



DRAGONBOAT SA RC MINUTES

8pm Tuesday 24 January 2023
The Sailing Club / via Zoom

1 MEETING OPEN – 8pm

2 PRESENT:

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| ▪ ASA 1: | Nil | ▪ KIDS 1: | Nil |
| ▪ ASA 2: | Nil | ▪ 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: | Sharon Etherington |
| ▪ BSD 1: | Lyn Payne – Z | ▪ SADA 1: | Margaret Davidson |
| ▪ BSD 2: | Sandy Beagley – Z | ▪ SADA 2: | Gaye Millar |
| ▪ BRs 1: | Apology | ▪ Subsonix 1: | Ronnie Lane |
| ▪ BRs 2: | Sandy Douglas - Z | ▪ Subsonix 2: | Rob Bowen |
| ▪ BWR 1: | Nil | ▪ Waiwilta 1: | Nil |
| ▪ BWR 2: | Nil | ▪ Waiwilta 2: | Nil |
| ▪ CC 1: | Chris Wolf – Z | ▪ WWs 1: | Nil |
| ▪ CC 2: | Nil | ▪ WWs 2: | Nil |
| ▪ CDs 1: | Brigitte Chapman – Z | ▪ VP 1: | Sandra Bennett – Z |
| ▪ CDs 2: | Nil | ▪ VP 2: | Miranda Roccisano – Z |
| ▪ DAA 1: | Jo Hamlyn | ▪ VDs 1: | Bronwyn Bowen |
| ▪ DAA 2: | Nil | ▪ VDs 2: | Jeneanne Hateley - Z |
| ▪ DAPL 1: | Apology | ▪ SC Chair: | Pat Doogue – Z |
| ▪ DAPL 2: | Nil | ▪ DBSA: | Chris Wood |

APOLOGIES:

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| ▪ DAPL 1: | Sandy Jansen | ▪ BRs 1: | Julie Clinch |
| ▪ CC 2: | Jane Gersch | | |

The meeting was chaired by: Ronnie Lane (Subsonix) with a Welcome to Country acknowledgement given.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Agreed that the Minutes of the previous meeting held 5 January be accepted as a true and accurate record.

4 BUSINESS ARISING – ACTION ITEM STATUS

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	Done
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	Done
237	Metro Clubs to provide x3 volunteers (x1 Sweep) to tow boats and load equipment by 7am on race day.	Task List	SADA	Done
238	Subsonix trailer to be relocated nearer to the caravan once that has been moved slightly to allow room.	B4 next race day	Subs	Done

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	Done
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	Done
243	Schedule Annual Memorial ceremony for the Sunday of State Champs.	B4 States	MA Holt	Done
244	Advise on access to Council's power box 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	Done
245	If power box 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	Done

5 SEASON 2022/23

5.1 #5 Sun 15-Jan – 10s over 500m + 2000m – feedback

- Lyn Payne – said need a valid reason to go back to Scullers and did not believe that training on the pontoon was a valid one as she felt most of the sweeps' needing the training started on the 200m line.
- Lyn Payne – extended thanks to Jacky Smith for producing the spreadsheet for the movement of boats and equipment to the course. Noted there needs to be better communication from RC delegates back to their Clubs as it was not followed fully. Clubs were supposed to have their own boat on the day however numbers were taken off by other Clubs and the boat used.
- Lyn Payne – said as the last boat to return they took another Club's mat and bailers back and thought that each Club was to be responsible for their own boat and equipment for the day.
- Lyn Payne – issue with the length of time of the day. Need to look at ways around this and suggested running B-Grade categories sometimes with only one boat in the category was a cause. Suggested they be consolidated next season to all come on the same day and make it worthwhile.
- Ronnie Lane – concurred that the venue was not popular and tended to lengthen the day. Agreed about the pontoon starts and said that Sweeps should be doing this during their training time not just on race days.
- Chris Wood – noted that if the same race day was held at Aquatic Reserve that it would have been cancelled due to the wind. ACDC is happy to race 200m at the venue instead of 500m as it provides B-Grade with the opportunity. Agreed there was not a lot of coordination on the day.
- Discussion held on the confusion with the boat numbers was that they were supposed to be in line with the tent numbering/location and some felt that some Clubs may have used the number inside of the boat instead.
- Question asked as to why boats were being shared instead of numbering the boats into the lanes they are racing and for Clubs to just take that numbered boat. Noted some Clubs prefer to have their own boat.
- Bronwyn Bowen – asked why the numbering is not being used for the boat lanes and agreed there needed to be a revisit of B-Grade 200m racing at this venue.
- Chris Wolf – said the race day would be even longer if boats were to be allocated to metro teams with B-Grade boats using a set boat and having to wait for the sports crews to return. There have been some events with 3-4 boats sitting on the shore, teams racing in the next event but not getting into the boats.
- Chris Wolf – suggested instead of allocating B-Grade teams a set boat and there are spare boats not being used that they could utilise that and start moving down the transit line in preparation.
- John Holland – noted he mentioned this to the race officials who appeared not to be interested in considering that.
- Noted this may not be an issue as will soon have 11 boats available.

- Bronwyn Bowen – asked if there was really a need for 12 x B-Grade races in the program and suggested that they could be asked to only enter x2 categories.
- This was discussed and agreed that it would not suit all Clubs as they did not necessarily race in each category.
- Brigitte Chapman – noted they travel a long way and the current policy states they can enter all three categories and were encouraged to do so last season. She noted that she felt that B-Grade was now considered an issue with respect to the timing of the day.
- One suggestion put was for B-Grade not to compete on 500m race days in future however this would mean that they would only race half of the race days scheduled.
- If a 200m race day was cancelled then this would result in only three races for these Clubs which was not ideal.
- As there was no consensus reached it was agreed that the regional Clubs and B-Grade teams should come up with a solution for the race program for next season both at Scullers and overall. **Action: Brigitte (#247)**
- Margaret Davidson – agreed with earlier comments about reason to use Scullers for training for Sweeps was not valid.
- Agreed to suggest for next season planning that there only be one 200m race scheduled for Scullers. **Action: Marie (#248)**
- Chris Wolf – asked if issue of boats in next race day using transit lane could be revisited by Chief Officials.

5.1.1 Task List – any changes?

Nil.

5.1.2 Chief Official's Report – 5Jan

Noted.

5.1.3 Chief Official's Report – 11-Dec

Noted.

5.2 Sun 5-Feb – 20s over 200m + 2000m – planning

- Noted x4 corporate teams only – ACDC (x3), Subsonix (x1).
- Noted SADA, Adelaide Phoenix, Subsonix and WWs could not submit a crew.
- Noted categories will be B-Grade, Juniors, Premiers and corporates.
- Agreed for this race day only, in order to support seniors racing, as there were only x2 Senior A – Mixed crews (PBs & BSD) entered, that approval was given for this category to race.
- Senior A – Mixed races would be combined with B-Grade and Corporate where possible.
- Names of ACDC corporate teams to be provided to Ronnie Lane for the race draw. **Action: Chris (#249)**
- Noted race venue is Aquatic Reserve.
- Discussion held on boat allocation as to whether Clubs can have their own boats or just use the lane numbers.
Agreed BSD will have their own boat, ACDC will have x2 boats (Juniors & B-Grade) and other Clubs will use boats in accordance with the race draw lane allocations.

5.2.1 Sweeping up requests

Approval given to DAA to borrow a Sweep.

Coorong Dragons have a Level 2 Sweep seeking more practice as they were not racing and Clubs were asked to consider this and contact Brigitte if they were able to assist. **Action: Clubs (#250)**

6 DBSA

6.1 First Aid Course – Sun 12 March

Noted only four individuals registered at this stage and a minimum of 10 was required for the course to proceed.

6.2 Policy #005 Conditions of entry to races

The revised draft Policy was circulated prior to the meeting.

Suggestions to the Board:

1. B-Grade paddlers to be included as well as regional paddlers for topping up crews.
2. Need to incorporate exemption from rule 6.1.1 for B-Grade paddlers topping up A-Grade crews on more than two race days.

Action: Board (#251)

6.3 Level 1 Coaching Course – 18&19 March or 13&14 May

Noted these course dates would be set up in RevSport and a link sent out to Clubs for individuals to go online and register for this course. The most popular weekend only would be scheduled.

Cut-off date so a decision could be made with respect to the March dates would be middle of February.

6.4 Boatshed Busy Bee – Sat 28-Jan

Reminder given that volunteers would be needed and most likely on both days.

7 AusDBF

Noted that x2 SA paddlers have been selected for the Auroras' Premiers team and they would be notified this evening.

8 SAFETY

Nil issues or incidents raised.

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Bronwyn Bowen – advised there was an apparent issue with receiving approval from DBSA for their use of the DBSA AusDBF logo on their new singlet tops and in the end, they did not use it.
Noted at the time of the request that DBSA does not have a vector/eps file version of the logo as requested – only a .jpg image.
- Margaret Davidson – advised after training that the lock on the compound no longer worked and it appeared that the number had been changed. They swapped over the chain lock from the toilets to the compound as they felt this was more important to secure.
- Gaye Millar – asked if Clubs had been consulted for input on the planned annual memorial event as to whether they supported it as she had received feedback from some paddlers who felt that it was a macabre idea.
In response it was noted that it was a Board initiative and if Clubs were not in favour of it that they could submit an Issues paper to the Board to revisit.
- Chris Wood – noted whichever Club used the boats last at River Torrens that they left all x4 Sweep oars in the bottom boat making them difficult to access. Agreed they are to be left in each boat or elsewhere where accessible.
- John Holland – suggested that a stock take be done at each venue so a list of equipment available could be accessed to avoid having to take equipment there just in case.
Chris Wood offered to do a stock take on the Torrens. **Action: Chris (#253)**
Board to be asked to consider stock take at remaining venues. **Action: Board (#253)**
- Regional Training Day – CDs, CC, VDs, VP and Mannum expressed appreciation for this inaugural support noting that it was a fantastic event and in particular acknowledged the volunteers.
- Chris Wood – noted that more volunteers were sought to progress through to becoming officials and if Clubs had anyone interested for them to contact the Board.
- Neil Parker – extended appreciation to Pat Doogue, John Holland and Todd Amos for assisting last race day whilst he was in hospital.
- Noted in future that there will only be x3 boats at the Torrens as one boat would be relocated to Aquatic Reserve.

10 NEXT MEETINGS 2022

- 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 9:04pm.

ACTION ITEMS – NEW

NO	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
247	Coordinate input from Regional Clubs and B-Grade teams as to their thoughts on how this category should be raced next season and at Scullers.	ASAP	Brigitte	
248	Next season RC planning meeting: suggestion of there being only 1x200m race scheduled at Scullers.	ASAP	Marie	
249	Provide corporate team names to Ronnie.	27-Jan	Chris Wood	
250	Clubs to consider if they can support L2 Sweep from CDs to Sweep for them next race day and to let Brigitte Chapman know.	Next race day	Clubs	
251	Amendments for Policy #005 to be taken to the Board: 1. B-Grade paddlers to be included as well as regional paddlers for topping up crews. 2. Need to incorporate exemption for sports crew paddlers topping up crews on more than two occasions from the ruling that they would automatically be upgraded to a sports paddler.	ASAP	Board	
252	Undertake stock take at the Torrens boatshed.	ASAP	Chris Wood	
253	Board to consider stock take at remaining locations.	Board mtg	Board	