



BALMAIN SAILING CLUB

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Balmain Sailing Club:

Wednesday 7 pm 16 July 2025.

Agenda:

- As the number of members present met quorum requirements the meeting commenced at 7-10 pm
- Apologies were received from the following members: Geoff Watkins , Emma Thomas , Lindsay Fletcher , Sue Fletcher and Brendon Stewart.

Item 1)

Commodore Campbell Reid opened the meeting and thanked the 18 members present for their attendance and noted that long term committee Director Ray Miller had not re-nominated for election.

The Commodore, on behalf of the members and the committee thanked Ray for his extremely valuable contribution to the club and the committee over the past 6 years. The meeting showed its thanks and appreciation to Ray by acclamation .

Item 2)

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 17 July 2024 were approved without amendment.

Moved: Campbell Reid **Seconded:** Colin Grove **Passed**

Item 3)

The following reports were received and presented to the meeting and provided details of the various activities of the BSC during the last 12 months.

- Commodores Report.
- Vice Commodores Report.
- Treasurers Report and financial statement.

Motion to accept the Reports.

Moved: Ray Miller **Seconded:** Sharon Harvey **Passed**

Item 4)

To elect office- bearers and ordinary committee members for the following vacant positions:

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| ▪ Vice Commodore : | Chris Price : | Elected unopposed |
| ▪ Secretary : | Colin Grove: | Elected unopposed |
| ▪ Director: | Sharon Harvey: | Elected unopposed |
| ▪ Director: | Emma Thomas : | Elected unopposed |

Moved: Campbell Reid **Seconded ;** Ray Miller **Passed**

Item 5.

The Commodore congratulated new Director Emma Thomas on her appointment.

Item 6)

Proposed amendments to the BSC Constitution for approval of the AGM (*full details of the proposed amendments were fully set in the agenda papers provided to members on 4 July 2025 and explained at the AGM*).

- Clause 10) : *Resolution of Dispute*
- Clause 11): *Disciplining of Members*
- Clause 12(5) : *Right of Appeal of disciplined member*
- Clause 46) : *Service of notices*

Moved : Louise Blair **Seconded:** Joost Bekker **Passed**

Item 7)

Adoption of a General Code of Conduct (full details of the draft code were provided to members in the agenda papers on 4 July 2024 and explained at the AGM attached)

Moved : Colin Grove **Seconded.** Doug Russel **Passed**

Item 8)

Brief details of Questions from members present at meeting . Questions 1- 4 were answered by the Treasurer Q 5 answered by the Secretary .

1. Q)Sailing School performance; concerns were raised about increase in costs and steep decline in profitability of the sailing school.

A) This is only on paper as \$6,349 of sailing school fees were deferred to the 25/26 fiscal year. There was a drop due to increased costs, but without the deferral of fees, the Sailing School would have generated a surplus of \$8,300.
2. Q) Have any of the sponsorship contribution been in kind.

A) Some sponsorships, such as the Red Mill Rum Bar during the regatta or the scaffolding for the paint job, are in kind and as such don't appear as a value under sponsorships. Others are related to the regatta and are reported under regatta.
3. Q) Building Maintenance query .

A)This shows as a 'profit' due to the clearance of old expenses accruals (dating back to 2017), actual maintenance cost sat at \$11k.
Q) With deferral of part of the membership fees to the next fiscal year, should the AS membership fee the club pays partially be deferred as well?

A)Yes, like that has been applied to our insurance, the same should apply to the AS membership fee the club pays.

4. Q) what is the current position in respect of the lease with Inner West Council and Transport for NSW and general questions re the ownership of the clubhouse .

A) Discussions are continuing with Council for a revised lease and the occupancy remains on holdover basis since the expiry of the current lease. We have a 5-year lease with Transport which commenced on 1 March 2023

Item 9)

Other Business:

- John Blair thanked the committee for its efforts over the past year .
- A draw for the winner of a \$250 voucher for dinner at the Royal Oak was undertaken , however it was later discovered due to reporting error from RevSport that the person whose name was drawn out was a non-member (sailing school student) and not eligible to be in the draw.
- A further draw was undertaken on 21 July 2025 and Jim Stones name was drawn out. A note was sent to all members advising of the outcome .

Meeting closed 8pm