

MINUTES

**Board of Surf Sports Meeting including the JAC Format meeting for Queenscliff JAC Carnival
Thursday November 20th, 2008 at 6.15pm – Dee Why SLSC**

1. Attendance

As per Attendance Book – Michael Bate in the Chair

2. Apologies

Laurie Cavill, Martyn Lynch, Craig Susans, Nigel Penn, Kevin Berry, Chris Dooley

3. Previous Minutes

Previous Minutes of the September Meeting accepted. Moved John Fahey / Seconded Mark Stanton

4. Business Arising (By exception)

- 4.1 Point 4.1 – juniors will not be given their own area at Aussies due to time and cost restraints. It looks like it may go ahead in 2010 at Kurrawa. Juniors are able to compete at Aussies as long as they are proficient for the U15s award, they will be competing as U15s not U14s.

5. Section reports

- 5.1 **March Past** - Mona Vale March Past clinic was a successful day with 25 people attending the day. Also minutes of the NSW March Past Panel were distributed to all BoSS members earlier this month
- 5.2 **R&R** – 1st R&R carnival was held at Swansea and was very well attended by officials. It was a bit disappointing that only two open crews took part competitively. 1st part of a promotional R&R DVD has been released with the 2nd currently been edited. SLSA BoSS will elect 24 senior R&R officials to be the head officials for the Aussies so that they can help educate the less experienced judges. Changes have been made to the Manual and although approved, the changes will be made formal before Xmas.
- 5.3 **Beach** – Everything is running smoothly, some club officials missing from manly.
- 5.4 **Boats** – 3 premiership rounds have been completed and the crews have been chosen to represent SNB at the upcoming Interbranch Titles. Mona Vale is the Open Men's Crew whilst Sth Curl Curl is the Women's Boat crew. Mollymook Boat carnival is been held this weekend with a large number of SNB crews attending. It has been noted that Ocean Thunder, Nth Narrabeen Boat Bash and the Interbranch titles are all to be held on the same weekend. Michael King was asked to find out if there would be a clash between Branch Boat Titles, and the ASRL carnival at Pacific Palms and Ocean Thunder. SNB still keen to have boats at Palm beach same weekend as the Open carnival.
- 5.5 **Board Riding** – Good roll up for the Manly Junior Carnival with great conditions. Starting times have been decided for board riding at carnivals this season
Queenscliff Jr – Sat 6th 6.30am report
Queenscliff Sr – Fri 9th Jan (time TBA)
Narrabeen Jr – Sat 17th Jan 6.30am report
Manly Sr – Fri 23rd Jan 6.30am report
Branch Titles (juniors, seniors and masters) – Sun 1st 6.30am report (Palm Beach)

6. General Business

- 6.1 Thanks to Manly for a great job in conducting the first Junior Carnival for the season. Allan Tier, Glenn Stone and the rest of the Manly Team did a great job with registrations and the beach set up very early. All water areas were up and running by 7am thanks to Zane Ludlow, Nigel Penn and the rest of the watercraft team. It was recommended that a double track should be laid at Queenscliff to do the all age relay in one go. There was also comment that people were told by organizers that the U8 relay was cancelled when it fact had not been run yet. It was also recommended that host clubs should provide a runner for Robyn Holt to continually collect results at every carnival. No Relay was run for the U11s due to lack of numbers, perhaps due to kids been too far away from the marshalling area and not paying attention to what was called out through the speakers. There was a 200% increase in R&R numbers compared to last season's carnival.
- 6.2 Officials – a document was presented with a ratio of officials vs competitors from all clubs and it was found that there are several clubs who are lacking. It was decided that the onus would be put back on the clubs to make sure they have sufficient officials at each carnival.
- 6.3 An email will be sent out to all officials and clubs asking them for their preference in area and position they would like to hold for the Queenscliff carnival. Officials appointments for Queenscliff and the rest of the Open/ Junior carnivals will mention sectional referees, recorders, chief judges for each section.

- 6.4 SNB does not want to take the hard stance of not allowing kids to compete if their club do not provide the right number of officials but if the problem is not resolved soon there may be no other alternative.
- 6.5 The sign on book will be circulated around the beach at all carnival like in Manly, instead of sitting in the clubhouse so that people are not able to sign the book and then leave the beach. Officials should look out for the book as it makes its way around the beach.
- 6.6 A suggestion that came from the floor was that junior Chairmen should have a talk with the parents of their clubs and ask them to behave around competition areas and show more courtesy towards officials and helpers.
- 6.7 It was noted at the carnival that there were some club helpers that were coaching kids whilst in the competition area. It should be noted that the surf sports manual states that once competitors have entered the competition area, there is to be no coaching of any kind from any person.
- 6.8 Masters – there will be the introduction of the 170yr women’s relay at the East Coast Masters band both the relay and a 2km run for females will be run as non-championships events at the Branch Titles. Teams will not be allowed to run both relays, they must choose one only. A report on how these events go will be forwarded to SLSNSW to decide on the future of these events.
- 6.9 PA System – there were some problems with the PA system but they were minor problems that were easily fixed according to Ross Tester. Clubs need to make sure that their speakers are facing the right direction and are back far enough to capture the crowd.
- 6.10 Lifesaving carnival – North Steyne were disappointed at the numbers entered, perhaps we could look at doing it later in the year to get more people involved.
- 6.11 Marty Quinn thanked all clubs for taking part in the Bennett Junior Classic at Dee Why, there were over 300 competitors in great racing conditions.
- 6.12 The Senior-Junior carnival was held at Collaroy on Saturday and the numbers were disappointing with only 4 clubs entering teams. It is a great format of racing and a fun day, clubs should really look at getting involved once again.
- 6.13 Parents are been asked not to block the road in the first area at Manly Dam on Wednesday nights. It is very dangerous and makes it very hard to see kids crossing the road in between cars. Not only that, but the rangers may decide to start charging everyone for parking if the road is blocked.
- 6.14 Clubs hosting carnivals need to make sure that the gear they use comes back in the same stage you received it. The gear that has come back from some of the Boat carnivals has come back in a disgraceful state with volunteers having to spend hours of their own time untangling and washing down lines, cans etc.
- 6.15 Freshie Masters carnival is to be held this Saturday all officials and probationary officials are welcome. Please report to Gary Cook on the Day.
- 6.16 The Ironwomen events in Masters competition up to 49yrs will now include a ski leg.
- 6.17 Beach officials are asked to please only use the small radios and leave the bigger radios to the water officials due to it been harder to hear on the water’s edge.
- 6.18 There was a call for some extra officials to help out at the Manly Daily High School Surf Challenge to be held at Queenscliff on Tuesday 2nd December from 9am. It is a very important day where local high school kids compete in a friendly environment in a number of team events.

Meeting Closed at 7.10pm

Next Meeting - Thursday 18th December 6.15pm @ Dee Why with Education meeting and drinks to follow.