



MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING
YMCA Sailing Club, Yarralumla Bay
Wednesday 17 September 2014 at 6.30pm

Present: D. Bagnall (Chair), N. Hunter, V. McMahon, V. Newman, B. Burbidge, P. Davoren, A. Butorac, M. Cusack, A. Randell (part of meeting).

Apologies: D. Wright.

Minutes: Minutes of the meeting of 20 August 2014 were read and confirmed with amendment.

Matters Arising: President thanked V. McMahon for his work on review of the Association's rules. A revised draft taking account of comments at meeting of clubs on 16 September has been circulated. Arrangements for the Annual General Meeting on 24 September were confirmed.

Capital Lakes Para Rowing Program: Meeting welcomed the program and will provide support by publicising it, including through information to member clubs.

Rowing Manager – Online Membership Form / Disclosure Statement: Meeting noted that CRC has integrated the membership form into the registration process through a subdomain in Rowing Manager.

Discussion with ACTAS Head Coach Andrew Randell: A. Randell briefed the meeting on his role, which covers the ACTAS program, coordination of elite Australian rowers in US universities and management of the high performance pathway in the ACT. Meeting noted progress in forming and training potential ACT representative crews that has resulted in men's VIII and women's IV training squads. Currently looking to form men's and women's youth VIII's. US universities program has highlighted the need to get rowing advertised as a reason for studying at Canberra universities. Pathway program will include biannual 2-3 day camps bringing together the best school rowers. This will assist in tracking promising rowers and coaches. Talent search activity has focussed on year 9-10 non-rowers within a 5km radius of the ACTAS boatshed. Talent transfer program has brought in one high potential recruit from athletics. Meeting agreed that there has been a very positive response from the ACT rowing community to A. Randell's appointment and that initiatives such as monthly coaching meetings have been well received.

Treasurer's Report: Circulated report received. Currently have about \$265,000 in funds, no accounts payable and receivables of less than \$1,000 - the best result for some time.

Long Distance Events: Following extensive discussion, it was agreed that the 2014 Panton Memorial Marathon would start at 0700 off the eastern bank of East Basin well away from the townhouses to minimise noise. Meeting agreed that Head of the Molonglo should commence at 0800.

Daramalan Regatta Proposal: President reported on proposal by Daramalan College RC through M. Brady for a school regatta held under the auspices of the Associated Southern Colleges, with assistance by the Association, towards the end of the year. RACT assistance would include access to risk management plan and entry and results portal. Committee agreed the Association could assist in conduct of the regatta provided arrangements adequately addressed requirements for a safe and competently managed event. These included assurances of adequate volunteers to assist a core of qualified officials. President will respond to M. Brady along these lines.

Facility Update: Executive Officer reported that site investigations for the joint facility on Black Mountain Peninsula have commenced and confirm there is a metre depth of soil covering the former waste site. Further work is required to refine the estimated cost of the project. Weston Park – there is the possibility of NCA funding for installation of pontoon attachment points. Executive Officer will follow-up options for funding with NCA.

State Teams: Meeting noted progress by ACTAS Head Coach in formation of state crews. B. Hick, A. Randell, D. Martin have been identified as selectors with K. Knowler, C. Jones and B. Geier as reserves. Selection policy will be developed by the Executive Officer in consultation with the Head Coach

Risk Management: There have been no reported incidents since last meeting.

Other Business: Level 3 Coaching Course – President reported that arrangements are proceeding satisfactorily. Social Media Policy – Further review proceeding by Executive Officer and A. Butorac. RACT Presentation Function – Function confirmed for 28 September at 1100 with a budget of \$1400. Alison Chinn is working on event planning and trophies.

Meeting Closed: 8.45 pm

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Chairman
15 October 2014