

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 21, 2019 AT THE CLUBHOUSE, POINT PIPER AT 8 PM

PRESENT: Gregory Mason (Commodore) Adrian Broadbent (Vice Commodore) Caroline Crane (Rear Commodore) Max Sheaffe (Honorary Treasurer) Susan Barker (Secretary) and 73 Members

1. WELCOME & OPENING OF MEETING BY COMMODORE

2. APOLOGIES RECEIVED

D Barker, S Barker, R Bassetti, R Chadwick, A Christian, R Christian, T Christian, M Forsyth, D Freeman, L Furber, J Furber, J Gruzman, D Hems, G Hetherington, L Hughes, A Kirkjian, Eddie Lewis, E Mallett, R Marten, P Martin, J Reynolds, P Reynolds, N Rydge, C Talty, D Talty, D Thomas, C Vindin, M Warre, A Watson.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

(a) Moved by Ian Mackinnon, seconded by J Glenn Crane that the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 22 October 2018 be accepted. Motion Carried.

(b) Moved by Anton Gruzman, seconded by Cheryl Yarrow that the Minutes of the General Meeting of 21 May 2019 be accepted. Motion Carried.

4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

- The Hon Treasurer provided financial details and responded to questions from various members.
- *Moved by J Glenn Crane, seconded by Andrew Strange that the Financial Report of the Club for the Year ended 30 June 2018 and the Reports of the Directors and Auditor be adopted. Motion Carried.*

5. ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- The Commodore paid tribute to the outgoing Board of Directors, and to Andrew Strange & Terry Matthews for committing to remain on the Board for the length of his term. He also thanked the Secretary and Barbara Maunsell for their assistance and support during this time.

- The following were duly elected unopposed:

Commodore	Adrian Broadbent
Vice Commodore	Caroline Crane
Rear Commodore	Anthony Booth
Honorary Treasurer	Max Sheaffe

- The following Directors were duly elected unopposed:

Joshua Kirton
Brendan Lyons
Michael Paull
Gemma Wawn

- As there was one vacancy to fill on the Board, nominations were called from the floor.

- ***Moved by Anthony Booth, seconded by Evan Lewis that Mark Paul Steglick be elected as a Director. As there were no further nominations, the motion was carried.***

Following his election, the Commodore thanked Chris Gosselin for his contribution to the renovation & remediation plans during his time as director; he also thanked the Club's volunteers and the newly elected Directors who had volunteered to serve on the Board.

He spoke regarding:

- Reducing the aging demographics in the Club
- The need for the Club to be financially sustainable
- Continuing to provide services to provide improved facilities
- Improving the overall environmental footprint of the Club
- Obtaining assistance in the management of the Club, particularly increasing the number of race volunteers
- Operating hours and noise restrictions within the DA in regard to the renovation & remediation
- Acoustic engineers have been appointed to monitor noise levels over the next 3 months
- If the Board chose not to enact the DA, it would consider what other steps it can implement to achieve the aim of the current plans, and that the remediation needed to be carried out next winter.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

- In reply to Liz De Morgan's question of why the Club now closed on all public holidays and under whose authority was this decision made, given that the Member Handbook states that the Club is open on public holidays from 11am to 8pm. The Vice Commodore replied that, as members did not use the Club on public holidays, Tracy Haddow (TWG) had advised that staffing costs did not justify keeping the kitchen open. Brendan Lyons said that the bar was open on public holidays, but the kitchen was closed. The Board will try to advise members ahead of time if the kitchen was closed.
- Chris Gosselin asked that the Board speak to Woollahra Council to ascertain the intention of Council to apply the noise restrictions under the DA. Mr Lyons replied that two engineers had attended the site and given two exact opinions.
- Richard Hill asked if the Board had considered going to the Land & Environment Court? Commodore said it was not the preferred option.
- Peter Muller spoke to the benefits of sailing and suggested members purchase Ynglings, which were not expensive to maintain.
- John Ryrie said he would contact Scots College to try to generate interest in youth sailing at the Club. He stated that a Ryrie has been a member of the Club for the past 97 years; Bruce Ryrie was a founding Committee member, Colin Ryrie was Commodore and Caroline Crane (nee Ryrie) is now on the Board.
- Trevor Johnson said that holding a small boats day would bring junior members to the Club.
- In reply to Cheryl Yarrow's question of whether Woollahra Council had given the Club an alternative following the Local Planning Panel rejection of the DA for the wharf, the Rear Commodore replied that, as WMC had approved the DA, the LPP will provide reasons; however, the Minutes of the LPP have not yet been published. The Commodore said that the Board will address those issues. She also asked if the wharf does not comply with Australian Standards and is unsafe; and, if the Council has rejected our plan, are they now legally responsible for any accident that occurs?

- Andrew Goldfinch commented the average size of a boat is now 30-40 ft and the extension to the wharf would attract boats of that size to the Club and recommended that the Board pursue the wharf extension.
- Glenn Crane said that, if the boats moored nearest to the wharf were removed, he would be able to bring his yacht up to the wharf.
- Stephen Wawn said that, if the length of the extension was reduced, the purpose of the wharf would be redundant.
- Jeff Muscat asked if Board members were all committed to the wharf going ahead? Commodore replied that he hoped that the new Board would support the wharf DA. However, the Board has not yet met since the LPP handed down its decision.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.30pm

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