

BALMAIN SAILING CLUB - MINUTES OF MEETING

Tuesday November 20th 2007

Present Graham Hamilton (GH), Marni Raprager (MR; chair, minutes), Steve Prince (SP), Gary Ferres (GF), John Blair (JB), Alan Clark (AC), Arthur King (AK), Linda Bell (LB).

Apologies: Damian Barker (DB), Mark Cherrington (MC).

Meeting commenced at 6:45

1. **Minutes** of previous meeting to be accepted.
Proposed by MR, seconded by SP.
2. **New Director:** Welcome to Linda Bell.
3. **John Mitchell:** SP proposed & committee resolved to send a get well card to John, a regular race starter, after his accident.
4. **POPE:** Legal advice from Tower Legal regarding BSC POPE obligations discussed by committee; resolved to continue as POPE and lodge relevant paperwork. Fire Safety Statement to be lodged, MR to discuss requirements with DB.
5. **Fire Rating Work:** BSC to update & submit the 2007 Fire Safety Statement – as per advice from Tower and following previous lodgements. MR to liaise with DB regarding requirements.
6. **Building Work:** Remainder of the fire rating compliance building work, postponed until post-Regatta, now to be completed. Dinghy shed and rowing-oar storage room to be emptied while work underway. Dinghies to be moved onto deck during the week so work can commence. GF suggested and committee approved to have the fire-rated ceiling material – approximately 100 sheets of 16mm “Fyrecheck” – delivered to Polaris Marine to be loaded onto a barge and delivered by water to the club pontoon, rather than be delivered by road and carried down the stairs. GF to discuss & coordinate with Paul Reyners regarding quantity/weight, and then to seek a quote from Polaris for transport by barge. Approx. \$200.00 approved by committee. Damian Barker to coordinate with builder and club volunteers as to timing of working bee to empty shed, and move material from barge into club.
7. **Sea wall:** AK tabled CD of pictures of the seawall at dead low tide, taken by Colin Henstock, and also cost of supervising the rebuilding work. AK to discuss with DB to coordinate the work. Max Wood a possible to do the work, with Colin overseeing. AK & DB to progress the work on seawall. LB to provide to AK an alternative contact for a seawall repair contractor.
8. **Sailing school:** GF to register Balmain Sailing Club as a training facility with YANSW; cost of approx. \$44 approved by committee. BSC will need to advertise for and train casual instructors. When school is registered, Andrew Spencer and Mark Cherrington to be briefed and engaged to promote/advertise/market Sailing School. GF advised that *Intrepid* is repaired and ready to operate as a training vessel. 8+ people have emailed GF and expressed desire to join club and learn to sail. All students must be members of the Club and the YA before they begin lessons. Fees are \$378 per block of 4 lessons, each of three hours duration, which includes YA & BSC Club membership.
9. **Bar License:** AK advised that Amatos arrangement is working well. TR has lodged paperwork for transfer of License, still awaiting confirmation from OLGR that transfer is effected.
10. **Balmain Regatta:** Financial report to be provided by RF ASAP. Redress issue still pending hearing on Thursday 22nd. Much favourable PR, written and verbal feedback.
11. **Key register:** Front door lock to revert to previous key, if possible. Current lock is not “master key” type. Locksmith to advise if previous tumbler/lock can be refitted. LB to organise lock change, and 20 keys to be made available.
12. **Cruising Division flags:** Committee again requested report on the status of cruising division flags: tax invoice for production to be lodged, sales recorded, money banked. All flags are property of the Club, to be displayed and stored behind bar and sold with Burgees. Tony Partridge to action & report to Directors.
13. **Roster of operations:** SP tabled tentative roster of duties. MR to publish and circulate. Officer of the day to be finalised and published.
14. **Sabot regatta:** Want to borrow club tenders from 27 December to 5 January, to be used as rescue boats from Vaucluse Yacht Club for Sabot Nationals. AC expressed concern that tenders are up to scratch (Category 7?) including fuel cans, first aid kits, extinguishers etc. AC & JB to liaise with John Sanderson to arrange the terms & conditions of loan, and they are to be provided in writing to BSC by John Sanderson. Previously “borrowed” boats have been returned with damage that was not reported. Any wear & tear to be reported before return so that BSC rescue & tender service is uninterrupted.
15. **Financials/Treasurer:** No report.
16. **Catering:** GH tabled food samples for twilight dinners. Discussion ensued. GH to action as appropriate.
17. **Prizes:** SP tabled prizes for “Beer Glasses” as alternative to alcohol prizes. Committee approved expenditure of \$1,000. SP to liaise with Lauren Howard to action with Leichhardt Trophies.

Meeting closed at 20:45

Next Meeting: Tuesday 18 December 2007, 6.30pm.