

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 4/8/07  
AT PORT HUNTER 16FT SAILING SKIFF CLUB

Meeting opened at 2.25pm.

PRESENT: Riv Robson (Chair), Michael McMahon, Lloyd Mulholland, John Andrew, Paul Linnett, Belinda Sherry, Chris Mulholland, Mark Graham, John Oliver, Alexandra Deakin, L.W. (Bill) Riley, Arran Gore, Sean Harrison, Craig Corke, Steve Newell, D. Castle, Doug Bennett, Todd Anderson and Cathy Holmes.

APOLOGIES: Frank Bonnitca, Brad Andrew, Jack Andrew, Troy Dobinson and Geoff Dunn .

CLUBS REPRESENTED: Manly, Drummoyne, Georges River, Belmont, Middle Harbour, Illawarra and Port Hunter.

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

*Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> July 2007.*

1. 16ft skiff jig - Michael McMahon has spoken with Steve Ward. He said that there would be space above the boat racks at GRSC. He would speak with John Andrew about the logistics of securing the jig above the boat racks.
2. Promotion - Michael McMahon advised that he had spoken with Kate Thomas (Splash PR) and she would be happy to attend our next meeting on 12 September to discuss the possibilities with regard to promotion of the class. Depending on the outcome of these discussions she would be in a position to submit a proposal.
3. Carbon Spar Committee - the Secretary circulated a copy of the report. He proposed that the contents be circulated to club members and that the contents be discussed at the next meeting.
4. 13ft skiff - there had been some discussion and correspondence with Rob Wasson from Queensland in regard to the possible supply of two second hand 13ft skiffs to Qld. Rob had expressed some disquiet about some of the conditions that had been discussed at our last meeting. Mark Graham said he had discussed these and pointed out to Rob that the NSW Association did not feel it unreasonable to expect the supply of the hulls should not be results driven, after all the value of the two boats would be around \$8,000, not an insignificant amount. In addition, these conditions would be negotiable, where there was a genuine reason one could not be achieved.

Mark advised that the possible damage to the 13ft mould, mentioned at the last meeting, was not serious and had been repaired by the new builder.

It was moved Paul Linnett and seconded Craig Corke that these minutes be received and adopted. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

Nil.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

1. To all clubs - circular advising of today's meeting.

Moved Arran Gore and seconded Jon Andrew that the correspondence be received and adopted. CARRIED.

TREASURER:

1. Balance of current account is \$16,066.90cr.
2. The following accounts for payment were submitted:-
  - i) Yachting NSW - invoice No. 15862 dated 17/7/07 - 16ft skiff affiliation fee - \$104.50.
  - ii) Yachting NSW - invoice No. 15983 dated 19/7/07 - 13ft skiff affiliation fee - \$104.50.
  - iii) Michael McMahon - out of pocket expense – reimbursement towards purchase of a new computer - \$800.
  - iv) Belinda Sherry - out of pocket expense – postage - \$10.10

Moved Lloyd Mulholland and seconded Mark Graham that the Treasurer's Report be adopted. CARRIED.

SECRETARY:

Nil report.

COMMODORE:

Nil report.

REGISTRAR:

Nil report.

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION REPORT:

Nil report.

13ft SKIFFS:

1. Hulls for Queensland - Mark Graham reported that the two hulls to go to Queensland would be those owned by Mark Hunter and Alex Deakin. They would be purchasing new hulls. Rob Wasson was confident that Qld Association would be able to purchase another hull by the end of the season. After some discussion, the meeting agreed that we should send a letter to the Queensland Association to confirm our understanding of the arrangements concerning the donation of these hulls and what may occur going forward.
2. New hulls - Mark advised that the first of the new hulls to be built for this coming season had been laid up. Two more are to follow, whilst there is still the possibility of another three.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Point Scores - Bill Riley raised the issue of why the Botany Bay Championship would not qualify towards any Association Point Scores. It was explained that clubs had agreed to amend the rules at the beginning of last season to try and encourage clubs to hold their interclub regatta on a day that would normally be their race day. In the case of St George, Saturday is their normal race day and the Botany Bay Championship is set for Sunday. It was the consensus of the meeting that this rule change may have not been that successful. Craig Corke foreshadowed a Notice of Motion that would be lodged by the Belmont Club to change this rule back to what it previously had been.

Meeting closed 3.20pm

**NEXT MEETING** will be at the **Middle Harbour Club** on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2007** at 7.30pm.