the AGM.

It was moved Paul Linnett and seconded Mark Graham that the correspondence be received. CARRIED.

TREASURER

1. Balance of working account is \$12,081.54cr. There is currently \$36,316 on term deposit (due 21 January 2017).
2. The following accounts for payment were submitted:-
  - i) Dept of Fair Trading - lodgement fee for the Association's Annual Return - **\$54.**

Moved Mark Graham and seconded Lloyd Mulholland that the Treasurer's report be received and adopted and that the account for payment be paid. CARRIED.

### SECRETARY

1. Middle Harbour Marathon - the race had to be abandoned before the start due to strong winds. This was an initiative by the MH Club to resurrect the Harbour marathons of the 1970's that were very popular at the time and involved 12ft, 14ft, 16ft and 18ft skiffs.
2. Port Hunter Regatta - entries close tonight but no club, except Middle Harbour has lodged any skiff registrations or regatta entries, at this stage. Michael to follow up in the next few days. In the mean time Michael, Lloyd and Roger will be representing the Association and officiating at the event.
3. Port Jackson Championship - to be held 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at Manly.

### COMMODORE

Nil report.

### REGISTRAR

Michael to follow up Craig Corke to try and get an updated list of hull registrations.

### AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION

1. Skiff spare parts - Mark advised that the Australian Association was looking at holding a stock of key spare boats for skiffs (masts, booms, bow poles, rudders, centreboards, etc...). These can sometimes be difficult for boat owners to get in a hurry, so the Association is exploring this initiative to provide boat owners with a cost effective and fast way of sourcing these parts. The Association is seeking a \$10,000 towards the cost pool of around \$30,000 to undertake this initiative (Manly and Belmont Clubs have been approached to contribute the balance). In principle, the meeting agreed to possibly committing these funds if Belmont and Manly agree and satisfactory storage and distribution are maintained for the parts.
2. Possible engagement of marketing company - the Association has received a quote from a company called Bang Foundations to carry out the stages of researching, analysing and advising on a communications plan. This could end up being around \$15,000. There was further discussion on this topic at our meeting. It was considered that the Association should not rush into this exercise, albeit that we agree that some marketing does need to be done.
3. Auditor - the Australian Association is keen to appoint an auditor to provide an independent and public verification of their financial transactions and accounting procedures.
4. Paid position - the NSW Association is to seek clarification on the exact role of the person undertaking the part-time position in the Australian Association. Lloyd to follow up on this point.

### 13FT SKIFFS

Nil report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil report.

Meeting closed 9:05pm

NEXT MEETING – via Skype on Wednesday **2<sup>nd</sup> November 2016** commencing at 7.45pm.