

DRAGONBOAT SA RC MINUTES



8pm Tuesday 20 February 2024
At Aquatic Meeting Room / Zoom

1 MEETING OPEN – 8pm

2 PRESENT:

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| ▪ ASA 1: | Sigrid Thompson | ▪ KIDS 1: | Nil |
| ▪ ASA 2: | Mary-Ann Holt – Z | ▪ KIDS 2: | Nil |
| ▪ ACDC 1: | Chris Wood | ▪ Mannum 1: | Jason Kuhlmann – Z |
| ▪ ACDC 2: | John Holland | ▪ Mannum 2: | Julie Metcalfe – Z |
| ▪ AP 1: | Kearney Sieberhagen – Z | ▪ PBs 1: | Neil Parker – Z |
| ▪ AP 2: | Jeremy Smith – Z | ▪ PBs 2: | Sharon Etherington |
| ▪ BSD 1: | Lyn Payne | ▪ PDs 1: | Robyn McKenzie – Z |
| ▪ BSD 2: | Sandy Beagley – Z | ▪ PDs 2: | Sadie Goodard-Wrighton – Z |
| ▪ BRs 1: | Nil | ▪ SADA 1: | Margaret Davidson |
| ▪ BRs 2: | Nil | ▪ SADA 2: | Heather Wingard |
| ▪ BWR 1: | Nil | ▪ Subsonix 1: | Ronnie Lane – Z |
| ▪ BWR 2: | Nil | ▪ Subsonix 2: | Apology |
| ▪ CC 1: | Marcia Dunne – Z | ▪ Waiwilta 1: | Nil |
| ▪ CC 2: | Yvonne Watkinson – Z | ▪ Waiwilta 2: | Nil |
| ▪ CDs 1: | Apology | ▪ WWs 1: | Veronica Maidment – Z |
| ▪ CDs 2: | Apology | ▪ WWs 2: | Sam Slabbert – Z |
| ▪ DAA 1: | Jo Hamlyn | ▪ VPs 1: | Nil |
| ▪ DAA 2: | Nil | ▪ VP 2: | Nil |
| ▪ DAPL 1: | Sandra Jansen – Z | ▪ VDs 1: | Rob Bowen – Z |
| ▪ DAPL 2: | Nil | ▪ VDs 3: | Bron Bowen – Z |
| ▪ DBSA SC: | Pat Doogue – Z | | |

APOLOGIES:

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| ▪ CDs 1: | Brigitte Chapman | ▪ Waiwilta 1: | Jill Furnage |
| ▪ CDs 2: | Roylene Nixon | ▪ Waiwilta 2: | Kay Cameron |
| ▪ Chief Official: | Julie Clinch | ▪ VDs 2: | Maxine Timbs |
| ▪ Subsonix 2: | Mario Ferrari | ▪ ASA 1: | Steve Holt |

The meeting was chaired by: Margaret Davison (SADA) with an Acknowledgement of Country given.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Agreed that the Minutes of the previous meeting held 24 January 2024 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

4 BUSINESS ARISING – ACTION ITEM STATUS

ACTION ITEMS – NEW				
NO.	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
339	Submit feedback to Marie on the Local rule re Sport B Club for Board consideration at their next meeting.	5-Feb	Clubs	Done
340	Contact Council to replenish sand at boat ramp.	ASAP	Marie	Done
341	Mount de-fib unit to a permanent position.	ASAP	Board	Done

5 SEASON 2023/24

5.1 Sun 11/02/24 – Race day #5 – feedback

Of note:

- Ronnie Lane – advised corporate team enjoyed the race day, corporate presentations took too long and could not see need to wait for President’s availability when any Board member could have handed out the medals.
- Ronnie Lane – noted their corporate team would have preferred to have the same medals as the sports teams and have the category that they raced on them. Noted some were previous state championship medals which was disappointing.
- General consensus was the same re the medals.
- Chris Wood – thought ruling that boats could not be loaded without the Sweep was an unnecessary directive imposed on the day which caused delays in getting boats out to the start line and noted if Sweeps were rushing to get into a boat, followed by the crew having to load hurriedly, so not to holdup races, someone may injure themselves. The two strokes could hold the boat while the crew loaded waiting on the availability of the Sweep.
- Chris Wood – noted another Club borrowed two of their Sweeps without seeking permission first.
- Chris Wood – noted their Club was sick of being targeted for alleged wrongdoings.
- Chris Wood – starts – no major issue and all Clubs had radio issues including the Starter. Noted was not an easy role and they should be given credit for being there all day. Encouraged everyone to be more positive.
- The above ruling was revisited as it was only a guide, it was not considered logical to hold crews back on the shore. The overwhelming consensus of attendees was that the following local ruling will apply:
 - Boats can be loaded safely without the Sweep and once present, they can head off to the start line.
- Lyn Payne – noted would have been good for medals to have the categories on them.
- Lyn Payne – noted corporate team and breast cancer team received the state medals.
- Lyn Payne – suggested a list of the guidelines for the Chief Marshall should be produced so everyone new what that role entailed.
- Lyn Payne – the whiteboard used was a good idea, were not informed in the wrong boat.
- Lyn Payne – no issues with the starters.
- Veronica Maidment – noted some issues with the Starter.
- SADA – agreed with earlier comments re medals.
- SADA – noted disappointment that criticism had been directed at them for not packing up enough boats with the comment made to be mindful of wrong criticism.
- SADA – lion dancers were fantastic.
- WWs – asked if the drummers’ toggles could be looked at as they were of different lengths. Response was that need to be mindful of pulling them tight as it impacts the other drummers along the line.
- Suggestion put forward by Chris Wood that crews get used to holding the actual Sweep’s buoy in the middle of the boat which provides a pivot point and allows easier handling for the Sweep.
- Neil Parker advised that if the wind is from the southwest then the buoy needs to be on the the port side otherwise it will not have much effect.
- Agreed that Clubs should look to trial this going forward.
- Phoenix – good race day particularly at the start however there was a delay for the 2000m race.
- Pheonix – partially agreed with some of the feedback re the waiting for back-to-back races even thought it did not affect the timing early on, there was some disgruntlement from some of their members however the day proceeded well.
- Pheonix – great to have the corporate teams participate and the food truck was well received.

5.1.1 Chief Official’s report

- Tabled as read.

5.1.2 Volunteers & Officials report

- Tabled as read.

5.1.3 Chief Marshall’s – Report

- Tabled as read.

5.1.4 Other

- Reminder given if there is any damage to equipment that it is to be reported in Safe365 and should be raised with the Chief Official or race secretariat if on a race day.

5.1.5 Any Task List changes

- Agreed that there would be no drummers’ toggles placed out on the 200m line for upcoming race day.

5.2 Sun 03/03/24 – Race Day #6 – 10s&20s over 500m +2000m

5.3.1 Planning

- Noted will be around 22 races excluding the 2000m races.
- 2000m – noted there are not 10s categories this race day and they are not always held each race day.
- Noted regular coffee van (Mobile Bean) will not be present so unless the replacement coffee van has food there is no guarantee it will be provided. Clubs to bring their own lunches.
- Lunch will be provided to full day officials and volunteers.
- ASA advised seeking a Sweep for their Womens crews and PBs and ACDC offered to assist.

5.3.2 Composite crews

- CDs and ASA – non-qualifying for 2000m – B-Grade in Premier Open.
- Mannum and Mildura – will be non-qualifying all day.
- ASA B-Grade Open – may be a composite and will inform SADA.
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5.3.4 Sweeping up requests

- BSD – Robert Voss: Premiers to Senior A – approved.
- ACDC – Cassidy Burns: Premiers to Senior A – approved.

5.3.5 Chief Official

- Julie Clinch

5.3 DBSA Regional training day – Sun 25/2/24 – update

- Noted there have been around 22 registrations received, entries are closed however late entries may still be included.
- BBQ – to be held at the conclusion.
- Tents – will be advised if needed.
- Radios – will be provided with hopefully a session on their use scheduled.
- Noted there is an entry in RevSport for this training day with some Clubs have entering crews which seems to be a moot point.
- Details of participants and event will be circulated to participating Clubs. **Action: Chris #342**

6 DBSA

6.1 First aid course – update

- Noted scheduled for Saturday 4 May 2024 with nine participants registered, will most likely proceed.

6.2 Local rule re Sport B Club – review

- Noted there had been a lot of feedback provided to the Board from Clubs on this ruling.
- John Holland advised that the Board had noted there was a lot to digest so late in the season so the original rule will apply for the rest of the season including the State Championships.
- This was discussed and overwhelmingly supported with a reminder of the rule given as follows:
 - If there is a Sweep in the boat as a paddler and a Club does not have another Sweep, then that Sweep has to sweep the boat and the crew will be unqualified.
 - However if that Sweep is required to make up the minimum number of paddlers (x8), they can borrow a Sweep and the crew will be unqualified.

7 SAFETY

- Reminder given to Clubs to report any incidents and equipment damage in Safe365 otherwise they may be liable for any repair costs.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Yvonne Watkinson – noted the task list for Wallaroo has them putting out the start and finish lines however they want it reallocated as they do not have a boat or the manpower currently.
 - Agreed to change the task list to contact Copper Coast at the time to check out their situation each event as it may have changed. **Action: Marie #343**
- SADA – noted that the instructions for setting out the finish line on a race day were light on so have taken to update them and will provide copy for the website and a laminated copy for the boatshed. **Action: SADA #344**

- Neil Parker – said would be a need to be mindful when setting the race program next season as BSD, PBs and ACDC would be travelling to the WCCC and may not be available until October. Suggested that the RC planning meeting could be held earlier.
- DAA – reminded Clubs to be mindful of returning the trolley to shore or taking back up if there were not other boats on the water.
- PDs – asked if the upcoming training day would be the same as that held at Mannum as she was unable to attend and would it include any paddling technique.
 - Pat Doogue responded that it would be “better” and would aim to provide this training most likely by Julie Lister who would be facilitating the day.
- VDs – asked if they would be able to enter all B-Grade categories for State Championships as earlier in the season, a decision had been made to limit the racing and so they could only enter 2 of the 3 categories on a race day.
 - Response given if they raced at least once in any of the three categories then they could enter these teams in the State Championships.
- MA Holt – noted importance of listening to the parking monitors if giving directions to move vehicles when asked as some had refused to remove them.

9 NEXT MEETINGS 2023/24

Wed 13-Mar	States	DBSA
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10 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9:02pm.

ACTION ITEMS – NEW				
NO	NEW	DUE	WHO	STATUS
342	Circulate participant list and details re Sunday's training day to participating Clubs.	22-Feb	Chris	
343	Change Wallaroo Task List to consult CC to see if they can assist with the putting out of the finish / start lines if they have enough to assist and access to a boat.	B4 next Wallaroo event	Marie	
344	Update instructions for setting out the Start line and send to Marie for uploading to website and laminate a copy.	ASAP	SADA	