



**Minutes of the
PRESIDENTS' FORUM
Thursday 14 November 2019 @ 8:00pm
at The Sailing Club – Port Adelaide**

1. OPEN MEETING – 8:00pm

"We acknowledge the Kurna people as the traditional owners of this land we meet on. We acknowledge their living culture and unique role in the life of this region"

2. PRESENT

▪ Peter Button	DBSA	▪ Roylene Nixon	Coorong Dragons
▪ Mick Cahill	Powerblades	▪ Annie Beach	Coorong Dragons
▪ Chris Wood	ACDC Dragon Fire	▪ Francesca French	DAA (ph)
▪ Jason Thompson	Adelaide Phoenix	▪ Julianne Kuhlmann	SADA
▪ Trevory Key	Copper Coast (ph)	▪ Michael Petrovs	Subsonix
▪ Steve Holt	ASA	▪ Chris Kelley	Water Warriors
▪ Chris Payne	Black Sea Dragons	▪ Les Sharp	Victor Dragons
▪ Julie Clinch	Blade Runners	▪	
▪ Steve Clinch	Blade Runners	▪	

3. APOLOGIES

▪ Jennifer Bould	DBSA / Life Member	▪ Jenny Chillingworth	Blue Water Raiders
▪ John Klopp	Waiwilta	▪	

4. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion:
THAT the Minutes from the Presidents' Forum held 8 August 2019 were approved as a true and accurate record.
MOVED: C. KELLEY SECONDED: C. WOOD CARRIED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

6. DBSA GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 DBSA

6.1.1 Safety/equipment issues?

- Reminder that: ramp at Aquatic Reserve needs scrubbing occasionally with the hard brooms recently purchased.
- Noted DBSA is looking into putting up sensor lights both inside and outside of the Boatshed.
- Reminder given to return trolleys, lock internal gates and to ensure side entrance door is locked securely.
- Reminder given to let new paddlers know of importance of using the spreader bar, putting the pulley chains into the baskets.

6.1.2 AMG feedback

- Overwhelming consensus was that it was an exceptionally well run event and the venue was preferred over Aquatic.
- Sports Med staff – noted they were advised that there would be life savers present, not located in a central position, their gazebo had no sides so could have caused privacy issues.
- Capsize – noted some crews did not know what to do in this situation. Suggested that they look at the capsizes video on AusDBF website. Board received a report re the incident and was seeking recommendations back from the Organising committee.
- Victor Dragons – noted as small Club wanted to take part in as many events as possible however were not aware that could not back up until the Friday and as a result spent four hours changing the team selections.

6.1.3 Online membership payments

Noted would be up for discussion at upcoming AusDBF Members' meeting. DBSA Board considered this initiative and at this stage decided that they would vote against it.

6.1.4 Easter v non-Easter – AusChamps

Noted would be up for discussion at upcoming AusDBF Members' meeting. Feedback was sought from Clubs with the majority being in favour of 'non-Easter'.

6.1.5 Entry fee review – per boat / per paddler

Noted would be up for discussion at upcoming AusDBF Members' meeting. Feedback was sought from Clubs with the majority being in favour of the 'per boat' option.

6.1.6 First aid courses – EOIs

Clubs were asked to advise of the number of participants they would have for a First Aid course if scheduled early in the new year. Responses were as follows:

- CDs – x2 (may do at SLSC), VDs – x 3, Subsonix – x1, WWs – x2, ACDC x1, BRs x 1, DAA x 3. ACDC – possible x2 non-Sweeps.

Noted Clubs could access RevSport and check on accreditation of a paddler by bringing up their profile and clicking on 'accreditations'. Any queries can be raised with Chris Kelley.

Given the numbers agreed to schedule with follow up to be made with Susan Stevens to coordinate. **Action: Marie (#1)**

6.1.7 Coaches course – EOIs

Clubs were asked to advise of the number of participants they would have for a Coaches course if scheduled early in the new year. Responses were as follows:

- ASA x1, CDs x1, BDs – maybe 1

Noted there were insufficient numbers for a course currently and John Holland would be advised that at this stage it would not be held. The list of accredited coaches would be sent out to Clubs to inform them of the status of their Coaches accreditation. **Action: Mari (#2)**

6.1.8 Meeting room bookings – via John Holland

Clubs advised that any bookings for meeting rooms at The Sailing Club are to be done via John Holland.

6.1.9 Masters Games – Tatiara

Reminder given that the event will be held at Robe.

Clubs were urged strongly that if they nominate that they follow through with their booking as some of the locals were disappointed that the event was cancelled last year and the year before only the one day was held instead of two as originally scheduled.

6.1.10 AusDBF Historical Committee (Julie Clinch)

Julie gave the background into the establishment of this committee and her role as Chair. Noted that AusDBF was producing a coffee table type book to celebrate 25 years of Australian championships in April 2020.

The book will include a link to each Club's RevSport History page on the internet which would be set up by RevSport. Clubs would all be requested to go online and enter their history details and could continue to update this at any stage in the future.

6.1.11 Busy Bee

Noted the volunteer training day at the Boatshed highlighted the need for a through clean up of the shed and identify what needed to stay or be disposed of. The older degraded paddles would be transitioned out and recorded as gone as part of updating the Assets register.

The maintenance required for equipment would also be detailed and a skip arranged to throw out unwanted stuff.

Clubs were all requested to go through and label their lockers and any equipment so it could readily be identified within the next four weeks. **Action: Clubs (#3)**

6.1.12 Club boat allocation – maintenance

Regional Clubs were reminded that they have been allocated a boat for maintenance throughout the season and should ensure this is being undertaken. The list is on the website and BSD have been allocated the two boats they had for ASD and BDs.

6.1.13 Weather policy for inclement weather during training

Noted this request had been submitted by one Club to the Board for consideration. The outcome was that the response would be that no policy was needed as it was up to the Sweep to make this decision at all times.

6.1.14 RSA status

Noted Clubs would be asked to provide details of their members which hold this accreditation.

6.1.15 Cultural & Publicity Committee

Noted EOIs would be sought to fill up to six positions. Jennifer Bould would be the DBSA liaison person.

6.1.16 Corporate challenge reminder 2/2/20

Noted Clubs were encouraged to support this event being coordinated by ASA.

Noted Genesis Care who have two teams will be making it a family day outing.

6.1.17 Volunteers and Officials training

Noted DBSA is looking into arranging this training and the expectation is that Clubs would have two members available for the Volunteers training and respond when EOIs are sought for the Officials training. AusDBF will be consulted with in regards to the Officials training.

6.1.18 Good Sports Awards 2019 – Join with potential to win \$1,000

Details re this new initiative will be circulated to Clubs and those who have not yet joined the program were encouraged to take up this opportunity. They are: ASA, BWRs, WWs, Adelaide Phoenix, BSDs, Waiwila and Vicki's Pride.

6.1.19 Paddlers behaviour and language on race days

Peter Button advised Clubs that language and behaviour on recent race days had deteriorated and needed to be improved especially in light of the fact that there were children and general public present.

6.1.20 DBSA trailer – available for purchase

Noted the vandalised trailer was currently at Premier Trailers who were seeking for it to be relocated, cut off for scrap or upgraded at a cost of approximately \$4,000.

Clubs would be given one week to take up the opportunity to arrange for the trailer to be upgraded otherwise the offer would be extended to interstate Clubs.

Action: Clubs / Marie (#4)

6.2 CLUBS

- ASA – advised they were reviewing their Constitution and asked if any Clubs would mind if they contacted them for some pointer which was supported.
- Vogelonga event – scheduled for Sunday 26 April with 300 or so vessels participating at this inaugural event in Australia. Suggested interested parties look at booking in mid-December as the payment arrangements will be changing. Vessel pricings are varied and there is a per paddler fee of \$25.
- Subsonix – request put forward for Jack Salagaras to borrow a head and tail to take to a sports themed Christmas event with over 200 people expected in order to promote the sport was approved.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Caravan – question asked as to why it was not been taken to the event at Copper Coast instead of the trailer. Noted there was no clear cut reason known however it was felt it may have something to do with the timing system in the caravan not being used so it was easier to take the trailer.
- ACDC Dragon Fire – advised they would be submitting a request to the Board to tentatively schedule a Hat regatta at Goolwa in February 2021.

- Copper Coast – noted that the DBSA trailer they have was assessed by a local engineer who advised that it was rusting from the inside out. They have another old klunker of a trailer laying up against the yacht club fence and working out what to do with that still. A grant has been received for a new trailer and an offer received from an engineer to cut up the DBSA trailer. The current trailer needs to be taken to the engineer at Paskeville as he requires a dragon boat to fine tune their new trailer. Suggested that an email be sent to DBSA outlining the situation. **Action: CC (#5)**
- Vogelonga – question asked if there will be any dragon boats available and composite teams formed. Coorong Dragons advised that they have three boats with two other Clubs expressing interest in hiring them for the day and other Clubs thinking about bringing boats across. Closer to the day they will be in a position to know if there are any spaces available for a composite team and let Clubs know. DBSA would also be looking into taking some boats down.

8. NEXT MEETING

The PF meeting date is scheduled for:

- Wed 19-Feb-20

The meeting closed at 9:05pm.

ACTION ITEMS – 14/11/19				
NO.	ACTION	DUE DATE	BY	STATUS
1	Coordinate First Aid course.	Jan/Feb	Marie	
2	Send out Accredited Coaches list.	ASAP	Marie	Done
3	Clubs to go through lockers and gear at the Boatshed and tag it all for ready identification.	14-Dec	Clubs	
4	Respond if interested in paying \$4k to have the DBSA vandalise trailer upgraded.	21-Nov	Clubs	
5	Send an email in to the Board advising of situation with DBSA trailer which is rusting and grant attained for a new trailer etc.	ASAP	Copper Coast	