



REDCLIFFE RED DRAGON BOAT CLUB Inc.

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Saturday 25 March 2023 at The Paddlers' Den

Meeting Opened: 9.12am

Minute taker: Iris Hall

1. Apologies: Gill Robinson

Attendees: Cherie Robinson, Iris Hall, Anne Neiland, Sonia Anger, Jill Aplin, Petra Cruickshank, Del Martin, Margery Barnes, Fran Heales, Cheryl Rigby, Tina Van Kuyl, Andrea Coe, Iciar Argus, Kerry Ingebrightsen, Lyn Russell, Barb Powell, Phil Matthysen, Ann Matthysen, Kay Roper, Simon Argus, Vince De Gregorio, Ross Lambert, Marina Denaro, Lisa Dunne, Melanie Roper, Peggy + Bob Rapley

2. Minutes from Previous Meeting – read and accepted.

3. Correspondence as listed

4. Reports

i. President's Report – Mel Roper

- Congratulations re paddlers representing club at State Competition.
- Snapdragon Boat – quote for repairs has been approved by Pinkies.
- Solar Panels for Clubhouse – all underway. Thank you to Cheryl Rigby for acquiring a grant of \$16,000+
- Redcliffe Dolphins – event went well. Also received a donation from the club.

ii. Treasurer's Report – Lisa Dunne

- Presented at meeting and attached.
- \$50,000 increase in revenue over last 12 months: This is largely due to our January regatta, Dolphins donation and grant.
- Solar – 2 quotes have been received. Feedback on these would be appreciated.
- Minutes approved: Peggy Rapley, seconded by Iris Hall – approved.

iii. Coach's Report – Iciar Argus

- Training sessions have focused on anaerobic fitness, sock work, race starts and races.
- Average of 15-17 paddlers attend mid-week training. More would be better to help bolster competition.
- 22 paddlers on average at regattas.
 - Would be great to have a 20's all female boat.
 - We are now able to ¾ fill a men's team.
- 200 m race completed in 1 minute (average). Our goal is around 53 seconds.
- Fitness Testing: Good rivalry; everyone's stats improved.
- Request: Concept 2 rower. This will help competition paddlers set targets and continue to build healthy competition.
- DBQ: Redcliffe was commended for all their contributions and volunteer work for State Championships.
- Nationals: Training going well. Social paddlers, please keep supporting this by attending training sessions. Your fees also help towards this.

- iv. Team Manager's Report – Cheryl Rigby
 - Very proud of our achievements at State Championships.
 - Special mention to Rita as sweep, drummers, helpers with boats, clean up etc and supporting Cheryl as Team Manager.
 - v. Club Registrar's Report – Simon Argus
 - 58 Primary Members, 3 on a Dragon Pass.
 - Average age of members = 58
 - We have approximately 30 seniors and 3 Pregs/juniors.
 - We have put in a request to join the Hervey Bay Regatta in June.
5. Club Regatta – September 2023
- i. Date set for September 17th. We need a coordinator.
 - ii. Club has given general support for this.
 - iii. Mel to follow up with other clubs to see if they will commit to participation. Ideal is to have 10+ clubs participating. Looking for strong expressions of interest
6. Equipment and Expenses
- i. Please use the recommended form to invoice the club if you have assisted with towing the trailer or boat. You can obtain these from Lisa.
 - ii. The executive have approved a reimbursement increase due to the higher costs involved.
7. Key Register – all up to date
- i. See Lisa if you need access.
8. Zonta Boat (resolved prior to General Meeting)
9. Nationals/States Payments:
- i. Club is paying 50% of State cost and 70% of Nationals for 2023. This payment (availability) will be reviewed annually.
 - ii. Thank you to social paddlers. Your fees help with this. We also need everyone to volunteer their help for fundraising.
10. Pinks Calendar – Fran and Mel resolved this prior to General Meeting.
11. All Other Business
- i. Awards Night – May 20th.
 - Don't forget to nominate the Paddler's Paddler
 - ii. New Dragon Boat – cost = \$18,000
 - Aim is to sell the old Zonta boat and order the new boat around June.
 - Vote – declined.
 - iii. New Trailer: Recommendation given to purchase a new trailer prior to buying a new boat.
 - iv. Coaches Needed: Accreditation Process begins in May.
 - Sweeps Training also to commence from 8th April. Recommendation to delay this until after Nationals.
 - v. State Championship Photos: \$190 total cost for USB.
 - Images will be made available to team at a small cost. Details to be finalised (Iciar, Cheryl)
 - vi. Bunnings: Next date Sunday 13th August. Please mark this in your calendars. We need as many helpers as possible.

- vii. Corporate Regattas: We may look to build on this. Currently have agreed to do an event with the Lutheran Schools at a cost of \$500 for a half day. Is this the most cost effective use of our time? Review costings for corporate.
- viii. Newsletter editor: Andy Coe has resigned from her position. We thank her for her dedication and welcome Lyn Russell as the new editor. Thank you Lyn.
- ix. Social Events – tbc

Meeting Closed 10.07am.

CHAIR'S DECLARATION THAT MINUTES ARE A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING (Following ratification at the next meeting)

Name (Chair):

Signature:

(May be electronic)

Date:

