



MINUTES

Racing Committee Meeting

8pm Thursday 16 August 2012
The Sailing Club – 1 Jenkins Street, Port Adelaide

1 OPEN MEETING – 8PM

2 PRESENT:

Ø ASA 1:	Mary-Ann Holt	Ø Adelaide Sea Dragons 1:	Nil
Ø ASA 2:	Steve Holt	Ø Adelaide Sea Dragons 2:	John Holland/DBSA
Ø Black Dragons 1:	Jennifer Cook	Ø Power Blades 1:	Ronnie Maidment
Ø Black Dragons 2:	Nil	Ø Power Blades 2:	Nil
Ø SADA 1:	Nil	Ø Subsonix 1:	Thomas Moss
Ø SADA 2:	Nil	Ø Subsonix 2:	Apology
Ø Waiwilta 1:	Nil	Ø Water Warriors 1:	Dennis Wright
Ø Waiwilta 2:	Nil	Ø Water Warriors 2:	David Watts
Ø Blade Runners 1:	Nil	Ø Adelaide Phoenix 1:	Sean Carey
Ø Blade Runners 2:	Nil	Ø Adelaide Phoenix 2:	Clive Grant
Ø Copper Coast 1:	Nil	Ø	
Ø Copper Coast 2:	Nil	Ø	

APOLOGIES:

Ø Subsonix 2: Ronnie Lane

The meeting was Chaired by: John Holland (DBSA).

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 9 MAY 2012

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 March 2012 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

4 ACTION ITEMS/BUSINESS ARISING

The twilight regatta scheduled for 20 January 2012 will now be held at Aquatic Reserve.

Action: Marie (#RC09)

RC06	Actioned. Letter of thanks sent to Melanie Cantwell from SA Clubs upon her resignation from AusDBF Board.
RC07	Actioned. Recommendation to Board that the Peter Bristow Memorial Race day be incorporated on an annual basis into the Long Course event.
RC08	Actioned. Circulate updated Procedures Manual re new procedures for entering of Sweeps information into database.
RC03	Ongoing. Arrange meeting with Duke of Edinburgh contact to discuss possibility of setting up a volunteer type program.
RC05	Actioned. Online database to be changed prior to next season to make all DBSA registered participants INACTIVE.

5 GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 Outcome on Council approval to move finish line on Ramsay Course to 500m down from where pontoon currently is

Council yet to be approached on this. John Holland stated that after looking at the course he thought there was no reason why this could not occur.

During the recent WCCCs in Hong Kong teams were lined up by the Sweep holding on to a rail that was placed on the pontoon which allowed for an effective method provided that they did not push off at the start. The question was asked if this option could be considered for use on the pontoons at West Lakes which would negate the need to provide volunteers for each pontoon finger.

Clive Grant offered to investigate this option and would contact Rowing SA CEO for the contact details of their maintenance person.

Action: Clive (#RC10)

5.2 AusDBF update

John Holland reported on the following from the recent AusDBF meeting that he attended in Sydney with John Harris:

- The DBSA recommendation to program the Nationals with the first two days being Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters categories followed by States on the third day and Premiers and Juniors on the fourth and fifth days was accepted to trial for 2013.

The event would commence with 200m races and then move to 500m races with the start line only needing to be moved back to the 200m mark on the one occasion during Premier racing. Both 10s and 20s races would be held.

Participants would only be allowed to enter a maximum of two categories however could compete in both Masters and Premiers. There would be no backing up allowed.

The event is planned to commence on the Tuesday and finish on the Saturday.

- The question was asked whether AusDBF would change the qualifying criteria for 10s teams qualifying for the World Club Crew events at the Nationals to automatically be eligible. The current position is that 20s qualifying teams unable to field a full crew are given first option to field a 10s crew. This can result in the eligible 10s team not being able to compete at the WCCs which most thought was an unsatisfactory outcome given the endeavour to get to that stage and the disappointment of not being able to compete at a planned WCC event. It also negated the interest in competing at the Nationals.

John Holland said he would raise these concerns at the next opportunity and seek clarification.

Action: John (#RC11)

- The Asian Club Crew Championships would be held every other year.
- A committee is being formed with representation from each State to review the future direction of the Nationals. John Holland was chosen by the Board to be the SA representative with the first meeting scheduled for the AGM in September.

In regard to the scheduled AusDBF AGM it was raised during the meeting that insufficient notice had been given for it to be held in September however the President advised that notification had been sent out within the required timeframe.

- Coronial inquest is being conducted into Peter Bristow's fatality with results yet to be released.
- New Coaches course is almost complete and there was now a requirement for it to be run by a suitably qualified trainer and it will include a Sports First Aid component.
- AusDBF advised that DBSA would be submitting a bid to host the 2016 WCCS through Events SA. Queensland is also submitting a bid and AusDBF has encouraged Victoria to submit one. An independent review panel would be formed to handle the bid process.

- DBSA was the only State not to agree with changing the logo over to the AusDBF logo. A style guide for use of the logo had been circulated with Clubs designing new uniforms encouraged to include the AusDBF logo.
- A copy of the Minutes has not yet been received and would be circulated to Clubs upon receipt.

6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Clubs asked to start organising their teams for the season opening race on the Torrens on 23 September 2012.
- ASA advised that they would struggle to field a team for the Torrens event on 28th October and asked if any organising Club was willing to swap their 10s event. Water Warriors agreed to swap their event scheduled for 10 March 2013.

Action: Marie (#RC12)

- Clubs were encouraged to consider entering a team in the Chinese New Year event to be held in Melbourne in 2013 to support the event with the aim being for the Melbourne teams to reciprocate in the following year. Composite crews could be formed. Delegates to report back at next meeting on interest.

Action: ALL CLUBS (#RC13)

The date of the event has been changed to 17 February 2013.

Action: Marie (#RC14)

- Clubs competing in the Wallaroo event are to advise John Holland as soon as possible and if accommodation is required he had some contacts that could assist with this. It was hoped to secure some television promotion during the event whilst a local cooking show is filmed.

Action: ALL CLUBS (#RC14)

- The Sweeps assessment test was tabled and would be posted to the website soon allowing perspective sweeps to study up on what they will be tested on.

7 NEXT MEETING

The next Racing Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 12 September 2012 at the Sailing Club, 1 Jenkins Street Port Adelaide. To be Chaired by: **Adelaide Phoenix**.

8 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 8:55pm.