

MINUTES

Board of Surf Sports Meeting

Thursday November 19th, 2009 at 6.00pm – Dee Why SLSC

1. Attendance

As per Attendance Book – Michael Bate in the Chair

2. Apologies

Jeff Hewitt, Jenny Drury, Tony Haven, Craig Susans, Bob Langbein, Stephen Price, Rhonda Lycett, Chris Dooley

3. Previous Minutes

Previous Minutes of the October Meeting accepted. Moved by John Fahey, seconded Glenn Stone

4. Business Arising

- 4.1 R&R may have their own area at Queenscliff carnival. 6.30am report for a 7am start for all carnivals. They will have to get off the beach by 10am at Freshwater to allow the 13s, 14s and 15s to enter the area
- 4.2 Interbranch Team levy has been minuted and will only be enforced if the we are short on the budget. The management team has done very well with cost cutting and it looks like the levy will be waived once more.
- 4.3 The Two crews were selected for the Interbranch Team the Bilgola Open Men's Crew and the South Curl Curl Open Women's Crew.
- 4.4 There has been some discussions regarding drafting from smaller branches for the Interbranch but this has been dismissed by NSW.

5. Sectional Reports

- 5.1 R&R – three senior carnivals will have R&R. There was a small clinic held at Swansea which was beneficial to all those who attended. Composite team will be allowed in all junior carnivals except Branch to encourage more participation from smaller clubs however no points will be awarded to composite teams for the overall pointscore
- 5.2 March Past – there is a clinic to be held at Dee Why on the 28th November at 9.30am. It is open to anyone with an interest in Marc Past. There will be a handicap pointscore on all three major SNB carnivals plus the branch championships
- 5.3 Beach – a bulletin on the beach twilight comp will be distributed by Marcial on Friday 20th September.
- 5.4 Boardriding – currently only the Manly open carnival and the Narrabeen junior carnivals will hold surfboard riding events but this will be confirmed closer to the date. Manly still expecting to host major sponsored event.
- 5.5 Boats – the first three rounds of the premiership were a success but it was thought that perhaps the first round was held a bit to early. Long Reef carnival caused some grief in regards to parking. Matt Collins commented that trailers that were moved after an announcement was made during the carnival did not get booked but the vast majority of people ignored the announcements and were booked. Marcial is in talks with council to amend the situation and prevent it from happening again.
- 5.6 Boats – it seems that Ocean Thunder organisers and SLSA reps have resolved the issues that have been ongoing for months. A note outlining the agreement they have come to should come out very soon.
- 5.7 Gear – Keith was thanked by Michael Bate and the BoSS for all his hard work with the gear. Keith reported that there were some small radios missing as well as loudhailers. All equipment must be cleaned and packed away neatly at the end of every carnival and this responsibility lies with the host club not officials or the gear steward.

6. General Business

- 6.1 Best of the Best Boat Carnival will be held on the same day as the Freshwater Boat Carnival and it is only by invitation. Branch rules currently do not allow competitors to compete outside our branch if there is a carnival within our branch at the same time. A motion was put by Michael Bate and seconded by Michael King to ask permission from the Board of Management to allow boat crews to compete at the BOB invitational carnival to be hosted by State. Competitors are not allowed to compete outside our branch under normal circumstances and this will remain the case, this motion is for this Invitational carnival only and on the condition that organisers talk with each other and dates don't clash in the future. Allan tier commented that it would detract interstate crews if the

- 6.2 Interstate will be held on the Northern beaches for the next three years at Warringah aquatic centre and a beach venue to be decided soon. Warringah will not allow Freshwater to host the titles and SLSA are looking for new venue.
- 6.3 Manly Junior carnival was a success with over 1500 competitors taking part. There was a shortage of beach officials in particular for the flag areas. Clubs will need to help out in their areas a lot more. Discussions will need to be held prior to the next carnival to ensure everything runs a bit smoother.
- 6.4 There was a complaint tabled from a Queenscliff under 12 girl and her parents in regards to an incident that occurred in the semi-final of the board race with a Manly parent. The Director has asked that the matter be investigated by the Liaison officer and to report back to the director of surf sports so a report can be made on the matter to the executive.
- 6.5 Branch – there were no nominations at the start of the season from clubs to host this years Branch Championships and whilst there were some initial approaches to Queenscliff and North Steyne, several issues have arisen Manly council, the lack of spectator space, and parking. Discussion was held on the suitability of these two clubs as a venue. Director was given the authority to discuss with other clubs in the Branch about holding the Championships at an alternative venue. Discussions are currently been held and the venue will be finalised in the coming weeks.
- 6.6 Freshwater Masters is on this Saturday followed by the Bennett junior ironman on Sunday officials are asked to help out if they are available.
- 6.7 The Manly Daily High School Challenge was held again this year and the numbers were well up on last year. There were 7 girls teams and 7 boys teams with Stella Marris taking out the final points.
- 6.8 Allan Tier questioned late entry prices and who gets the extra money the club or the branch. The exact breakdown of the entry fees will be sent out to all clubs. The meeting was informed about the future of carnival entries and the payment gateway system, this will ensure that interstate clubs do not have to be chased for payment months after the carnival has finished.
- 6.9 Manly Carnival will have first aid and surfboard riding on Sunday 24th starting later than normal to allow competitors to have a rest after a big Saturday.
- 6.10 Scrutineering was held on Sunday and there were a lot of new boards around, scrutineering will be held again on numerous occasions prior to the Branch Championships.
- 6.11 There will be a BoSS get-together on the 4th of December starting at 7pm at Queenscliff surf club.
- 6.12 Glenn Stone asked about the results for the Bennett craft carnival at Dee Why. Steve Hagget was going to chase up the results so they could be posted on the website.

Meeting closed at 7.05pm

Next Meeting Thursday 17th December at 6pm