

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 14/11/12
AT GEORGES RIVER 16FT SAILING CLUB

Meeting opened at 7.50pm.

PRESENT: Mark Graham (Chair), Lloyd Mulholland, Chris Mulholland, Marilyn Sorensen, Chris Andrew, John Andrew, Ed Darmanin, Paul Linnett, Riv Robson and Michael McMahon.

APOLOGIES: Roger Steel and Andrew McLachlan.

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

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Meeting 24th October 2012.

1. Australian 16ft skiff logo - Lloyd advised that the NSW Association feedback on this matter had not been reported back to the Australian Association, as yet. There will be a Skype meeting tomorrow.
2. Proposal to change 13ft age limit - the decision on the proposal from the Manly Club to amend the 13ft skiff age limits has yet to be conveyed back to the Club. Michael McMahon is still drafting response.
3. Youth Division prizemoney - whilst there has only been 2 entries for the Youth Division category in the State Championships, after discussion, an allocation of prizemoney was agreed. It is hoped that the allocation of prizemoney this season might encourage other young people to become involved, going forward. It was agreed to allocate \$400 for 1st and \$250 for 2nd place overall.
4. Chas Wood Trophy - Still missing.
5. Recruiting the next generation - There are still outstanding suggestions from some clubs to be obtained.

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

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Cerno Ltd - email received from Cerno Ltd (Sam Miritello), the Public Liability Claims Investigators/Managers on behalf of our overseas insurer, Travelers Syndicate Management Ltd. They have to hand the claim by way of OAMPS Gault Armstrong Pty Ltd (Craig Nicholls compensation claim) and are requesting whether there were any additional witnesses. Michael McMahon has not been able to identify any, as yet.
2. Belmont - 1 skiff registrations ("B&B Suppliers")(\$70)
3. St George - 2 skiff registrations ("Joe Walsh" & "Loose Unit")(\$140)
 - 2 entries for 2 days at St George Regatta ("Jetmaster" & "Joe Walsh")(\$160)
 - 1 entry for Botany Bay Championship ("Joe Walsh")(\$40)

4. Manly - 3 skiff registrations (“Brydens”, “Netkiosk” & “The Contractor”)(\\$210)
- 1 entry for all season regattas (“Brydens”)(\\$280)
5. Middle Harbour - 1 skiff registration (“The Blue Boat”)(\\$70)
- 1 entry for 2 days at Manly (“Sheerline”)(\\$80)

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Cerno Ltd – email advising that, to date, no additional witnesses have been identified.

Moved Lloyd Mulholland and seconded Mark Graham that the correspondence be received and adopted. CARRIED.

TREASURER

1. Bank Account balance - \$9,344.60.
2. Invoices - invoices have yet to be sent covering skiff registrations and regatta entries. Information to compile the invoices is to be provided by Michael McMahon.
3. The following accounts for payment were submitted:-
 - i) Roger Steel - out of pocket expenses (petrol) for attending Manly (\$79.29) and Drummoyne (\$87.14) Regattas - **\$166.43**.
 - ii) Lloyd Mulholland - out of pocket expenses for Manly (\$170 accommodation; \$100 petrol); Drummoyne (\$171 accommodation; \$100 petrol) and St George (\$167 accommodation; petrol \$100) - **\$808**.
3. Bank fees - Marilyn indicated that she has noticed bank fees appearing on the first statements that she has received as Treasurer. Lloyd indicated that the previous Treasurer (Belinda) had spoken with the Bank a couple of times about account keeping fees and they had agreed to charge either no fees or reduced fees because we were a community / sporting organisation.

Moved Paul Linnett and seconded Ed Darmanin that the Treasurer’s report be received and adopted and that the accounts for payment be paid. CARRIED.

SECRETARY

1. The results for the Manly Regatta and Race 1 of the State Championship held on Saturday 27th October 2012 were tabled and adopted. There were 35 starters and 25 finished. There were 3 beach entries (“Altis”, “Equilibrium” and “EM Kitchens” – to be invoiced). There were no protests. The conditions were fine with a 13-19 knot South-East breeze. A result summary for the race is as follows:

State Race 1 – Manly – Scratch Summary	
1. FIRE STOPPING	Ben Bianco
2. FLUID BUILDING SERVICES	Clint Bowen
3. BRYDENS COMPENSATION LAWYERS	Kieran Humphries
4. SUTECH BUILDING CONSULTANTS	Daniel Turner
5. AB WINDOW FASHIONS	Adam Piper

State Race 1 – Manly - Handicap Summary	
1. FLUID BUILDING SERVICES	Clint Bowen
2. HOTONDO HOMES	Joshua Doyle

3. FIRE STOPPING	Ben Bianco
4. VK THOMAS	Dan Watterson
5. SUTECH BUILDING CONSULTANTS	Daniel Turner

2. The results for Manly Regatta and Race 2 of the State Championship held on Sunday 28th October 2012 were tabled and adopted. There were 29 starters and 28 finished. There was one beach entry (“Altis Consulting” – to be invoiced). There were no protests. The conditions were fine and partly cloudy with a shifty 6-11 knot Easterly breeze. A result summary for the race is as follows:

State Race 2 – Manly – Scratch Summary	
1. BRYDENS COMPENSATION LAWYERS	Lee Knapton
2. FLUID BUILDING SERVICES	Clint Bowen
3. HUBBLE CLEANING SOLUTIONS	Nathan Wilmot
4. GILL	James Ward
5. McKAJJ SERVICES	James Pilgrim

State Race 2 – Manly - Handicap Summary	
1. GILL	James Ward
2. BRYDENS COMPENSATION LAWYERS	Lee Knapton
3. LEE SAILS	Sarah Lee
4. BRAND CENTS CONSULTING	Alexandra Deakin
5. ENERGY AUSTRALIA	Phil Bower

3. The results for Drummoyne Regatta and Race 3 of the State Championship held on Saturday 10th November 2012 were tabled and adopted. There were 31 starters and 22 finished. There were 2 beach entries (“Altis Consulting” and “EM Kitchens” – to be invoiced). There was one request for redress from “VK Thomas” (the request was granted, giving them 3 extra places on scratch). The conditions were fine, but cool and mostly cloudy with a 12-20 knot South-Easterly breeze. A result summary for the race is as follows:

State Race 3 – Drummoyne – Scratch Summary	
1. HUBBLE CLEANING SOLUTIONS	Nathan Wilmot
2. FLUID BUILDING SERVICES	Clint Bowen
3. AB WINDOW FASHIONS	Adam Piper
4. ATB MORTON	Danny Anderson
5. ALTIS CONSULTING	Jim Kerrison

State Race 3 – Drummoyne - Handicap Summary	
1. HUBBLE CLEANING SOLUTIONS	Nathan Wilmot
2. BRAND CENTS CONSULTING	Alexandra Deakin
3. ATB MORTON	Danny Anderson
4. GIRO CONSTRUCTIONS	Richard Williams
5. CHPAMAN HIGH PERFORMANCE SAIL	Evan Darmanin

4. The results for Drummoyne Regatta and Race 4 of the State Championship held on Sunday 11th November 2012 were tabled and adopted. There were 23 starters and 18 finished. There were no beach entries. There were no protests. The conditions were fine with a 8-13 knot Easterly breeze. A result summary for the race is as follows:

State Race 4 – Drummoyne – Scratch Summary	
1. HUBBLE CLEANING SOLUTIONS	Nathan Wilmot
2. BRYDENS COMPENSATION LAWYERS	Lee Knapton
3. FLUID BUILDING SERVICES	Clint Bowen

4. STRAIGHT AZZ TILING	Joel Rose
5. AB WINDOW FASHIONS	Adam Piper

State Race 4 – Drummoyne - Handicap Summary	
1. CHAPMAN HIGH PERFORMANCE SAIL	Evan Darmanin
2. VK THOMAS	Dan Watterson
3. SHEAD	Marilyn Sorensen
4. STRAIGHT AZZ TILING	Joel Rose
5. LINCRAFT	Drew Spring

COMMODORE

1. Drummoyne - Lloyd mentioned several concerns that he had following the Drummoyne Regatta. These included – a lack of presence of flag officers, parking problems on the Sunday due the presence of model yacht and junior sailors and the lack of any parking marshalls, no safety officer at the Club for on-water officials to call up during the race, very minimal lunch facilities for the sailors and only two Drummoyne boats raced on the Sunday. It was agreed that a number of these issues were cause for some concern, if Drummoyne are to host the 2013/14 Australian Championships. A letter is to be sent to the Club expressing the Association’s concerns.

REGISTRAR

Nil.

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION

Nil.

13FT SKIFF REPORT

1. Notice of Race for State Championships - Michael advised that he had issued the Notice of Race for the 2012/13 State Championships due to be held on 8th December 2012 (heats 1 & 2) and 23rd February 2013 (heats 3 & 4).

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. 13ft skiff website - Lloyd commented on the 13ft skiff website and questioned it’s relevance, given that there was only probably only one 13ft skiff at Middle Harbour and none in Qld this season. The remainder are only at the Manly Club.

Michael explained that it was set up to try and give the Class its own identity, despite the fact that it is still totally under the control of the NSW 16ft Skiff Association. The website is currently totally under the control of the NSW 16ft Skiff Association.

2. Entries for States & Australians - with the numbers entering for the State and Australian Championship events still showing a declining trend, Lloyd said that he was of the view that we needed to think more laterally about how we might encourage more boats to enter. He said that, unlike in the past, crews will not travel these days unless they feel like they are performing well. They are not just interested in going along to “make up the numbers”. He felt that, amongst other things, more thought needs to be given to encouraging more activities for wives and partners and families. Further discussion also ensued on other ideas.

3. Out of pocket travel expenses - Mark Graham suggested that it would be more appropriate for the Association to prescribe set rates for out of pocket travel expenses. He felt that this would make the claiming of such expenses more transparent.

His thoughts were that a per kilometre rate for fuel would be good, whilst accommodation could be a set rate depending on whether Sydney or country (eg. \$180 per night for Sydney; \$120 for country). After some discussion, the meeting agreed. Mark has undertaken to come up with a suggestion for appropriate rates.

Meeting closed 9.05 pm

NEXT MEETING - **Middle Harbour** on Wednesday **12th December 2012** commencing at 6.30pm, then dinner.