

SPACESAILER 27 SECTION/ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING

3 NOVEMBER 2015

PRESENT: G. ABERLE, C. STEVENSON, M. POPHAM, L. WHAN, B. EASTERBROOK,
S. FIGGINS, B. SALEEBA

APOLOGIES: P. REES, T. HARRISON, P. WILLMOTT. G. NORTHOVER,
R. BEISSEL, C. LONG.

1. PREVIOUS MINUTES.

Minutes of 6 Oct 15 meeting were tabled and accepted.

Accepted, C. Stevenson, M. Popham.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Re 3.3 The two non-recorded boats were Breakin Even and Calico. The club results were corrected to include these yachts.

Re 3.4 The new SPYC on-line nomination system had some reported shortcomings and members were willing to see if updates will correct them.

2. CORRESPONDENCE.

2.1 FROM

- 2.1.1 Numerous re coaching session on 18 Oct.
- 2.1.2 SPYC Div 2 acknowledging receipt of the Soundings article questionnaire.
- 2.1.3 E. Manners advising of ownership of Carrageen II.
- 2.1.4 P. Were with clarification of SI 12.7 and the application of a penalty.
- 2.1.5 C. Stevenson advising of "rabbit starts" for the coaching session.
- 2.1.6 SPYC advising of barbecue packs being available again for Twilights.
- 2.1.7 J. McDiarmid advising of his cessation of competitive sailing.
- 2.1.8 SPYC with SIs for windward/leeward races on 7 Nov.
- 2.1.9 YWA advising of travel allowances for sailors to compete.
- 2.1.10 P. Rees with an apology for the meeting.
- 2.1.11 T. Harrison with an apology for the meeting.

2.2 OUT

- 2.2.1 G. Aberle with information on the SS27 questionnaire for Soundings articles.
- 2.2.2 SPYC members with a copy of the Opening Day questionnaire.
- 2.2.3 Several re coaching detail.
- 2.2.4 All, with copy of the minutes.

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- 2.2.5 SPYC, requesting clarification of SI rule 12.7.
- 2.2.6 SPYC members with SI rule 12.7 explained.
- 2.2.7 Chairman to L. Whan advising of possible crew member.
- 2.2.8 Chairman to SPYC members advising of the current Twilight format.
- 2.2.9 Chairman to SPYC confirming this meeting will be held as scheduled.
- 2.2.10 All, with reminder of meeting.
- 2.2.11 RFBYC requesting SSIs for State Race 1 on 14 Nov.

3. REPORTS.

3.1 TREASURER: Bank balance stands at \$3748.

He advised SPYC that an account from Nicky Jones for coaching, was to be paid out of SS27 Section funds.

Also tabled was a summary of paid up members to 1 Nov.

Other members are to be sent a reminder of their subscription.

The new glass trophies are to be presented at the first State race at RFBYC, to the handicap placings.

3.2 MEASURER:

He measured new sails as follows -

Karina: new no.1 spinnaker and no.2 headsail.

Vision: new no. 1 and 2 spinnakers.

Calico: new no.2 headsail.

Timelord: measured current headsail and mainsail.

Rage appears to have a new headsail. Measurer to contact Assistant Measurer to invite I. Day to have it measured.

3.3 HANDICAPPER:

He will have the handicaps passed to RFBYC in time for the 1st State race on 14 Nov.

The two windward/leeward races on 7 Nov will be consistency events for SPYC yachts.

3.4 SAILING COMMITTEE:

At SPYC there is a move to erect a 'mens shed' to allow maintenance on boats while they are on the slipway.

Consideration is being given to reintroducing a mediation service at SPYC to resolve potential protest situations quickly and conveniently.

Twilight races are to be delayed until early Nov under an agreement reached with the river clubs. The first Twilight at SPYC will be Wed. 11 Nov.

Club Open Day will be on Sun, 15 Nov, from 0900 to 1500. It is hoped to get a selection of vessels for visitors to see and perhaps go sailing in. C. Stevenson will make Dr Feelgood available for this purpose.

SPYC House Committee has been approached to incorporate a crèche facility at the club. It would be manned by an employed carer, so there would be a fee for its use.

Crew positions need advertising. The sign at the entrance to SPYC requires touching up and perhaps repositioning. Ads in the newspaper should be reintroduced to attract applicants.

At the conclusion of club training courses, students should be addressed to make them aware of the availability of crewing positions, for both power and sail.

3.5 SCRIBE:

He is currently working on cleaning up and updating the webpage.

He is also considering future Soundings article 'targets'.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS.

4.1 COACHING. The general opinion was that the Sun, 18 Oct program produced by Nickie Jones, was a very worthwhile and successful exercise.

Also, onboard coaching was provided to Breakin Even, Halcyon Days and Calico by Nickie Jones in the following week.

T. Harrison (Vision) recorded his comments as follows -

- 1) Any training provided is good training. Vision is in support of more training in the future.
- 2) The format was good with Nickie jumping between boats. There was some confusion on the day about the gate start but the key to the day was the information gathering and wind readings.
- 3) We would have preferred more notice. Many of Vision's crew need months to get time available between family and fly in fly out and more would have made it if there was more notice.
- 4) Consider future training in winter, or month leading up to opening day. That way we don't have to sail on a Saturday and a Sunday.

The meeting thanked C. Stevenson for his preparation of these activities.

4.2 TWILIGHT SAILING. The SS27 Section has been scheduled to be the host for two Twilight races. These are Wed, 16 Dec and 17 Feb. The 17 Feb is the annual Parkinson Association sail.

4.3 CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST. The Chairman advised that the plated breakfast has been extended to include hash browns. Within the \$30 charge there is included a complimentary glass of champagne, the meal and tea and coffee. The date is Sun 6 Dec at SPYC at 0900. The sponsor and friend are to be invited as our guests.

4.4 SPYC OPENING DAY. The responses from a questionnaire were collated and a meeting will be convened to discuss and resolve any issues raised.

4.5 CRUISE IN COMPANY. A trip from Rous Head to Hillarys Yacht Club is being considered. The Chairman will make contact with HYC to determine whether pens can be provided and a meal organised at the club. The date is the long weekend of 5 - 7 Mar 16.

4.6 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP. The first race is on Sat, 14 Nov from RFBYC. G. Manners advised that a meal at the club following the race has been arranged. The cost is \$30 (discounted price) for a barbecue meal that includes dessert. Drinks via cash bar as usual.

5. NEXT MEETING -

Next meeting is in the SPYC Heritage Room at 1930hrs, on Tuesday, 1 Dec 15.

Secretary,