

Secret Harbour Surf Lifesaving Club Inc

The Annual General Meeting of the Secret Harbour Surf Lifesaving Club was held on Friday 24 July 2016 at the Secret Harbour SLSC Club rooms.

The meeting commence at 7:00pm.

Attended:

Board of Management

Ron Wade Vice President

Nicholas le Plastrier Director Finance & Admin

Rick Lowe Club Captain

Deb Bird Director Surf Sports

Del Rule Director of House & Social Robyn Bevan Director of Sponsorship

Life & Long Service members:

Billy Bevan, Stephen Ford, Max Hannah, Brendan Privilege, Digby Wilson,

Patrolling members:

Daniel Andrew, Robert Bates, Jillian Brown, Julee Butler, Joe Ford, Sharee Hart, David Howarth, Richard Jannsen, Ian Noorman, Matthew Osborne, Ian Phillips, Jeff Poad, Sarah Pugh, Lorry Rule, Sarah Lowe, Samantha Lowe, Tina Runnion, Grant Stirling, Greg Stoot, Mark Thomas, Mark Turley, Kim Wade, Garry Williams, Megan Williams, Jessica Williams, Alannah Wilson, Sarah Wilson

Office & Committee Members:

Caroline Bates, Rebecca Hughes, Tracey Poad, Amanda Turner

General, Members:

Linda Carroll, Elaine Dexter, Sarah Pugh, Fran Meadley, Mark Muir, Anita Sharpes, Joanne Thodis, Jessica Tonkin, Matthew Tonkin, Robert Meek, Wendy Meek, Melissa Sharman, John Sharman,

Guests:

John Hawks, Juanita Remedio, Barry Jarrott,

Apologies:

Ben Bird, Breanna Bird, Karen Clay, Carig Graydon, Iain Lund, Ross Onion, Sean Phillips, Ryan Phillips, Alan Robinson, Zac Schurko, Graham Shackles, Jamie Thomas, Donna Williams, Carolyn Wilson, Matthew Wilson, Andrew Williams,

Minutes

1.0 Meeting Opening and Apologies

The Acting Club President declared the Annual General Meeting open and read the apologies.

2.0 <u>Confirmation of Minutes.</u>

The minutes for the 2014/15 Meeting were put forward for approval:

Accepted: Garry Williams
Seconded: Stephen Ford

Result: The AGM membership unanimously approved the minutes.

3.0 <u>Business Arising from Previous AGM Minutes</u>

Nil

4.0 <u>Presidents Report</u>

The Acting Club President, Rick Lowe presented the club highlight for the 2014/15 season. He reported on the achievements enjoyed by the club over the previous season including, but not limited to:

- Completion of the building project and our relocation at the end of May 2016.
- Success of club athletes at the many carnivals and competitions throughout the season
- Another successful patrol season, with members having undertaken:
 - 5012.5 volunteer patrol hours
 - 72 rescues
 - 654 preventative actions
 - 47 first aid incidents
- Acknowledged it had been a difficult year, but updated processes and changes to the club ByLaws are currently occurring.
- Acknowledged the many successes of the pool rescue team at the recent SLSWA Pool Rescue Championships.
- Reported on the success of club member Brock Ingram in being selected for the 2016 Para-Olympics' and wished him every success during the competition.

On behalf of the Board and club membership the Acting President sincerely thanked every member involved with ensuring the success of the 15/16 season. Significant year for the club – acknowledge we still have a lot to do and would welcome the support and suggestions from the membership

5.0 Long Service Membership

Long Service Membership is awarded to a club member after at least 10 years of active membership at Secret Harbour or a total of 12 years of active service of any club, of which a minimum of 5 years must be at Secret Harbour. On behalf of the club the following members were presented with Long Service Membership in recognition of their patrolling service:

Joe Ford

Joe commenced his lifesaving career as a nipper. Over the years he has achieved many awards, including his bronze medallion and IRB Drivers certificate. He has completed over 361 volunteer patrol hours for Secret Harbour and has also been employed by SLSWA as a lifeguard for many seasons. Joe is well known for his many successes in surf sports, particularly the surf ski's. Joe has proudly represented Secret harbour at local, state, national and international surf sports events. Finally, Joe is the youngest club member to be awarded long service and we hope he continues to be strong presence around the club for many years to come.

Rohan Pugh

Rohan has been a member of the club since 2005, and from the fist moment extremely active around the club. Rohan has held both Board and committee roles within the club and has worked tirelessly to ensure the club's continued success. Rohan has completed 382 volunteer patrol hours for the club and is actively involved in both the lifesaving operations and surf boat sections of the club.

Rick Lowe

Rick has been a member of the club since 2006 and has undertaken over 714 volunteer patrol hours during this period. Rick has been both the Director of Life Saving and then Club Captain for many years. More recently, he stepped up to fill in as the club acting president. Rick has completed many awards through the club and has been actively involved as a surf boat competitor. He has also undertaken age management for the nipper program.

On behalf of the membership the sincere congratulations of all was extended to Joe Ford, Rohan Pugh and Rick Lowe in recognition of their years of service to patrolling at Secret Harbour.

5.0 Presentation of 2014/2015 Season Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements

Annual Report and Financial Statements

The Director of Finance and Administration Nick Le Plastrier presented the clubs 2015/16 Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements to the membership.

The Director of Finance and Admin was pleased to report the financial audit had progresses well with only 2 items requiring attention:

- Improving Stock take procedures
- Ensuring the club adheres to the changes associated with the new Associations Act to take affect 1 July 2016

Pleasingly, this outcome is a reflection of club policy and procedures being followed appropriately.

It was noted the membership list and life membership list were incomplete in the 2015/16 Annual Report. The Club Administrator apologised for these admissions and an addendum insert to the annual report will be inserted.

The Director of Finance and Administration confirmed / advised the following:

- Club Membership was now over 1000 members
- The financial results were strong given the building project and a small decline in grants generally due to the decline in the WA economy.
- The year ended with an operating profit of \$38 290 and \$272 482 in the bank
- \$98, 334 has been set aside for the 16/17 financial year to complete fit-out of the new building.
- Pleasingly, the commencement of the 16/17 financial year is seeing positive financial results from function bookings.
- Club total assets have improved
- The future funds have been maintained and for this season the amount has been aligned to the clubs term deposit.

The following comments from the AGM membership were raised:

- The financial statements presented provided the overall financial position of the club, but members would like to view the Profit and Loss by portfolio groups
- The membership would like to have the portfolio financial profit and loss reports incorporated into the annual report, so the membership are able to view a summary/breakdown of income/expenditure by portfolio.
- Requests the Board to discuss with the Club Auditors alternative reporting structures for presenting the clubs financial reports in the annual report to the membership.
- Concern was expressed at the level of bar revenue, and would like to see a split between club and private function activities.
- Concern expressed at BBQ fund raising revenue and reporting of BBQ profits was confusing.
- The membership requested more detail on the income & expense areas of the club particularly those derived from the bar, BBQ's & fundraising
- The membership requested a clear delineation between club activities vs function booking.

Action Item

- 1. The Director of Finance and Administration will review the club financial procedures to include presentation of portfolio group profit and loss statements in the annual report for consideration by members.
- 2. The financial reports will be reviewed to improve clarity of reporting with the goal of presenting improvement in income and expenditure reporting particularly in the areas of fund raising and bar revenue.

Motion

The Director of Finance and Administration requested the AGM to approve the clubs financial statements and annual report, with addendum that the action items presented above are incorporated into the 16/17 Financial Reports

Accepted: Caroline Bates Seconded: Digby Wilson

Result: The AGM membership unanimously approved the motion.

General Business

6.0 **Building Project.**

The Vice President Ron Wade presented an update of the Building Project. The following was advised / confirmed:

- The land transfer for the site was finalised in May 2016.
- This has allowed the club to enter to the finalisation of negotiations for the club lease with the City of Rockingham (CoR) which are still ongoing.
- Pleasingly, CoR have agreed to recognise the club as a lifesaving organisation rather than a sporting group. This has resulted in CoR agreeing to a lease length of 20 years @ \$1 per year rather than the usual 7 years.
- This will significantly improve our negotiations for the commercial space sub-leases.
- One of the major areas under discussion was responsibility for external building maintenance, which
 given the club's coastal environment would have proved extremely expensive in years to come.
 Pleasingly, consensus has been reached with CoR to ensure these expenses will not be incurred by the
 club.
- Should hopefully have the renegotiated lease finalised by the end of August 2106.
- The operational aspects of the club including security, maintenance contracts are currently being finalised. Members are asked to report any maintenance issues the eh club office.
- The Vice President is the primary contact coordinating all feedback, building, operational and maintenance to CoR and the Builder.
- A small group will be convened to look at the design of the club foyer, including placement of honour boards and other club memorabilia.
- Landscaping on external areas has commenced and CoR will be contacted to obtain a copy of the latest plans for review by members.
- The Vice President that throughout the building project process the importance of access for club and emergency vehicles was a priority for the club in the design of the landscaping plans.
- It was noted reception in the building was extremely poor and this will be reported to Telstra.

Items for Noting

9.0 Membership Fees

The membership noted the 16/17 Member Fees for the 16/17 Season. The following items were requested:

- Clarification and expansion of the rules & regulations in the explanatory notes to clearly articulate the discounts available to members. In particular, family membership structures, cadet discounts and membership cancellation refunds.
- It was noted the IRB drivers discount was introduced to provide an incentive for appropriately qualified members to take on this role when patrolling.
- It was confirmed an equipment levy would be introduced to replace the Building & Capital Levy that has been in place for many years. The equipment levy will be used to support the purchase of new equipment and equipment maintenance. The equipment levy will be prorata'd to different portfolios based on a members preferred affiliations within the club. Social members will not pay the equipment levy.
- As there have been no changes to SLSWA affiliation fees and charges, the club has not increased fees for the 16/17 season. Fees had been increased in the 15/16 season.
- The Board were requested to also investigate the possibility of introducing membership progress payments.

- The current liquor license has a membership ceiling of 1100 and as such the Board have previously approved social membership is restricted to no more than 300 members.

Action items

- 1. Clarification of the Member fees explanatory notes
- 2. Investigate membership progress payments

This item was noted by the AGM

9.0 Bylaw Amendments

The AGM are requested to note the amendments made over the 2014/15 to the Club Bylaws as provided in an

This item was noted by the AGM

Election of Officers

13.0 Nominations for Board, Office and Committee Positions

All Positons were declared vacant and open for election.

Board & Committee appointments are provided in attachment 1 to the minutes.

All appointments were unanimously selected by the AGM without any objections.

Other Business

14.0 Other Business

SLSWA Affiliation

The Acting Club President requested the membership to approve pursuant to Section 20 Business of the Club Constitution continue affiliation with SLSWA

Accepted: Ron Wade Seconded: Nick Le Plastrier

Result: The AGM membership accepted this motion.

Outgoing Board

On behalf of the members club members Rohan Pugh thanked the 15/16 Board for their work and commitment over the recent season.

15.0 Meeting Closed: 8.30 pm

Attachment 1

Office and Committee Positions Nominations as at 22 July 2015

Position	Nominations Received	Term	
Board of Management			
President	Rick Lowe	1 year	
Vice President	Ron Wade	2 years	
Club Captain Director of Finance & Admin	Rohan Pugh Nicholas Le Plastrier (continuing appointment - Term expires 30 July	1 year	
	2017)		
Director of Sponsorship & PR	Matt Osborne	2 years	
Director of Life Saving	lain Lund	2 years	
Director of Training & Education	Megan Williams	1 year	
Director of Surf Sports	Deb Bird	2 years	
Director of House & Social	Caroline Bates	2 years	
Director of Youth	Rebecca Hughes	1 year	
Finance & Administration			
Treasurer	Kim Wade	1 year	
Archive Officer	Vacant		
Constitution & By-Laws Officer	Garry Williams		
IT Officer	Greg Stroot		
Sponsorship & Pu	ublic Relations Committee		
Marketing Officer	Vacant	1 year	
Fund Raising Officer	Robyn Bevan		
Grants Officer	Vacant		
Publicity Officer	Deb Bird		
House &	Social Committee		
Building Officer	Ron Wade	1 year	
Bar Manager	Linda Carroll		
Functions Officer	Vacant		
Social Convener	Elaine Dexter		
Canteen Officer	Tracey Poad		
Health & Safety Officer	David Howarth		
Life Sav	ving Committee		
Patrol Officer	Daniel Andrew	1 year	
Gear Officer	Vacant		
IRB Officer	Mark Turley		
Vehicle Officer	Bryce Pugh		
First Aid Officer	Jillian Brown		
Tilst Ald Officer	Jillan Brown		

Education Committee			
Bronze Medallion Coordinator	Ian Phillips	- 1 year	
Surf Rescue Certificate Coordinator	Ian Phillips		
First Aid Awards Coordinator	Carolyn Wilson		
Power Craft Awards Coordinator	Jessica Williams		
Youth Development Committee			
Nipper Beach Coordinator	Vacant	1 year	
YEPs Coordinator	Garry Williams (mentor Linda Carroll)		
Junior Competition Coordinator	Vacant		
Junior Gear Officer	Vacant		
Nipper Water Safety Coordinator	Grant Stirling		
Junior Captain	Brea Bird and Chris Howarth	To 31 December 2016	
Age Group Managers			
(Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14)	To be confirmed Coaching Committee		
Coaching Convenor	Vacant		
Interclub Competitions Officer	Vacant	- 1 year	
Surf Boat Captain	Vacant		
Ski Captain	Joe Ford		
Board Captain	Mark Thomas		
Swimming Captain	Not required		
March Past Captain	Robyn Bevan		
Gymnasium Officer	Garry Williams		
<u>Appointments</u>			
Honorary Medical Officer	To be confirmed		
Chaplin	To be confirmed		
Patron	To be confirmed		
Vice Patrons	To be confirmed		
Delegate to SLSWA	Club President – Rick Lowe	1 year	