

# 2021/2022 Balmain Sailing Club

## Management Committee Meeting Minutes

1 December 2021 | 630 pm Meeting held at Balmain Sailing Club.

Type of meeting	Management Committee
Secretary	Minute taking Colin Grove

Attendees: Campbell Reid (CR) Alan Gregory (AG) Ray Miller (RM) Chantelle Hodgson (CH) (Sharon Harvey (SH) Colin Grove (CG) David Stenhouse (DS)

- The Meeting commenced 6-30 pm.
- Apologies were received from Ed Tacey & Mike West
- The Minutes of the BSC Management Committee of 3 November 2021 were approved without amendment.

### ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- CR advised that the Development Application (DA) for the new dock has been lodged with the Inner West Council (IWC) (see plans attached to last month's minutes).
- CG advised that he has commenced discussions with both the IWC and the Transport for NSW (TN) in respect of the expired leases, both organisations were happy to allow BSC to continue holding over on the leases until such time as the new dock has been completed and an updated survey plan completed.
- CG advised that TN have approved signs being placed on the pontoon pylons notifying that swimming and diving in the immediate vicinity of the pontoons has been banned by TN.

### MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

- The Committee discussed the following matters:

It was agreed that the planned Pubs Challenge should be postponed until next year's October Regatta. DS advised the committee of the discussions he has had with CR and AG regarding the 2022 Regatta (see full details in the Club Managers Report below)

The Committee endorsed the recommendations set out in DS's report in respect of the Classic Boat Festival for it to be combined with the Couta boats and agreed that the Regatta would be held over two weekends being Sunday 23 October and Sunday 30 October 2022.

It was agreed a Christmas Party would be held after there last series twilight race on 17 December and that a Xmas hamper raffle would be set up.

## **CLUB MANAGERS REPORT:**

### **22 BALMAIN REGATTA**

*I propose that the 2022 Balmain Regatta be held on Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October for Classic Boats including Couta Boats, Ranger Class, Metre boats (dragons, 5.5s, 6m, 8m, 12m), Museum and Heritage fleet boats, tall ships, historic work boats, vintage skiffs and waterman skiffs.*

*This date would coincide with the Couta boat fleet, many of whom will be travelling from Victoria to participate in the SASC's 2022 Gaffer's Day on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> of October 2022. This will also coincide with the 150-year anniversary of the SASC and the 100-year anniversary of the RPEYC.*

*I also propose that we schedule the 2022 Regatta to continue on the following Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> of October for the 'Balmain Regatta Pub Challenge' and on the traditional 'last Sunday in October' being the 30<sup>th</sup> of October for the 'Balmain Regatta for Modern yachts.*

### **HALL HIRE**

*Hall Hire bookings are increasing and we have bookings on every weekend leading up to Christmas and for several in the new year.*

### **MEMBERSHIP**

*Currently membership stands at 213 which is down a bit on last year, mainly due to the uncertainty surrounding COVID-19 and the return to sailing and socialising. People tended to wait to join this year until there was more clarity with regards to lockdowns.*

### **SAILING SCHOOL**

*The sailing school has returned to profit and there have been courses for the past 2 months and inquiries are increasing.*

### **SAILING /RACING**

*Racing was impacted by the COVID-19 lockdowns, and, since returning, fleet sizes are a bit smaller than for the same time last year. We cancelled last Friday's racing due to severe weather.*

### **FOOD & BEVERAGE**

*Food sales have been strong despite the short season and the limited capacity allowed under the social distancing restrictions, however profits from food sales are currently greater than they have been for the same periods for the past few years. Bar sales are similarly impacted by COVID, however margins and profitability remain positive.*

### **INCOME**

*November cash flows have been impressive compared to previous years largely due to the opening of the club, racing, hall hires, sailing school participation. The club's net profit is currently well up compared to the past 2 years.*

## **FINANCES:**

Please see attached P&L

## **IT Systems**

(Nil Report

## **Sailing:**

- See Club Managers Report above.

## **Sailing School:**

- See Club Managers Report above.

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

- With the temporary removal of decking all members must not enter the clearly marked works areas in front of the boatshed.
- All members are to become familiar with the WHS document and as well a copy has been placed on the website and all members strongly encouraged to read it and always adhere to it
- An Incident Management Plan, which all members should be familiar with is to be always kept in the clubhouse, as well the race starters are to keep a permanent copy at the starting desk.

## **REGATTA:**

- See Action Item's arising from previous minutes and the Club Managers report.

## **INFRASTRUCTURE:**

- The Committee agreed that earlier plans for a new entrance from River St to include improved disability access and the construction a small balcony from the hall over the deck should be reviewed when adequate funding is available.

## **General Business/Correspondence:**

- Nil.

**Meeting Closed 7-40 pm**

*The BSC committee meets on the first Wednesday of each month to discuss and agree actions on general club matters. If members would like to attend, or have an item they'd like raised at the meeting, please email [secretary@balmainsailingclub.com](mailto:secretary@balmainsailingclub.com) at least a week before. 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.*

**Next meeting: 630 PM BSC 2 February 2022**

