



## MINUTES

### Racing Committee Meeting

Wednesday 18 November 2009  
Port Dock Brewery Hotel - Todd Street Pt Adelaide

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**1 OPEN MEETING – 8:04PM**

**2 PRESENT:**

➤ ASA 1:	Steve Holt	➤ Adelaide Sea Dragons 1:	Tony Tildesley
➤ ASA 2:	Mark O’Gara	➤ Adelaide Sea Dragons 2:	Nil
➤ Black Dragons 1:	Apology	➤ Blade Runners 1:	Apology
➤ Black Dragons 2:	Apology	➤ Blade Runners 2:	Apology
➤ Dragon Fly 1:	Wee-Ching Kong	➤ Power Blades 1:	Tim Monson
➤ Dragon Fly 2:	Nil	➤ Power Blades 2:	Nil
➤ SADA 1:	Nil	➤ Subsonix 1:	Alison Miller
➤ SADA 2:	Donna Carter	➤ Subsonix 2:	Nil
➤ Waiwilta 1:	Greg Bond	➤ Water Warriors 1:	Chris Cryer
➤ Waiwilta 2:	Apology	➤ Water Warriors 2:	Colin Attewell
➤ DBSA:	John Holland	➤ Adelaide Phoenix 1:	Clive Grant
		➤ Adelaide Phoenix 2:	Sean Carey

**APOLOGIES:**

➤ Blade Runners 1:	Veronica Maidment	➤ Black Dragons 1:	Greg Penny
➤ Blade Runners 2:	Julie Clinch	➤ Black Dragons 2:	Ken Yiu

Alison Miller from Subsonix Chaired the meeting and noted that Kylie Iannotti was appointed as their Alternate.

**3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 05 NOVEMBER 2009**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record.

**4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Horatio was asked to ensure that the boats that he is undertaking maintenance on are always available for race days and was provided a copy of the program.

Noted that the task list still required amendments to enable it to be easy to ascertain which task have already been undertaken.

**5 GENERAL BUSINESS**

**5.1 Race Day 29/11/09 – Round 4 Regatta 2 (20s)**

Discussion held on race day arrangements. Masters Womens to be included as a core category from here on in.

John Holland advised that DBSA recommended that if there were any last minute changes to a race program due to team withdrawals that the program not be changed as this could be problematic if not all teams were aware of the latest version.

Alison Miller noted that it was disappointing during the last race day that those paddlers that were aware that they were entering a Premier team in a Masters race due to changes to the race program (that they were not aware of) did not inform them of this whilst they were loading the boat. As a result they were disqualified.

## 6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

➤ John Holland reported on the following from the DBSA Board meeting:

- ❖ Clubs to be reminded of start line etiquette with regard to how many paddlers complete a stroke at the request of the Starter (ie whole boat instead of just front or back four) in order to not delay starts.
- ❖ Sport SA had requested input from their members on their activities for publication in the Sportsbeat magazine in order to help promote the various sports. DBSA were suggesting that the club organising a race day submit an article either before or after the event depending on the publishing timeline set. SADA to provide first article.

**Action: SADA**

- ❖ Clubs to remind their paddlers not to swim in front of the marshalling area or where the boats launch from as causing delays and potential safety risk.
- ❖ Clubs to inform their paddlers when setting up the boats on race days that there are six older Champion style boats and four new models that although slightly different are all endorsed by IDBF. It is best to keep them separated in races and could be done by calling one White Fleet and the other Red fleet. Both types have different heads and tails.

There are separate coloured flags available for both fleets and one fleet should be numbered 1-6 and the other 2-5 (as lanes 1&6 will not be used during his race).

- ❖ All of the west facing roller doors on the boatshed would be replaced soon.
- ❖ Clubs to be reminded to submit sweep training paperwork to John Holland more frequently so he can update his records and to assist the accredited trainers when setting tests and to ensure that the whole paperwork is completed not just the front page.
- ❖ Clubs requested to remind their paddlers to be courteous and respectful at all times to volunteers.
- ❖ Clubs had been circulated a copy of the email advising of the recent collision between two sculls on the new course and were reminded to follow the correct procedure for use of the course. DBSA are keen to have clubs report any incidents with other users of the lake. Agreed to recirculate.

**Action: John**

Swimming SA was seeking permission from the government to use Lane 1 of the course which was not favoured by the current users.

Most of the complaints received re noise on the lake were being caused by the rowers more so than dragon boats.

Commented that DBSA was not being informed of other users' activities on the lake with regard to events. John Holland noted that Rowing SA had advised that they were all posted on their website but this was unsatisfactory and email advice was being sought.

- ❖ The state coach appointments are:

- Grand Masters – Chris Wood
- Masters – Steve Clinch
- Premier – David Brugioni

There was one application received for Masters and Grand Masters positions and two for Premiers. The Board duly rated both applications received for Premiers on the criteria sent out.

- Question was asked as to whether DBSA would consider purchase of a new recording system for the races to reduce any delays.

John Holland advised that there was a \$9000 system available which was very sensitive and this would not be viable for the association to purchase and it was encumbered upon the clubs to ensure that they had sufficient volunteers trained up on the use of the current system.

Another option was to hire a system at a cost of up to \$3000 per day was also not viable however would be used during the Nationals.

A bid had been put in by all three users for a camera for the new race course.

- Question was asked if a clearance application was still required for a paddler that had not participated in the sport for about eight years. The response given was that it would still be required in case there were any outstanding monies owing.
- Question was asked why the rules allowed for a 70 year old person to sweep any age category however a 20 year old could not sweep a Masters category and if the rules could be changed.

Noted that this was an IDBF rule and that AusDBF were meeting in Adelaide this weekend and endeavouring to change some of the rules in particular with regard to team composition for some categories.

Discussion will also be held on the one club policy which would be circulated to clubs for feedback.

**Action: John**

- Question was asked to the number of races required to be swept to maintain accreditation during the season with the response given that eight were required over any event.
- It was noted that clubs were advised there would be no penalty for withdrawing from the last race day due to the hot weather and this meant that any paddler who also withdrew would not be required to pay the \$5 fee.
- Alison Miller reminded clubs that if they were using Aquatic Reserve on the weekend for a Come N Try type event or social/training function that the lake needed to be booked through the Council and forms were available on the Council website.

## **7 NEXT MEETING**

The next Racing Committee meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday 2 December at 9pm** at the Port Dock Brewery Hotel, Port Adelaide which would cover two race meetings.

To be Chaired by: **SADA.**

## **8 CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 9PM.