

DRAGONBOAT SA MINUTES (v1)



Racing Committee Meeting

8pm Thursday 18 November 2021
At the Sailing Club and via Zoom

1 MEETING OPEN – 8pm

2 PRESENT:

■ ASA 1	Michele Lennon	■ KIDS 1:	Apology
■ ASA 2:	Michael Rehbein	■ KIDS 2:	Apology
■ ACDC DF 1:	John Holland	■ Mannum Dragons 1:	Apology
■ ACDC DF 2:	Representing DBSA	■ Mannum Dragons 2:	Apology
■ Adelaide Phoenix 1:	Nil	■ Powerblades 1:	Neil Parker
■ Adelaide Phoenix 2:	Nil	■ Powerblades 2:	Nil
■ Black Sea Dragons 1:	Lyn Payne	■ SADA 1:	Rick French
■ Black Sea Dragons 2:	Apology	■ SADA 2:	Nil
■ Blade Runners 1:	Apology	■ Subsonix 1:	Ronnie Lane
■ Blade Runners 2:	Apology	■ Subsonix 3:	Les Crawford
■ Blue Water Raiders 1:	Terral Coote – Z	■ Waiwilta 1:	Nil
■ Blue Water Raiders 2:	Nil	■ Waiwilta 2:	Nil
■ Copper Coast 1:	Chris Wolf – Z	■ Water Warriors 1:	Jacky Smith – Z
■ Copper Coast 2:	Jane Gersch – Z	■ Water Warriors 2:	Nil
■ Coorong Dragons 1:	Apology	■ Vicki's Pride 2:	Nil
■ Coorong Dragons 2:	Sue Jones - Z	■ Vicki's Pride 2:	Apology
■ DA Adelaide 1:	Jo Hamlyn	■ Victor Dragons 1:	Apology
■ DA Adelaide 2:	Nil	■ Victor Dragons 2:	Janine Hateley – Z
■ DAPL 1:	Apology	■ DBSA:	Chris Wood
■ DAPL 2:	Nil		

APOLOGIES

■ Blade Runners 2:	Sandy Douglas	■ Subsonix 2:	Julie Lister
■ Coorong Dragons 1:	Brigitte Chapman	■ Mannum Dragons 1:	Alison Barr
■ WWs 2:	Meegan Ballantyne		
■ Victor Dragons 1:	Les Sharp	■ Mannum Dragons 2:	Julie Metcalfe
■ DAPL 1:	Sandra Jansen	■ Blade Runners 1:	Julie Clinch
■ Black Sea Dragons 2:	Cheryl Watson	■ Mannum Dragons 2:	Julie Metcalfe

The meeting was chaired by: Neil Parker – Powerblades.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION

THAT the Minutes of the previous meeting held 2 November 2021 be accepted as a true and accurate record subject to the following amendments:

- Page 3 – 5.3 – Wallaroo Marina Challenge – planning – after bullet point #9 add:
 - *A request (not formal) was made to Clubs to enter more teams in Senior A 20s at Wallaroo, WW offered to help top up the category however only had 14 paddlers not 16.*
 - *There was no actual discussion about this, there was no discussion about it not being accepted, no one responded, they just ignored the offer.*

Moved: J. Smith and Seconded: J. Hamlyn CARRIED.

Action: Marie (#143)

4 BUSINESS ARISING – ACTION ITEM STATUS

ACTION ITEMS – 2/11/21				
NO	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
133	Upload Minutes of 14-Oct-21 meeting.	ASAP	Marie	Done
134	Arrange to purchase a marine grade battery, isolation switch and solar panel. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Noted battery purchased along with isolation switch which has not yet been installed. ▪ Solar panel will be purchased in due course. 	Priority	Neil	Ongoing
135	Task List – upgrade to combine, streamline and provide draft version. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Noted would now only send through suggestions to Sandy Douglas as she did not want to take over this role from him. 	ASAP	Chris Wood	Ongoing
136	Advise what time the Aquatic permit (for Wallaroo) states to be off the water by. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Noted time was 5:30pm. 	ASAP	Yvonne	Done
137	Advise Clubs what time you will arrive with the x2 boats so assistance can be provided to offload them and paddle them around to the course.	B4 Wallaroo	John Holland	Done
138	Locate the 6-station timer for use at Wallaroo rather than the individual stop watches. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ JH advised he had only located the blue canvas bag in the Trailer that the unit used to reside in. ▪ Agreed to send out an email to Clubs asking who emptied the Trailer and seeking detail of where it may be located as is needed for Tatiara Regional Games. Action: MC (#144) 	B4 Wallaroo	John Holland	Will need it for AMG
139	Follow up Ronnie’s comment re link to Club Finder not working and if details are already up on the website. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Noted is no longer an issue. 	ASAP	John Holland	Done
140	Amend reference to “Premiers” back to “Premier” in RevSport.	ASAP	Marie	Done
141	Send email out to Clubs asking for the trailer with the black tarp positioned near the container to be moved. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Noted the trailer was moved and now a silver trailer is parked there. Another email to be sent. Action: MC (#145) ▪ Suggested could look to reposition the first trailer near the container to allow more room and to put a “no parking” sign on the fence. Action: Neil (#146) 	ASAP	Marie	Done
142	Bring boat numbers #1-6 to Wallaroo.	Wallaroo	Peter Button	Done

5 GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 13/11/21 – Wallaroo Marina Challenge – feedback

- General consensus was the event and weather were great.
- Neil extended thanks to WWs for helping Ron with the boat at the end of the day and offloading the equipment along the pontoons, using sack truck etc.
- Jacky advised an email of appreciation had been received from Ron for their support and were happy to assist in future.
- Noted timely issue with attaching the buoys to the rope and suggested may be quicker to have this ready to go on the rope just before the race which had been done in previous years.
- Noted it was the same set up as at Aquatic however there were usually more people available to help and the wind conditions were not ideal.
- Neil extended appreciation to those who assisted offload and reload the boats from the trailer.
- Neil extended apology for the change in timing to offload the boats back at Aquatic on the Monday.

- Chris Wolf advised he was not aware of the additional time needed to put out the buoys or that Ron needed more time and help to set up, as he had volunteers who could have assisted.
 - Jacky noted it was a fantastic day with only the 1000m races withdrawn and there was a good number of races finishing in good time. The pontoon loading off/on went well and rotating through to the other end of the ramp worked well. Extended appreciation to Copper Coast.
 - The addition of the marshalling station made the event worked well.
 - Neil – need to be realistic and mindful of the large number of races and not to load up the day – noted the 1000m races were cancelled. It was a fun day and perhaps only 10s races should be held.
 - Ronnie – responded in order to shorten the race day then the number of categories needed to be reduced. By offering all categories in both 10's & 20's meant there were too many races to fit in, even when all the Senior races were finals only. This should be reviewed next time but was not in favour of making it a 10s only event.
 - Lyn – noted timed x4 random races and the turnaround was 16 minutes.
 - Jacky – noted in previous year 40+ and 50+ categories were raced reducing the number of races and that the event started later than 9am. This was the first time the 1000m races were cancelled at this event.
 - Chris Wolf advised is an option possibly to start the race day earlier to fit in the races however the consensus was not in favour of this given some paddlers travel up that morning.
 - Ronnie pointed out that this event used to start later but had already been bought forward to a 9am start.
 - DAPL comment prior to meeting - *pass on congratulations on a job well done to Copper Coast and all involved for a great Regatta last Saturday. We thoroughly enjoyed our paddling.*
 - Starting was good – quick starts, little bit of a breeze.
 - Chris Wolf thanked volunteers, helpers, DBSA, paddlers and Clubs.
 - The on water incidents that PBs Sweep caused in two races with WWs and Subsonix were discussed.
 - Ronnie – commented that it was interesting that one boat impeded the other and still managed to win the prize.
 - There was a difference in opinion between Ronnie & Jacky on the conditions in these two races and agreed to agree to disagree.
 - Of note was that there was no Chief Official's report tabled for this event (requested to be seen) and there had not been for recent race days.
- Action: Steve Clinch (#147)**

5.2 Task List – any changes

- Task Club with assisting Ron at the start / end of the day to load and offload equipment (ie buoys for Start line) from the pontoon / umpire's boat etc.
- Action: Marie (#148)**
- Volunteers needed to load / unload boats.

5.3 27/11/21 – Peter Bristow Long Course – planning

- Julie Clinch had advised before the meeting:
 - Pat Doogue will be Starter and Chief Official.
 - Stop watches to be retrieved from the caravan to use for timing.

Action: Neil (#149)

 - Clubs reminded to carry a 2way radio so they can hear the Starter.
 - Clubs to provide a timekeeper.
 - Joy Fisher – Chief Timekeeper and happy to coordinate the rest of the timekeepers.
 - Suggested stick with Premier Mixed 20s only and not allow 10s or B-Grade teams entering as not in the spirit of this race, given the race is in honour of Peter Bristow as it was his favourite event.
- Noted the below agreed in previous seasons would be the basis for this race:
 - The 1st boat will start at 6pm.
 - The race order will be from last year's race (fastest boat from 2020 to leave last, composite boats first to leave etc)

- Boats will leave in a time trial 2min intervals (This has been a successful format with **no incidents or protests** for the past 20 years)
 - Each boat must carry a mobile phone and rope and the number must be passed onto the officials at the briefing on Saturday.
 - PFD must be worn because of no coverage of umpire's boat around the Island.
 - Time watches to be used and the winner and subsequent placings must be a clear 2 secs to formulate race order finishing time to allow for human error. (less than 2 secs the winners or subsequent placings will be given the same time.
 - All clubs to dress and launch boats and put away for each participant.
 - Be aware of blockage at Brebner Rd Bridge.
 - All boats must on returning to Aquatic basin must pass the Western Yellow Warning Buoy on Port Side (left of Buoy). Failing to pass the Buoy on Port Side is a 1min penalty.
 - All Clubs are encouraged to stay for presentations.
 - Slower boats to move over to the left side if a faster boat is overtaking them
- Agreed race order: 1 – DAA composite team, 2 – ASA composite team, 3 – Subsonix composite team, 4 – ACDC, 5 – Subsonix, 6 – PBs, 7 – BSD, 8 – WWs.
 - Agreed Neil would prepare a tribute to Peter Bristow as part of the presentation.
Action: Neil (#150)
 - DAA – noted would not have a timekeeper available. In response said one should be able to be found amongst attendees.
 - Question asked if it was possible to hang around and have a drink afterwards given the borders will be opening before the event. Noted there had been no advice received otherwise from DBSA at this stage.
 - Noted there was a catch-up drinks session arranged at the Big Shed after the race with x10 spots remaining.

5.4 Sweeping up requests

Nil.

5.5 Composite Crews

- Subsonix and ASA setting up composite teams.
- Copper Coast – x5 paddlers and x1 drummer will be in the Subsonix composite boat.
- ASA need x 2 paddlers and BSD have x 4
- PBs – have 3-4 paddlers looking to compete

5.6 Sweep & Drummer course – 4/12/21

Noted there are x7 registered to date with more needed before the course can proceed.

Neil advised Tracy Paproth from PBs would register.

6 DBSA – update

▪ 20s racing – support

Noted it had been agreed at Presidents' Forum that Subsonix discussion point on Clubs supporting x20s racing more would be carried over to this meeting.

Ronnie encouraged Clubs to consider this and said if a Club was unable to fill a full team to consider combining with other clubs to enter composite crews as it was nice to have more boats out on the water for these races. The events were fun, greater teamwork required, gave paddlers more opportunity to race and required more skill from the sweep. She felt the focus had gone too far towards x10s racing.

7 AusDBF

- Noted AGM held last week with an update given on the election results.
- AusChamps – noted WA border will open on 1 February so all states will be able to participate.

8 SAFETY ISSUES

- Rick French – noticed 3 single sculls overturned during training on Tuesday evening.

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Safe365 – noted is up and running and Clubs have been advised to provide the names and x2 emails for licences to be issued. Noted only one licence per one phone.
- Jane Gersch – CCBBD planning to come down to compete at Peter Bristow.
- Jacky – asked if Clubs were being invoiced still when they withdraw a team on race day. In response noted this had actually never happened, but had been threatened, to discourage this. It often depended on if there were any extenuating circumstances which would normally be the case.
- Jo Hamlyn – asked what happens with interstate paddlers that come out every now and then. Noted they should register in the book at Aquatic.

10 NEXT MEETING

Scheduled for 8pm on Wednesday 1 December 2021 with Black Sea Dragons to Chair.

11 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9pm.

RC meetings:

▪ Thu 06-Jan	▪ Wed 23-Feb
▪ Tue 18-Jan	▪ Tue 15-Mar
▪ Wed 09-Feb	

ACTION ITEMS – 19/11/21				
NO	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
143	Amend 2/11/21 Minutes to reflect changes put forward by Jacky Smith (WWs).	ASAP	Marie	
144	Send email out to Clubs to see if they have the 6-station timer unit.	ASAP	Marie	
145	Send email out to Clubs to move silver trailer.	ASAP	Marie	
146	Look to reposition first trailer placed near container to allow more room otherwise put up a “no parking” sign on the fence.	ASAP	Neil	
147	Provide Chief Official’s report for Wallaroo and recent race days.	ASAP	Steve, Jen & Julie	
148	Task Club with assisting Ron at the start / end of the day to load and offload equipment from the pontoon / umpire’s boat etc	ASAP	Marie	
149	Task someone to take out the stop watches from the caravan for Peter Bristow.	B4 Peter Bristow	Neil	
150	Prepare a tribute to Peter Bristow for the presentations.	Peter Bristow	Neil	
ONGOING				
133	Upload amended Minutes of 2-Nov meeting.	ASAP	Marie	Done
134	Purchase and install solar panel to container roof to charge Umpire’s boat in container.	ASAP	Neil	
135	Task List – review and advise Sandy Douglas of any changes needed.	ASAP	Chris W	
-	From Nov Board meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Extract from previous RC meetings motions of note, decisions etc. to include in a reference guide and be updated each season. 	ASAP	Chris W	