



MINUTES

Racing Committee Meeting

8pm Wednesday 15 October 2014
The Sailing Club – 1 Jenkins Street Port Adelaide

1 OPEN MEETING – 8PM

2 PRESENT:

Ø ASA 1:	Steve Holt	Ø ASD 3:	Chris Finlayson
Ø ASA 2:	Apology	Ø ASD 1&2:	Apology
Ø Black Dragons 1:	Jennifer Cook	Ø Power Blades 1:	Andy Kelly
Ø Black Dragons 2:	Apology	Ø Power Blades 2:	Nil
Ø Waiwilta 1:	Apology	Ø Adelaide Phoenix 1:	Julia Johnston
Ø Waiwilta 2:	Apology	Ø Adelaide Phoenix 2:	Nil
Ø SADA 1:	Apology	Ø Coorong Dragons 1:	Anne Simmons
Ø SADA 2:	Heather Wingard	Ø Copper Coast 1 & 2:	Apology
Ø Subsonix 1:	Jan Walsh	Ø Water Warriors 3:	Liz Savill
Ø Subsonix 2:	Jack Salagaras	Ø Water Warriors 2:	David Watts

APOLOGIES:

Ø Waiwilta 1:	Michele Lennon	Ø ASD 1:	Sandy Pulsford
Ø Waiwilta 2:	Jill Furnage	Ø ASD 2:	John Holland/DBSA
Ø Black Dragons 2:	Trevor Richardson	Ø Water Warriors 1:	Geoff Gray
Ø ASA 2:	Raylene Sutton	Ø SADA 1:	Jan Bice
		Ø Copper Coast 1 & 2:	Wilma Key

The meeting was chaired by: Jan Walsh – Subsonix.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 02 October 2014 were accepted as a true and accurate record. (*Moved: Dave Watts and Seconded: Jennifer Cook*)

4 ACTION ITEMS/BUSINESS ARISING

NO.	ACTION
01	Ongoing. Dave Watts to follow up with Dennis Wright to ensure that the camera and timing device is ready for the next race day.
02	Ongoing. Advise John if ASA will cater BBQ for 04/1214 – Secondary Schools Sports event. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steve Holt advised that he had said at the previous meeting that ASA would not be catering this barbeque. Jennifer Cook agreed to check if BDs would consider catering the barbeque. Action: Jen
03	Actioned. Send email to Clubs advising that Boatshed lock is to be placed on the inside bracket.
04	Actioned. Clubs to be reminded to ensure if boats are on water that they return the trolley/s.
05	Ongoing. Speak to Pat prior to placing coat hooks for the life jackets on to the cyclone fence at the Boatshed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Maintenance Portfolio Chair advised that it was a maintenance issue and would be followed up. There is an outrigger canoe in the way apparently.
06	Actioned. Arrange for repair or replacement of faulty lock on the front left hand gate at The Sailing Club. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steve Holt advised that the lock was sprayed with graphite.

07	Ongoing. Dennis Wright to commence investigation for alternative timing system for our Race Days.
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5 BUSINESS ARISING

- § Steve Holt queried why a RC meeting was required 10 days before each meeting when it could readily be held via email.

The response was that there were too many issues needing resolution in a face-to-face forum and the coordinator needed a meeting beforehand to work through them.

- § Andy Kelly asked if there was a standard format or template for Doctors to use when being requested for a “fit to train and paddle” clearance by those paddlers competing at the Nationals, at the various age categories, which now required this.

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 12/10/14 – 20s over 200m – feedback

The following is the feedback from this race day:

- § Prior to race #20 a meeting was called by Jennifer Bould to inform Clubs that the timing equipment was not working for race #12. A decision was made to rerun the race but this did not occur until after race #21 which was too late in the day. Some of the teams were disadvantaged as they had just raced in race #20 and subsequently their times would not have been good if it was held earlier when it was first known.

The recommendation to the Board is:

- Notification should be given straight away in future if timing equipment has not worked for a race.
- The whole heat should have been run again and not just the one race.

Action: Marie

- § The toilets were cleaned by ASA both before and after the event. It was noted that they were in a filthy state beforehand with four bags of rubbish emptied. 10 rolls of toilet paper went missing in the first few hours.

- § There was an incident with one ASA drummer who fell off and was hanging on to a bollard. Concern was expressed that the volunteers in the Safety Boat were not agile enough to be able to rescue anyone properly. In this instance they tried to pull the paddler up by the life jacket which was not working as it was cutting off the paddler's air supply.

It was also noted that the Safety Boat should actually remain at the back of the dragon boats once they have turned after race completion and follow them back up otherwise they may miss an incident that is happening behind them.

The question was asked as to “what is the actual function of the Safety Boat?” and “in what manner should a person be pulled from the water?”.

The recommendations to the Board are:

- Determine the function of the Safety Boat (ie to retrieve someone from the water conscious / unconscious and whether it has the capacity to do this.
 - Consider sourcing and paying for qualified Life Savers to be in the Safety Boat.
 - Safety Boat to carry a life buoy.
 - Procedure to be in place for Safety Boat Driver and volunteers on their responsibilities.
 - Safety Boat to be instructed to follow behind the boats until they have completed the race and are heading back to the shore.
- § Noted that Water Warriors had entered a male Sweep into a Womens' team without prior approval sought at the Sweeps' meeting.

Agreed protocol should be for Clubs seeking to race outside the rules to seek permission beforehand either at the earlier RC meeting or at the Sweeps' meeting.

Water Warriors were requested to return the bottle of wine presented to them as the winner, to SADA, the legitimate winner.

- § Noted that Julie Clinch as Chief Official would be submitting an issues paper on this event at a later date.
- § The question was asked if there was any ruling against a paddler passing the toggle to the Drummer if they were unable to reach as ASA were directed not to do this on one occasion. The consensus was that this should not be an issue as it occurs regularly.
- § It was suggested by Chris Finlayson that the tents should be set up in a 'u' shape rather than all being spread along the foreshore.
- § Some felt that portable toilets should have been in place as there was insufficient time between the races to frequent the others which are located some distance away.
- § In relation to the email enquiry from John Holland if there were any issues with racing in the second the lane, the consensus was that there were none.
- § Jack Salagaras raised the apparent safety issue for the boats in lanes 1&2 with the rowers not getting out of their boats. The question of liability was raised if there was an incident and it was felt that Council should be responsible for informing all Licenced users of the event and ensuring that there were no issues subsequently. Agreed to seek Board comment.

Action: Marie

6.3 26/10/14 – 10s over 500m - planning

The arrangements for this race day were discussed.

- § Noted ASD had not yet nominated.
- § PBs were keen to race B-Grade and would be slotted in. Noted that Coorong Dragons were given permission previous season to race 500m in B grade.
- § Final only race to be held for Senior A&B - Womens 10s.
- § Team nominations due by 7pm on Friday 17/10/14.

6.4 Sweeping up requests

The following requests for sweeping up were ratified:

- § Dennis Wright – Senior A , Chris Kelley – Senior C
- § Cat Pounsett and Corey Constable – Senior A
- § Ronnie Lane – Senior B Mixed

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- § The email received from Copper Coast seeking a qualified Sweep for Premier Open and Senior A Open on the 26/10/14 event was tabled. Subsonix offered to help Copper Coast.

ASA offered to help Powerblades who would be in the same position for this event.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next Racing Committee meeting is after Wednesday 29 October 2014 at the Sailing Club, 1 Jenkins Street Port Adelaide. To be Chaired by: **DBSA**.

9 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 8:45pm.