

# 2025-26 Balmain Sailing Club Management Committee Meeting Minutes.

**Date and time of Meeting:** 6-00 pm Wednesday 22 July 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)

**Apologies:** Geoff Watkins (GW),

**Secretary/Minutes:** Colin Grove

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- The meeting commenced at 6. 00 pm.
  - The minutes of the BSC Management Committee Meeting of 17 June 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 which was held immediately following the Management Committee Meeting was attended by approximately 23 members. Elections for the four vacant officer and director only new committee member, replacing retiring committee member Geoff Watkins. the minutes of the AGM have been posted to the website .

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

**CG** advised that under the terms of the NSW \$ 33,000 grant ( including \$3000 GST) the work undertaken must be completed or substantially underway by 3 September 2026. 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 any applicant must have all approvals in place at the time of the application. Due to approvals not anticipated at the time of the original application the work has been unable to commence to the satisfaction of the Department .

The committee discussed the matter in detail and the various options and strategies available to it including continuing with 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 19 August 2026 including seeking advice from the Department on whether they would be agreeable to a review of the matter .

- **Learn to Sail initiative and the purchase of two RS Zests for the Sailing School**

**ET** provided comprehensive details of a payment plan quote and delivery plan she had discussed with the distributors Racing Sailboats.

The committee approved the payment plan which will require an initial payment of \$10,000 at the beginning of November 2026 at which time we will receive two boats. The next payment of \$9610 will be due 6-12 months later.

- **Deck Piles Routine Maintenance program :**

**CR** advised that AMD have inspected the piles and have provided a proposal and quote of \$30,000 for urgent maintenances repairs. the quote was approved by circular resolution of 13 July 2026

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

**CG** advised that he has completed the renewal of the club's insurance policies on favourable terms of \$23,333 and that this was approved by circular resolution dated 25 June 2026

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#### **MANAGEMENT ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION:**

- **Update on Regatta Preparation:**
- **CR** Provided details of discussions with representatives of the Work Boat Convoy Committee
- **Internet and security :**  
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. Additional cameras cover the dock and bin area.

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#### **FINANCES:**

**JB** provided details of the financial position of the club , full details were provided at the AGM and in the BSC Annual Report .

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#### **SAILING ACTIVITIES;**

**CP** advised that the Skippers Meeting would be held on 19 August 2026 commencing 7pm following the Management Committee Meeting.

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#### **INFRASTRUCTURE:**

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

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#### **SAILING SCHOOL:**

See item above re dingy purchase proposal

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**REGATTA:** See above

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**RISK MANAGEMENT WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY (WHS):**

**SH** discussed the current up-date to Risk Register and Incident Management Plans. SH to forward to CG for inclusion in the Club's website.

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**GENERAL BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE: Nil**

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**MEETING CLOSED:** 7PM

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**NEXT MEETING:**

Wednesday 19 August 2026 6-00 PM in the Clubhouse prior the Skippers Meeting

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*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@bal mainsailingclub.com](mailto:info@bal mainsailingclub.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.*