

2025-26 Balmain Sailing Club Management Committee Meeting Minutes.

Date and time of Meeting: 6-30 pm Wednesday 17 June 2026.

Location : Balmain Sailing Club.

Type of Meeting : Management Committee.

Attendees: Campbell Reid (CR), Chris Price (CP), Joost Bekker (JB), Louise Blair (LB), Sharon Harvey (SH), Emma Thomas (ET), & Colin Grove (CG) John Blair (addressed meeting re Regatta preparations)

Apologies: Geoff Watkins (GW)

Secretary/Minutes: Colin Grove

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- The meeting commenced at 6. 30 pm.
 - The minutes of the BSC Management Committee Meeting of 13 May 2026 were approved without amendment.
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ACTION ITEMS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

- **Annual General Meeting (AGM) 22 July 2026**

The AGM will be held at the clubhouse commencing at 7pm ,nominations for the 2 officer and 2 director positions that are up for election will close on 8 July 2026 and details of the nominees will be forwarded to all members prior to the meeting.

- **Draw for the \$250 Dry Dock Voucher :**

CR advised that the response to members paying their annual membership fees early was again successful and only the names of the first 20 members to pay went into the draw. The winner of the draw was Martin Watts . **CR** thanked the over 100 members who assisted the club with the early payments

- **Progress on the new downstairs bathroom and toilets:**

CG advised that under the terms of the NSW Grant the work must be completed or substantially underway by 3 September 2026. In early June **CG** wrote to the administrators of the grant (the NSW Dept of Community and Justice) seeking an extension to the completion date.

The written advice from the Department is that an extension will not be considered. as a condition of the original application was that applicants must have all approvals in place at the time of making the application. Due to circumstances not anticipated at the time of the original application, the work has been unable to commence to a level satisfactory to the Department .

The committee discussed the matter in detail covering the various options and strategies available to the Club. These included continuing the building approvals process and returning the grant monies (as is required under the terms of the conditions of the grant) and applying for a fresh grant in the next round of 2026 -27 grants,

It was agreed that **CR** and **CG** would present options and strategies for discussion at the next management committee meeting on 22July 2026,

- **Learn to Sail initiative and the purchase of two RS Zests.**

ET provided comprehensive details of a commercial in confidence payment plan quote and delivery plan she had discussed with the distributors Racing Sailboats. The committee thanked **ET** for the presentation and requested that further details be provided prior to the next meeting.

- **Deck Piles Routine Maintenance program :**

CR advised that AMD have inspected the piles and that they will provide a proposal and quote for the maintenances and costs for approval at the next meeting.

- **Annual Insurance renewal expiring 30 June 2026:**

CG advised that he is working with the club's insurance brokers and will have a proposal for consideration by the committee within the next week

MANAGEMENT ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION:

- **Update on Regatta Preparation:**

Regatta Chair John Blair outlined details of the various issues that will need to be addressed to in preparation for the regatta and pub challenge

- **Internet and security replacement**

iiNet is now operational and Telstra is no longer required. Security cameras, including coverage over the bar, are now installed and CCTV has been restored. There are also additional cameras cover the dock and bin area. The new wireless router has been installed, and the new NVR system records 30 days of footage across seven cameras, including coverage of the Starter Desk to support finish-line timing and protests.

FINANCES:

JB, who is in Europe, joined the meeting by Teams and provided details of the financial position of the club. Full details will be provided at the next meeting and the AGM.

SAILING ACTIVITIES;

CP advised that he would be sending out the draft new sailing calendar for comments in the next week prior to implementing it in SailSys and the BSC Widget. **CP** also provided an update on adjustments to NOR/SL.

INFRASTRUCTURE:

See item above re new toilets and bathroom facilities. Completed infrastructure upgrades to date include flooring, internet, pylons, lighting, security and the key lock

SAILING SCHOOL: See item above re dingy purchase proposal

REGATTA: See above

RISK MANAGEMENT WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY (WHS): No further actions at this point.

GENERAL BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE: Nil

MEETING CLOSED: 8-45 pm

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 22 July 2026 6-00 PM in the Clubhouse prior the AGM

The BSC committee usually meets once a month on a Wednesday evening at 6.30pm to discuss and agree actions in respect of general club matters. If members would like to attend or wish to have an item raised at the meeting, please email info@balmainsailingclub.com at least one week prior.

A question or concern may be dealt with before the meeting, if not, it can be added to the agenda if time permits, or to the following month if the current agenda is already full. All members are encouraged to access and read the Committee Meeting Minutes which are posted on the Clubs website.