

# DRAGONBOAT SA MINUTES



## Racing Committee Meeting

8pm Thursday 1 October 2020  
Via Zoom and at The Sailing Club

### 1 MEETING OPEN – 8pm

#### 2 PRESENT:

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|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| ■ ASA 1:                | Michael Rehbein      | ■ KIDS 1:           | Mary-Alice Swan    |
| ■ ASA 2:                | Michele Lennon       | ■ KIDS 2:           | Sharon Clark       |
| ■ ACDC 1 DF 1:          | Sharon Knights       | ■ Mannum Dragons 1: | Colleen Walker (Z) |
| ■ ACDC 2 DF 2:          | John Holland         | ■ Mannum Dragons 2: | Julie Metcalfe     |
| ■ ACDC GRD 1:           | Nil                  | ■ Mannum Dragons 3: | Alison Barr        |
| ■ ACDC GRD 2:           | Nil                  | ■ Powerblades 1:    | Apology            |
| ■ Adelaide Phoenix 1:   | Apology              | ■ Powerblades 2:    | Dalia Sweeny       |
| ■ Adelaide Phoenix 2:   | Apology              | ■ SADA 1:           | Rick French        |
| ■ Black Sea Dragons 1:  | Emily Brown          | ■ SADA 2:           | Nil                |
| ■ Black Sea Dragons 2:  | Cheryl Watson        | ■ Subsonix 1:       | Julie Lister       |
| ■ Blade Runners 1:      | Apology              | ■ Subsonix 2:       | Ronnie Lane        |
| ■ Blade Runners 2:      | Sandy Douglas        | ■ Waiwilta 1:       | Nil                |
| ■ Blue Water Raiders 1: | Raelene Fuller (Z)   | ■ Waiwilta 2:       | Nil                |
| ■ Blue Water Raiders 2: | Apology              | ■ Water Warriors 1: | Nil                |
| ■ Copper Coast 1:       | Valda Cooper (Z)     | ■ Water Warriors 2: | Chris Kelley (Z)   |
| ■ Copper Coast 2:       | Chris Wolf (Z)       | ■ Vicki's Pride 1:  | Nil                |
| ■ Coorong Dragons 1:    | Apology              | ■ Vicki's Pride 2:  | Nil                |
| ■ Coorong Dragons 2:    | Brigitte Chapman (Z) | ■ Vicki's Pride 3:  | Nil                |
| ■ DAPL 1:               | Apology              | ■ Victor Dragons 1: | Rob Bowen          |
| ■ DAPL 2:               | Nil                  | ■ Victor Dragons 3: | Jill Watkinson     |
| ■ DA Adelaide 1:        | Jo Hamlyn            | ■ DBSA:             | Mick Cahill        |
| ■ DA Adelaide 2:        | Nil                  | ■ DBSA:             | Maria Darby        |

#### APOLOGIES

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|-------------------------|----------------|------------------------|--------------|
| ■ DAPL 1:               | Sandy Jansen   | ■ Victor Dragons 2:    | Maxine Timbs |
| ■ Blue Water Raiders 2: | Terral Coote   | ■ Black Sea Dragons 1: | Lyn Payne    |
| ■ Adelaide Phoenix 2:   | Leigh Woodrow  | ■ Powerblades 1:       | Neil Parker  |
| ■ Coorong Dragons 1:    | Sue Jones      | ■ Blade Runners 1:     | Apology      |
| ■ Adelaide Phoenix 1:   | Jason Thompson |                        |              |

The meeting was chaired by John Holland (ACDC).

### 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION:  
 THAT the Minutes of the previous meeting held 2 September 2020 be accepted as a true and accurate record.  
 Moved: Michele Lennon and Seconded: Sandy Douglas CARRIED.

### 4 BUSINESS ARISING – ACTION ITEM STATUS

NO	NEW ACTIONS	DUE	WHO	STATUS
35	Clubs to use assigned boat next race day, dress, wash and return to same spot on beach.	Sun 13-Sep	CLUBS	Done
36	Make up 2 x sets of numbers (1-8), laminate and bring along to next race day for Clubs to manage their assigned boat. ■ Noted A3 signs would now be made up and laminated by Peter Button.	Sun 13-Sep	Peter	Ongoing

37	Clubs to submit a list of attending members and visitors on the race day before presentations to Organising Club as part of COVID-19 requirements.	Sun 13-Sep	CLUBS	Done
38	Advise ASA which crews were affected by having Copper Coast paddlers in a composite team so race draw can be done correctly.	ASAP	ACDC	Done
39	Follow up Dennis Whitford for his availability for the season to manage the race results.	4-Sep ASAP	Michele	Done
40	Update changes put forward to Task List.	ASAP	Marie	Done
41	Send email to Clubs seeking their Volunteer name. Clubs to provide Volunteer name to Julie Clinch.	10-Sep	Julie/ CLUBS	Done
<b>NO</b>	<b>ONGOING ACTIONS</b>	<b>DUE</b>	<b>WHO</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
27	Audit own stocks of life jackets and advise Kat Reid of qty of DBSA life jackets to borrow during COVID.	ASAP	Clubs / Kat	Ongoing
30	Review rules and standards for the Peter Bristow race around starts and penalties to be imposed. ▪ To be discussed at their next meeting	ASAP	Sweeps' Com.	Ongoing
31	Revisit the clearance policy to protect regional Clubs. ▪ Noted the current policy suffices with any amendments from Clubs welcomed for consideration.	Next meeting	Board	Done

## 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

### 5.1 13/09/20 – Race day #1 – 10s over 200m – feedback

- Car parking – some rude paddlers.
- Car parking – reminder not to park on the reserve or may get fined.
- Opening ceremony – noted long wait in the boats for some paddlers in the cold weather. Advised that Clubs could choose who was to sit in the boats.
- Delay – due to Club assigned with the top boat on the stack not being there on time to offload. Agreed not to assign specific boats going forward and next race day only x7 would be required.
- Delays – often due to teams not being ready to load when the boats return.
- Delays – often wrong size heads and tails taken.
- Boat numbering – noted A3 laminated signs would be provide from now on and it was up to each Club to look after them.

### 5.2 13/09/20 – Chief Official's Report

The report was reviewed, of note:

- The powerboat was collected but did not arrive on time.
- Noted A3 laminated boat numbers would be available next race day, that need to be place so that the number below is not visible.
- Link camera & Finish line system – John Holland advised he would arrive early for next race day and set this and the caravan up early. Suggested Clubs allocate 1-2 people each race day so they can familiarise themselves with its use. Maria Darby advised that she was not paddling this year and was working with Dennis Whitford on the operation manual and taking photos of the various tasks required.
- Noted race start delays due to a number of issues: wind, problems with distinguishing the boat numbers coming over the line, plus Clubs slow to load boats.
- Discussion on whether Drummers' toggle was aligned correctly with some Sweeps advising they were not aware of any issue. Some of the delay was due to Sweeps coming in too quick or at the wrong angle making it difficult for the Drummers to pick up the toggle.
- Noted John Holland and Chris Wood are the only accredited AusDBF Level 3 Officials as Jennifer Bould, Julie and Steve Clinch accreditation have all expired. This makes it difficult for them to be Chief Official if both are on the water throughout the day. Noted John stood in as back up for Chris on occasion. Their position is, if not able to paddle then they will not take on the Chief Official role. This would leave no one currently accredited. Discussion ensued on how this would be managed. Noted Jennifer Bould is Chief Official for the next race day. The RC agreed that this would be fine, and the DBSA Board is to decide if they would allow this continue for the remainder of the season. **Action: Board (#42)**

- Noted Clubs should familiarise themselves with how the race progression works and to check the Race Draw when it is released. Noted NQ teams could compete as long as they were in outside lanes. The decision if this is to happen would be best made at the Race Committee prior so that there is no delay with updating the Lynx System with changes made on the day.
- 2km race – noted boats are further away for the Starter when situated on the far side. To be repositioned on the near side in future.
- Noted approval was given at the C&S meeting for John Holland to be second Chief Official on the day along with Chris Wood as Chief Official, as needed throughout the day whilst Chris was on the water. This had not been advised to the Finish Line or various Officials with a complaint lodged about this. Suggested Finish Line should attend the C&S meeting also however they were usually too busy setting up.
- It was suggested by the Finish Line that it would be better for only one Chief Officials on the day.
- Caravan – noted was not positioned correctly so had to be pushed out and back in a few times causing a delay setting up the finish line.

### **5.3 11/10/20 – Race day #2 – 20s – planning**

Arrangements discussed.

### **5.4 Sweeping up requests**

None.

### **5.5 Task List – changes?**

None.

### **5.6 Withdrawal fees – reminder**

Reminder.

### **5.7 Check meeting date for 10-Jan race day**

Agreed to change the meeting date from Thursday 3 December to Tuesday 29 December and to set a RC meeting date for Peter Bristow event. **Action: Marie (#43)**

### **5.8 COVID-19 – status**

Reminder given of requirement to have only 20 in a boat meaning there can only be 18 x paddlers at any time. **Action: Clubs (XX)**

Noted the Marshall Kits for each regional Club will be available for collection next race day or from Peter Button.

### **5.9 Officials – identification on race days (photos)**

Suggested that having photos of the Officials would be beneficial for the volunteers who were new to the sport and not familiar with them. Agreed to assign task to Volunteer Coordinator. **Action: Julie (#44)**

### **5.10 Events**

#### **5.10.1 Vogalonga – planning**

Noted event is scheduled for this Sunday with unfavourable weather forecast.

#### **5.10.2 Wallaroo Marina Challenge**

Arrangements for this event were discussed. Of note:

- Noted will be 6 boats in use to reduce the race day given strong participation numbers. Peter Button will tow 1 x boat with another volunteer to be sought. Noted previously vehicles have been hired for this purpose to avoid damage to personal vehicles. Email to be sent out to Clubs. **Action: Valda (#44)**
- Boat allocation – agreed to allocate 2-3 Club to the one boat with the sanitizing procedure agreed upon.
- Entry and exit – easiest way is to have land marshalling and can board one pontoon at a time.
- Caravan / trailer – agreed to just take up the Finishing tent and equipment. **Action: Maria (#45)**

- Life jackets & paddles – BYO and no sharing.
- Prizes – bottles of wine to be taken up. **Action: Maria (#46)**
- DAA – sought approval for 14 paddlers and 2 Sweeps to be listed on the team sheet. Approved.

## 6 DBSA – update

- Nil report.

## 7 AusDBF – update

- Noted planning for AusChamps in Perth for 2021 continues.
- Rule change – paddlers change Clubs up until close of entry now instead of six months prior.
- A Diversity and Inclusion person has been appointed to the Board to develop a policy on this.
- Pride in Sport launch held today in Sydney with several prominent sports, along with AusDBF signing up to produce a diversity policy.

## 8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Noted DBSA is producing a separate policy to manage the capsized drill requirements as a result of reviewing the AusDBF Safety Policy (2013) which, requires the swim, tread water and capsized drill to be conducted annually, is out of date and being revised. Feedback was sought from AusDBF on the draft. The AusDBF Safety Manual requirements have been considered as part of the review, the draft policy will require (until AusDBF advises otherwise), a 50m swim, 3 minute tread water and dry land capsized drill will need to be conducted annually. It was clarified that the capsized drill is a minimum required, the swim and tread water requirement is if paddlers participate on waters where life jackets are not required (exemptions exist). Clubs would be given the opportunity to provide feedback on the draft policy. One comment was that life jackets are always to be secured tightly.
- Noted DBACT will be producing a new capsized video as the current one is not quite correct.
- Question asked as to the management of Sweeps who perform badly or dangerously on a race day. Noted that the Sweeps' Committee, Course Umpire and Chief Officials endeavour to monitor this however is not always possible. Individuals are responsible also to report any such incidents to on the day. Several of the issues highlighted were dealt with on the day. Noted Sweeps can lose their accreditation. Sweeps Committee should be made aware of any such incidents.
- DAA – were asked to consider registering in the B grade Open category as well as B grade Women to allow more competition at Wallaroo. In response it was noted that this would mean having many of their paddlers doing additional races which they may not be capable of given they train only once a week.

## 9 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for 8pm on Wednesday 14 October 2020 at The Sailing Club and via Zoom. Subsonix to Chair.

RC MEETING DATE	CLUB	RACE DATE	DISTANCE
Wed 28-Oct	Wallaroo	Sat 07-Nov	10s
Tue 17-Nov	Peter Bristow	Sat 28-Nov	Long course
Thu 03-Dec	SADA	Sun 13-Dec	20s
Tue 29-Dec	WWs	Sun 10-Jan	10s
Wed 20-Jan	PBs	Sun 31-Jan	20s + Corporate
Thu 18-Feb	Phoenix	Sun 28-Feb	10s
Wed 03-Mar	BSD	Sun 14-Mar	20s
Wed 17-Mar	DBSA	Sat & Sun 27&28 Mar	States

## 10 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9:00pm.

### ACTION ITEMS

NO	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
42	Place on Board Agenda for decision to be made around lapsed AusDBF Level 3 Officials continuing to be Chief Official.	Next Board Agenda	Marie	Done
43	Set RC meeting date for 29 Dec and Peter Bristow event.	ASAP	Marie	Done
44	Send email to Clubs seeking volunteer to tow trailer & 2 boats to Wallaroo.	ASAP	Valda	Done

45	Take up Finish line tent and starting equipment to Wallaroo.	07-Nov	Maria	
46	Take up prizes (wine) to Wallaroo.	07-Nov	Maria	
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