

Minutes of February 18th 2020 Meeting

- 1) Attendance: Robert (BCapt), Richard (Marathon), Bob (VP), Dom (member), Margi (Safety), Jeremy (Pres), Helen, Patricia (Sec)
- 2) Apologies: Trent
- 3) Minutes of the last meeting:

Decision: Minutes of the November 2019 meeting be agreed **after changing to Special General Meeting (not Open)**

Proposed: Helen Seconded: Bob

- 4) President's report – will comment during meeting – no specific report.
- 5) Treasurer's report – Trent forwarded the Management report for January, all payments up to date.
- 6) Correspondence
In – reply from NSW Transport re compulsory acquisition of land at Batemans Bay – BGCC has waived rights to compensation.

Out

From Previous Meeting:

- **Budget** – Bob is still compiling figures as they come in – requires a full financial year
- **Utilities** – solar panels – Bob met with supplier, however they were concerned re the trees, & all sounded too expensive

No further action

- - water bills – sorted

No further action

- **First Aid Course** – Margi and Helen attended a First Aid Course – Allens – will seek reimbursement of \$95 each.

- Agreed at Previous meeting to reimburse coaches - \$99 each

- **Boat Shed** – guttering – MastaFlow agreed to come in and quote – haven't as yet.
- **Portage Pontoon** – several suggestions put forward, ie build up with soil, or dig out from grass area and put down a removable ramp. Might there be prefabricated ramps available?

Margi, Dom and Shane to come up with a solution – we will require something soon as paddlers are practicing for States and Nationals.

Need to look into grants to replace the main pontoon and make it suitable for wheelchair access. Patricia to check with OC club to see how far they got.

- **Convenors/coaches Training Fund** – waiting for grant notifications
- 7) Convenor Reports

- **Paddle to Fitness.** 1st module was well attended, however few have returned to paddling since. 2nd module postponed due to smoke and cancellation of our race.
- **Marathon** – we've had the Batemans Bay race and the Wagga Oura race with Albury coming up on the weekend and Windsor on the 21st March.

As our race has been postponed we will now be holding it on the 4th July. We need to embrace it!! It will be bracing!!, however we need to sell it to the Sydney clubs. We'll look at coming up with some pithy slogans – Kayak and Toboggan, while Dads kayak in Canberra the kids can try tobogganing at Corin Forrest... Richard will be asking for ideas & suitable prizes, ie snow globes.

We will look at getting the SES to do the safety boats. Need to make sure that we also have other sea kayaks or Hobie's on the water in case paddlers fall in, they will all have space blankets available. Measures need to be in place to reduce the chance of Hypothermia.

Patricia to contact the SES for 2 boats & Ben for First Aid, also check with Ski club on possibility of using their end instead of the lake. Helen to look into coffee van.

- **Canoe Polo** - no report
- **Coaches Rep.** – no report
- **Boat Captain** – 5 boat places still remaining. Several people will be asked to remove their extra boats which have snuck in over time. 2 Boat Capt places still vacant.
- **Membership** – 221 members. A bit lower than usual – not surprising **One reason given for members not renewing was a lack of social activity.** Very few opportunities for members to socialise both on the water or at the club – reintroduce time trial BBQ (once a month), look at social paddles again (maybe as per the SUPers, to Kingston for coffee?), who to organize?
- **Safety** – Hypothermia for our winter series race. With the various flowing river races (and low levels) Margi will write a piece on the Craft of River Racing.
- **Time Trials** – make the last of the month a handicap 1 lap race with BBQ. Need to advertise.

8) **Boat Shed** – doors have been fixed – thanks to Shane and Scotty

9) **Key Requests** – Helen Donaldson + boat storage - agreed

10) **Events** – see marathon – PNSW still would like it as a Portage round, we agreed they could advertise it as such and we will make a decision closer to the date.

Burley Griffin BASH – agreed that we still want to run it, will need to look at the calendar from September to see what dates are free in the Ultra Marathon series. Need to

encourage newer paddlers – maybe get experienced paddlers to buddy up in doubles or singles

11) Other Business

Security cameras? Recording – Gary will check regularly to make sure they are running

Soldier On – Tuesday 31st March 9.30 3 hours \$25pp will need several volunteers – Bob, John Lockie and Margi agreed to help out.

Grants – Bob to check on when notifications due

Russell & Carolyn's farewell - \$200 for restaurant voucher, received with Thanks.

12) Meeting closed - 7.21pm

13) Next meeting - March 17th