



MINUTES

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

6.30pm Tuesday 22 January 2019



- ATTENDANCE** – Bill MacLeod (Commodore), Darren Chatfield, Peter Wilkinson, Paul Hodgson, Walter Reeves, Justin Congdon, Mike Della Posta, Dave Andrews, Richard Boykett, Bill Harding, Alex Salvaris and General Manager.

Meeting Opened at 6.30 in the Bayview Room

- APOLOGIES** – Peter Stanley, David Bovell and Rob Boykett

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

4. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolution	That the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 December 2018 be accepted.	
e	Moved: Paul Hodgson	Seconded: Bill MacLeod
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5. ACTION STATEMENT

9.10 YAWA fees – Richie Boykett had sent a letter to Andy Feathers with a request to attend and address the next General Committee Meeting but had received no response.

11.3 Galvanic Isolators – testing of boats for compliance and installation of isolator has been discussed with Member James Cramer

Action: Darren Chatfield and Justin Congdon to discuss with James Cramer.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 Inwards – read and accepted.

5.2 Outwards – read and accepted.

7. MEMBERSHIP

7.1 Membership Report January 2019

NEW MEMBERS JANUARY 2019

Senior Members

Paul Pernechele

Jeff Brown

Associate Socials

Sanja Brankov

Social

Grant Keady

Just Friends

Marc Synnot

CCGS Old Boys

Peter Reading

Social

Jeff Matthews

Social

Penny Brown

Associate Family

Transfers

Phil Judge

Senior to Social

Resigned

Geoff Donegan

NWFC

James Weston

Senior

Bruno Charpentier

Social

Resolution	To accept Membership report for January 2019.
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	Moved: Bill MacLeod	Seconded: Bill Harding
	Motion Carried	

7.2 Kate Hadwen, change of membership: It was advised that Kate Hadwen joined in October 2017. She had paid all fees including allocation and rental for a Cat 7 pen. No boat was ever placed in the pen. An email was sent by Kate requesting a refund on part pen fees. It was advised that Kate had not formally resigned. Kate was advised she become a Country Member to retain the value of her allocation fee. The General Committee agreed that there was no scope to refund any fees to Kate, however, it was determined that she could be offered complimentary Country membership to enable her to retain the notional value of her allocations fee.

Resolution	To offer 2 years country membership at no charge	
	Moved: Bill MacLeod	Seconded: Bill Harding
	Motion Carried	

8. REPORTS

8.1 House Committee

8.1.1 GM Report

The General Manager report was presented.

8.1.2 Report from Meeting December 2018

- It was confirmed that a function will be held on Valentine's Day.
- There will be a new Members' night to be held 22 February 2019 – The General Manager will put the function in place. Bill MacLeod stated that invites will be sent to all new Members who have joined in the last 6 months to attend. All Flag Officers will attend to speak to the new Members to encourage them to attend the Club and volunteer to assist Club competitions. Platters of food will be served. The General Manager will organise and manage. Invites to be sent to sponsors for the new Members' night. It was confirmed that this will be a uniform event for all General Committee members attending.
- Richie Boykett will send the General Manager a list of sailing events to be advertised in Midstream. The General Manager was advised to familiarise himself with the blue book to be aware of future Club events.
- Commodore's Cup to be held on 24 February and the usual Sunday session will be held in conjunction with that race.
- Justin Congdon stated that the recommended candidate to replace the food and beverage manager should have been presented to presented to the General committee meeting before the employment of the replacement taking place, particularly being there has been concerns raised with hiring someone in the exact same role as Damon and it was reported in the minutes from December meeting that a report would be presented to General Committee prior to hiring and the employment taking place 3 business days prior to a General Meeting. It was advised that the House committee had recommended the employment of replacement Food and Beverage manager . Justin Congdon Stated that the house committee recommendations and decisions carry no weight until they have been ratified by the General Committee. The General Manager stated that he had advised the General Committee, by email, of the intent to employ Sarah Nottle with a report on Sarah's background and invited comment. There was no dissent from the

General Committee. The meeting was also advised that the limits of authority agreed by General Committee authorized the General Manager to fill a vacant staff position.

- It was confirmed that the Deepdene will be open for Friday dining and the Members' Bar also open for Friday night drinks.
- Dave Andrews spoke to a proposal to reduce membership subscription fees and increase House Support levy. The revised Appendix A to the Rules will be presented to the Half Yearly General Meeting of Members for approval.

Resolution	That annual membership subscriptions be reduced to \$1,100 and House Support Levy increased to \$600 pa for Senior Members	
	Moved: Dave Andrews	Seconded: Bill MacLeod
	Motion Carried	

- Dave Andrews recommended to the General Committee that \$154,000 be paid off the loan account this month.

Resolution	That the sum of \$154,000 be paid off the loan account this month	
	Moved: Dave Andrews	Seconded: Bill MacLeod
	Motion Carried	

- The matter of two cars being parked in the Members' car park by one Member was discussed. It was agreed that this was the result of lack of clarity about the intent of the parking allocation in the Sponsorship package.

Action: The General Manager to review the sponsorship package and Sponsor parking. Look at available bays for sponsors among those currently allocated to the General Committee.

Action: The General Manager and Darren Chatfield to propose disciplinary actions to be taken against Members for breaches of conduct such as parking cars and trailers other than as permitted.

- SUP storage will be constructed by Bosun when time permits.
- Report was made of Chas Strickland's trailer being parked on the slip way for the past week.

Action: General Manager to correspond with Chas Strickland as to long term parking of his trailer on the slipway.

8.1.3 Hon. Treasurer Finance Report

The Hon. Treasurer spoke of his report as tabled.

8.1.4 Debtors Report

- The Treasurer advised that the sum of \$9,000 is in the three months overdue amount. If Steve Harrison and Kim Hansen are not included in this figure, the three months overdue amount is down to \$3,000.
- At the next meeting to be held in February Greg Simpson to be expelled with a request to remove his boat or to sign over the boat to the Club.

Resolution	That Kim Hansen be declared unfinancial	
	Moved: Bill MacLeod	Seconded: Darren Chatfield
	Motion Carried	

8.2 Power Committee

No meeting held in January 2019

Paul Hodgson addressed the meeting with nothing to report.

8.3 Pens & Mooring Committee

No meeting held in January 2018

Paul Hodgson advised the meeting of recent pen movements

8.4 Jetty Works Committee

Plan of proposed revised layout of A jetty pens was circulated

Bill Harding will obtain pricing for replacement piles and finger jetties and present at the next meeting.

8.5 Sail Committee

Report from meeting.

Rich Boykett made a request that a side door be installed on the rescue boat.

Bill MacLeod suggested that slings are available to rescue people floating in the water.

Action: Bill MacLeod will research the purchase of a sling for rescue purposes.

Action: Rich Boykett will check with other Clubs what rescue safety devices are used.

8.6 Dinghy Report

Report from meeting

It was advised that Jim Murray and Dominic Papaluca will join the Dinghy Committee

Resolution	That Jim Murray and Dominic Papaluca be included on the Dinghy Committee	
	Moved: Walter Reeves	Seconded: Bill MacLeod
	Motion Carried	

8.7 Constitution Review Committee

- Alex Salvaris attended the General Committee meeting.
- Justin Congdon stated that he had put a motion to the General Committee by email round robin to defer the tabling and voting in this motion until the February meeting to allow enough time to examine and understand the document before it is discussed. 6 people voted for the motion electronically and none against, the Commodore sent a follow up email to the Committee informing them that "There is no urgency to vote on a motion to postpone discussion of the constitutional changes. This can be done in session at the meeting on Tuesday night". When the chair (The Commodore) was asked if he was going to put the motion, he informed the Committee that the motion was lost as there was only 6 votes in favour of the motion and 7 votes in favour were required to carry the motion.
- The consensus of the meeting was that the proposed amends would be reviewed in this session and that the Motions would be amended and re-circulated to General Committee by email resolution and if accepted would be presented to the Half Yearly General Meeting of Members.
- Alex Salvaris confirmed he would revise as required. He would produce a marked-up version with a clean version.
- Section 4 – it was advised that minimum changes are required. Extracts 4(i) and 4(j) will be covered in the new clause 16. It was stated that the current Constitution stated that an appeal by a Member against disciplinary action taken by the General Committee required the Member to call a Special General Meeting of Members and this is seemingly unfair to both the Member and the General Committee. The revised process will allow mediation in the first instance. Alex Salvaris confirmed that

amendments made at the Half Yearly General Meeting of Members in 2018 were limited to those required to comply with the Act by July 2019.

- Darren Chatfield questioned that if the grievance is against the Commodore should the notice be sent to the Commodore. Alex Salvaris stated this rule would be tweaked stating that if the action is aimed at the Commodore it would be passed to the Vice Commodore to ensure that the process is independent.
- Clause 18 – it was confirmed that 150 Members are required to form a quorum and have to be present in the room to form the quorum if this requirement is not met the vote cannot pass – 75% required to accept.
- Dave Andrews questioned whether Members who have only part of the voting power of Senior Members will be counted toward the quorum.
- Darren Chatfield suggested to make a change that only Members who hold a full vote count in the quorum. Alex will make revisions as required.
- Page 10 – Section 2 – Bill MacLeod advised changes to this section will allow 4 weeks' notice instead of the current 8 weeks' notice ahead of a Special General meeting. Mike Della Posta questioned whether 4 weeks' notice of a Special General Meeting of Members to consider sale of the Club property is adequate. It was agreed that 8 weeks' notice for that purpose is desirable and this requirement will be included in Clause 18.
- Alex Savaris confirmed that this request was reasonable and a change would be made.
- Item B a Special General Meeting of Members should be called by the Vice Commodore and not the General Manager – The Vice Commodore can then delegate to the employed manager.
- It was advised that the Quorum for general meetings will be unchanged with the requirement that 25 Members can vote.
- Bill Harding stated that there has been only 1 Special General Meeting called during the past decade.
- Alex Salvaris stated that if a meeting is for the sale clause, then 8 weeks' notice be applied for a Special General Meeting. Four weeks notice to be applied for a Standard General Meeting.
- Alex Salvaris confirmed that the time period in Section 2 would be revised and would apply except in the case of a Sale which would go through as 8 weeks.
- The Commodore advised that the convening of a Special General Meeting of Members for appeal by a Member is to be removed as it is now allowed for in the disputes clause.
- The Commodore identified the removal of the provision for late circulation of reports. Alex Salvaris confirmed that if not circulated in time they cannot be considered – e.g the auditor's report or the Treasurer's report. The General Manager noted that there was no requirement, within the Constitution, for the provision of the auditor's report to a General Meeting.
- Clause 4 (g) – Changes to be made for dealing with unfinancial Members. It was agreed that a Member can be expelled after 3 months. The provision to allow the Member makes an offer to pay within 12 months would be revised to give the General Committee discretion for a longer period.
- Clause 4 – voting should be by Senior Members, Special Members and Life Members.
- Membership categories discussed with suggestions of combining the categories to general membership – go to the rules with age groups.
- Bill MacLeod will discuss with Alex Salvaris and put together a matrix to be emailed to the House Committee members. Discussion will be based on who gets voting rights and to change Associate membership – page 6 with Associate Members to be defined. All will be considered at once.
- Sale of Club Property – 8 weeks' notice required. Resolved that "Members present" would be only those with full voting rights – quorum of 50% Members and a 75% majority of that quorum.
- In light of recent correspondence from Steve Scott, Dave Andrews asked whether the appointment of the Vice Patron, by the General Committee, was in accordance with

the Constitution. The Commodore replied that the General Committee could make casual appointments to then be ratified by the next General Meeting of Members.

Resolution	That the Reports be accepted	
	Moved: Darren Chatfield	Seconded: Bill MacLeod
	Motion Carried	

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 Concerns raised by Justin Congdon

There was a concern that water was suspected to be contained in the unleaded petrol supply
The General Manager will check the fuel tanks and confirm the outcome.

Action: General Manager to investigate possible water in the petrol supply.

Meeting Concluded at 21.30pm with the next meeting tabled for TUESDAY 26 February 2019.



Signed as true and correct Date: 21/03/2019

Seconded: Date: