

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 9/8/14  
AT PORT HUNTER 16FT SAILING SKIFF CLUB

Meeting opened at 3.30pm.

PRESENT: Mark Graham (Chair), Michael McMahon, Riv Robson, Roger Steel, Lloyd Mulholland, Chris Mulholland, Paul Linnett, James Griffiths, Peter Kershaw, Grahame Dingle, David Croft, Mick Molloy, Belinda Sherry and Arran Gore.

APOLOGIES: Marilyn Sorensen, John Andrew, Bruce Moore, David Bonnitca, Greg Muirhead, Annalise Gilbert and Robert Napper.

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

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

*Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> July 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. Skiff hulls from China - no further action, at this stage. There has been a delay with finalising the agreement with the supplier. He was daunted by the first version of the agreement that he was being asked to sign and wished to withdraw from the arrangement. A revised and more simplified contract has now been prepared. It is expected that hulls may now be able to be arranged for early in the new year.
3. Proposed changes to State Championships - voting on four Notices of Motion to be finalised at this meeting.
4. Possible adoption of 29ers at Manly - this has now been rejected by the Sailing Committee and the Board of Directors.
5. Splash Internet invoice - Arran Gore queried payment of the Splash Internet invoice. It was pointed out that the payment was to cover an invoice from about three years ago. Payment was made at the time, but the cheque was never presented. It had been cancelled by the Association a couple of years ago.

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

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Mosman Council - acknowledgement of the lodgment of an objection by the Association to a development proposal by a neighboring business to Middle Harbour 16ft Skiff Club.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Mosman Council - objection to a development proposal for a new marina complex adjacent to Middle Harbour 16's that would extend across in front of the Club and limit access to and from the MH rigging area.

Moved Peter Kershaw and seconded Grahame Dingle that the correspondence be received and adopted. CARRIED.

### TREASURER

1. Balance of Working account is unavailable due to the absence of the Treasurer.
2. The following accounts for payment were submitted:-
  - i) Adams Apple Screenprinting - invoice No. 00001964 for Annual Point Score pennant - **\$265.10**.
  - ii) Zhik Australia - invoice 00043688 – Jackets and SeaBoot vouchers for winners of Association point scores and championships – **\$1,829.60**.
  - iii) Port Hunter 16ft Sailing Skiff Club - cost of providing drinks and food for today's AGM and meeting – to be determined.

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

### SECRETARY

1. The following is a summary of the notices of motion that were circulated to clubs in relation to the format of the State Championships:

#### **Notice of Motion 1 (submitted by the Association):**

- to hold State Championships over 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of November;
- to have four races;
- three races constitutes a series;
- drop worst score or, if only 3 races are able to be sailed, all races will count;
- a revised roster of host clubs.

#### **Notice of Motion 2 (submitted by Belmont Club):**

- to hold State Championships over 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of November;
- to have four races;
- three races constitutes a series;
- drop half of worst score or, if only 3 races are able to be sailed, all races will count;
- a revised roster of host clubs;
- have an option in the SI's so that the start time for the Sunday races can be 1.00pm.

#### **Notice of Motion 3 (submitted by Manly Club):**

- to hold State Championships over 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of November;
- to have six races;
- four races constitutes a series;
- drop worst score or, if only 4 races are able to be sailed, all races will count;
- a revised roster of host clubs.

#### **Existing arrangement:**

- hold State Championships over three weekends - last weekend in October, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of November;
- to have six races (two races each weekend);
- four races constitute a series;
- drop worst score or, if only 4 races are able to be sailed, all races count.

Voting was conducted on a preference basis with the results as follows:

Eligible Voters	Motion 1 (Assoc)	Motion 2 (Bel)	Motion 3 (Man.)	Motion 4 (Exist)
Belmont	2	1	3	4
Drummoyne	1	-	-	-
Illawarra	1	3	4	2
Manly / St G	2	3	1	4
Middle Harbour	2	1	3	4
Port Hunter	1	-	-	-
President	Abstain	-	-	-
Commodore	Abstain	-	-	-
Secretary	Abstain	-	-	-

Motion 1 submitted by the NSW Association was declared to be the most preferred option.

After further discussion, it was agreed that the Sailing Instructions for the season should provide for an earlier start time for the Sunday races of the State Championships. The earliest start time should be shown as 1.00pm. The reason for the earlier start is to allow competitors an opportunity to travel home at an earlier time after the race. Race officials will need to make a judgement on the day as to whether the breeze and conditions are favourable for the earlier start.

#### COMMODORE

- Lloyd thanked the Port Hunter Club for their welcome and hospitality today. In particular, he thanked Cath Holmes for the food that she had prepared delegates at today's meeting. He presented Cath with a bunch of flowers in recognition of her efforts.

#### REGISTRAR

Nil report.

#### AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION

Nil report.

#### 13FT SKIFFS

- Mark Graham reported that Rob Napper will attend Association meetings this season to represent the 13ft Skiff Class.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

Meeting closed 3.55pm

NEXT MEETING - Wednesday **24<sup>th</sup> September 2014** at 7.30pm at Drummoyne.