



MINUTES COMMITTEE MEETING
ACT Sports House, Hackett
Wednesday 10 July 2012 at 6.30pm

Present: N. Hunter (Chair), P. Davoren, V. Newman, A. Butorac, B. Burbidge, J. Hammond.

Apologies: V. McMahon, D. Bagnall, D. Gwynn-Jones S. Cook.

Minutes: Minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2012 were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising: Administrative Officer will seek expressions of interest for the position of ACT delegate on the Rowing Australia Master's Committee. Potential nominees were discussed.

2013 Australian Masters' Rowing Championships: The organising committee is awaiting the finalised accounts for AMRC 2012 as a basis for developing a budget for 2013. Treasurer's advice will be required on the extent that RACT can contribute to regatta funding. The first bulletin on AMRC 2013 will be put out this month. Seat fees will not need to be specified in this bulletin. Geoff Northam is finalising the course layout taking account of options for transit lanes. The course layout will determine the overall layout of regatta infrastructure.

There has been considerable feedback to Rowing Australia on the AMRC 2012 at Lake Wendouree that should assist with planning AMRC 2013 in Canberra.

Administrative Officer Report

ROMS Replacement: J. Hammond reported on the outcome of recent discussions about the future regatta management system. There is no need for an early decision by RACT. We can continue with the favourable arrangement we have for use of Rowing Manager. It seems that some states will be negotiating new 2 year contracts for ROMS as they don't see its imminent replacement by Rowing Central. Rowing Australia is continuing with its assessment and development of Rowing Central for which it has Australian Government funding.

Sports and Recreation Grants: The 2013 grants round will be opened in October and close in November 2012. Funding support could be sought for regatta infrastructure in Weston Park although there remain some uncertainties about what specific projects will proceed. Edwin Bien is developing our requirement for spectator finish display for Weston Park, which seems a likely grant project.

Presentation Dinner: A waiver of the hiring fee has been sought from the Southern Cross Club in view of its previous support for rowing events.

Upgrade Trophies and Pennants: The meeting agreed to expenditure of \$350 to replace the Men's Premiership Pennant. It was also agreed to purchase pennants for the Men's and Women's Premierships for retention by the successful clubs to a value of \$150 each.

Treasurer's Report: Report circulated. Treasurer reported that the accounts are with the auditor. A number of difficult legacy issues requiring technical adjustments have been resolved with the assistance of accountants at Australian Management Control. Treasurer advised that he considers an increase in entry fees is warranted. It was noted that our entry fees are currently much less than those in other states. NSW are planning an increase to yield an additional \$125,000. There was extensive discussion of trends in registrations and regatta entries.

Meeting Closed: 8.41pm

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