

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 4/11/15
VIA SKYPE

Meeting opened at 7.50pm.

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

APOLOGIES: Mark Graham.

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

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Meeting 14th October 2015.

1. Association Point Score System - a review has still to be completed to see how, or whether, they can be improved to allow for the differences in the strength of the fleets at each club.
2. 16ft and 13ft skiff websites - still not updated to a later version of Joomla.
3. Darling Point Sailing Squadron - no update yet on whether a second hand skiff has been donated.
4. Possible new set-up for 16ft Skiffs and Australian Association - further discussions and consultations will take place during this season to consider the best way to take the Class forward.
5. New Association Patron - following discussion at the previous meeting, it was decided to send a notice out to clubs to seek a possible replacement to be appointed to replace Bill Riley who passed away in September.

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

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Australian Association – invoice 1002 for \$20,000 being contribution towards expenses of running the Association. This payment was approved at the last NSW Association meeting. Receipt of this invoice was a condition before payment would be made.
2. Belmont - 24 skiff registrations
 - entries for various regattas
 - 1 entry for Youth Division of State Championships
3. Port Hunter - 5 skiff registrations
 - 4 entries for Port Hunter
4. Drummoyne - 6 skiff registrations
 - entries for various season regattas
5. Illawarra - 5 skiff registrations

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- 6. Manly - 28 skiff registrations
 - various entries for season regattas
 - 2 entries for Youth Division of State Championships
- 7. Middle Harbour - 11 skiff registrations
 - entries for various season regattas.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Email advising of tonight’s meeting.

TREASURER

1. Balance of working account is \$27,895.55cr.
2. The following accounts for payment were submitted:-
 - i) Michael McMahon – Secretary’s honorarium (September/October/November) - **\$1,100.**

Moved Lloyd Mulholland and seconded Riv Robson that the Treasurer’s report be received and adopted and that the account for payment be paid. CARRIED.

SECRETARY

1. Prizemoney for State Championships - approved at last meeting. However, no allocation was made for the Youth Division, pending further discussion. It was formally agreed that we allocate \$200 to the winning crew.
2. The results for the Port Hunter Regatta and Dumaresq Cup sailed on Saturday 31st October 2015 at Port Hunter were tabled and adopted. There were 9 starters and 6 finishers. There were no beach entries. There were no protests. The conditions were fine but becoming cloudy with a 12-17 knot North-Easterly breeze. A result summary for the race is as follows:

Port Hunter Regatta – Scratch Summary	
1 ATB MORTON	Danny Anderson
2. EAST COAST MARINE & SAIL	Ben Bruniges
3. FLUID BUILDING	Clint Bowen
4. SOUTHERN BEACHES RUGBY	Rod Carter
5. AJW PLUMBING	Jeff Riley

Port Hunter Regatta - Handicap Summary	
1. AJW PLUMBING	Jeff Riley
2. EAST COAST MARINE & SAIL	Ben Bruniges
3. ATB MORTON	Danny Anderson
4. SOUTHERN BEACHES RUGBY	Rod Carter
5. RT SIGNS	Paul Harrison

3. State Championship heats (Drummoyne) - Riv gave a run-down of arrangement for the upcoming State Championships at Drummoyne. As Riv will be going into hospital for a hip operation next Wednesday, Greg Muirhead will be the contact person. Riv

indicated that courses had been organised, there will be 2 rescue boats, the usual Start Boat crew will assist with the racing, there is a total of \$4,000 for the weekend.

4. State Championships (St George) - Paul gave a run-down on the organisation for the State heats at St George. They have a new (second-hand) starters boats which will be christened "Old Bill Riley". Club courses will be used. Old Bill's ashes will also probably be scattered on that weekend, as well. Prizemoney still to be decided.

COMMODORE

1. Port Hunter - Lloyd indicated that the start numbers at Port Hunter (9) were disappointing. In particular, he sincerely thanked Cath Holmes for the meals and the time she spends preparing them.
2. Volunteers - Lloyd expressed concern about the future of volunteers at most Clubs. Many clubs have a limited number, even now.

REGISTRAR

1. Nil report.

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION

1. Australian Association / QLD Association – there appears to have been a few communication problems between the two Associations. Lloyd mentioned that he had recently mentioned these to Kye Hawgood and he admitted that he had not had the time to pay full attention to his voluntary role, primarily due to work pressures.
2. 2015/16 Australian Championships - Notice of Race now issued.

13FT SKIFFS

1. Nil report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Nil report.

Meeting closed 8.40pm

NEXT MEETING – at Drummoyne on Wednesday 9th December 2015 at 6.30pm followed by Xmas dinner at about 7.15pm.