



HALF YEAR GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday 27TH February 2025
6.30pm

Committee Members

Commodore – Troy Cawthan
Vice Commodore – Mark West
Rear Commodore – Graham Butler
Rear Commodore PA – Wayne Jones

Treasurer – Andrew Siegert
General Manager – Damien Gaspar

Committee – Brad Jurovich
Committee – Paul Davies
Committee – Jonathon Riley
Committee – Graham Dart
Committee – Trevor Byrne
Committee – Owain Evans

Minutes – Natalie Jones

1. Declare meeting open 6.30pm

Apologies

Rear Commodore - Graham Butler
Committee - Jonathon Riley

Peter Robbins
Warren Caird
Dennis Nankivell
Arrin Barker

2. Confirmation of Minutes –AGM held August 2024

Moved: Derek Bryant
Second: Garry Barker
Carried

3. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes –August 2024

Nil



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4. To receive reports –

Commodore Report – Troy Cawthan

Green Space Development

Work has begun on the new riverfront greenspace, featuring a 20m grass area, marquee function space, and pop-up bars and kitchen. This will enhance aesthetics, sustainability, and event hosting.

Jetty 5 Rebuild

Construction is progressing on the 4m-wide floating jetty with wave attenuation. Pile installation is underway, with new berths, modern utilities, and enhanced safety features coming soon.

Solar Panel Installation

Solar panels are being installed to reduce costs and carbon footprint, supporting the club's sustainability goals.

Key projects are advancing, improving facilities, sustainability, and member experience.

Moved: Derek Bryant

Second: Scott Brown

Carried.

Vice Commodore Report – Mark West

Club Events & Social Highlights

Recent events have been a great success, including the Commodore's Ball, Opening of the Season, Melbourne Cup Luncheon, Ladies' Christmas Lunch, and New Year's Eve Celebration, all of which saw strong attendance and engagement.

Upcoming Events

- **HMAS Perth Memorial Opening** – March 1
- **Day with the Sports Stars & Open Day** – March 9
- **Bottomless Brunch** – March 23

Club Developments & Infrastructure



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- **Solar Panel Installation:** Now generating 30,000 watts, improving sustainability and cost efficiency, with potential for future expansion.

The past six months have been a period of strong engagement and growth. With an exciting events calendar and ongoing improvements, the club looks forward to continued success.

Moved: Tim Gray
Second: Keith Sheppard
Carried

Rear Commodore: Graham Butler

Jetty 5 & Maintenance

The committee remains focused on the Jetty 5 Project, ongoing maintenance, and security upgrades.

Pile Replacement & Inspections

Five piles have been replaced, with further assessments ongoing. Routine jetty and anode inspections continue to ensure structural integrity.

Jetty Cleaning

A cleaning program has been introduced to address seagull droppings, with regular cycles and deterrents being explored.

Security & Access Upgrades

Jetty gate security upgrades are complete. Members must recalibrate fobs within 30 days via office verification or remote submission.

Compliance Checks

Annual compliance checks begin in March, with completion due by 30/06/2025. Members will receive forms soon.

Looking Ahead

Priorities include Jetty 5 progress, pile replacements, refining cleaning processes, compliance checks, and further security improvements.

Moved: Derek Bryant
Second: Tony Evans
Carried

Rear Commodore PA Report – Wayne Jones

Affiliate Membership Audits

Audits have been conducted to ensure compliance with club policies, including membership reporting and event commitments.



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Power & Angling Activities

Ongoing efforts will focus on strengthening affiliate engagement and maintaining compliance.

Thanks to all members, volunteers, and committee members for their support. Looking forward to another successful six months.

Moved: Paul Banovich
Second: Owain Evans
Carried

5. Treasurer's Report – Andrew Siegert

Tabled

Highlighted that the club has now separated functions, bar and galley first time this year.

No financial questions received from the members.

Moved: Andrew Siegert
Second: Derek Bryant
Carried

6. General Manager Report – Damien Gaspar

The club has had a strong first half of the season with successful events, including the Corporate Challenge and Commodore's Ball.

Key projects, such as the floating boat ramp, green space, and wave attenuation, are progressing well.

Labour Government has pledged \$150,000 towards the Green Space initiative if re-elected.

The Marquee on the River Deck has been a great addition for member events, and Chef Gary's team continues to enhance club dining experiences.

Infrastructure improvements, including mooring work and pile replacements, remain a priority.



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Upcoming events like the HMAS Perth Memorial Opening and Open Day/Day with Our Sports Stars will bring members together to celebrate the club's progress.

Looking forward to a great rest of the season!

7. General Business

Perry Holland Question received prior to meeting. – Kids fishing on river deck/jetties issue

Troy Cawthan Response: no members, member's child, grandchild is permitted to fish on the jetties. Continuous challenge.

Water Upgrade - Trevor Byrne provided update on the works Altona have completed to improve water on the jetties.

Ra Stewart 14675– Will there be additional CCTV installed onto the jetties
DG Answer – Yes – plans in place to improve all security / CCTV.

Rodney Drown 12677 – Are the concrete platforms floating
Troy Cawthan – yes, they are floating, the mass of the concrete is what creates the wave attenuation.

Rodney Drown 12677 – in the 20-year plan there was plans for stackers / boat service area on the east of the club. Is this still in the plans
Troy Cawthan – Committee focus is on our current project (jetty 5 and greenspace) we are only 3 years into our 20-year plan.

Meeting closed 7.07pm Thursday 27th February 2025.

Signed-

Commodore Troy Cawthan 28th August 2025