

DRAGONBOAT SA MINUTES (v1)



Racing Committee Meeting

8pm Wednesday 20 January 2021

Via Zoom

1 MEETING OPEN – 8pm

2 PRESENT:

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| ▪ ASA 1: | Michele Lennon | ▪ KIDS 1: | Apology |
| ▪ ASA 2: | Michael Rehbein | ▪ KIDS 2: | Apology |
| ▪ ACDC 1 DF 1: | John Holland | ▪ Mannum Dragons 1: | Apology |
| ▪ ACDC 2 DF 2: | Apology | ▪ Mannum Dragons 2: | Apology |
| ▪ Adelaide Phoenix 1: | Nil | ▪ Powerblades 1: | Neil Parker |
| ▪ Adelaide Phoenix 2: | Leigh Woodrow | ▪ Powerblades 2: | Dahlia Sweeny |
| ▪ Black Sea Dragons 1: | Lyn Payne | ▪ SADA 1: | Heather Wingard |
| ▪ Black Sea Dragons 2: | Cheryl Watson | ▪ SADA 2: | Apology |
| ▪ Blade Runners 1: | Apology | ▪ Subsonix 1: | Ronnie Lane |
| ▪ Blade Runners 2: | Sandy Douglas | ▪ Subsonix 2: | Julie Lister |
| ▪ Blue Water Raiders 1: | Raelene Fuller | ▪ Waiwilta 1: | Nil |
| ▪ Blue Water Raiders 2: | Nil | ▪ Waiwilta 2: | Nil |
| ▪ Copper Coast 1: | Valda Cooper | ▪ Water Warriors 1: | Nil |
| ▪ Copper Coast 2: | Nil | ▪ Water Warriors 2: | Chris Kelley |
| ▪ Coorong Dragons 1: | Brigitte Chapman | ▪ Vicki's Pride 1: | Nil |
| ▪ Coorong Dragons 2: | Apology | ▪ Vicki's Pride 2: | Nil |
| ▪ DAPL 1: | Apology | ▪ Victor Dragons 1: | Rob Bowen |
| ▪ DAPL 2: | Nil | ▪ Victor Dragons 2: | Apology |
| ▪ DA Adelaide 1: | Jo Hamlyn | ▪ DBSA: | Mick Cahill |
| ▪ DA Adelaide 2: | Nil | ▪ DBSA: | Peter Button |
| | | ▪ DBSA: | Jennifer Bould |

APOLOGIES

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| ▪ Blade Runners 1: | Julie Clinch | ▪ SADA 2: | Rick French |
| ▪ ACDC 2 DF 2: | Sharon Knights | ▪ Victor Dragons 2: | Maxine Timbs |
| ▪ Blue Water Raiders 1: | Terral Coote | ▪ Mannum Dragons 1: | Colleen Walker |
| ▪ Coorong Dragons 2: | Sue Jones | ▪ Mannum Dragons 2: | Julie Metcalfe |
| ▪ DAPL 1: | Sandy Jansen | ▪ KIDS 1: | Mary-Alice Swan |
| | | ▪ KIDS 2: | Sharon Clark |

The meeting was chaired by Neil Parker (Powerblades).

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the previous meeting held 6 January 2021 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

MOVED: Valda Cooper and SECONDED: Michele Lennon

4 BUSINESS ARISING – ACTION ITEM STATUS

NO	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
68	Provide DBSA with copy of COVID plan submitted for Hat Regatta.	ASAP	John	Done
69	Check location of stop watches and air horn for Peter Bristow event and make available.	10-Jan race day	Peter	Done
70	Fence of boat ramp on remaining race days. ▪ Noted was done not done for Peter Bristow but will be for the remaining race days at Aquatic.	Race days	Neil	Each race day

NO	ONGOING	DUE	WHO	STATUS
60	Update procedure for setting up the 500m start line to include listing required equipment and need to have 2 x people on the shoreline to assist with hooking up the line.	ASAP	Peter & Avi	Ongoing
61	Review tasks required to set up and pack up the caravan within and produce a procedure. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted DBSA will refine through rest of season race days first as to identify what equipment is needed. 	ASAP	DBSA	Ongoing
62	Separate key for the caravan and trailer on to separate lanyards. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted this has been done and key is now on blue DBSA lanyard in the trailer. 	ASAP	Peter	Done
64	Contact Council and advise them of Subsonix paddler's incident/injury at the boat ramp during training on 29-Dec. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Holland asked if the Safety Form on the AusDBF website was completed and whether RevSport can be used for reporting incidents. He offered to follow up with AusDBF. Action: John (#71) 	ASAP	DBSA	Ongoing

5 GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 Sun 10/01/21 – 10s over 20m + 2000m – feedback

- Race day went well.
- Noted had been agreed upon at previous RC meeting as to which boats would be shared amongst Clubs rather than bring additional boats over the river.
- Noted Coorong Dragons requested their own boat due to COVID concerns.
- Agreed Clubs that have two crews racing in the one race may have to bring another boat over if there are insufficient boats available.
- Noted the requirement to wash boats down may result in race delays.
- Feedback from those Clubs who shared boats was that the cleaning process worked well and tended not to delay the races.
- Noted Tim White did a great job in encouraging teams to load and unload boats promptly.
- Noted there was a large program of races.

5.1.1 Chief Official's report

- Noted.

5.1.2 Boat allocations – feedback

- VDs – noted they have used the #10 tent site for the last three years (visiting Club) and there were no #10 signs available in the shed.

In response it was noted that the signs were in the shed and had been misplaced as Clubs were just throwing them on to the shelf rather than in any order.

- Noted Subsonix placed a laminated Club logo on to their second boat for easy identification.
- Noted that the boat maintenance allocation list was not the same as the boat allocation list for race days. A new list had been allocated just for race days and was in the order of tent locations (ie #1 ACDC). This allowed for a Club that arrived early to access the first available stacked boat rather than having to wait for the Club who was formerly assigned that boat to arrive.
- Noted that the marshalls will have a copy of the race day boat allocation list and any issues should be resolved at the race day prior when the number of boats required for the race day was known.
- DAA – advised not on the boat allocation list. Powerblades advised they would be happy to share their boat on race days if reminded.

5.2 16/01/21 – Peter Bristow Long Course – feedback

- PBs – advised that due to Adelaide Phoenix withdrawing from the race day at late notice that they were allocated the task of bringing and returning the Umpire's boat.

The person from their Club who collected the boat was not initially aware that it was in the shipping container which was a lack of communication on their Club's behalf.

Suggested Clubs all be aware of this and the need to have 2-3 people to assist. The motor when being returned should be untilted in the down position and when collected in the up position to avoid bouncing on the bottom of any spoon drains and damaging the motor. **Action: Marie (#72)**

- PBs – noted Ron Ottoway reported issue with alarm for oil which proved not to be the case as there was sufficient. Suggested boat be serviced.

Noted the boat was scheduled for a service on 18 February at Pacific Marine and could not get in any earlier.

Neil Parker offered to take a look at the boat in the interim and check for any cross wiring. **Action: Neil (#73)**

- Reminder given to Clubs to familiarise themselves with their tasks prior to race day to be aware of requirements.
- The windy and rough conditions were noted with teams handling their boats well.
- All teams had a mobile phone and radio access and Ron Ottoway had the respective mobile phone numbers if needed.
- The 2-minute timing between starts worked well and also when it came to putting the boats away with teams being patient and accommodating.
- Neil parker – expressed disappointment that with approximately 160 participants in eight boats, that only 20-30 remained for the presentation at the end.

CC – advised that they waited until 7:30pm and then left as they had a long drive back to Wallaroo and VDs also had a long drive back to Victor Harbor.

Noted that it was extremely windy at the time which was not ideal to hang around outside.

Suggested consideration be given to starting the race at 5pm next season however this would be left to the next RC to decide upon as it may impact upon those that work on a Saturday. **Action: Marie (#74)**

5.3 31/01/21 – 20s over 200m + 2000m

5.3.1 Planning

- Discussion held on race draw as to which categories should have a heat and final etc.
- Agreed: 4 x boats = final only, 5+ boats = heat and final.
- Agreed: Open = heat & final
- Approx. 19 races at this stage plus 2km races.
- Noted SADA would look at entering a team into Senior B Open so that the category can be raced as there are only two other Clubs entered.
- PBs to look at entering a team into Senior A Open and/or Senior C Women so these can be raced.

5.3.2 Sweeping up requests

- None.

5.3.3 Provisional Sweeps – to note if any

- Subsonix – Maria Darby most likely for Senior C.

5.3.4 Race day sponsor – Complete Caravan Solutions

- Noted logo to be placed on race draw and task list.
- Noted WWs Club sponsor mentioned at the last RC meeting was in attendance with a 4x4 vehicle.

5.4 31/01/21 – Corporate Challenge – planning

- Noted there would be 3 x Open, 3 x Mixed and 2 x Womens teams entered. Each would have 3 x races with the winner being from the best two times.

- 5.5 13/02/21 – Hat regatta – update**
- Noted ACDC had circulated an update email today advising that there were 115 entries and that dinner has been relocated to the Lifestyle Village on the Saturday evening. It will be a BYO at \$25 for a barbeque dinner. Breakfast is scheduled and yoga on the lawn on the Sunday morning.
- 5.6 17/04/21 – Regional Masters Games - update**
- Noted deadline for registrations is 26 March and that there are currently 13 individuals registered from within SA in the one team.
 - Clubs encouraged to register and support this event.
 - Noted there is no AusChamps this season and that this would be a great way to finish off the season.
 - Noted this is a Council run event.
 - Noted there had been some confusion on the entry costs being expensive which was considered not the case. Clubs have been advised of the costs and would be reminded:
 - Entry cost = \$50 to Council. \$25 = 1st event (3 x categories), \$10 = additional events (3 x categories). Valda to resend email to Clubs. Action: **Valda (#75)**
- 6 DBSA – update**
- 6.1 Rotation of Volunteers & Officials paper – Julie Clinch**
- Held over.
- 6.2 Council – noise complaint received**
- Noted neighbour had complained about the loud speakers facing in the wrong direction and that the announcements were too loud. This was addressed with the speakers being turned around to the north and the PA turned down. Reminder to be mindful of this in future.
 - Noted the Council had contacted DBSA re this same complaint with a response given that it would be discussed with the race announcer about reducing commentary between races and that the speakers would be redirected to face north.
 - The Council had also received a complaint about the closure of the pathway with a response sent advising them to liaise with those within who provided the signs once the path was put in place as to future direction.
- 6.3 Complaint – 200m line placement**
- Noted complaint from Loreto College coach received via Rowing SA Course Manager related to the 200m line on the eastern side being a potential hazard as it was above the water line.
- A response had been sent by the Board to Rowing SA advising them that the procedures for placement of the line would be updated to ensure that the line is placed at least 1.5 metres below the surface. In addition, some cones would be purchased to place where the line comes out on the shore.
- 6.4 Results sheets being removed from pockets**
- Clubs advised not to remove race sheets from the plastic pockets as it was noted for race #18 in particular that they were disappearing a number of times. Suggested that a photo be taken instead.
- 6.5 Club enquiries reminder to go to Race Secretariat**
- Clubs reminded to contact the Race Secretariat first before approaching the caravan to avoid interrupting them and creating unnecessary delays to the race day.
- 6.6 Race day vests (ie Volunteers, Marshall) – to be returned**
- Clubs reminded to return any race day vests issued (ie Volunteers, Marshalls, provisional Sweeps) so that they can be washed and put away as there were only a certain number available.
 - Suggested that they be signed for each day for ready follow up with individuals.
Action: Jen (#76)
- 6.7 State Champs – naming rights**
- Noted sponsors were being sought for naming rights for this event. Package is \$880 (GST inclusive) for both days or \$550 (GST inclusive) for one day.

7 AusDBF – update (John Holland)

- Noted they are interviewing two people for the Marketing position on the Board.
- Policies being reviewed.
- Code of Conduct policy – a draft version covering everyone involved in the sport is being reviewed and will take some time to finalise.
- DBQ – hosting ‘Coast to Coast Dragon **Boat** Festival” from Friday 7 – Sunday 9 May at Kawana Waters on the Sunshine Coast. Noted medals would be awarded. Categories to be raced most likely to be Juniors, Premiers, 40+ and 55+.
- DBV – hosting a cross border event 16-18 April at Wodonga. Noted will conflict with SA Regional Masters Games. Most likely be a per paddler fee charged. Categories to be raced most likely to be Juniors, Premiers, 40+ and 55+.
- Qualifications being worked through for Sarasota (USA) in 2022 and noted uncertainty if anyone wants to travel to USA at this stage. Decision to be made within the next six weeks.
- Hong Kong – difficult as currently DFAT have not approved travel to Hong Kong or China. EOIs have been sent out with strong response and advice given that event may not proceed however most are still keen to try out.
- AusDBF Bulletin #10 – hoped that all participants have seen this as AusDBF is only allowed currently to send this to state members for onforwarding to Clubs.

8 Safety

- John Holland advised that the boat ramp at The Sailing Club has been recently cleaned.
- Question asked about the status of the boat ramp at Aquatic Reserve being a slip hazard. Noted Board continues to liaise with Council on this with a response awaited.
- Neil Parker advised that he would contact Department of Infrastructure & Transport (DIT) to advise them that the mooring for the power line safety sign has come adrift. **Action: Neil (#76)**

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- WWs – noted **the DBSA** website shows AusDBF Rules of Racing document as version #7.2 when it should be #9.1. Agreed to put link to AusDBF website so automatically updates. **Action: Marie (#77)**
- Noted latest version is always kept in the caravan.
- Chris Kelly – sought clarification on the breakdown for a Mixed crew now that only 18 x paddlers are allowed in the boat. His understanding was that it was 9 male and 9 female and if a club did not have 9 men could not race with 10 women. Needed to race short.

He stated that the AusDBF Rules of Racing did not cover for 18 x paddlers only and only covered 20s boats in general and he thought that the above had been agreed upon at an earlier meeting.

A lengthy discussion ensued with some during the meeting referring back to earlier Race Committee Minutes noting this had never been agreed upon.

John Holland advised of the AusDBF position and what was raced in Ravenna when only 18 paddlers were allowed as being: only **10** men and 10 women maximum. He noted that the RC committee could decide the restrictions it wanted to place.

Neil Parker as Chair called for a vote to be taken as follows:

- **To race with** “9 male and 9 female maximum” – YES or NO.

A vote was taken with the overwhelming consensus being against this.

Conclusion: Mixed Team composition would be “a maximum of 10 and minimum of 8 of either gender” as per the AUSDBF rules.

- ACDC – requested Task List be updated to include task to ensure orange turn buoys are placed out the apex on top and bottom of the course, before racing begins. **Action: Marie (#78)**
- Jennifer Bould – advised that the website has been updated to advise that “metropolitan and regional Clubs are entitled to a 50% subsidy on their first aid courses.” This will support them if they are unable to attend a DBSA held course. Paperwork and accompanying reimbursement form and receipts will need to be sent into the Bord for approval.

10 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for 8pm on Thursday 18 February 2021 via Zoom. Adelaide Phoenix to Chair.

RC MEETING DATE	CLUB	RACE DATE	CATEGORY
Thu 18-Feb	Phoenix	Sun 28-Feb	10s over 500m
Wed 03-Mar	BSD	Sun 14-Mar	20s over 500m
Wed 17-Mar	DBSA	Sat & Sun 27&28 Mar	States

11 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9:17pm.

ACTION ITEMS

NO	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
71	Follow up with AusDBF re status of entry of incident reports in RevSport to report back up to DBSA and AusDBF.	ASAP	John	
72	Update Task List to reflect Umpire boat requires 2-3 people to relocate and motor should be placed in up position when collecting and in down position when returning.	ASAP	Marie	Done
73	Assess the Umpire's boat to determine why the alarm for oil is coming on.	B4 next race day	Neil	
74	Set reminder for next season pre-planning meeting for start time for Peter Bristow to be possibly changed to 5pm.	Next season	Marie	Done
75	Send out details re registration fees for Regional Masters Games to Clubs.	ASAP	Valda	
76	Set up a signing sheet for allocation of race day vests so they can be followed up for return each day.	B4 next race day	Jennifer	
77	Contact DIT to advise them that the mooring for the power line safety sign has come adrift.	ASAP	Neil	
78	Place link to AusDBF Rules of Racing on DBSA website. https://cdn.revolutionise.com.au/cups/ausdbf/files/p7jntvejkelkvlg4.pdf	ASAP	Marie	Done
79	Update Task Lit to ensure orange turn buoys are placed out the apex on top and bottom of the course.	ASAP	Marie	Done
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61	At end of season review tasks required to set up and pack up the caravan within and produce a procedure.	Season end	DBSA	
64	Contact Council and advise them of Subsonix paddler's incident/injury at the boat ramp during training on 29-Dec.	ASAP	DBSA	Done 21-Jan
70	Fence of boat ramp on remaining race days.	Next race days	Neil	