

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Lake Jindabyne Sailing Club Inc. on Monday 15th January 2017 at the clubhouse.

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

In attendance was Martin van Weel, John Byrne, Tim Symons, Kerry McGaw, Steve Osborne, Alistair Cross, Ross Lawley.

Apologies were received from Jason Abbott, Ian Foster.

1. Learn To Sail.

Alistair gave a brief summary of the (very successful) Learn To Sail course conducted recently. As Australian Sailing has not given us the final financials the exact profit/loss of the course has not been determined, however it may well have made a profit of around \$800.

2. Discover Sailing Centre.

The meeting felt that becoming an Australian Sailing accredited Discover Sailing Centre was a good idea. Alistair will be the clubs co-ordinator for the Centre and Australian Sailing's point of contact. There is an accreditation process – read paperwork - that needs to be followed through. Alistair and John to liaise.

It was suggested that the Centre could run classes for a couple of hours on Saturday AM. It was important for the parents of the participants to be involved as we don't want to become a babysitting service. Also club members will be asked to assist, maybe on a rostered basis. Ideally participants should have their own boats.

The instructors who did the Learn To Sail Instructors course all need to update their First Aid certificates before they can become fully qualified. Barney is arranging.

If we have an instructor who is qualified to provide the Powerboat Handling Course, and the club is a Discover Sailing Centre, the club is able to conduct the Powerboat Handling Course on site and participants who pass the course are able to use their awarded certificate to obtain a boat license.

3. Optis.

The club has been offered 5 second hand Optis – which are excellent boats for juniors to learn to sail in – for \$700 each. Cost = \$3,500. (We will probably need to buy new sails and maybe a few bits and pieces so total cost could end up around \$4500 - \$5000).

We have also been offered 6 new Optis for \$10,000. (Buy 5 get one free deal.)

Perisher, as part of its Epic Promise, does provide grants to clubs for community/youth projects. The club will apply for a grant specifying both options and depending upon the result, we will make a decision one way or the other.

The club has been offered two Corsair yachts, which are excellent for adults to learn to sail in, for \$1,200.00 for both. The committee agreed to their purchase.

4. The Shed.

Marty and Kerry have previously done quite a bit of work on a new shed. Cost ranges from \$50,000 to \$80,000 for a complete rebuild which is beyond the clubs finances. A grant is needed but in order to improve our chances of getting one, we should have an approved DA from Council. This plus the running of some fund-raising activities will help reinforce that our intentions are "fair dinkum" in a grant application.

A sub-committee of Martin, Kerry and Ross are to work on this.

5. Winter Tenant.

It was agreed to rent the premise to last years tenant. The rent to increase by \$50PW and a clause inserted in the lease that fires/firepit are strictly prohibited.

6. Ladders for Start Boat and RIB.

Following on from the difficulty experienced recently in trying to get a tired sailor onto the Start Boat, it was agreed a fixed ladder for the rear of the boat be purchased and installed. Something for the RIB will also be sought.

7. Handicap Progression.

Now that we are having much larger fleets on Wednesday, maybe the application of handicap progression for DNF's needs to be looked at. For example, a boat that DNF's in a fleet of 5 has their handicap increased as if they came 5th, whilst a boat that DNF's in a fleet of 14 has their handicap progressed as if they came 14th. Obviously the latter will be much larger than the former. Maybe a standard progression value needs to be set.

8. Merchandise.

Ross Lawley will be the merchandise – caps, shirts, etc. - co-ordinator. John will look at adding a page to our web site that will enable the ordering and paying for merchandise on our web site.

9. Security.

The winter tenant signs a valid Residential Tenancy Lease and that document stipulates that the premises must be secure. If we fail to provide one, the club will be liable for any loss the tenant should incur if the premises are entered unlawfully. There are a number of front door keys in the community and on its own proves that we are not providing the tenant with secure premises. A solution would be to change the tumbler on the front door to provide access to the tenant but not one else and then change the tumble back after winter. Or put a keypad lock on the door. All existing key holders would be advised of the code but it would be changed during winter for the tenant. This would also have the added benefit of no more lost keys!

10. Start Boat.

It was agreed that the person rostered on for RIB duties should assist on the Start Boat with the starting and finishing of races. In between those times they can operate the RIB as usual. It's primarily so that members gain some knowledge of how to start and finish races.

11. Lanyard.

If the Start Boat or the RIB are involved in an accident, the driver will not be covered by insurance if they are NOT wearing the wrist lanyard whilst the motor is running.

12. Hire of Clubhouse.

An application has been received by a local person to run "wellness" workshops in the clubhouse. It was agreed this was OK subject to the payment of a hiring fee and it did not impact on sailing days.

Martin was going to "have a word" with Council to see what their opinion was now on making the clubhouse more available for hire by the community.

13. Boat on Beach.

An application had been received from a casual visitor to leave a Windrush at the club permanently. It was agreed that this was not something we wish to see happening.

The meeting closed at 7.05PM.