



**Minutes of the  
Presidents' Forum  
Held at 8:30pm Wednesday 16 August 2017  
at the Sailing Club – Port Adelaide**

**1. OPEN MEETING – 8:40pm**

**2. PRESENT**

▪ John Holland	DBSA	▪ Fiona Sanders	Coorong Dragons
▪ Chris Kelley	DBSA	▪ Jerry Sanders	Coorong Dragons
▪ Chris Wood	DBSA	▪ Helen Tremayne	Copper Coast BDs (Skype)
▪ Jennifer Bould	DBSA/Life Member	▪ Valda Cooper	Copper Coast BDs (Skype)
▪ Sharon Knights	DBSA	▪ Sharon Bradberry	DAPL (by phone)
▪ Carol Hammond	DBSA	▪ Anne Morris	Dragons Abreast Adelaide
▪ Steve Holt	ASA	▪ Jenny Rosevear	Powerblades
▪ Vivian Akkermans	ACDC	▪ Judi Sweatman	SADA
▪ Andrew Akkermans	ACDC	▪ Maria Darby	Subsonix
▪ Lesley Sheffield	ASD	▪ Karen Peterson	Victor Dragons
▪ Clive Grant	Adelaide Phoenix	▪ Marion Bennett	Victor Dragons
▪ Ming Fan	Black Dragons	▪ Karen McKerlie	Vicki's Pride (Skype)
▪ Julie Clinch	Blade Runners	▪ Deanne Jones	Water Warriors
▪ Steve Clinch	Blade Runners	▪ Leonie Mouthaan	Water Warriors
▪ Mavis Gibbes	BWR (by phone)		

**3. APOLOGIES**

▪ Sandy Jansen	DAPL	▪ Terry Caldow	Waiwilta
▪ Mary Alice Swan	KIDS	▪ Peter Button	Powerblades
▪ Wilma Key	Copper Coast BDs	▪ Tanya Mitchell	DBSA
▪ Sharon Hanaghan	Copper Coast BDs	▪ Andy Kelly	Powerblades

**4. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes from the Presidents' Forum held 11 May 2017 were approved as a true and accurate record.  
**MOVED: S. HOLT                      SECONDED: A. AKKERMANS                      CARRIED.**

**5. BUSINESS ARISING**

<b>ACTION ITEMS – 11/5/15</b>				
<b>NO.</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>REQUIRED BY</b>	<b>ACTION OFFICER/S</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
01	Provide email address to Marie to receive DBSA promotional brochures.	ASAP	KIDS, VDs	Done
02	Circulate Revolutionise contract.	ASAP	John	Done
03	Update CPA forms etc with 5% AusDBF levy increase and circulate, post to website.	14/5/17	Marie	Done
04	Prepare draft race program for RC meeting on Thursday.	18/5/17	John	Done
05	Update Boat allocation roster and circulate to Clubs/website.	18/5/17	Christine	Done
06	Send invitation for Awards dinner on Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> June at The Kent Town.	ASAP	Christine	Done
07	Provide feedback to John on AusDBF's Commonwealth Games Festival – Dragon Boat Event proposal. ▪ Noted the Nationals will now be held separately.	19/5/17	CLUBS	Done
08	Let John know if there is anything new to be covered under the insurance policies being renewed.	ASAP	CLUBS	Done
09	Send out mud map of tent placement for Aquatic. ▪ Pinky Flat remains to be done.	ASAP	Christine	Done

Noted the first race day on the Torrens will be held at Pinky Flat with the second Torrens event held at Aquatic Reserve due to the OzAsia event.

## 6. DBSA GENERAL BUSINESS

### 6.1 Season launch and Annual Awards event – Sat 28/4/18

Noted it was held at a central location being the Kent Town Hotel to hopefully increase attendance numbers however they were lower than when held at the Cruising Yacht Club (CYC). The service provided was ordinary with only about 80 guests.

Clubs were asked if they had any other venues in mind with agreement reached to return to the CYC on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018. **Action: John**

### 6.2 AusDBF Level 1 Coaches Course 2&3 September

Scheduled now for the weekend of 2&3 September with four registrations received to date. Any Clubs interested to let him know the following week. **Action: Clubs**

### 6.3 Sweeps course – any takers?

Scheduled for Sunday 27 August 2017 at The Sailing Club from 9:30am at \$25 p/p. Clubs can complete the online form and submit to John Holland. **Action: Clubs**

### 6.4 Opening ceremony on the Torrens

Noted this event has been coordinated once again by Mary-Ann Holt for the first race day with the dignitaries for the Dotting of the Eyes ceremony yet to be finalised.

### 6.5 Life jackets on floor / put away in sizes

Clubs reminded again to hang up the life jackets in the correct sizes.

### 6.6 Boat maintenance day (chains, mess in boats)

Advice given to wrap the chains from the pulley system on the last boat stacked around the pulley rather than leaving on the boat floor as it leaves rust marks.

Maintenance day will be organised to remove this rust and the wax on the boats. **Action: Chris**

Mats to be placed in each boat and not left on the floor. Clubs to only bring back one mat for the boat being returned.

### 6.7 Port Pirie event – Sun 10th September

Invitation extended to Clubs to participate at this event being coordinated by the Council to mark the opening of the new foreshore and they are paying for the costs to tow the boats to the venue.

Aim will be to take up two boats for a hit out from about 10:30am on the Sunday.

### 6.8 Issues paper reminder

Reminder given that the Board meets monthly and any Club or paddler with an issue they would like raised should complete the Issues paper and submit this to the DBSA Secretary (via the Club preferably).

### 6.9 Revolutionise Database

Clubs encouraged to familiarise themselves with the regatta and team entry side of the database so that it can be trialled to ensure that it works properly for DBSA needs before the next RC meeting. **Action: Clubs**

### 6.10 Race Fees 17/18

Race fees for 2018/19 will be set at \$10 (plus GST) for all race days.

## 7. CLUBS

### ▪ ASA

Query on paying an announcer for race days when it was felt that those doing the finish line could do this task at no cost.

General consensus was that the announcer did a wonderful job of promoting the sport and if one volunteer position was paid then others would want to be paid also.

Noted those Clubs having difficulty sourcing volunteers could contact their local Council as they maintain a list of volunteers and in addition DBSA is working with the Charles Sturt Council on this.

- **SADA**  
Noted that the "New Paddler folder in the Boatshed to record the first four sessions needed to be replenished with forms for the new season. **Action: Sharon**
- **VICKI'S PRIDE**  
Seeking a sweep on Sundays and Tuesday with Andrew Akkermans advising that he could be able to assist.
- **WATER WARRIORS**  
Volunteer training confirmed for Saturday 23 September with email reminder to be sent.  
**Action: Sharon.**
- **ADELAIDE PHOENIX**  
Query if the \$10 (plus GST) initially allocated for sending the State Team to the nationals was still being used for that. Noted that it had changed some time back and used for general expenditure to cover increased costs on race days which also includes the Council fees.
- **COORONG DRAGONS**  
A request had been submitted to DBSA to be downgraded to B-Grade due to the current rebuilding of the Club otherwise they considered that they may end up folding if not granted.  
  
This was duly considered and noted other Clubs such as Bladerunners and Powerblades had been graded this previously which has helped them.  
  
Suggested that Victor Dragons may wish to look at this also.
- **DRAGONS ABREAST ADELAIDE**  
Anne Morris thanked DBSA for allowing Dragons Abreast Adelaide to become a full member.

#### 8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Noted Steaky Bay Hat Regatta event scheduled for 25<sup>th</sup> February has been postponed.
- John Holland advised that that the Sports Commission recommends that the Board not comprise a President of a member Club to avoid any undue influence within that person's own Club whilst holding such an influential position. There was no requirement for DBSA to abide by this given that it is not directly funded by them however was being brought to the Clubs attention now as Sharon Knights is currently President of DBSA and some Clubs may not be in favour of this.  
  
There were no objections raised to this by Clubs.
- DBSA undertook a governance review last year which was circulated to all Clubs and the results were positive when benchmarked against other organisations of a similar size.
- Jennifer Bould advised that she was having difficulty reconciling the registration payments received against the Club Payment Advice Forms. A reminder email will be sent with the correct codes to be used by the Clubs when making EFT payments. **Action: Marie**

#### 9. NEXT MEETING

The remaining meeting dates for 2017 are as follows:

- Thu 9-Nov

The meeting closed at 9:47 pm.