

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 8/8/15
AT MANLY 16FT SKIFF SAILING CLUB

Meeting opened at 2.55pm.

PRESENT: Mark Graham (Chair), Michael McMahon, Riv Robson, Lloyd Mulholland, Chris Mulholland, Paul Linnett, Peter Tinworth, John Andrew, Bill Riley, Clint Bowen and Damon Zemanek.

APOLOGIES: Marilyn Sorensen, Roger Steel, James Griffiths, Alex Deakin and Chris Andrew.

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

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Meeting 22nd July 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. Skiff hulls from China – the 8 hulls that have been ordered are still due to arrive at the end of August.
3. Craig Hughes - website recognition - Michael has updated the skiff website to include a recognition of Craig Hughes' design of current skiff hulls.
4. Maritime Museum (Newcastle) - the Belmont Club is still in discussion with Museum.
5. 16ft and 13ft skiff websites - still not updated to a later version of Joomla.
6. Darling Point Sailing Squadron - no update yet on whether a second hand skiff has been donated.
7. Marina adjacent to MH Club - it is believed that the developer for the proposed marina to be built adjacent and in front of the MH Club does not have enough funds to appeal Mosman Council's rejection of the DA. It is understood, however, that other parties are interested in the site.
8. Australian Association NoMs - the amendments to the original motions were recently carried. As such, the original motions, as amended, are now to be voted on by the clubs with voting closing 9th September 2015.
9. Possible new set-up for 16ft Skiffs and Australian Association - with the "China skiff" initiative now gaining momentum, discussions have commenced between the Australian Association, NSW Association, Belmont Club and Manly Club about the best way to forward. At a recent meeting, it was suggested that it might be time to employ a part-time person to market and manage the "China Skiffs". This would, of course, come at a cost, possibly around \$40,000 per annum. There was some discussion about combining the resources of the NSW and Queensland Associations and merging into the one Australian Association to try and manage this initiative and then have sub-committees

in each state to manage the racing. Ways are also being considered on the best way to raise funds for this purpose. All member clubs will be consulted as part of the process.

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

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

Nil.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

Nil.

TREASURER

1. Balance of working account is \$29,088.55cr.
2. The following accounts for payment were submitted:-
 - i) Michael McMahon – Secretary's honorarium (June/July/August) honorarium - **\$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. NSW Interclub Regattas 2015/16 season – finalised as per AGM Minutes.

COMMODORE

1. Nil.

REGISTRAR

1. Nil report.

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION

1. Special Meeting - Lloyd provided a brief overview of a meeting held last Saturday at the Belmont Club between members of the Australian Association, NSW Association and Belmont and Manly Clubs. It was designed to discuss ways to take the Class forward, in particular, how to capitalise on the new China skiff initiative.

13FT SKIFFS

1. Nil report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Nil report.

Meeting closed 3.05pm

NEXT MEETING – next meeting – to be advised.