Windsurfing NSW General Meeting Minutes 7:00pm 5/07/21

By video conference

Present

Lissa McMillan, Richie Reynolds, Tom Plodr, Glenn Morrell, Geoff Kitchen, Keith Single, Neil McKinlay, Murray Towndrow, Kevin Wadham, Jason Juretic, Greg MacInnes, Peter Doolan, Melanie Webb, Al Haynes & Martin Stone

Apologies Richard Lacey

President's report. The minutes were reviewed. The President noted that the WNSW constitution has been reviewed and the proposed amended constitution was forwarded for comment.

To pass the proposed changes at the AGM, WNSW need 5 financial affiliated clubs for a quorum and 75% of the attending financial affiliated clubs to approve the amendments.

The main changes are:

- Association objectives drop open class DII reference & make it wider and inclusive
- Clear definitions of Affiliates (clubs that affiliate with WNSW) & Members (windsurfing members of the Affiliate clubs) with NSW resident members able to vote.
- Modernisation to allow electronic meetings
- Definitions of AWA to be included

After discussion, Neil M & Greg M said that IYC and DAC respectively would approve the changes. Martin Stone (WCAA rep) wanted a summary of the changes to discuss with WCAA members. The proposed changes are attached to prior WNSW minutes. Three versions of the WNSW constitution will attached to the notice of AGM, the current, marked up version and the proposed new constitution.

Unfortunately the Sydney boat show has been cancelled. The President thanked Karen Murden for her hard work.

Class & Club reports. Treasurer and St George SC update. The AWA fees have been paid and affiliation is up to date. The new St. George club building is looking to be finished by "early next year", perhaps March 2022.

AWA report. Last year there were 1018 AWA members of which 496 came through WNSW (incl WCAA.) WNSW will roll over all current members apart from WCAA members until September 21 and then start to amend the list as affiliated clubs sent through their membership data. WCAA membership year aligns with the AWA membership year so they will update as members rejoin. Other clubs' membership year is the start of the season August / September.

Woollahra SC is currently an affiliated club but finds it hard to identify windsurfer members. WSC plans to have an additional click on the AS revolutionise website pay gateway so members can join WNSW. This will assist WNSW to get member data and funds from WSC.

Geoff Kitchen attended the mid-winters in Bowen. Neil reported IYC is in lockdown. There are more and more windsurfer LTs turning up.

Kevin W reported that of the 15 LT members, 7 went to Qld for the mid-winters. BSC is getting organised. Mel W will try to get more kids involved and youth training up and running.

Jason J reported that Wave had a good season with 4 events. Membership in 20/21 numbered 45. They are looking to offer winging as they have identified it as a threat (or opportunity) to Wave membership. They are looking to introduce winging events where the waves are not as good and the wind not as strong as preferred.

Glen M reported that this season will be like the last season but with more events. The States will be a multi-day event possibly held near Jimmy's beach at Hawks Nest.

Murray reported on Marmong. The slalom series will be planned with Byron and coordinated with Glen. The GPS comp will likely have fin and foil divisions.

Greg M reported that DAC couldn't have the last winter series race because of the Sydney covid lockdown. They are looking forward to the 21/22 sailing season.

The WCAA has had their AGM. Nic Bez remains President, with the NSW Reps being Peter Doolan and Al Haynes. Marty Stone is WNSW rep. The WCAA calendar is on the WCAA Facebook website (but not the WCAA website). Al H reported TSC is looking forward to the new season. Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club bought Soldiers Point sailing club and renamed it Bay Sailing Club. They will host the Windsurfer states later this year.

The Google calendar planner has started to be populated by the class reps, including Racedboard, GPS/Slalom, Wave. It appears the Sand and Sea Festival may not proceed this year. Windsurfer Class has attempted to contact them with no reply. Raceboards will sail at Callala Bay (Jervis bay) this season.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.