

MINUTES OF THE BALMAIN SAILING CLUB MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

- **THE MEETING TIME; 6-30 TUESDAY 14 DECEMBER 2021**
- **THE MEETING WAS CONVENED BY ZOOM VIDEO
CONFERENCING -HOOK-UP.**

Committee Members in Attendance:

Campbell Reid, Alan Gregory, Ray Miller, Chantelle Hodgson, Sharon Harvey, Colin Grove.
Club Manager David Stenhouse was also in attendance.
Apologies: Mike West

Chair: Commodore Campbell Reid

Minutes Secretary: Colin Grove

Purpose of the meeting:

The meeting was held to discuss the adoption of a revised Covid Safe Policy following the Implementation by the NSW Dept of Health of more relaxed Covid rules and to draft guidelines for members and visitors to the Club from 15 December 2021.

DISCUSSION:

All Committee Members commented on the matter with the majority expressing a view that the Club should continue with a Covid Safe Plan including maintaining the QR check in and that persons attending the Club would be asked if they had been doubly vaccinated, (it is not intended that a member or visitor would have to produce details confirming that they had been vaccinated). If they have not been vaccinated, they will not be allowed entry to the clubhouse.

The following motion was drafted for consideration which embodies the main points discussed by the Committee.

MOTION:

Moved: Colin Grove

Seconded: Campbell Reid

1. *The Committee noted that from 15 December 2021 the guidelines in respect of current covid restrictions in NSW will be greatly reduced and that businesses, such as the BSC, may at their own discretion continue using a Covid Safe Plan*

2. *The Committee also noted that under the proposed lifting of restrictions, the following categories of the types of venues must draft and implement a COVID SAFE PLAN. (extract below)*

These categories as set out in the NSW Health Dept guidelines include the following venues and categories:

“No density limits for all settings • COVID safety plans will be optional for businesses and will be supported by SafeWork NSW >Masks will only be required on public transport and planes, at airports, and for indoors front-of-house hospitality staff who are not fully vaccinated. Masks will be strongly encouraged in settings where you cannot social distance >

Masks no longer required in outdoor settings. COVID-19 Safe check-ins only required for hospitals, aged and disability care facilities, gyms, places of worship, funerals or memorial services, personal services (including sex services), pubs, small bars and registered clubs, nightclubs, strip clubs, sex on premises and indoor music festivals with over 1,000 people.”

- 3) *The Committee notes that the Club is the holder of a limited liquor licence and whilst not specifically satisfying the criteria of the above listed categories of “pubs, small bars and registered clubs” arguably the clubs main social activities fall within one of these categories.*
- 4) *The Committee notes the views of some members that any Safe Covid Plan should no longer be necessary for the Club after 15 December 2021 and that persons attending the Clubs Hall and Bar should not be asked if they have been fully vaccinated, however the Committee has determined that regard must be had to the possible health risks associated with allowing non vaccinated persons to enter the Club and the duty of care owed to members.*
It was resolved that the club implement a Safe Covid Plan to include a QR check in, and a policy whereby all members and visitors must be doubly vaccinated (unless they hold a medical certificate exempting them from being vaccinated). There will be no requirement whilst signing in to produce evidence that a member or guest has been vaccinated and as per the existing policy restriction, anybody with a high temperature, cold, sore throat etc must not attend the Club
- 5) *The Committee resolved that the matter will be reviewed at its next meeting on 2 February 2022 or earlier if any emergent situation arises that the Committee believes it should address expeditiously.*

Result:

The Motion was carried by a majority of the Committee Members voting in favour of the motion.

The next scheduled committee meeting will be held in the Clubhouse at 630 pm
2 February 2022.