



**Rowing New South Wales Inc.  
Annual General Meeting**

Wednesday 23 September 2015

7.00pm

Sports House, Murray and Lachlan Room

Quad 1, Level 2

8 Parkview Drive

Sydney Olympic Park

**Present**

**Board Members:**

Ivan Adlam (President), Stephen Donnelley (Deputy President), Deanna Fekete, Stephen Handley, Liam James, Fiona Toose (also delegate for Penrith), Danika Wright.

**Secretary:**

Tony Blower (RNSW CEO)

**Delegates of Constituent Members:**

Keith Jameson (Sydney), Paul Coates (Union of Rowers), Chris Noel (SUBC), Kathleen Hextell (Drummoyne), Sarah Cook (St Josephs), Justin Milne (Leichhardt), Will Liley (Mosman), Renate Ijpmma (Balmain), Glenn Chuter (St George), John James (North Shore), Bronwyn Flowers (UNSW), Kim Mackney (Glebe), John Johnson (Newington Masters), Ray Green (Central Tablelands).

**Observers;** Brett Morley (RNSW), Owen Nix (RNSW), Hamish Playfair (RNSW), Dom Grimm (RNSW), Alan Bennett (RNSW), Barry Moynahan (Leichhardt), Andrew Rowley (Sydney), Ian McRea (Penrith), Geoff McIntyre (UTS), Tim Valtwies (EVS), Allan Pollock (St George), Adam Ramshaw (Glebe), Chris Tucker (Mosman), Emma Mujis (UNSW), Murray Clark (UNSW), Lindy Nisbett (Drummoyne), Judith McDonald (SWMLC), Stephanie Hart (UNSW).

**Welcome**

The President opened the 137<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Rowing New South Wales at 7.00pm

**Apologies**

Keryn Saunders, Bronwen Watson, Dough Donoghue, Gaye Pullynn, John Campbell, Miranda Bennett, Andrew Black

## **Obituaries**

Since the last Annual General Meeting we were made aware of the passing of Mervyn Finlay, Bobby Ausburn, John 'Ças 'Cook, William Jones, Dorrie 'Dot' Collins, Brian Kelleher, Max Annett, Norm Cannon, Phil Cayzer

On behalf of the Rowing Community the President expressed his sympathies to their families and friends. A moment of silent reflection was observed by the meeting in their memory.

## **Confirmation of Minutes of the 136<sup>TH</sup> Annual General Meeting**

Motion: That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 22 October 2014 be taken as read and adopted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Fiona Toose

Seconded: Barry Moynahan

Carried

## **Approval of Annual Report & Audited Financial Statements of Rowing New South Wales Inc.**

The President provided a verbal report on the activities of Rowing NSW for the period ending 30 June 2015 and an overview of the ongoing strategic planning and governance review process being undertaken by the Board. The President also provided the meeting with a summary of the Statement of Financial Performance together with the independent Audit Report.

The Chief Executive Officer tabled the 2014/15 Annual Report and gave a verbal report on the last season.

Motion: That Rowing New South Wales' Annual Report together with the balance sheet at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 and financial statements for the 12 months ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 as presented to this meeting be received and approved.

Moved: Keith Jameson

Seconded: Chris Noel

K Jameson spoke to the motion noting the good year that Rowing NSW had and congratulated the board

Carried

## **Election of Deputy President**

As only one nomination had been received for the position of Deputy President, that of Stephen Donnelley, in accordance with the constitution no vote or further formality was required and Stephen Donnelley was duly elected.

## **Election of Three Directors**

Nominations were received as follows: Deanna Fekete, Sarah Cook, Stephen Handley, Chris Tucker, Adam Ramshaw and Stephen Donnelley

Motion: That, as the ballot papers included the names of the constituent members, the ballot would not in fact be secret as required in accordance with paragraph 1.5 of the Association's By-Laws. The indulgence of the meeting is sought to note this irregularity and accept the outcome of the ballot in any case.

Moved: Keith Jameson

Seconded: Chris Noel

Amending Motion: That the ballot papers be altered so that the constituent members' names be removed prior to being lodged and the ballot proceed.

Moved: Murray Clark

Seconded: Paul Coates

Amending Motion: Carried

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Following a secret exhaustive ballot the following were elected as Directors of Rowing NSW: Stephen Handley, Deanna Fekete and Sarah Cook.

It was noted that, in accordance with the provisions established for the transition to three year terms for Directors approved at the 2014 Annual General Meeting, Stephen Handley and Deanna Fekete are elected for three year terms to expire in 2018 while Sarah Cook is elected for a two year term to expire in 2017.

## **General Business**

Chris Noel congratulated the board on a good year.

There being no further business the President declared the meeting closed at 8.05pm

Ivan Adlam  
President