



General Meeting May 2015

Minutes of the Queensland 16ft Skiff Sailing Association Inc. General Meeting held on 13th May 2015 @ DPSS

1. **Meeting opened:** 7:05pm
2. **Attendance:** Kye Hawgood, Jenny Hawgood, Simon Walker, John Anderson, Patrick Hanlon, Victoria Price, Malcolm Thorburn.
3. **Apologies:** Lauren Walker
4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**
 - 4.1. Previous minutes were read and accepted (Proposed SW, seconded JH).
5. **Business arising from minutes**
 - 5.1. Report on the Nationals – see general business.
6. **Correspondence**
 - 6.1. Correspondence Outwards
 - Email to Michael McMahon and QSSA members re: previous minutes.
 - Email to QSSA members re: important information regarding new 16ft skiffs.
 - Email to Rollo Nicholson and MSC committee re: 2015-16 Skiff Titles.
 - Email to Rollo Nicholson re: RSL sponsorship application.
 - 6.2. Correspondence Inwards
 - Email from Michael McMahon – important information regarding new 16ft skiffs.
 - Email from James Bury re: proposed batwing and association fee.
 - Email from James Bury re: proposed rule changes.
 - Email from Rollo Nicholson – Update from MSC re. preparations for the nationals.
 - Email from MSC (Carmel Price) re: response to QSSA letter about 2015-16 Skiff Titles.
 - 6.3. Correspondence was accepted (Proposed JH, Seconded SW).
7. **Treasurer's Report**
 - 7.1. Presented SW (Proposed JH, seconded MT).
8. **Race Reports**
 - 8.1. Results of the 13ft QLD state championships:
 - Scratch
 - 1) Mighty Mite - Carlton Smith & Keith Jones
 - 2) SignManager - Joel Saroch & Bronson Light
 - 3) Richers Transport - Victoria Pryce & Alex Gough
 - 4) Esprit Electrical - Ben Markey & Josh Cox
 - Handicap
 - 1) Richers Transport
 - 2) Mighty Mite
 - 3) Sign Manager
 - 4) Esprit Electrical

9. Upcoming Races

9.1. DPSS – winter series beginning 24th May 2015 two races per day, once per month.

10. General Business

10.1. Update on 2015-16 Nationals planning.

- Rollo provided update on sponsorship – ongoing doing great work.
- Response to MSC letter required – There is substantial financial risk to QSSA and liability for BSS for running this event. Suggest a 30% - 70% share between MSC and BSS. Alternative possibility that QSSA hosts an event on one evening and take profits. SW to draft a response for committee review ASAP.

Nationals To Do List

Activity	Action	Who	By when	Comments
Book function Room for the Presentation	Follow up on sponsorship and confirm booking Need to lock in a venue and prices for dinner Possible to promote the NYE event at the Beach Hotel. Still to confirm Beach Hotel based on outcome of community grant from the RSL.	KH	Booked	Function room at the has been viewed and looks great/suitable
Contact council to book carpark		RN with QSSA		
Organize aquatic events permit and other permits as required	SW working with SG to complete this ASAP.	SW	End June 2015	Will seek any additional input from MSC as required.
Sponsor prospectus	Send email to skiff list with prospectus seeking support Review list of potential sponsors and contact	SW	June 2015	Prospectus has been completed and emailed to Rollo (MSC)
Submit RSL community Sponsorship Letter	Complete and send to Rollo for submission through MSC or direct to RSL	SW	May 2015	
Accommodation List	Send email to NSW association to remind crews to book in	SW	June 2015	JH has sent out accommodation possibilities to sailors – accommodation is booking out
Shirts	- ordering will be requested when boats register to avoid over ordering - Need to confirm a design and shirt sponsor - Confirm price points to determine cost based on suitable number ordered (i.e. 100 units)	KH		

Review potential spectator vessel and determine cost and viability	Determine local companies suitable to collect people from the beach Cover cost by admission If the vessel wants to run a bar it will be at their risk and cost			PH – possible to run on the days we have two races. Get sponsors onto the boat. Could run at cost to encourage people to get out on the water. Would need to be suitable to leave from the beach.
Rescue boat crews	MSC confirmed they will not be able to provide. Determine who might be available to crew and create a list/roster			
Create Regatta program	MT to coordinate program with input from RN and QSSA Need to seek logos from sponsors KH to obtain a copy of the previous program	Mal Thorburn		
Media Coverage	MSC have agreed to help contact local media outlets	RN & QSSA		
Social program – who what where	JH has contacted Hervey Bay Bowls Club for Tuesday after Heat 1 for a welcome event. No plans to host a NYE event. Other ideas include Yoga on the beach for wives Sandcastle building for kids Live band at the Beach House	JH		
Scoring/web publishing options	Determine in association with National Committee	KH		
Organize raffles for BBQ nights	Determine prizes How often and when			

10.2. Discussion of \$200 ASSN fee/levy for each skiff. Recommendation with regard to the fee that ASSN could reduce the need to have \$15,000 commitment to host a nationals rather than shuffling money around clubs/competitors. The general feeling was this levy is not in keeping with ensuring that new members are supported to come into the class unless the money can be used for this purpose.

10.3. Discussion of future training and encouragements of junior classes:

- Provide training opportunity during off-season. 13ft to race in the winter series at DPSS.
- Target separate local qualified coach for 13ft skiffs – pay if necessary.
- Possible to hold a 13ft river titles.
- Winter training opportunity KH discussed possibly getting Lee Knapton or his crew up one weekend in August.
- Invite the crews along to the 16ft training event.

11. General information

Fees for 2014/15:

Membership 16's	\$20
Membership 13's	\$10
Associate Member	\$10
Boat Registration 16's	\$80
Boat Registration 13's	\$60

Individual race nominations will be paid to the club as part of their sign on fee.

12. For Sale

As per skiff web site.

13. Next Meeting: to be held on the 10th of June 2015 at 7:00pm at DPSS club house.

14. Meeting closed: 8:04 pm