



**MINUTES COMMITTEE MEETING**  
ACT Sports House, Hackett  
Wednesday 6 February 2013 at 6.30pm

**Present:** D. Bagnall (Chair), P. Davoren, V. McMahon V. Newman, D. Wright, J. Hammond.

**Apologies:** N. Hunter, A. Butorac B. Burbidge.

**Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2013 were read and confirmed with amendment.

**Matters Arising:** AMRC 2013 - D. Bagnall reported that course would comprise six lanes with use of 7 lanes under some circumstances e.g. 21 crew entry would be 3 heats of 7 crews with a 6 lane final. Visit of David Tanner (British Rowing Performance Director) – Tanner is happy with arrangements including storage of equipment and use of coaching boats.

**Masters' Selections** – It was agreed that in view of the difficulty in getting agreement on trials in small boats the VIII would be selected by a row-off. D. Bagnall indicated that he would turn his mind to the question of how to proceed given the objections to potential selectors. **State Teams** – There had been some disagreement over the method of selection which had led to the withdrawal of one nominee.

**President's Report:** Regatta entry levels and income have been quite good and work by the Treasurer has documented this. ACT Championships will suffer from competing event in Sydney (Schoolgirl's Head of the River).

**Treasurer's Report:** Detailed report circulated (Attached). Treasurer will shortly put out a minute to clubs on the process for invoicing and payment of registration and affiliation fees. Treasurer noted the award to Robin Poke for services to sport in the Australia Day Honour's List. The Committee applauded Mr Poke's recognition.

**2013 Australian Masters Rowing Championships:** President gave a report. Generally the Committee has made good progress. There a few outstanding issues including the catering, the profit sharing agreement with Rowing Australia and the budget – can't be resolved until arrangements with RA are settled. There will be an additional cost of 8% of entry fees to be paid to Regatta Central for use of their entry system. This will come out of the \$45 seat fee and will not be an additional charge. With regard to RA fee, RACT will be pursuing a 50-50 profit split capped at \$30,000 rather than a flat fee to be paid regardless of the final outcome.

**Executive Officer Report:** ACTAS Head Coach Position Placement of job advertisement has slipped because of changes within RA. Ben Southwell is currently acting in the position. Funding contribution from the AIS has yet to be resolved. James Hammond will be the ACT representative on the joint management committee. Junior National Selection – RA is encouraging school crews to participate in the selection process and permitting access to selection via the School VIII event at the National Regatta. ACT Schools Regatta – will not proceed due to scheduling issues. Such an event after Easter will be difficult to sustain due to competition from winter sports with rowing winding up for the season. Roseville College/ADRA collision - Although there was severe damage to the Roseville boat, there was no serious injury to rowers. Incident highlights the need for visiting crews to be more careful when crossing the course and local crews to be particularly alert when there are visitors on the Lake. Burley Griffin Regatta/Corporate Event – EO has met with Chris and Mel Cairns to discuss next years' event. There is some interest in including a long distance event – such as the HotM. The event is likely to be based near the Acton ferry wharf. A split in responsibility with RACT running the water activities and the event manager looking after the land component was discussed.

**Meeting Closed:** 7.48pm

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