



BOARD MEETING
Sydney Yacht Squadron
Wednesday 18 February 2015 at 6.00pm

MINUTES

Attendees: Ivan Adlam (President), Stephen Handley, Liam James, Miranda Bennett, Deanna Fekete, Fiona Toose, Danika Wright and Tony Blower (Secretary)

Apologies: Bryan Weir (Deputy President), Bronwen Watson

1. Welcome

6.00pm - I Adlam welcomed the Directors to the February Board meeting of Rowing NSW Inc

2. Confirmation of Minutes and Business Arising

2.1 Previous Meetings Minutes

Motion: To accept the minutes of the 21 January 2015 RNSW Board Meeting as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Motion; Carried

2.2 Business Arising

The CEO tabled the Board action sheet. A verbal update on the status of pending items to be actioned from previous minutes was provided.

F Toose outlined the legal status of the Bromley Trust

3. Rowing NSW Programs

3.1 Regattas

Regattas	2014			2015		
	Entries	Seats	Athletes	Entries	Seats	Athletes
Taree	1312	3122	638	1220	3007	597
Small Boats	487	695	400	482	672	379
Scots	181	904	1063	179	888	1049
Pymble	268	721	565	286	688	501
Tweed	218	484	141	333	619	191

3.2 Membership Analysis

2010/11 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,146
2011/12 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,649
2012/13 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,757
2013/14 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,875

	January '14	January '15	Total: 2013/14
Metro Comp	833	855	921
Metro Jnr	1769	1625	1832
Regional Comp	349	380	361
Regional Jnr	446	463	457
Supporting	23	22	27
Official	259	236	283
AAGPS Jnr	602	553	619
Recreational	209	173	280
Patron	78	78	78
	4,567	4,385	4875

The membership renewal rate is behind of last season's figures by 182 individuals year to date.

4. Finance Report

- Summary assessment of accounts for each department:
 - i. Operations –Income is behind budget for the month by club seat fees by 10K and YTD by 25K.
However YTD RNSW regattas are over budget YTD by 44 K. Overall YTD Operations income is over budget by 16K. Operations expenses are 8k behind budget for the month and 21K YTD

Development–Income for the month relates to Grafton camps in January. Income is slightly behind budget for the month as a majority of that income came in December preceding the camp.YTD Development income is only slightly behind budget .Development Expenses for the month are over budget by 6K due to expenses for the Come and Try Para Rowing day that cost around \$1200 and the fact that January had 3 pay periods and only 2 were budgeted for in Development.

- ii. Administration –Income for the reporting period is above budget for the month and in line year to date. We received a 15K grant from Sport and Recreation that lifted the income. However membership income was down, in particular Metro Junior memberships which are down for the month by 4K and down year to date by 10k. Decrease in sponsorship leaving a 10K deficit YTD. All other administration income is in line. Administration expenses are running slightly above budget YTD.

Overall we are running in line with budget YTD.

Motion; To accept the Finance report

Motion; Carried

5. BOARD MATTERS

5.1 Further discussions were held regarding the strategic plan and it was agreed that the board would convene on Wednesday 4 March to continue its discussions.

Action; D Wright to provide further information

5.2 The Premiership Point Score was further discussed and will be considered at future meetings

5.3 The King and Queens’ Cup lunch was discussed and the importance of this function to Rowing NSW was noted. We are hopeful that our Patron (Governor of NSW) and the State Minister for Sport will attend. It is important that all clubs make a concerted effort to support this event.

5.4 The state of Under 21 rowing was discussed and this matter will be carried over to the next board meeting

5.5 The board noted the successful staging of the Rowing NSW State Championships

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 The Board noted that the Gold Cup regatta was on Saturday 23 February

6.2 Discussion was held with respect to junior athletes taking part in the senior state team and the need to ensure that they were able to row in grade regattas in the 2015/16 season

Motion: To waive the provisions of rule 8 (2) (A) (x) (b) of the Laws of Boat Racing in respect of school aged athletes for 2015/16 only

Motion; Carried

6.2 Discussion was held regarding the status and currency of the Laws of Boat Racing and noted that, once the review of Bylaws is complete, the these should be updated as a matter of urgency

6.3 The board noted the recommendation of the Competition Commission that the following be named as the Rowing NSW State Team for 2015;

WOMEN'S CREWS

Queen's Cup

- 1 J Allen
- 2 A Clay
- 3 G Gotch

4 M Heinke
5 G Horton
6 L Saunders
7 C Williams
8 O Dressler-Smith
Reserve E Halsall
Cox K Brodie

Victoria Cup

1 L Dunn
2 H Lawrence
3 G Miansarrow (TBC)
4 S Pound
Reserve K O'Gorman*
Reserve Emma Thomas*

* one to be omitted

Nell Slatter Trophy

1 E Halsall
Reserve A McGlynn

Bicentennial Cup

1 O Bartram
2 S Cox
3 K O'Gorman
4 R Davenport
5 C Medway
6 R Stalph
7 B O'Gorman
8 L Wainwright

Reserves C Simpson
K Hall

Cox D Petit

MEN'S CREWS

King's Cup*

	Name
1	J.Chapman
2	C.Girdlestone
3	J.Hargreaves

- 4 A.Lloyd
- 5 F.Pragnell
- 6 N.Purnell
- 7 M.Ryan
- 8 S.Turrin
- 9 N.Wheatley
- Cox** T.Lister

* One to be selected as reserve

Penrith Cup

- Name**
- 1 R.Chisholm
- 2 E.De Carvalho
- 3 S.Murphy
- 4 S.Nola
- Reserve** W.Clark

President's Cup

- 1 S.Belonogoff

Wilkinson Cup

- Name**
- 1 R.Black
- 2 J.Cook
- 3 J.Bicknell
- 4 A.Purnell
- 5 T.Schramko
- 6 Tom Whitehead
- 7 R.Tucker
- 8 C.Watts
- 9 Z Whitehead
- 10 Z.Von Appen
- Cox** A.Bagby

two reserves to be finalised

Motion; To accept the recommendation of the Competition Commission

Motion; Carried

6.5 The board noted that Rowing Australia has appointed a new CEO to commence full time duties 1 May 2015.

6.5 The board discussed the incident of junior crews being exposed to severe weather conditions in October 2014 on Iron Cove and noted that Maritime Services

are currently investigating. Also noted was the lack of response from Leichhardt Rowing Club to requests for information on the results of any investigation undertaken or procedural changes implemented by that club or recommended to other clubs as a consequence.

Motion; The Board of RNSW would write to the Board of Leichhardt Rowing Club seeking an update on any actions taken or intended.

Motion; Carried

There being no other business the President declared the meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Ivan Adlam
President

Anthony Blower
Board Secretary

Next Meeting 15 April 2015 at 6:00pm (Kirribilli)