



MINUTES

Racing Committee Meeting

8pm Thursday 13 February 2014
The Sailing Club – 1 Jenkins Street Port Adelaide

1 OPEN MEETING – 8PM

2 PRESENT:

Ø ASA 1:	Steve Holt	Ø ASD 1:	Chris Finlayson
Ø ASA 2:	Julie Matson	Ø ASD 2:	John Holland/DBSA
Ø Black Dragons 1:	Jennifer Cook	Ø Power Blades 1:	Nil
Ø Black Dragons 2:	Nil	Ø Power Blades 2:	Nil
Ø Waiwilta 1:	Apology	Ø Water Warriors 1:	Greg Paul
Ø Waiwilta 2:	Michele Lennon	Ø Water Warriors 2:	David Watts
Ø SADA 1:	Nil	Ø Adelaide Phoenix 1:	Julia Johnson
Ø SADA 2:	Jan Bice	Ø Adelaide Phoenix 2:	Sean Carey
Ø Subsonix 1:	Thomas Moss	Ø Coorong Dragons 1:	Anne Simmons
Ø Subsonix 2:	Jan Walsh	Ø Copper Coast 1:	Apology
Ø		Ø Copper Coast 2:	Nil

APOLOGIES: Nil

Ø Copper Coast 1:	Angie Lange	Ø Waiwilta 1:	John Thompson
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The meeting was chaired by: Michele Lennon – Waiwilta.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 29 January 2014 were accepted as a true and accurate record. (*Moved: David Watts and Seconded: Jennifer Cook*).

4 ACTION ITEMS/BUSINESS ARISING

NO.	ACTION
01	Actioned. Next race day wind up Start/Finish line reels afterwards in clockwise manner.
02	Ongoing. Clubs to ensure that their Sweeps and Drummers are adequately trained to avoid any collisions at any time and in particular on the Start line. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ A lengthy debate ensued after discussion on the incidents during the previous race day where some collisions nearly occurred. The question was asked should there be guidelines set for what sweeps should do to avoid a collision. ✚ Consensus could not be reached so it was agreed to continue this discussion at the next meeting with Clubs reminded to ensure that their Sweeps and Drummers are adequately trained to avoid any collisions at any time and in particular on the Start line.
03	Actioned. Remind Starter of correct procedure for lifting the various flags on the Start line. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Clubs are to ensure that their Drummers and themselves are aware of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Red flag up - whilst being aligned, drummer to keep an eye out for white flag up ○ White flag up – in the Starter's hands – will be asked "Are you ready?" – if not then Drummer is to put their hand up to indicate this. ✚ Suggested that John Holland remind everyone of this at the next Sweeps meeting. <p>Action: John</p>

04	Actioned. Coordinate with Waiwilta the Drummers toggles on the Start line to ensure that they are shortened in length and moved over to the west somewhat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Steve Holt stated that he had purchased some heavy duty shackles for bolting to either side of the start lines however the rope will still need to be shortened to the west. ✚ Clubs encouraged to paddle up to the pontoons to practice reversing in and out of them for the next race day.
05	Actioned. Advise Sweeps that penalty may be imposed in future turn races should they impede another team in front of them within 50m of the buoy.
06	Actioned. Follow up with Raymond why ASD Volunteer is not showing up on Crew List.
07	Withdrawn. Maintenance Portfolio is to make up signs for boats numbered #07-09 using boards available.
08	Ongoing. Coordinate race day for 23/03/14.

5 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 09/02/14 – Chinese New Year – Open Age 10s over 200m + 1000m – wrap up

- ✚ Noted that the weather conditions were disappointing.

6.2 23/02/14 – 10s & 20s over 500m + 2000m - planning

- ✚ Permission was given for the Coorong B grade team to compete in the 2000M race however it would only be for experience and not points.
- ✚ Agreed that races with four boats entered would only have the one race and those with 6 and above would have one race and a final.
- ✚ Clubs encouraged to car pool around to Sculler's Reserve given expected limited available parking.
- ✚ The DBSA trailer will have the generator in it for use and someone will need to move it to the Judge's area.
- ✚ John Holland and another volunteer would place some buoys out on Saturday on the finish line.
- ✚ The boats are all to be launched and ready to go at 7:30am as they will rafted around to the course by the rescue boat.
- ✚ The Council has suggested that a letter drop be undertaken to the residents to advise them of this event. Sean Carey offered to prepare the letter and John Holland would arrange to distribute it.

Action: John/Sean

6.3 Any Sweeping Up requests?

- ✚ Approval was given for the following paddlers to sweep up:
 - o WWs: Dennis Wright – Masters Open
 - o WWs – Chris Kelly: Grand Masters category
 - o Adelaide Phoenix: Sean Carey – Masters
 - o Black Dragons: Catherine Pounsett/Corey Constable – Masters
- ✚ Jan Walsh noted that The DBSA Member Protection Policy lists a number of prescribed positions which require a police clearance – prescribed positions include database manager, coach, team manager and Junior Development Officer.

John Holland reminded Clubs that there is a requirement to familiarise themselves with the Member Protection policy and ensure that they have the correct number of police checks in place for those in prescribed positions.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- ✚ Follow up to be made as to why not all the race results are up on the website.
Action: Marie
- ✚ Clubs reminded to be aware that it is now getting dark early and if they are going to be out paddling after sunset then the paddlers will need to be wearing a PFD and have operational lights.
- ✚ SmartSpace will be modified to make it a requirement for the Club volunteer's name to be included as part of the team entry.

✚ DBSA has reviewed the volunteer program consistently and recently agreed to introduce the following levels of accreditation to cover all types of volunteer's preferences in relation to their level of involvement:

- Tier 1:
 - 10 x race meetings over two seasons
 - Competent in one specific task
- Tier 2:
 - 10 x race meetings over two seasons
 - Competent in multiple tasks
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- Tier 3:
 - 10 x race meetings over two seasons
 - Competent in every task

Upon being recognised as being competent at Tier 3 the volunteer should be eligible to sit the AusDBF Level 1 Official's course.

✚ Invitation received from the Councils in the western region to participate in the "Planning Youth Expo" program as part of National Youth Week on Friday 4 April 2014 from 11am-2pm at St Clair Recreation Centre. This is an opportunity for Clubs to promote themselves and attract some younger members. Younger members are wanted to help promote the sport with DBSA willing to set up the stand before and after.

✚ Clubs encouraged to participate in the Naracoorte Masters Games on Saturday 5 April 2014 if they are not competing at the Nationals. The cut-off date for registration is 15th March.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next Racing Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 26 February 2014 at the Sailing Club, 1 Jenkins Street Port Adelaide. To be Chaired by: **ADELAIDE PHOENIX**.

9 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9:07pm.