



MINUTES

Racing Committee Meeting

8pm Thursday 13 October 2011
The Sailing Club – 1 Jenkins Street, Port Adelaide

1 OPEN MEETING – 8PM

2 PRESENT:

➤ ASA 1:	Julie Russell	➤ Adelaide Sea Dragons 1:	Apology
➤ ASA 2:	Steve Holt	➤ Adelaide Sea Dragons 2:	John Holland/DBSA
➤ Black Dragons 1:	Jennifer Cook	➤ Power Blades 1:	Gavin Kohler
➤ Black Dragons 2:	Ming Fan	➤ Power Blades 2:	Andy Kelly
➤ Dragon Fly 1:	Nil	➤ Subsonix 1:	Apology
➤ Dragon Fly 2:	Nil	➤ Subsonix 2:	Ronnie Lane
➤ SADA 1:	Dena Carr	➤ Water Warriors 1:	Dennis Wright
➤ SADA 2:	Apology	➤ Water Warriors 2:	Apology
➤ Waiwilta 1:	Apology	➤ Adelaide Phoenix 1:	Sean Carey
➤ Waiwilta 2:	Apology	➤ Adelaide Phoenix 2:	Clive Grant
➤ Blade Runners 1:	Apology	➤ Blade Runners 2:	Apology

APOLOGIES:

➤ Blade Runners 1:	Julie Clinch	➤ Adelaide Sea Dragons 1:	Darryl Bockmann
➤ Waiwilta 1:	Jan Walsh	➤ Waiwilta 2:	Kevin Walsh
➤ Power Blades 2:	Andy Kelly	➤ Water Warriors 2:	David Watts
➤ SADA 2:	Julie Hyland		

The meeting was chaired by: Jennifer Cook – Black Dragons.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 15 SEPTEMBER 2011

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

4 ACTION ITEMS/BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

5 GENERAL BUSINESS

➤ **Race day – 23/10/11**

The arrangements for the Torrens 20s race days were finetuned.

Agreed that ASA could combine with Waiwilta throughout the season to form a composite crew to participate in events however would not be eligible to attain points or win a category.

Adelaide Phoenix asked if consideration could be given to having only 2 x rounds for future Torrens events as they felt that the race day was finishing too late and often the third round was not held anyway. Discussion was then held on what times would be used then and how would clubs be able to have all of their paddlers compete in a race day if there was one race short. It was agreed to revisit prior to next season.

The reason for some of the delays given by Steve Clinch was due to a new camera operator, and sweeps discarding toggles. Report to be circulated.

Agreed that Adelaide Sea Dragons B Grade team would all go up.

6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- ✚ Sean Carey (Adelaide Phoenix) stated that he was happy to organise composite crews for the Around the Island race and he would coordinate this with the clubs.
Action: S. Carey
- ✚ Given the expected large number of teams entering in the Around the Island race it was agreed that the RC meeting as scheduled would continue.
- ✚ Clive Grant (Adelaide Phoenix) advised that the winning pub from the 2010 Port Challenge did not receive their trophy as it could not be located. Believed to be held by Subsonix and to be returned.
Action: Subsonix
- ✚ John Holland advised the Board had approved the amendments to Policy 27 (Race Day Organisation & Draws) to incorporate changes to the organising of events on the Torrens as raised at the previous RC meeting and to take into consideration the advent of online registration through SmartSpace.
- ✚ Dennis Wright (Water Warriors) sought clarification on the number of times a team needed to compete in a category before qualifying for the State Championships. Noted that teams have to at least enter a category into a number of race days (x2) in order to qualify.
- ✚ Comment was made that the Port Festival had insufficient DBSA promotion and support with no signage or promotional material available for distribution.

Sean Carey stated in his opinion that A Come'N'Try structured the way that it was, organised and supported by DBSA, should aim to 'grow' the sport, encouraging new paddlers to find a club that suits them rather than just limiting them to who is rostered on.

John Holland responded that it was unfortunate that the event coincided with the Australian Masters Games event and all promotional material and equipment was located at the Torrens. In regard to following up the individual paddlers he stated that it was up to the club's who took the paddlers out to follow up as they had the activity statements with the contact details. It was never the intention in the planning for DSBA to follow up the paddlers with that clubs advised that they had the opportunity to follow up those paddlers taken out. DBSA did not have anyone available to dedicate time to setting up this mailing list and it was agreed that discussion on this was not warranted at this meeting as it was not a Race Committee issue.

The 12th November launch would be an entirely different event with clubs encouraged to set up their own tent and distribute promotional material in order to attract their own members. There would be 10,000 brochures distributed in the local area to promote the event.

Suggested DBSA should consider printing up business cards for distribution at future events.

- ✚ Reported that one of the links in the boat shed chain pulley system was jamming up and Ming Fan offered to arrange to repair this along with the chains at The Sailing Club.
Action: M. Fan
- ✚ Dena Carr gave feedback from the Warriors Abreast team who participated in the recent Games congratulating Rick French for coordinating the volunteers, John Holland for a great race program and Judy Sweatman for organising the petals on the water ceremony and noted overall it was a great event.

7 NEXT MEETING

The next Racing Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday 27 October 2011 at the Sailing Club, 1 Jenkins Street Port Adelaide.

To be Chaired by: **Adelaide Sea Dragons**

8 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9:03pm.

RACE DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	DIST.	MEETING DAY	MEETING DATE	ORGANISING CLUB
6-Nov	Pub & Corporate Challenge Premier only 10s (PM racing)	Aquatic	200M	THU	27-OCT	Adelaide Sea Dragons
26-Nov	Long Course (Evening Race)	Aquatic	7000M	THU	17-NOV	Adelaide Survivors Abreast
11-Dec	20s and 10s over 500m + 2000m	Aquatic	500M	WED	30-NOV	Powerblades
7-Jan	10s over 200M	Ramsay	200M	WED	30-NOV	SADA
22&23 Jan	Chinese New Year	Melbourne	200M	-	-	-
5-Feb	20s over 500M + 2000M Race	Ramsay	500M	TUE	24-JAN	Subsonix
26-Feb	20s over 200M	Ramsay	200M	THU	16-FEB	Waiwilta
11-Mar	20s and 10s Over 500M + 2000M race	Ramsay	500M	WED	1-MAR	Water Warriors
24&25- Mar	State Championships	Ramsay	200 + 500M	THU	15-MAR	DBSA
31Mar- 5Apr	National Championships	Melbourne	200, 500 & 2000M	-	-	AUSDBF