

Balmain Sailing Club 2022/23 Management Committee Meeting Minutes.

Date of meeting: Wednesday 12 July 2023

Time: 6.30pm,

Location: Balmain Sailing Club

Type of Meeting: Management Committee

Secretary/Minutes: Campbell Reid

Attendees: Campbell Reid (CR) Ray Miller (RM) Chantelle Hodgson (CH) Sharon Harvey

(SH) Chris Price (CP) Dave Stenhouse (DS)

Apologies: Colin Grove, Ed Tacey, Geoff Watkins

The meeting commenced at 6:38pm

• The minutes of the BSC Management Committee Meetings of June 7, 2023 were approved without amendment.

ACTION ITEMS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The Treasurer advised the arrangements were underway for the payments of staff.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION:

- The committee welcomed incoming Vice Commodore, Chris Price to his first meeting.
- The committee noted that it had passed a circular resolution to approve the expenditure on materials to complete the repairs to the club deck.
- DS confirmed a deposit of \$15,000 had been made and the materials were on order.
- The committee discussed the next steps required to complete this work and that planning is limited by the uncertainty around when the new materials will be on site.
- DS reported that an inspection by a pest inspector advised that while there were signs of termite activity in some of the deck timbers there were no signs that they were currently active and that the timbers remain robust.
- The contractor who will complete the project estimates it will take two weeks and the committee noted that additional funds are still required to complete the project. The committee noted the recent generous donations several members had made to the club that have assisted in the fund raising.
- DS reported the informal Regatta planning committee had met to begin preparations for the 2023 event and that following decisions were made:
 - The Pub Challenge will move back to being a Sunday event as part of the main regatta activities and that yachts hosting pubs will be handicapped so they can remain competitors in the racing.
 - The Work Boat Convoy event will continue for its second year
 - o The dinghy fleet will also return for the 2023 event.

- DS updated the committee on the expense that would be involved to sand, repair and stain the club's interior flooring. The committee agreed this work needs to be done but not as a matter of immediate urgency.
- DS also advised that work had begun to remove the obsolete coolroom door at the entrance to the club and replace it with weatherboards.
- SH reported to the committee that she had attended a conference call hosted by the developers proposing an extension to the Woolwich Dock. She was informed that the formal application and public exhibition process for this development had not yet begun and the committee is committed to remaining in close consultation with other sailing clubs in the area about this proposal which will narrow the channel between the proposed marina and Cockatoo Island to 200 metres _ according to the developers. BSC has previously indicated to Hunters Hill Sailing club that it supports the Hunters Hill opposition to any expansion of the existing marina

Club Manager Report:

- DS provided a verbal report.
 - Club hall hire activities remain strong.
 - DS proposed asking our maintenance contractor to investigate repairing the holed pontoon float under the walkway ramp and the committee agreed with the proposal.

FINANCES:

- The treasurer advised the club still needed to raise additional funds for the completion of the deck repair project and that there were funds on hand to renew the club's insurances.
- RM noted that new funding opportunities through grants would emerge in the new financial year.

INFRASTRUCTURE:

Replacement of external coolroom door and repairs to holed pontoon.

SAILING SCHOOL:

- No courses are currently underway. It is expected activity will begin again in August.
- Sailing.
- Friday afternoon series and winter series Sunday races continue. The committee noted a growing number of dinghies were contesting the Sunday races this Winter.

SAILING:

• Nil Report.

REGATTA:

Nil Report.

RISK MANAGEMENT WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY (WHS):

 CR committed to replacing boards on the deck that were removed to check for termite activity in time for the next Sunday Winter Series race.

Correspondence / General Business:

• Nil Report.

Next Meeting:

• The Committee agreed that the next meeting would be held on 9 August 2023, any emergent issues would be resolved by circular email resolutions or by video/ telephone hook ups.

The BSC committee usually meets once a month on a Wednesday or Monday evening at 6.30pm to discuss and agree actions on general club matters. If members would like to attend or 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 welcome to read the Committee Meeting Minutes. These are posted on the notice board in the club house usually on the next race day following a meeting and on the Balmain Sailing Club website.