

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 29/10/08  
AT GEORGES RIVER 16FT SAILING CLUB

Meeting opened at 7.45pm.

PRESENT: Riv Robson (Chair), Michael McMahon, John Andrew, Lloyd Mulholland, Chris Mulholland, Ben Dibley, Paul Linnett, Arran Gore, Marilyn Sorensen, Ian Heritage and Ben Bradley.

APOLOGIES: Mark Graham, Brad Andrew, Alex Deakin, Paul Donovan and Belinda Sherry.

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

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

*Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> October 2008.*

1. Mainsails (shape and measuring) - NSW interpretation and measuring instruction is still to be issued.
2. “Batwing” mainsails - issue needs to be resolved by the Australian Association. Specification Committee is to be set up.
3. Sail Measurer's Forum - held on 18<sup>th</sup> October. Well attended and quite successful.
4. Sail Measuring Forms for 13's - Marilyn advised that Adam Favalaro from MH Club will try and develop a plan or template for sail measuring.
5. Promotions - Proposal still to be sought from Splash Publications.
6. Constitution amendments for 13's - still to be completed by Michael McMahon and Mark Graham.
7. 13ft skiff age limit - delete “for males” from second dot point; in addition in that dot point “parent and sibling” should read “parent and child”.
8. Australian Championships - Paul Linnett had spoken with Bob Bower and he declined the offer of being chairman of the protest committee because his son may be involved in the series.

It was moved Lloyd Mulholland and seconded Marilyn Sorensen that these minutes be received and adopted. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Illawarra - 6 skiff registration forms – (\$420)  
- 4 entries for combined season regattas (\$960)
2. Port Hunter - 8 skiff registrations (\$560)  
- 7 entries for Port Hunter – 2 days (\$560)
3. Georges River - 1 entry for Georges River – 2 days (\$80)

- 1 entry for St George (\$40)
- 1 entry for Belmont (\$40)
- 4. Drummoyne - 3 skiff registrations (\$210)
- 5. St George - 6 skiff registrations (\$420)
  - 1 entry for combined season regattas (“Gault Boat Repairs”) (\$240)
  - 2 entries for Georges River (2 days) (\$160)
  - 3 entries for St George
- 6. Middle Harbour - 1 skiff registration (“Kamikaze”) (\$70)
- 7. Manly - advice of direct credit for \$150 in payment of invoice 79.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

1. To all clubs - circular advising of tonight’s meeting.

Moved Paul Linnett and seconded Ian Heritage that the correspondence be received and adopted. CARRIED.

TREASURER:

1. Balance of current account is \$1,889.92cr.
2. The following account for payment was submitted:-
  - i) Lloyd Mulholland - out of pocket expenses for Manly Regatta - \$100.

Moved Arran Gore and seconded Michael McMahon that the Treasurer’s Report be adopted. CARRIED.

SECRETARY:

1. The results for Manly Regatta held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2008 were tabled and adopted. There were 47 starters and 41 finished. There were two beach entries “Bruce Gault Boat Repairs” from St George (paid \$60 in cash) and “Kamikaze” from Middle Harbour (\$60 to be invoiced). There was one protest. The skiff “Thomas Hopper and Partners” protested “Mitre 10 Kurri Kurri” for failing to keep clear rounding a windward mark. Protest was dismissed. In addition, one skiff was disqualified for “OCS” (“Bob Jane T-Marts Edgecliffe”). Scratch won by “Typhoon” (Man) from “Fluid Building Services” (Man), “OAS” (Bel), “Mitre 10 Kurri Kurri” (Bel) and “Newcastle Herald” (Bel). Handicap won by “Arjax” (MH) from “Giro Constructions” (MH), “Southerly” (Man), “Integratos” (Man) and “Net Kiosk” (Man).
2. With regard to the Manly Regatta, Marilyn Sorensen raised some concern that she had been disabled and was stuck on Washaway Beach for some time before being able to be rescued. She felt that there should have been a more co-ordinated or strategic placing of rescue boats around the course.
3. At the Manly Regatta, it was also evident that there are an increasing number of skiffs whose sail signs (insignias) do not comply with the Class Rules (refer to Rules 9.6 and 9.7), particularly where it comes to the minimum dimensions (ie. signs are too small). Failure to comply can render a skiff liable to disqualification in any Association events.

4. Prizemoney for State Championship series - it was agreed that the following prizemoney, totalling be allocated for the overall results:-

SCRATCH

1 <sup>st</sup>	\$500
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$400
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$300
4 <sup>th</sup>	\$250
5 <sup>th</sup>	\$200
6 <sup>th</sup>	\$150
7 <sup>th</sup>	\$120
8 <sup>th</sup>	\$100
9 <sup>th</sup>	\$75
10 <sup>th</sup>	\$50

HANDICAP

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2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$400
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$300
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COMMODORE:

1. Thanked the Manly Club for providing lunch to the officials at the Manly Regatta. He mentioned that some passengers on the ferry had mentioned that they did not get a view of the race, as the ferry had positioned itself well away from most of the race area.

REGISTRAR:

Nil report.

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION REPORT:

1. Registration of sails - it was suggested that, given the tight time frame for the upcoming Australian Championships, sails be registered before the event. This was done before the carnival in Geelong and worked quite well.

13ft SKIFFS:

1. Courses for Georges River - not yet finalised. It was agreed that it would not be practical to use separate marks for the 13's.
2. The results for Manly Regatta held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2008 were tabled and adopted. There were 15 starters and 13 finished. There were no beach entries. There were no protests. Scratch won by "Fluid Building Services" (Man) from "Sheads" (MH), "Ambiguous Ambitions" (Man), "Tyres & More" (Man) and "Switched on Innovations" (MH). Handicap won by "Ambiguous Ambitions" (Man) from "Switched on Innovations" (Man), "Fluid Building Services" (Man), "Northside Sailing School" (MH) and "Sheads" (MH).

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Life jackets - a question was raised about enforcement of the life jacket rule. It was agreed that this should be enforced by other competitors. It should not have to be the responsibility of Association officials.
2. Association fees - Arran Gore suggested the Association consider a higher registration fee for all skiffs (say \$140) and this would cover Regatta entries with boats being

entered for all races. It was suggested he pursue this for further discussion when next season's fees are considered.

3. 2007-08 Association Point Score jackets - Paul Linnett asked whether these had been ordered. Michael McMahon said that he had only just made arrangements to order them from Musto last week.

Meeting closed 9.20pm

**NEXT MEETING - Middle Harbour Club on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2008.**