

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 28/05/14
AT DRUMMOYNE SAILING CLUB

Meeting opened at 7.54 pm.

PRESENT: Michael McMahon, Mark Graham (Chair), Lloyd Mulholland, Chris Mulholland, Roger Steel, Kathy Grudzinskas, Chris Andrew, John Andrew, Marilyn Sorensen, Paul Linnett and Riv Robson.

APOLOGIES: Nil

CLUBS REPRESENTED: Manly/St George, Belmont, Port Hunter, Illawarra and Drummoyne.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Meeting 9th April 2014.

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. Port Hunter invoices - Port Hunter has paid outstanding invoices.
3. Future of 13ft skiff class - There is a move at the Manly Club to allow 29er sailing at the Club. Concern was expressed this may cause 13ft sailing to cease. This has been proposed by members of Manly's Junior Division. Next Monday night, this will be considered by the Senior Sailing Committee at the Club, then if accepted, considered by the Club Board. It would then require a change to the Club's Constitution which specifies how many fleets the Club can race.

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

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Public Liability Policy Renewal - A public liability insurance renewal proposal has been received from the firm 'Nautilus Marine'. Yachting New South Wales has changed their underwriter. The premium is to be increased to \$1,626.42.
2. Manly - Advice from Manly Club they have paid an outstanding invoice for \$300 via a direct credit to the Association account.
3. Various emails in relation to the proposed 16ft Skiff hulls to be built in China.
4. Heads of Agreement - Draft 'Heads of Agreement' document from Andrew Stone of Belmont Club.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Advice relating to the conduct of this meeting.

Moved Paul Linnett and seconded Riv Robson that the correspondence be received and adopted. CARRIED.

TREASURER

1. Balance of Working account is \$21,981.22cr.
2. The following accounts for payment were submitted:-
 - i) Splash Internet - annual web hosting subscription for 13ft skiff website - **\$330**.
 - ii) Michael McMahon - Secretary's honorarium for March, April and May – **\$1,000**.
 - iii) Lloyd Mulholland – out of pocket expenses (accommodation and fuel) for attending presentation nights at IYC, Manly and St George – total accommodation - \$435.50 and fuel - \$200 – total reimbursement **\$635.50**.
 - iv) Masterman Insurance Brokers Pty Ltd – invoice 48393 – renewal of annual public liability insurance 1/6/14 to 31/5/15 - **\$1,626.24**.

Moved Mark Graham and seconded Riv Robson that the Treasurer's report be received and adopted and that the accounts for payment be paid. CARRIED.

SECRETARY

1. The Skiff Association AGM is set down for Port Hunter on 9th August 2014 at 2:00 pm.
2. Arrangements are being made to purchase jackets for winners of the 2013-14 state titles and point scores. Agreed that budget be \$300 per crew member.

COMMODORE

1. Thanks to the Manly Club and the Illawarra Club for their hospitality at the recent Presentation Nights.
2. The annual Club Commodore's meeting is set down for Saturday 21st June 2014 at the Drummoyne Club. The Association is to cover the cost of lunch.

REGISTRAR

Nil report.

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION

1. Discussion took place around the proposed purchase of skiff hulls from China. A 'Heads of Agreement' document was received from Andrew Stone of the Belmont Club.

Moved Mark Graham and seconded Riv Robson that:

The NSW 16ft Skiff Association commit to loaning \$15,000 to the Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club and \$15,000 to the Belmont 16ft Skiff Club for the purchase of nine 16ft skiff hulls, to be built in China and exported to Australia. Further, that the Association Secretary be authorised to execute the 'Heads of Agreement' deed presented to the meeting and to draw the necessary funds, subject to legal opinion and further clarification.

CARRIED.

Clint Bowen has offered to sign write and rig the prototype skiff hull, enabling it to be used to promote the 16ft skiff class. It will be owned and managed by the Australian 16ft Skiff Association.

13FT SKIFFS

Nil report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

Meeting closed 9:00pm

NEXT MEETING - using SKYPE on Wednesday **2nd July 2014** commencing at 7.30pm.