



REDCLIFFE RED DRAGON BOAT CLUB Inc.

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Saturday 30th November 2024 TIME: 9:00 am VENUE: Paddlers Den

Minute taker: Lyn Russell – Club Secretary

Meeting opened at 9:07am

1. APOLOGIES: Anne Hewitson, Margery Barnes, Mick Cruickshank, Petra Cruickshank, Sonia Anger, Steve Evans,

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Alan Cuff, Amanda Ewen, Anne Hewitson, Barb Powell, Brett O'Leary, Cheryl Rigby, Chloe Burt, Clinton Storey, Daren Voigt, Erlindal May, Frances Heales, Francis McKeown, Helen Harrison, Jane Storey, Jenny Shapland, Jo-Anne Thompson, Kerry Ingebrigtsen, Louise Swan, Lyn Stainlay, Mandy Beer, Mandy Lake, Margery Barnes, Mel Voigt, Melva O'Brien, Mick Cruickshank, Natalie Bliesner, Peter Bowen, Petra Cruickshank, Rita Beadsmore, Ross Lambert, Sonia Anger, Steve Evans, Suzie Fox, Tony Griffiths

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Andrea Coe, Ann Matthysen, Anne Neiland, Bob Rapley, Del Martin, Gary McDougall, Gilly Robinson, Iciar Argus, Jhana McLady, Kay Roper, Lisa Dunne, Lyn Russell, Marina Denaro, Maureen Morgan, Michelle Cooney, Peggy Rapley, Phil Matthysen, Renee D'Arcy, Sharyn Nunn, Simon Argus, Sue Batchelor, Tina Ikenasio, Tina Van kuyl, Vince De Gregorio

2. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

President called for motion to accept as a true and accurate record, and signed off by President.

- ✗ Moved by Iciar Argus
- ✗ Seconded by Gillian Robinson

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The old boat trailer has now been sold. Thank you to Lisa Dunne for arranging the sale of the old boat trailer to Port Macquarie for \$1900.

4. REPORTS:

President's Report - Andrea Coe

Andrea Coe verbally addressed the meeting.

- Update on Unity Water sewerage contamination in the canals which is currently being monitored. No timeline has been provided by Unity Water and daily checks are being conducted by club members to see when the signs have been removed.

Treasurer's Report - Lisa Dunne

The Treasurer's report was circulated to all members via email on 29th November 2024. Lisa Dunne read through the report. No questions were raised by any members. A copy of the Treasurer's report is attached to the Minutes.

Coaches Report – Iciar Argus

Iciar Argus verbally addressed the meeting, and the Coaches report is now attached to the Minutes.

Some key points are listed below.

- Extra gym equipment – a discussion was held whether the club should get a variety of new gym equipment and/or a second rower. It was agreed to get a variety of gym equipment, with further discussion regarding getting a second rower. This was put to a vote and 9 members in attendance agreed to getting a second rower, and 10 members voted “no”. The discussion moved to setting up a gym first and then review the need for a second rower at a later date. It was pointed out that the gym equipment is for the whole membership to use at any time.
- Andrea Coe asked is there a plan to have a coach in the Pinks boat. This was discussed by the coaches and all agreed to have a coach in the Pinks boat.

Club Registrar’s Report - Simon Argus

- To include possible upcoming changes AusDBF is trying to implement in the use of the Dragon Pass.

Simon Argus verbally addressed the meeting and a copy of the Club Registrar’s report is attached to the Minutes.

5. TASK CAPTAINS AND CHAMPIONS

- a. All positions vacant
- b. Positions to be reviewed annually
- c. Members will be asked to consider taking on a task role

Lyn Russell addressed the meeting and asked members to consider their involvement, not only as paddlers, but encouraging more involvement in the running of the club and igniting some passion.

It was noted that Gilly Robinson is reinstating the newsletter and it would be distributed to all members soon.

6. MBRC COME AND TRY SESSIONS – none scheduled for first half of 2025.

Lisa Dunne advised that previously the club would receive \$400 for these sessions however that figure is now down to \$200, less \$40 for morning tea, making a net profit of \$160.

A discussion was held regarding running our own Come ‘n Try sessions outside of MBRC. Members felt by continuing to participate in the MBRC program, that it was a positive way to demonstrate community involvement, in particular when applying for grants. It was still considered beneficial to getting new members. All members in attendance were asked to vote on whether they would like to continue hosting Come and Try sessions – unanimous vote “yes”. Simon Argus mentioned that it was better to hold the sessions in the second half of the year given that the first half of the year was busy with regattas and additional training sessions.

7. LOLLY RUN – Monday 16th December – Volunteers needed to distribute flyers.

For those who were available, it was agreed to discuss distribution after the meeting had concluded.

8. BUNNINGS FUNDRAISER – Sunday 22nd December – Gilly Robinson

3 more people needed – now filled.

Kay Roper reiterated that this is fun day for members and a good bonding session.

9. END OF YEAR CHRISTMAS DINNER – Saturday 14th December @ The Belvedere

Members were reminded of the cancellation policy for this event.

10. CLUB BIRTHDAY AND ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTATION NIGHT – May 2025

Sub-committee: Cheryl Rigby, Tina Van kuyl, Gilly Robinson, Petra Cruickshank, Peggy Rapley

Date has been set for Saturday 31st May 2025

Theme options: Gatsby / Black & White

There was an issue regarding what year was being celebrated. It was decided by majority rule, in favour, of it being the 20th anniversary celebration, and not the 21st.

The sub-committee were advised that the budget was set at \$6,000 regardless of any contributions ie grants received or Pinks donation.

Tina Ikenasio confirmed that the Pinks will be celebrating their 20th anniversary in October.

11. PROPOSED MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2025 – Noted.

Committee meetings:

- ✗ Saturday 8th February 2025
- ✗ Saturday 10th May 2025
- ✗ Saturday 16th August 2025

General meetings:

- ✗ Saturday 1st March 2025
- ✗ Saturday 31st May 2025

Annual General meeting:

- ✗ Saturday 6th September 2025

12. COACHES CHAT WITH MEMBERS

Vince De Gregorio addressed the meeting and advised that the coaches would like to do one-on-one training sessions with paddlers to ensure we are all doing the same thing. How these would be conducted was explained in more detail by the coaches.

They would like to see more commitment to attending the gym sessions, and to support each other.

Focus on technique, encouraging gym sessions at the den and team bonding.

Water contamination is continuing to be an issue – options were considered on how to continue training while the canal is closed ie taking our boats out to another club, using different entry point. It was commented that it is important that we continue to train as a club.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Sweep training – Del commented that more Sweeps are needed and would like to see more people being trained.

14. NEXT GENERAL MEETING – Saturday 1st March 2025


Meeting closed: 10:32am

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):

Andy Coe

Signature:



Date:

1-3-25

NB: A voice recording of the meeting is held by the Secretary.