



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 24th August 2022

7.30pm

Committee Members

Commodore – Ian Harwood
Vice Commodore – Steve Browne
Rear Commodore – Mark Maczkowiak

General Manager – Damien Gaspar
Treasurer – James Turnbull

Committee – Kim Sorrell
Committee – Tim Gray
Committee – Jonathon Riley
Committee – Graham Dart
Committee – Troy Cawthan

Minutes – Natalie Jones

1. Declare meeting open 7.30pm

Apologies

James Connell
Mark West
Paul Davies
Tim Howard
Dennis Nankivell
Rear Commodore PA – Mark West

2. Confirmation of Minutes – ½ Yr. AGM held on February 2022

Moved: Ian Harwood
Second: Terry Harwood
Carried

3. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes –February 2022

Nil

4. Returning Officer's Report – Adrian Greathead

At the close of nominations there was four nominations for committee for three positions. One member withdrew the following day.



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The results were as follows:

Commodore: Stephen Browne
Vice Commodore: Mark Maczkowiak
Rear Commodore: Troy Cawthan
Rear Commodore P&A: Mark West
Treasurer: James Turnbull

Committee:
Jonathon Riley
Paul Davies
Kim Sorrell
Wayne Jones
Graham Dart
Graham Butler

All positions elected unopposed.

Report tabled.

Thank you to all the helpers Peter Mitchell, Garry Barker, Ian Hall and staff Damien Gaspar, Cindy Harvey, and Natalie Jones.

Moved: Adrian Greathead
Second: Peter Mitchell
Carried

5. Election of Club Captain

MOTION: James Aps to be accepted as the Angling Captain

Moved: Ian Hall
Second: Gil Sander
Carried.

6. To receive reports –

Commodore Report – Ian Harwood

Will close the meeting with report.



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Vice Commodore Report – Stephen Browne

In midst of perfect Covid storm we predicted in February Gage Roads, 8 knots recently opened making it a more competitive market.

Member function and attendance down as a result if Covid related illness.

Management has the administration team to manage costs through this challenging time.

Social Functions: Sports night venture unfortunately failed to achieve numbers required to continue and has now been shelved for the time being.

Thank the Social Group – Di Schoch, Ann Williams, Lyn Sorrell, Keryl Caird for their assistance throughout the season.

New Rear Commodore Troy Cawthan has hit the ground running taking over the House committee.

Moved: Steve Browne

Second: Paul Nicholls

Carried

Rear Commodore: Troy Cawthan

Quick update on house items;

- **CBC Community partnership**
 - Local likeminded organisation with good values
 - Meets Community goals for Swan River Trust, Government & Council etc
 - Pay for dry pen fee & ingoings
 - Pay for honouree full member
 - Provides CBC
 - the ability to make use of our riverside location, (Daytime 0730-3.30pm)
 - enhancing their outdoor educational program,
 - improve time on the water, minimize setup up requirements
 - provide a secure location to store your water sports equipment
 - 140 Staff to have access as corporate member (Similar to Navy)
 - Provides SYC
 - Contracted minimum 2 functions per year (Likely to be more like 6-8)
 - Have already had a teacher PD Day and then refreshments afterwards



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- Access to potential Junior members pipeline to future members (12 years – 18 years)
 - Lead into our affiliates like dragon boats
 - Access to 140 CBC Staff to promote SYC
 - Ability to market community partnership
 - **Commodores Ball September 17th**
 - \$110 per ticket
 - Black tie & evening wear
 - Amazing 3 course sit down dinner and drinks all night
 - Band is Murphy's Law (Chris & Courtney Murphy – Australian Idol)
 - Should be a great night.
 - **Opening of the Season & Open Day**
 - We have changed the format into a festival weekend and hope that the whole weekend will bring life to the river.
 - Saturday 22nd October: Opening of the Season
 - Target Boating members
 - Opening of the season
 - "Sail past, Cruise in Formation, Open Season Party"
 - Refer notes below:
 - Sunday 23rd October: Open Day
 - Target New & Social members
 - Showcase facility – Wedding Setup on show
 - Festival atmosphere & aim to generate a surplus
 - Showcase Affiliate clubs (Come & try)
 - Dragon Boaters
 - Outriggers
 - Rowing
 - DJ party atmosphere
 - **Opening of Season notes:**
 - Same format as last year with a few tweaks
 - Sail past, Cruise in Formation, Open Season Party
 - 1.30pm to boats for a 2.15pm single sail past
 - Life members will lead off like last year
 - Short cruise in formation EFYC, RFBYC and Claremont
 - Will only have 2 x dignitaries' boats to assist with speed of setup and set off for sail past
 - Hang off post with stern-to-stern tie up same as last year.
 - Open Season Party starting at 4.15pm
 - All boats and crew who went on sail past and cruise invited upstairs
 - Quiz for the Mike Williams Perpetual Trophy same as last year.
 - \$500 bar credit Raffle prize
 - \$100 bar voucher per boat issued to skipper, after sail past and cruise



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- Voucher only valid upstairs from 4pm.
 - We need you to gather 6-8 guests "Take your boat out & join in the open season party".
 - SYC buys your first round, and your guests stay on and party through the night.
 - Grazing station and some food platters walking around for all upstairs (1 hour)
 - 5.15 pm Live music starts
 - Everybody stays and we recoup cost of bar cards by guests buying drinks.
- **Melbourne Cup**
 - Tuesday 1st November
 - \$130 per ticket
 - Entertainment
 - 3-hour Food and Drinks package
 - Tickets on sale now

Moved: Troy Cawthan

Second: Steve Browne

Carried

Rear Commodore Report – Mark Maczkowiak

Jetty 5 – making steady progress.

- Sub Committee to meet next week with George (project consultant)
- Hope to have Jetty up in two years
- Project Consultant to source different options

Slipway – Currently out of order

- one vessel remains and safety plan in place to remove vessel.
- currently invest in various options (economical and practical for SYC)

Mobility Lift – recently purchased and soon to be installed.

PLA & Compliance – now due, please get them in if haven't already.

Moved: Mark Maczkowiak

Second: Ian Harwood

Carried



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Rear Commodore PA Report – Mark West

Mark West unable to attend due to work.

James Aps to talk regarding Angling Group

- Bringing in a mandatory donation (membership) to help counter for loss of raffles etc.
- Blue Marine now offering 10% off for angling members
- 5th November Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
- Raft Up – Rottnest – date TBA

Moved: Ian Harwood

Second: Paul Nicholls

Carried

7. Treasurer's Report – James Turnbull

As tabled and received by all members

Page 15 – Profit and Loss Statement

Difference from 2021 to 2022 was expenses

- Bar revenue is reliable
- Jan / Feb was down from previous years due to Covid and competition venues opening.
- Galley was indifferent – trend shows recent improvement.
- Cost management has been a key focus.

No financial questions were received.

Moved: James Turnbull

Second: Peter Mitchell

Carried

8. Notice of Motion

Notice of motion as presented on the Club Notice Board 27th July 2022.

Moved: Adrian Greathead

Second: Peter Mitchell

Carried



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9. Presentation of Awards

Steve Browne thanks Ian Harwood for running a successful committee and provides summary of achievements.

The following incoming Flag Officers presented with:

Steve Browne – New Commodore epaulettes and flag

Mark Maczkowiak – New Vice Commodore epaulettes and flag

Troy Cawthan – Rear Commodore epaulettes and flag

MOTION: Greg Brown received Merit Award

Worthy recipient for works around the club, both paid and donated to the club. Gone above and beyond to create all cabinets in foyer, wet bar, and boardroom table. Boardroom Table being a significant piece of club history for future committees to enjoy.

Greg Brown – The SYC is a great place, beautiful people. Thank you.

Moved: Ian Harwood

Second: Peter Mitchell

Carried

10. General Business

Adrian Greathead 0610 – Change of roles regarding Vice and Rear Commodore (bylaws need to be changed)

Ian Harwood - Bylaws to be updated

Adrian Greathead 0610 – Do we have a policy of Ebikes on the jetty?

Mark Maczkowiak – Policy to go out to members shortly – no Ebikes on the jetties.

Adrian Greathead 0610 – Power Cables should not be used as mooring lines.

Mark Maczkowiak – Easily changed through administration if need to be shortened. All cords should always be neat on the jetties.



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Commodore Report – Ian Harwood

I would like to start by thanking my family, parents and aunt and uncle. Extend thanks for mentorship and support of all committee past and present.

To the staff, thank you all, wouldn't be what we are without you.

Social Group – thank you for all your hard work for all the events including Anzac Day, Open Day and Commodores Ball

Angling Section – started as Angling Captain and moved into position on the committee from there.

Having been on committee since 2014 and a member since 2008 I have been able work with committee to achieve a great number of things together. For example:

- Club House renovations (building, function facilities, kitchen, administration, security systems and sewage)
- Bottom Bar renovations
- Jetty 2 replacement
- Dredging x2
- River deck installation
- Slipway work – winches, fencing, turn buckles
- Automatic Gates
- New Display Cabinets
- New Boardroom Table
- Bollards for trailer parking
- Brewery negotiations x2
- Clubs WA awards x3 along with multiple category awards
- Commissioning of the Dave Birchenough
- Navigating our way through COVID successfully

Club has continued to move forward, and I am confident it will continue to do so with Steve Browne at the helm.

Never been without a challenge.

Quote: "A calm sea never made a successful sailor"

It came to my attention we used to have a club canon that went missing. After hunting for the previous 12 months I have found, purchased, and restored a canon with the help of some members. My intention is to donate to the club this canon.

Thanks to Richard Jarman who made the carriage for the canon and Brown Bros for their assistance.

This is my gift to the Swan Yacht Club.



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The canon will be displayed in the foyer display cabinet when not in use.

We will now fire the canon for you all.

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Second: Steve Browne

Carried

Meeting closed 8:30pm

Signed-

Commodore Steve Browne

22nd February 2023



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