

# **Windsurfing NSW General Meeting Minutes**

## **7:00pm 13/09/21**

### **By video conference**

#### **Present**

Lissa McMillan, Richie Reynolds, Tom Plodr, Zack Coleman, Glenn Morrell, Keith Single, Neil McKinlay, Richard Lacey, Greg MacInnes, Martin French & Martin Stone

#### **Apologies**

Geoff Kitchen, David Bell

#### **President's report.**

The minutes from the last meeting were agreed. Anthony Downs, Senior Operational Policy and Projects Officer from TFNSW Maritime called the President regarding the Draft Maritime Safety Plan 2022-2026 (MSP2026) <https://www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/maritime-safety> which has as its first priority "safer lifejacket wear & equipment".

While most windsurfers will always wear a PFD, NSWWA (Wavesailing Association) regards these proposed changes to the current 400m from the beach lifejacket carve out rule as dangerous. See their response at [Proposed changes to NSW lifejacket laws; wavesailors impacted – NSW Wave Sailing Association](#). Compulsory wearing means that one cannot duck waves and is more vulnerable. Zack C noted that the IWT (International Wave Tour) President, Simeon Glasson, will write to Maritime strongly counselling against the compulsory wearing of life jackets in waves. WNSW will make also a submission in support of the Wave discipline, and members can comment on the proposed changes by completing the public questionnaire at [Help shape the future of maritime safety in NSW | Have your say NSW](#).

The President's view that under the current stay at home health orders, it was unlikely to have organised sailing events in NSW before November 2021. The September regatta at PBSC will be rescheduled for 2022.

The foiling group (Glen, Murray & Brett) had 3 events scheduled for October 21 (notwithstanding that these events aren't in the WNSW calendar.) They will review the situation and make a call on each event a fortnight out.

AWA report. Richie has updated the WNSW website with the third party personal & property injury certificate of currency. [2021-22 AWA Trident CoC.pdf \(windsurfingsw.com\)](#) The policy document is also on the website as well as the cover summary outlining policy excesses & geographical coverage. [2021-2022 AWA SummaryofCover.pdf \(windsurfingsw.com\)](#)

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.