



MINUTES

Racing Committee Meeting

8pm Thursday 14 February 2013
The Sailing Club – 1 Jenkins Street Port Adelaide

1 OPEN MEETING – 8PM

2 PRESENT:

Ø ASA 1:	Apology	Ø Adelaide Sea Dragons 1:	Chris Finlayson
Ø ASA 2:	Julie Russell	Ø Adelaide Sea Dragons 2:	John Holland/DBSA
Ø Black Dragons 1:	Jennifer Cook	Ø Power Blades 1:	Veronica Maidment
Ø Black Dragons 2:	Nil	Ø Power Blades 2:	Nil
Ø SADA 1:	Apology	Ø Subsonix 1:	Ronnie Lane
Ø SADA 2:	Apology	Ø Subsonix 2:	Thomas Moss
Ø Waiwilta 1:	John Thompson	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:	Apology
Ø Copper Coast 1:	Nil	Ø Water Warriors 3:	Ruth Rounsevell
Ø Copper Coast 2:	Nil		

APOLOGIES:

Ø SADA 1:	Heather Wingard	Ø Adelaide Phoenix 2:	Clive Grant
Ø SADA 2:	Julie Hyland	Ø Water Warriors 4	Ros Bates
Ø ASA 1:	Mary-Ann Holt	Ø Waiwilta :	Denise Newton

The meeting was chaired by: Jennifer Cook (Black Dragons)

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 January 2013 were accepted as a true and accurate record. (moved John Thompson; seconded Ronnie Lane).

4 ACTION ITEMS/BUSINESS ARISING

NO.	ACTION
01	<p>Actioned. Clubs to provide feedback on suggestion to reduce Masters age category to 30 to increase number of eligible participants in Premiers categories. The consensus was that given that DBSA races under IDBF rules that the status quo should remain.</p> <p>Sean Carey advised that Adelaide Phoenix were keen for consideration to be given to increasing the number of Premier races as often they say around for up to six hours for only four races. As a result this was disheartening to their Premier paddlers and they felt there was an inequality in the number of Premier races compared to Masters races. They experienced difficulty in filling a Masters team and suggested that perhaps an Open category should be in place for under 40 and Masters over 40 with some racing in the B Grade. This would reduce the number of races.</p> <p>Another suggestion was for the Premiers races to be held first up on the race schedule.</p> <p>There was some understanding given to the ability for Clubs to retain Premiers paddlers due to this reason and it was agreed that as a matter of priority Clubs should discuss and consider how to address this and come back with some recommendations at the next meeting.</p> <p>Action: Clubs</p>

02	Actioned. Clubs advised that Black Dragons BBQ would not be catering the next race day.
RC 10	Actioned. The handrails have all been made and Adelaide Phoenix have offered to help secure them to the pontoons and are to coordinate this with John Holland. Action: Pheonix/John
RC25	Ongoing. The tails of the dragon boats apparently dragging in the water on Torrens will be checked when next used (Mar – Apr).

5 BUSINESS ARISING

In regard to the suggestion that blinds be placed in the meeting room at The Sailing Club it was noted that this would be considered only if the lease is extended with Renewal SA for longer than the current 18 months.

Clubs to be aware that they will need to take a star dropper with them when setting up the start and finish lines for the next race day. The Task List should be amended to reflect this.

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 20s over 200M – 20/01/13 wrap up

- Clubs were reminded of the policy and subsequent requirement to submit any changes to the race lists no later than 5pm on the preceding Tuesday.
- Sweeps reminded of requirement to use the transit lane when heading up the course start.
- Clubs encouraged to check the Race Program when it is first released to ensure that the events are all scheduled as requested and agreed.
- Noted difficulty for Finishing tent to see the actual footage of the finishes for each race when it is held in the afternoon due to sun glare.

6.2 10s & 20s over 500M + 2000 metres

- Given that Triathlon SA is holding an event at the same end of the course it was agreed that the event would be relocated to Aquatic Reserve. Noted that Charles Sturt Council do not allow exclusive use of an area when bookings are made.
- Clubs to source volunteers to assist with the moving of the pontoons on the Sunday 17th March in the morning on the weekend prior to the State Championships.
Action: Clubs

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Clubs advised of the “Life be in it” Corporate Challenge event which is scheduled on Tuesdays from 5 March to 9 April from about 11am. Volunteers will be sought to assist and Clubs are all encouraged to participate as it would be an ideal opportunity to source new members.
- DBSA have endorsed the membership application of Coorong Dragons located in Goolwa.
- Come N Try event is scheduled at Victor Harbour (Endeavour Lakes) at 1:30pm on Saturday 6 April with volunteers to be sought to assist.
- DBSA have introduced a reduced membership fee for any “new” participant joining after 1 January each year to encourage new registrations. In addition a new registration category of “Retiree” for any participant over the age of 67 as at 1 July has been introduced to highlight that DBSA has put in place measures to attract senior members to the sport.
- The question was asked as to whether there was a minimum number of races required to be completed by any participant for eligibility to be met for the State Championships. The response given was that there was no ruling in place.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next Racing Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 27 February 2013 at the Sailing Club, 1 Jenkins Street Port Adelaide. To be Chaired by: **ASA**

9 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 8:58pm.