

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 13/7/11
AT MANLY 16FT SKIFF SAILING CLUB

Meeting opened at 7.50pm.

PRESENT: Riv Robson (Chair), Michael McMahon, Roger Steel, Lloyd Mulholland, Chris Mulholland, John Andrew, Chris Andrew, Paul Linnett, Alexandra Oliver and Kathy Grudzinskas.

APOLOGIES: Marilyn Sorensen, Ed Darmanin, Paul Donovan and Mark Graham.

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

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Meeting 25th May 2011.

1. “Recruiting the next generation” project - The Association is seeking suggestions and feedback from member clubs.
2. Changes at St George Club - no further action at this stage on how the fleet at St George may be treated, now that the Club itself is part of Manly. As the Association Constitution currently exists, the Club is no longer a separate entity. As such, its voting will need to be part of Manly and any points scored at Association events would count towards the Manly Club.
3. Sail Measuring - The issue raised by Paul Linnett regarding the sail measuring document, was resolved. The matter simply related to navigating the Association website.
4. Jackets for Championship and Point Score winners - Zhik jackets will cost \$2,156.40..
5. Commodore’s Meeting - The meeting of NSW Club Commodores was held on Saturday 18th June 2011 at Manly, and was again considered successful.

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

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Drummoyne - nominations for Association positions for 2011/12.
2. Ian Heritage – advising that he would not be nominating for any Association positions next season.
3. ANZ Bank - Audit Certificate.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

1. All clubs - Association Circular.

Moved Lloyd Mulholland and seconded Roger Steel that the correspondence be received and adopted. CARRIED.

TREASURER

1. Bank balance (working account) - \$13,939.91cr.

Moved Riv Robson and seconded Alex Oliver that the Treasurer's Report be adopted.
CARRIED.

SECRETARY

1. Pennant for 13ft skiff State Championship - Alex Oliver pointed out that the Association did not recognise the 13ft State Champions in the same way that it did the 16's. Delegates unanimously agreed. There was discussion on the best way to rectify this situation. It was suggested that we look at purchasing a pennant and this was agreed. Michael is to investigate the cost and, any other possible options.
2. Flying Ants - further to discussion at the last meeting, and also at the recent Commodore's meeting. Paul Linnett advised that their Association would like to be involved with the following 16ft skiff Association events next season.
 - Heats 1 and 2 of State Championships - No, Flying Ants will be at Toronto.
 - Heats 2 and 3 of State Championships - they will conduct training days, but avoid our main race area (at Port Hunter)
 - Heats 4 and 5 of State Championships - they would like to conduct heats 1 and 2 of their States (AM starts)
 - Belmont Bay Championship - would like to run a training day

This proposal was accepted, although it was suggested that they hold a training day at the Botany Bay Championship instead of at Belmont. It was again agreed that they must supply their own officials and organise their own race logistics with any of the host clubs.

COMMODORE

Nil.

REGISTRAR

1. Nil report, however, it was noted that no report had been received about the registration of "Energy Australia", a new boat at Manly this season. Michael to check with Craig Corke on last boat registered.

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION

1. Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions - Michael mentioned that he had completed a draft NoR and SI's for the 2011/12 Australian Championships. The NoR will be issued in the next few months by the Australian Association.
2. 2011/12 Australian Championships - Rob Wasson has advised the following:
 - Belmont Club are to sponsor a race;
 - Seeking \$6,000 in sponsorship;
 - The local Council is considering a \$4,000 sponsorship grant;
 - A boat was requested from Belmont, but they are unable to assist due to other regatta commitments at Belmont;
 - Expect 10 boats from Belmont;
 - Expect 10 boats from Manly;
 - Uncertain about how many other boats, at this stage.

13FT SKIFF REPORT

1. 2011/12 State Championships - there was discussion about how many heats. Last season, the first two heats were poorly attended, as they occur around school and uni exam times. It was agreed that this season there be four heats (heats 1 and 2 on 12/13 November and heats 3 and 4 on 26/27 November). If four heats are sailed, boats may drop one heat, otherwise, if less than four heats, all will count.
2. Other regattas - further discussion to take place at the AGM on which of the other regattas the 13's could be involved.
3. 13ft Class Rules – age restriction - it was noted that the 13ft skiff Class Rules on the website had not been updated for the changes to the change to the age restrictions made earlier this year. Michael to take care of this.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Requirements for Australian Championships – it was noted that last season a Program had not been printed for the Championships. The Australian Association, in its rules, specifies that a Program should be printed and contain certain information. The Association should consider either deleting this requirement or print a Program, as specified.
2. 2013/14 Australian Championships - Drummoyne has expressed interest in these Championships and have advised the following proposed dates – Friday 3rd January 2014 to Saturday 11th January 2014 (inclusive).

Meeting closed 9.00 pm

NEXT MEETING – Illawarra Club on Saturday 16th August 2011, in conjunction with AGM, commencing at 2.00pm.