



# MINUTES

## Racing Committee Meeting

8pm Wednesday 10 May 2011  
The Sailing Club – 1 Jenkins Street, Port Adelaide

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### 1 OPEN MEETING – 8PM

### 2 PRESENT:

Ø ASA 1:	Julie Russell	Ø Adelaide Sea Dragons 1:	Darryl Bockman
Ø ASA 2:	Steve Holt	Ø Adelaide Sea Dragons 2:	John Holland/DBSA
Ø Black Dragons 1:	Ken Yiu	Ø Blade Runners 1:	Apology
Ø Black Dragons 2:	Trevor Richardson	Ø Blade Runners 2:	Apology
Ø Dragon Fly 1:	Apology	Ø Power Blades 1:	Marcel Kucmierz
Ø Dragon Fly 2:	Nil	Ø Power Blades 2:	Apology
Ø SADA 1:	Donna Carter	Ø Subsonix 1:	Paul Melis
Ø SADA 2:	Apology	Ø Subsonix 2:	Apology
Ø Waiwilta 1:	Jan Walsh	Ø Water Warriors 1:	Dennis Wright
Ø Waiwilta 2:	Kevin Walsh	Ø Water Warriors 2:	David Watts
		Ø Adelaide Phoenix 1:	Sean Carey
		Ø Adelaide Phoenix 2:	Apology

### APOLOGIES:

Ø Dragon Fly 1:	QinSong Fan	Ø Waiwilta 2:	Kevin Walsh
Ø Blade Runners 2:	Veronica Maidment	Ø Adelaide Phoenix 2:	Clive Grant
Ø ASA 1:	Mark O'Gara	Ø Subsonix 2:	Veronica Lane
Ø SADA 2:	Julie Hyland		

John Holland (DBSA) as Chair opened the meeting.

### 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 17 MARCH 2011

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

### 4 ACTION ITEMS/BUSINESS ARISING

- 01 Actioned. AusDBF advised of seemingly incorrect rules on website re overtaking rules in 2000M turn races.
- 02 Actioned. John Holland advised of no initial response received from clubs advising whether they were interested or not in competing in the State Masters Rowing Championships event so a decision had been made subsequently to advise SARA of no participation. It was too late then for some clubs who were later interested in participating.  
**Clubs reminded of common courtesy to respond to all DBSA requests for responses in future.**

### 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

#### Ø Season 11/12 program

Feedback was sought on the current draft program for the 2011/12 season.

- ✚ It was noted that there were only 2 x 200m events scheduled instead of the normal 3 and the question was asked whether clubs would still be required therefore to compete in a category twice for eligibility for the state championships, or, would it be reduced to one event only for this distance.

The uncertainty of the water condition of the Torrens as to whether clubs would choose not paddle on it or if it was closed meant that there might only be 1 x 200m (10s) event available for clubs to compete in anyway.

The various options were considered and it was agreed that:

- a club only had to compete in one of the 200m (10s) regattas to be able to nominate for any 200m category in the state championships.

Clubs would be asked in early February to nominate for the State Championships so that an order could be placed within sufficient time for the medals.

- ✚ Jan Walsh asked if consideration could be given again to the Waiwilta request for a twilight regatta as they felt it had not been addressed properly at the previous meeting and requested a formal vote be taken.

**Moved:** Jan Walsh      **Seconded:** Sean Carey      **Carried**  
THAT a Saturday twilight regatta be held during the coming season.

It was tentatively agreed to reschedule the regatta scheduled for Sunday 8 January to Saturday 7 January with the suggested time of the event being from 3pm-7pm. Clubs were asked to seek feedback from their members on this proposed change and to let John Holland know if they supported it or not.

**Action: Clubs**

Noted that DBSA Board needed to approve this and SARA to be contacted to ascertain whether course was still available.

**Action: John**

## 6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Ø Julie Russell advised of difficulty for ASA to attract and retain membership and asked clubs if they were ever refusing membership to any new paddlers during Come N Tries to direct them to their club.

Ken Yiu responded that Black Dragons generally only refused any new paddler due to medical concerns.

- Ø John Holland advised that volunteers were sought from clubs for people to participate on a joint fundraising committee with the Port Adelaide Artists (PAA) to arrange the launch of the new "Sailing Club" mid June. The PAA was arranging an auction on various fun activities and were interested in seeing some dragon boat type participation.

Clubs to advise John Holland promptly of any interest from their members and the Secretary would send out the email with the details of the event.

**Action: Clubs/Secretary**

The DBSA aim is to hold a monster Come N Try event in future for all clubs similar to an expo where clubs could each promote their own activities and hand out brochures etc to attract members.

- Ø Clubs were reminded that casual Come N Try paddlers were covered by insurance for the initial 4 x free paddles however after that period they needed to register with a club and DBSA in order to remain covered and continue to paddle.

In order to be covered initially any new paddler was required to complete the register in the boatshed indicating which number free paddle they were up to.

- Ø Agreed cost for the Pub Challenge would be set at \$10 per head rather than the \$300 per crew as there was no longer a requirement for DBSA to raise money from this event.

- Ø John Holland advised that Black Dragons and Adelaide Sea Dragons would be competing in a 100Km Murray Marathon this year. They had disappointing negotiations with the Marathon Canoe Club for a reduced entry fee into their Murray Marathon and have consequently agreed to "go it alone".

Interest had been received from interstate clubs to participate also and it was felt if other DBSA clubs were interested in competing themselves or entering a composite crew with another club, that they could.

Consideration could be given by DBSA to publicise the event and include it on the race calendar annually and make it an exciting, attractable event. This year would be the inaugural event.

- Ø Negotiations were still being held with the Land Management Corporation to resolve final issues with the lease of the Sailing Club. DBSA and The Port Adelaide Artists Forum have formed a management Committee which would be required to raise funds for the Sailing Club running costs and maintenance and this would be done through various means such as leasing out the club rooms. Both lease holders would only pay 50% of the set room hire fee with a system set up through the SmartSpace website for interested parties to book the venue.

Access would be granted to clubs through provision of a key and access code.

The dragon boats and other material stored at Paint Supplies would eventually need to be relocated.

**7 NEXT MEETING**

The next Racing Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 15 June 2011 at the Sailing Club, 1 Jenkins Street Port Adelaide.

To be Chaired by: **DBSA**.

**8 CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8:50pm.