SPACESAILER 27 SECTION/ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING

6 OCTOBER 2015

PRESENT: G. ABERLE, T. KANE, R. BEISSEL, P. REES, C. STEVENSON, M. POPHAM,

T. HARRISON, S. FIGGINS, G. NORTHOVER, B. SALEEBA.

APOLOGIES: P. WILLMOTT, J. McDIARMID.

1. PREVIOUS MINUTES.

Minutes of 1 Sep 15 meeting were tabled. Re 3.1 the amount for the provision should read \$800, not \$820.

Accepted, M. Popham, C. Stevenson.

BUSINESS ARISING:

2. CORRESPONDENCE.

- 2.1 FROM
- 2.1.1 Numerous re the Inland Cruise.
- 2.1.2 J. Cable advising Pegasus is for sale.
- 2.1.3 A. Willmott advising an ocean cruise is attractive.
- 2.1.4 Chairman with copy of thank you letter to the sponsor.
- 2.1.5 Several re detail of proposed Christmas breakfast at SPYC.
- 2.1.6 SPYC reminder to nominate for the season.
- 2.1.7 Twilight sailing program. SS27s on 16 Dec and 17 Feb.
- 2.1.8 L Whan advising of name change to Timelord and invitation to ceremony.
- 2.1.9 Several advising of news item involving J. Murray.
- 2.1.10 SPYC with Opening Day program.
- 2.1.11 Chairman with summary of outstanding season nominations.
- 2.1.12 Cruising Section progressive dinner notification.
- 2.1.13 FSC open dinner invitation for Sat, 14 Nov.
- 2.1.14 Chairman with update on J. Murray.
- 2.1.15 M. Popham advising of a new spinnaker at reduced cost.
- 2.1.16 M. Popham advising on the health of J. McDiarmid.
- 2.1.17 SPYC requesting suggestions for Opening Day 2016.
- 2.1.18 T. Harrison with apology for the meeting.
- 2.2 OUT
- 2.2.1 Numerous re Inland Cruise.

- 2.2.2 M. Popham to Treasurer advising the annual audit is complete.
- 2.2.3 All, with copy of the minutes for Sep.
- 2.2.4 Inland Cruise attendees with a summary of the movements.
- 2.2.5 Several re name change to Timelord.
- 2.2.6 All, with reminder of meeting.
- 2.2.7 Several re reminder to nominate.
- 2.2.8 Chairman to L. Whan advising of his attendance to the name change.
- 2.2.9 All, with annual forms for the 15-16 season.
- 2.2.10 SPYC members with a fixture list for the season.
- 2.2.11 G. Aberle to SPYC with Soundings article.

3. REPORTS.

3.1 TREASURER: The annual audit was tabled and accepted without dissent. The Treasurer thanked M. Popham for preparing the audit on behalf of the Association.

The current bank balance stands at \$3468.

Annual membership fees have started coming in.

The annual YWA membership subscription of \$132 has been paid.

3.2 MFASURFR.

He has measured one new sail and one recut sail so far. More sails are expected to need measuring shortly.

He will make himself available by appointment.

3.3 HANDICAPPER:

There were eleven boats sailing in the SPYC Opening Day Regatta. However, two were not recorded by the club as being nominated for the season. The Handicapper is investigating this anomaly.

The handicaps have been prepared for the first consistency race on 10 Oct.

3.4 SAILING COMMITTEE:

The role of Regatta Committee has changed so that it now deals with policy matters. Normal sailing requirements are now dealt directly with the new Sailing Development Officer, Mikael Lundh.

The new online season nomination system has now been instituted. Members listed some concerns over the use of the system and these comments will be forwarded back for resolution.

The Yimbala/Eun-na-mara trophy event was held with seven of each power and sail vessels matched up.

The use of mediation is being reconsidered again to minimise the need for protest applications. The meeting unanimously endorsed the reintroduction of this process, as from past experience it was found to be beneficial.

The meeting was advised that the Bendon Racing Team could make themselves available in the new year for coaching purposes. This would be a free service to the sailors.

The 2016 Geraldton Race will add a leg in the event to pass Dirk Hartog Island. This is to acknowledge the fourth centenary of the landing on the island.

3.5 SCRIBE:

He has lodged the latest article for Soundings. The subject member was K. Fulwood. In future he will be looking to interview other crew members and new skippers as well. He is still looking to ways of incorporating a photo of the sponsor's spinnaker into the website. Scribe acknowledged receipt of email from Div 2 scribe (via M Popham) seeking copy of our "profile Questionnaire" and agreed to send one to Div 2 Rep.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS.

4.1 COACHING. Sun, 18 Oct is organised for Nikki Jones to run a short course session in the morning for four nominated boats. She will spend about 45 minutes on board each and have all yachts racing together over a mini course which will include using spinnakers and gybing.

Secretary to sent out a notice requesting nominees. G. Northover will inform SPYC that an invoice will be presented and is to be paid from Section funds. M. Popham will advise the On Water Group so there is no conflict with junior sailors.

- Sat, 24 Oct (Club Race) is set for Nikki Jones to run a fleet coaching program for the SS27s. R. Beissel has agreed to operate the RIB so she can observe and move between the selected boats. The boats will be chosen beforehand and advised to Nikki so she may inspect them beforehand. Fleet Captain/Chair to compile list of boats (3 prime plus 1 reserve).
- 4.2 TWILIGHT SAILING. The SS27 Section has two dates for being the host Section for the night. The dates are Wed, 16 Dec and Wed, 17 Feb. A theme needs to be developed for 16 Dec. The 17 Feb is the Parkinsons Twilight sail.
- 4.3 CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST. This will be held at SPYC on Sun, 6 Dec. G. Aberle has been negotiating with the club and the result will be a hot plated breakfast with a preselected range of food. Special dietary requirements can be met. The cost is expected to be \$30.
- 4.4 INLAND CRUISE. This was deemed to be good weekend with everyone enjoying the venue.
- 4.5 SPYC OPENING DAY. The club is canvassing comments from the participants on the style and format used. The responses will be used to see if any improvement can be made for next year. Secretary to send out the feedback request and all responses are to be returned directly to M. Popham.
- 4.6 CRUISE IN COMPANY. The meeting felt that a cruise should be arranged on the Labour Day weekend, 5-7 Mar 16. The intent would be to assemble at Rous Head and then proceed to Hillarys Yacht Club where the boats would be penned for two nights. HYC may be able to arrange a meal in their club house for the evenings.

5. NEXT MEETING -

Next meeting is in the SPYC Committee Room at 1930hrs, on Tuesday, 3 Nov 15.

Secretary,