



DRAGONBOAT SA RC MINUTES

8pm Thursday 5 January 2023
The Sailing Club / via Zoom

1 MEETING OPEN – 8pm

2 PRESENT:

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| ▪ ASA 1: | Mary-Ann Holt | ▪ KIDS 1: | Nil |
| ▪ ASA 2: | Steve Holt | ▪ KIDS 2: | Nil |
| ▪ ACDC DF 1: | John Holland | ▪ Mannum 1: | Jason Kuhlmann – Z |
| ▪ ACDC DF 2: | Nil | ▪ Mannum 2: | Julie Metcalfe – Z |
| ▪ AP 1: | Nil | ▪ PBs 1: | Neil Parker – Z |
| ▪ AP 2: | Nil | ▪ PBs 2: | Apology |
| ▪ BSD 1: | Lyn Payne | ▪ SADA 1: | Margaret Davidson |
| ▪ BSD 2: | Sandy Beagley – Z | ▪ SADA 2: | Gaye Millar |
| ▪ BRs 1: | Julie Clinch | ▪ Subsonix 1: | Ronnie Lane |
| ▪ BRs 2: | Sandy Douglas | ▪ Subsonix 2: | Chris Young |
| ▪ BRs 3: | Steve Clinch | ▪ Waiwilita 1: | Nil |
| ▪ BWR 1: | Julie Allen – Z | ▪ Waiwilita 2: | Nil |
| ▪ BWR 2: | Nil | ▪ WWs 1: | Jacky Smith |
| ▪ CC 1: | Chris Wolf – Z | ▪ WWs 2: | Vanessa Shepperd |
| ▪ CC 2: | Jane Gersch – Z | ▪ VP 1: | Liz Hunkin |
| ▪ CDs 1: | Brigitte Chapman – Z | ▪ VP 2: | Miranda Roccisano – Z |
| ▪ CDs 2: | | ▪ VDs 1: | Bronwyn Bowen – Z |
| ▪ DAA 1: | Jo Hamlyn | ▪ VDs 2: | Apology |
| ▪ DAA 2: | Nil | ▪ SC Chair: | Pat Doogue |
| ▪ DAPL 1: | Sandy Jansen – Z | ▪ DBSA: | Chris Wood |
| ▪ DAPL 2: | Nil | | |

APOLOGIES:

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| ▪ VDs 2: | Jeanne Hateley | ▪ Subsonix 2: | Rob Bowen |
| ▪ VP 2: | Sandra Bennett | ▪ PBs 2: | Sharon Etherington |

The meeting was chaired by: Margaret Davidson (SADA) with a Welcome to Country acknowledgement given.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Agreed that the Minutes of the previous meeting held 30 November be accepted as a true and accurate record. **Action: Marie (#234)**

Clarification was sought on section 5.2 of the Minutes (last dot point) around assistance being sought to place and retrieve the 2km turn buoys with Pat Doogue providing this. Noted for upcoming Scullers Reserve race day that the full complement will be put out except for the corridor with a briefing to be provide at the Captains' & Sweeps meeting prior.

4 BUSINESS ARISING – ACTION ITEM STATUS

ACTION ITEMS – NEW				
NO	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
232	Upload Minutes of 9 November 2022 meeting.	ASAP	Marie	Done
233	Powerblades to advise ACDC if unable to have x4 female paddlers from Copper Coast participate in a composite team next race day.	ASAP	PBs	Done

ACTION ITEMS – ONGOING

230	Send information around about Corporate Challenge day in February. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Noted email advice sent out to Clubs prior to the meeting and details on the website and Facebook. 	20-Nov	Chris	Done
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5 SEASON 2022/23

5.1 Sun 11-Dec – 10s over 200m + 2000m – feedback

- Ronnie Lane read to a prepared statement as follows:

1) Race Draw:

It seems that the correct procedure, as per the DBSA Policy 027 Race Day Organisation & Draws, is not being followed. I appreciate that a number of people are new to the Race Committee but they should be aware of this policy as it provides guidance. If you have not done a race draw before please ask for assistance (this will save you having to redo the draw a number of times, which I know can be frustrating!)

2) 10's Composite crews:

I was surprised to see included in the race draw, when issued, 4 Powerblades composite 10's crews when no agreement had been made at the Race Committee meeting the week before.

Currently there is only an agreement for 20's composite crews arising from a Race Committee decision in Jun20, which was incorporated into DBSA Policy 005. This Policy states that all composite crews must be notified and discussed at the Race Committee meeting so the program can be finalised (no late entries will be accepted).

Hence the inclusion of these PB 10's composite crews falls short of the current rules in place:

- 1) Composite teams are for 20's racing only per the policy, not 10's,
- 2) No agreement had been given by the Race Committee (the last paragraph in AOB of the Minutes (30Nov22) does not constitute an agreement by the Race Committee)
- 3) These entries were not entered into RevSport by midnight on Friday.

By DBSA over ruling their own policy (2 days prior to race day) by allowing these crews to race, they have, in fact, been unfair to all the other clubs in the Association, who also may have wished to race in composite teams had they known that this would be allowed. It would therefore appear that we need to address this issue so that fair treatment is given to all clubs in future.

If a club(s) wish to race in composite 10's crews, then the correct procedure would be to bring their proposal to the Race Committee for discussion from which an agreement could be made.

This was discussed and agreed DBSA Board to review policy. **Action: Board (#235)**

Noted John Holland offered to provide a group training session to teach people how to do the race draw and stated that the inclusion of Juniors and the number of entries made producing the race draw not so straightforward at times.

- Ronnie Lane offered to assist SADA with the race draw.
- Lyn Payne expressed disappointment that when the race day was cancelled that this meant x2 Premiers races were cancelled and some B-Grade races continued along with the 2000m.

Julie Clinch advised that the Competition Committee had decided to withdraw the last group of races due to the inclement weather and in hindsight should have left the Premiers races continue as a priority.

- Question was asked as to why there were x4 boats on the water for the last 2000m race when there were only x3 listed on the race draw and how it was allowed to be included.

Noted as the earlier 2000m race was cancelled, that Powerblades decided to enter their Premier – Women 10s in the last race.

Agreed going forward of need to advise the Starter.

5.1.1 Task List – any changes?

Nil.

5.2 Sun 15-Jan – 10s over 500m + 2000m – planning

- Noted the Umpire's Boat was not available for towing the boats to the course because Pat Doogue would be using it at the same time on the other end of the course setting up the buoys, PA system and pontoon fingers.

Discussion was held on how best to address this.

Agreed to contact Rowing SA to borrow one of their boats and that Neil Parker would tow the boats in a conga line. John Holland advised he had sent a message to Brett Ralph to contact him to arrange this and would liaise with Neil on the outcome.

Action: John / Neil (#236)

Agreed metropolitan Clubs to each provide x3 volunteers (including a Sweep) to be ready to tow the boats and equipment by no later than 7am. **Action: Clubs (#237)**

- Pat Doogue highlighted importance of having enough volunteers trained on how to set up the course and noted over the last few events at Scullers there were few people left at the end of the race day to return the boats and equipment. He has to also return the Umpire's boat and wash it afterwards. At the race day, he had taken the time set the course up the day before but the event was cancelled.

He noted there is a new PA system which will also take time for him to set up and he would be testing it this weekend and that Rick French would assist with checking the Finish Line.

He also advised that he always collects the Umpire's boat the day before to check it is seaworthy. He hoped that to assist him with accessing the boat that the trailer closest to it is moved next to the caravan once that was moved to allow room.

Noted this was Subsonix's trailer and they would arrange this.

Action: Subsonix (#238)

- Pat Doogue advised Chris Young would be taking a more active role in setting up the boats for towing – using the rope that allows up to 12 boats and he would appreciate other volunteers willing to assist on an ongoing basis.
- Agreed to assign x2 volunteers to assist with the Umpire's Boat at the beginning and end of each race day. They would be required at 7:15am at the boat ramp at Scullers where the boat will be launched to set the course. He was keen to have two volunteers who would do this role continually.
- Agreed Clubs to each be assigned with specific equipment to take to/from the venue on the day. **Action: Jacky (#239)**
- Question asked if course could be set up on the Saturday with comment made that some of the buoys may be stolen overnight. Pat Doogue said if setting up on the Saturday that volunteers would be needed at the other car park where the boats are put into the water to learn how to set up the course. No decision made.
- Agreed to include on Task List reminder to Peter Button to collect the FinishLynx system from the office at The Sailing Club when collecting the caravan.
- Agreed Task List and Club Rotational List to be updated accordingly to reflect agreed changes. **Action: Jacky, Sandy D & SADA (#240)**

- Question was asked when Clubs could start to return the boats at the end of the day as it was noted that the presentations take a long time.

Agreed that the boats are not to be returned until the last race is finished.

- Agreed that whichever Club is assigned to look after the Starter's tent that they need to be there until the end of the last race to then pack it down.
- Discussion was then held on the teams entered:
 - B-Grade – agreed for this race day only that if the draw was running late that they would be flexible and only have x3 races instead of x4.
 - B-Grade Mixed – Copper Coast advised they would prefer to still race this category however if it could not be scheduled in amongst another race that they would not race it. He said however their men would only be travelling to participate in x3 races if shortened.
Agreed Copper Coast to consult with their B-Grade Mixed team if they would be happy to race a 500m race instead of a 200m race for this race day only as this would assist with the scheduling. **Action: Copper Coast (#241)**
 - Senior A – Mixed 10s. Noted x7 teams entered and that would normally be a heat and a final. A vote was taken by those Clubs participating in the race if it could be a straight final for this race day only.

Agreed for this race day only that this category would be a straight final.

- Agreed given number of races to be scheduled to run remainder of races as a straight final.
- Agreed ASA and Mannum can enter a combined team.
- Noted B-Grade teams and Juniors would need to share a boat with a sports crew and they would organise this themselves.

5.2.1 Sweeping up requests

Approved:

- Ronnie Lane (Subsonix) Senior B to Senior C – Mixed and Open

5.2.2 Tent allocation – mud map

- Agreed map would be updated with SADA to have position #1, ACDC to take #5 (vacant) and DAA and Copper Coast to be included.
Action: Chris Wood (#242)
- Agreed boat allocation would follow the tent allocation and mud map would reflect this.

5.2.3 Annual memorial ceremony

- Noted four Clubs have responded with names for this ceremony.
- Consensus was that the location of Scullers Reserve for this event was not ideal.
- Agreed to schedule this instead on the Sunday of the State Championships when Clubs would be present. **Action: MA Holt (#243)**

5.2.4 Regional Training Day

- Noted event has been promoted on the DBSA website and Facebook. Interested Clubs or participants can contact Bronwyn Bowen or Julie Lister.
- Noted a Sweeps & Drummers course had been scheduled on that day and this would now be rescheduled after EOIs are first sought.

6 DBSA

6.1 Race fees – late payments 10% admin fee

Reminder given to Clubs to pay any outstanding race fees prior to race days or a 10% late fee charge may be applied.

Outstanding fees noted as follows:

- ASA: \$121
- BSD: \$275
- SADA: \$220
- DAA: \$ 44

7 AusDBF

Nil update.

8 SAFETY

- Noted sand been replenished at Aquatic Reserve boat ramp.

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Julie Clinch read to a prepared statement seeking clarification on the reporting to be provided to the RC and Board after each race day with respect to the Chief Officials' reports and highlighted some of the incidents from the previous race day.

She noted that the current template that the RC had requested was not detailed enough to provide important information back to the RC for their information after each race day.

Jacky Wright advised that any sweep related issues would be followed up either on the day with penalties issued accordingly or by the SC as needed afterwards so no need to be recorded in detail to the RC.

Agreed that the template would continue to be presented to the RC with a brief factual synopsis attached (ie penalties imposed) and the full report to the Board.

- Noted that a Sweep oar was broken during the last race day which was not reported.

The question was asked if there were sufficient Sweep oars as a result given this and the fact that another oar has a major crack which she felt could be saved if reinforced. There was no answer given to this question.

Reminder given that broken or damaged equipment needs to be reported back through a Club's Maintenance delegate or direct to the DBSA Maintenance Chair (Norman Voss).

- Question was asked about access to power at Scullers Reserve at the 500m mark.

Agreed to visit the course and check the distance from the Council's power box to see if can be accessed. **Action: Chris W (#244)**

Agreed should the power box not be accessible that the generator would need to be used instead. Water Warriors would be tasked with checking on the generator as a backup and to ensure is fuelled if needed. **Action: WWs (#245)**

- Jacky Wright advised had done a quick tally and noted the equipment to be taken to / from the course would be: mats, heads, tails, drums, boat numbers and star droppers.

Agreed when SADA allocate the Umpire's Tent and Starter's Tent that this is to be advised to Jacky Wright to be added to her separate equipment task list. **Action: SADA (#246)**

10 NEXT MEETINGS 2022

- Race day #6 – Sun 05-Feb- meeting Tue 24-Jan (Subsonix)
- Race day #7 – Sun 19-Feb – meeting Thu 9-Feb (ASA)
- Race day #8 – Sun 05-Mar – meeting Wed 22-Feb (WWs)
- State Champs – Sat 25&Sun 26 Mar – meeting Tue 14-Mar (DBSA)

11 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9:55pm.

ACTION ITEMS – NEW				
NO	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
234	Upload Minutes of 30 November 2022 meeting.	ASAP	Marie	Done
235	Board to review Policy #005.	ASAP	Board	
236	Liaise with Neil on response from Rowing SA (Brett Ralph) as to status of borrowing a boat early on race day for Neil to tow boats to course.	6-Jan	John & Neil	
237	Metro Clubs to provide x3 volunteers (x1 Sweep) to tow boats and load equipment by 7am on race day.	Task List	SADA	
238	Subsonix trailer to be relocated nearer to the caravan once that has been moved slightly to allow room.	B4 next race day	Subs	
239	Assign Clubs the equipment to be taken to/from the venue on upcoming race day.	B4 next race day	Jacky	Done
240	Update Task List and Club Rotational List to include agreed new actions.	Task List	SADA	
241	Advise if willing for Copper Coast B-Grade Mixed team to race 500m instead of 200m next race day.	9-Jan	Chris Wolf	Done
242	Update tent allocation map and allocate SADA #1, ACDC #5 and include DAA and Copper Coast. Note boat number allocations being the same.	B4 next race day	Chris Wood	
243	Schedule Annual Memorial ceremony for the Sunday of State Champs.	B4 States	MA Holt	
244	Advise on access to Council's powerbox near 500m mark to see actually how far it is away and if can be readily accessed. Advise SADA & WWs of outcome.	6-Jan	Chris Wood	
245	If powerbox is not accessible, check generator is ready (fuelled) for use instead and allocate this task.	B4 next race day	Jacky	Done
246	Advise Jacky of who has been allocated Umpire's Tent and Starter's Tent tasks so she can add to her list of equipment to be taken to/from course.	B4 next race day	SADA	