Balmain Sailing Club – Management Committee Meeting Minutes

- **Date and Time:** Wednesday, 9 September 2026, at 6:30 PM
- **Location:** Balmain Sailing Club Clubhouse
- **Type of Meeting:** Management Committee

Attendees:

Campbell Reid (**CR),** Chris Price **(CP),** Joost Bekker (**JB),** Sharon Harvey (**SH),** Emma Thomas **(ET),** Colin Grove **(CG**)

Apologies:

Louise Blair **(LB),** Ben Millar **(BM)**

Secretary / Minutes: Colin Grove

Opening of Meeting

- The meeting commenced at 6:30 PM.
- The minutes of the BSC Management Committee Meeting held on 19 August 2026 were approved without amendment.

Action Items from Previous Meeting

- **CG** advised that under the terms of the NSW $33,000 grant (including $3,000 GST), the work undertaken must be completed or substantially underway by 3 September 2026. **CG** wrote to the administrators of the grant (the NSW Department of Communities and Justice) seeking an extension to the completion date

  Earlier written advice from the Department indicated that no extension would be considered. However, following discussions and further written appeals, the Department advised that an extension would now be considered, subject to the club submitting a project variation form, which **CG** then submitted on 7 September 2026.

  The committee noted this advice and agreed that **CR** and **CG** should continue seeking an extension from the Department.

- An agenda item from **BM** regarding hall hire and the sailing school was held over until the next meeting.

Management Issues for Discussion

- Committee members provided updates regarding regatta preparation:
  - **SH** advised on catering arrangements. **ET** advised on regatta publicity
  - **CR** advised on the Working Boat Convoy.
  - **CP** advised on race arrangements for the regatta.
  - **The Pub Challenge** was discussed, with local hotels and related companies to be identified and approached; **JB** will coordinate the Pubs Challenge.

- The committee noted that the existing dishwasher was in urgent need of repair, with a repair quote of approximately $2,200 sourced by **CP** who recommended that it would be more economically viable to purchase a new dishwasher for $4,100, which includes installation and the removal of the existing unit.

  The committee approved the purchase, subject to **CP** liaising with **JB** regarding purchase options.

- New racing marks were discussed, and **CP** will report back to the committee with recommendations.

Finances

- Profit & Loss (P&L): See attached P&L statement.
- Small Scale Offering**: JB** advised that he offered existing members who currently hold a loan with the club under the previous offering the opportunity to participate, and the response has been positive to date.

Sailing Activities

- **CP** advised that a well-attended Skippers Meeting was held on 19 August 2026.

Infrastructure

- Covered under *Downstairs Bathroom and Toilets* above.

Sailing School :Nil report.

Regatta: Covered under *Update on Regatta Preparation* above.

Risk Management & Work Health and Safety (WHS)

- The updated Risk Register and Incident Management Plans completed by **SH** have been posted on the club's website.

- **General Business and Correspondence:** Nil.
- **Meeting Closed:** 8:00 PM
- **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, 14 October 2026, at 6:30 PM in the Clubhouse.

Club Information for Members.

The BSC committee usually meets once a month on a Wednesday evening at 6:30 PM to discuss and agree on actions regarding general club matters.

- ***Attending or Raising Items:*** *Members wishing to attend or have an item raised at the meeting should email* ***info@balmainsailingclub.com*** *at least one week prior. Questions or concerns may be dealt with before the meeting; otherwise, they can be added to the agenda if time permits or deferred to the following month if the current agenda is full.*
- ***Accessing Minutes:*** *All members are encouraged to access and read the Committee Meeting Minutes, which are posted on the club's website.*