

NSW 16FT SKIFF ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 9/12/09
AT GEORGES RIVER 16FT SAILING CLUB

Meeting opened at 6.40pm.

PRESENT: Riv Robson (Chair), Michael McMahon, Lloyd Mulholland, Chris Mulholland, Ian Heritage, John Andrew, Chris Andrew, Ben Bradley, Mark Graham, Belinda Sherry, Alexandra Deakin and Paul Donovan.

APOLOGIES: Paul Linnett, Marilyn Sorensen and Ed Darmanin.

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

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Meeting 25th November 2009.

1. Mainsails (shape and measuring) - NSW interpretation and measuring instruction is still to be issued. Clint Bowen is now preparing a draft document, however, Michael reported that Clint has been very busy with his business and has not been in a position to finish it off.
2. Promotions - Proposal still to be sought from Splash Publications.
3. Constitution for 13's - Further discussions still to take place.
4. NSW Association Auditor - Nominations still being sought for this position. A note was included in the last circular, but no response.
5. NSW Association Assistant Secretary - Nominations still being sought for this position. A note was included in the last circular, but no response.
6. 13ft skiffs - Key hull measurements (as listed in the minutes for 4/11/09) has now been carried out on the Middle Harbour boats. All were okay. Their boats are still yet to be weighed, as well as the Manly boats.
7. 13ft skiff sail measuring - templates are now available for working sails; Mark Graham is to pick them up; there will be no cost to the Association.
- consideration still being given to spinnaker measuring.
7. Australian Championships - The Race Committee members have been organised. They are Michael McMahon, Bob Bower, Ian Heritage, Robert Wasson and John Anderson.
8. Masts - the Australian Secretary has asked for volunteers to attend a forum (steering committee) to be held during the upcoming Australian Championships to raise any issues affecting the Class and its future direction.
9. Issue with measuring "Gill" mainsail - there was further discussion on how a mainsail with a large roach should be measured. Firstly, it was acknowledged that it was an Australian Association matter, however, the consensus of this meeting was that sails should be measured in accordance with form attached as an appendix to the Class Rules (ie. two basic triangles and their appropriate rounds). John Andrew has measured the

sail at 15.6 whilst MH measurer got 15.4sqm. Issue to be referred to Australian Association.

It was moved Lloyd Mulholland and seconded Paul Donovan that these minutes be received and adopted. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

Nil.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

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

Moved Ian Heritage and seconded Ben Bradley that the correspondence be received and adopted. CARRIED.

TREASURER:

1. Bank balance (cheque account) - \$5,041.87.
2. The following accounts for payment were submitted:-
 - i) Lloyd Mulholland - out of pocket expenses – attendance at State heats (St George and Manly) - **\$450**.
 - ii) Yachting NSW – invoices 18325 and 18504 covering affiliation fees for the NSW 16ft Association (including 13's)(\$110 for each Class) (**\$220**).

Moved Alex Deakin and seconded Riv Robson that the Treasurer's Report be adopted and accounts for payment be approved. CARRIED.

SECRETARY:

1. The results for Manly Regatta and Heat 3 of the State Championship held on 28th November 2009 were tabled and adopted. There were 48 starters and 39 finished. There was one beach entry ("Integratos" - Manly). There were no protests. Scratch won by "Sutech Building Consultants" (Man) from "OAS" (Bel), "Fire Stopping" (Man), "Fluid Building Services" (Man) and "Bigfoot Bags and Covers" (Man). Handicap won by "The Big H" (MH) from "Ross Bell Electrical" (Man), "Bigfoot Bags and Covers" (Man), "Infinite Property Solutions" (GR) and "Lincraft" (MH).
2. Heat 4 of the State Championships at Manly, scheduled for 29th November 2009, had to be abandoned before the start due to a lack of consistent wind. The State Championships was therefore determined on the first three heats (all to count). Won by "Fire Stopping" (Man) on 8 points from "Brydens Compensation Lawyers" (GR) on 12 points, "OAS" (Bel) 13 points, "Fluid Building Services" (Man) on 14 points (4th) and "Mitre 10 Kurri Kurri" (Bel) also on 14 points, but 5th on a countback.
3. The results for Drummoyne Regatta and Upper Harbour Championship held on 5th December 2009 were tabled and adopted. There were 18 starters and 16 finished. There were no beach entries. There were no protests. Scratch won by "Fluid Building Services" (Man) from "Brydens Compensation Lawyers" (GR), "Aero Sails" (Man), "Straight Azz Tiling" (Bel) and "Sutech Building Consultants" (Man). Handicap won by "Express Boat Covers" (Drum) from "Jetmaster Fireplaces" (GR), "Aero Sails" (Man), "Fluid Building Services" (Man) and "Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu" (Drum).

COMMODORE: Lloyd thanked the Manly Club for lunch both days at their regatta. With regard to the Australian Championships, Association officials who are members of the Belmont Club will get points on their cards each day (equal to around \$24).

REGISTRAR: The following skiffs have been registered this season “Typhoon Fabrics” (Man) 176, “Bigfoot Bags and Covers” (Man) 177, “Net Kiosk” (Man) 178 and “Southerly” (Man) 179.

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION REPORT:

1. Championship Entries - to date, there are 57 x 16ft entries and 15 x 13ft entries (they could end up at 21).
2. Sail Registration Stamp - John Andrew has the stamp available to register sails for the Championships. Sails from the Sydney clubs will be done in the next week or so, then the stamp can go to Belmont.

13ft SKIFFS:

1. Australian Championships - Mark Graham said that it had been decided to use the 16ft skiff start line, then after the first mark, go off to a trapezoid type course arrangement, except that the finish will be done independently by a separate 13's committee boat.
2. The results for St George Regatta and Heat 1 of State Championship held on 14th November 2009 were tabled and adopted. There were 10 starters and 9 finished. There were no beach entries. There were no protests. Scratch won by “Northside Sailing School” (MH) from “Tyres and More” (Man), “One Scrap” (MH), “Sydney Swans” (MH) and “Fluid Building Services” (Man). Handicap won by “One Scrap” (MH) from “Bob Jane T-Marts” (MH), “Northside Sailing School” (MH), “Sydney Swans” (MH) and “Switched on Innovations” (Man).
3. The results for St George Regatta and Heat 2 of State Championship held on 15th November 2009 were tabled and adopted. There were 11 starters and 9 finished. There were no beach entries. There were no protests. Scratch won by “Northside Sailing School” (MH) from “Tyres and More” (Man), “Fluid Building Services” (Man), “One Scrap” (MH) and “MBH & Associates” (Man). Handicap won by “MBH & Associates” (Man) from “Northside Sailing School” (MH), “Tyres and More” (Man), “Fluid Building Services” (Man) and “Haphazard” (MH).
4. The results for Manly Regatta and Heat 3 of State Championship held on 28th November 2009 were tabled and adopted. There were 9 starters and 7 finished. There were no beach entries. There were no protests. Scratch won by “Tyres and More” (Man) from “Northside Sailing School” (MH), “Sydney Swans” (MH), “Ambiguous Ambitions” (Man) and “Fluid Building Services” (Man). Handicap won by “Tyres and More” (Man) from “Sydney Swans” (MH), “Northside Sailing School” (MH), “Ambiguous Ambitions” (Man) and “Fluid Building Services” (Man).
5. Heat 4 of the State Championships at Manly, scheduled for 29th November 2009, had to be abandoned before the start due to a lack of consistent wind. The State Championships was therefore determined on the first three heats (all to count). Won by “Northside Sailing School” (MH) on 4 points from “Tyres and More” (Man) on 5 points, “Fluid Building Services” (Man) on 12 points, “Sydney Swans” (MH) on 19 points and “Bob Jane T-Marts” (MH) on 21 points.

6. Requirement for ensign on mainsail - the 13ft Class Rules currently require an insignia to be included on the mainsail. There is no requirement for a sail number, although all boats do have a number. It was agreed that the Class Rules be amended to exclude the requirement for an insignia as it may be an unnecessary expense for boat owners. A requirement to have a sail number will be included (to be a minimum of the ISAF specified size), plus the 13ft Class logo.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Nil.

Meeting closed 7.45pm

NEXT MEETING - Georges River Club on Wednesday 3rd February 2010 commencing at 7.30pm.