

Minutes – Aquatic Sport Annual Council Meeting

VENUE: Online – Microsoft Teams Meeting

DATE: Saturday, 7 August 2020

Welcome – Peter van Deuren (Chair)

- i. P. van Deuren welcomed to the Aquatic Sport Council Meeting and provided a short introduction to the executive. Noted that we have some members attending online and requested any further apologies.

1. Agenda Item 1 – Attendance & Apologies

2. Agenda Item 2 – Confirmation of Council Delegates

Welcome, Attendance and Apologies as of 9:52am

AS Delegates

Sai Dale (Anglesea SLSC), Emily Stephens (Apollo Bay SLSC), Alison Wyatt (Black Rock LSC), Llyod Thomas (Bonbeach LSC), John Nightingale (Edithvale LSC), Tahli Langborne (Elwood LSC – PROXY), Brayden Dunstan (Gunnamatta SLSC), Owen Smith (Hampton LSC), Jason Menz (Kennett River SLSC), Cameron King (Lakes Entrance SLS), Peter Van Deuren (Lorne SLSC), Jono Holt (Mordialloc LSC), Steven Wishart (Mt Martha LSC), Bruce Honey (Ocean Grove SLSC), Iris Cassell (Point Leo SLSC), Graeme Smith (Point Lonsdale SLSC), Paul Buchanan (Port Fairy SLSC), Stephen Blewett (Portsea SLSC), Mark Patterson (Torquay SLSC), Max Collins (Waratah Beach SLSC), Shaun Leith (Williamstown S&LSC), Sandra Madeley (Wonthaggi LSC)

AS Executive

Rachael Rylance (Director - Aquatic Sports), Peter van Deuren (Council Chair), Tamara Brawn (Council Representative), Leonie Newey (Junior Referee), Harry Hannas (Chief Referee), Sonia Kinsey (Sports Development Coordinator), Joanne Teagle (Pool Panel Coordinator), Dinah Boswell (Lifesaving Events Coordinator), Natalie Hood (Swim Representative), Barry Hill (Surf Boat Representative – VSRL)

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Kate Simpson (General Manager – Aquatic Sport), Kirsty Clark (Manager – Aquatic Sport), Sharon Rich (Development Support Officer), Nicholas Metcalfe (Senior Event Coordinator), Mevan Jayawardena (Chief Operating Officer), Greg Seeto (Governance Specialist), Emma Atkins (General Manager – People), Simon White (General Manager – Lifesaving Services), David Potter (Manager – Volunteer Support), Frances Evans (Executive PA), David Rylance (Director), Vincent Sheehan (Director), Phil Hughes (LSV), Darren McLeod (LSV),

Others

Susan Wolff (Independent Returning Officer), Alexandra Moule (Independent Returning Officer), Judy Silom (Chelsea Longbeach SLSC), Philip Mawkes (Hampton LSC), Angela Malan (Inverloch SLSC), Aaron Green (Jan Juc SLSC), James Carew (Lorne SLSC), Katrina Antony (Ocean Grove SLSC), Lyndie Freestone (Ocean Grove SLSC), Kerry (Port Campbell SLSC) Bill Johnson (Torquay SLSC),



Apologies

Barry Warton (Altona LSC), Neill Blake (Aspendale LSC), Ben Pope (Bancoora SLSC), Samantha Cain (Barwon Heads / 13th Beach SLSC), Ken Bateman (Beaumaris LSC), Damien Morley (Brighton LSC), Charlie Crawford (Cape Paterson SLSC), Jemma Harrison (Carrum SLSC), Nicole Tregillis (Henderson) (Chelsea Longbeach SLSC), Geoff Fox (Dromana Bay LSC), Chloe Hardman (Fairhaven SLSC), Steve Collins (Frankston LSC), Stuart Mackinnon (Half Moon Bay SLSC), Ione McKenzie (Inverloch SLSC), Tim Watson (Jan Juc SLSC), Simon Berry (Mallacoota SLSC), Greg Schmidtch (Mentone LSC), Denis Mclaughlan (Mildura LSC), Jo Pfister (Mornington LSC), Andrew Vogels (Port Campbell SLSC), Peter Bellion (Port Melbourne LSC), Charlie Ryan (Portland SLSC), Sally Porta (Rosebud & McCrae LSC), James Graham (Sandridge LSC), Dave Richards (Sandringham LSC), Ross Taylor (Seaford LSC), Loughlin Brown (Seaspray SLSC), Gina Fothergill (Sorrento SLSC), Whitney Michael (South Melbourne LSC), Matthew Culka (St Kilda LSC), Martin McCorrison (Venus Bay SLSC), Martin O'Brien (Warrnambool SLSC), Brydie Hurrell (Woodside Beach SLSC), Jeremy Goodger (Woolamai Beach SLSC), Oliver Butler (Wye River SLSC)

Bruce Sampson (Board & Ski Representative), Maurice McCutcheon (Beach Representative),

3. Agenda Item 3 – Confirmation of the minutes from the last Council meeting held on Monday, 10 August 2020

Moved – Dinah Boswell

Seconded – Harry Hannas

Confirmed – Peter Van Deuren

4. Agenda Item 4 – Election of Aquatic Sports Council Officers

a. Introduction of Returning Officers and Scrutineers

Susan Wolff provided an introduction of her position and Alex Moule as returning officers. Susan noted that LSV have confirmed that no votes lodged were altered or changed in the process, and that there are no elections for ASE positions today. There is an opportunity to provide feedback on processes, which can be directed to the Governance Subcommittee.

b. Clarification of Election Processes

c. Elections – nominations received

Rachael Rylance provided a statement thanking Peter Van Deuren on behalf of the ASC, ASE and LSV Aquatic Sport team for his 15 years of service on the ASE, initially in the role of Chief Referee and holding the position of Chair since 2009. She noted the longstanding contribution that Pete has made to sport, and said that we look forward to continuing to see him on the beach.

Peter Van Dueren handed the meeting to Rachael Rylance to Chair for the election of the Chair position.

- Chair – no nominations received prior to closing

One nomination was received after close of nominations, if there is anyone else that would like to submit a nomination for Chair, please submit via email (sport@lsv.com.au) by 15th August 2020.

Rachael Rylance handed the meeting back to Peter van Deuren for the remainder of the elections. Peter went through the following elections which were all uncontested:

- Junior Referee – Leonie Newey
- IRB Coordinator – James Carew (New Appointment)
- Develop Coordinator – Sonia Kinsey
- Pool Competition Coordinator – Joanne Teagle
- Lifesaving Events Coordinator – Dinah Boswell
- Swim Representative – Natalie Hood



- Powercraft, Gear & Water safety Coordinator – Vacant – no nomination received
- Council Representative – Vacant – no nomination received

Nominations for vacant positions can be submitted via email prior to 15th August 2020.

Peter congratulated all those who had nominated. Nominations for the vacant positions will be considered at the next ASE meeting.

5. General Business

a. Presentation of Aquatic Sports Annual Report

Rachael Rylance provided a quick statement thanking all officials, executive, athletes, coaches and staff. RR noted that the season presented some challenges, and that we all share the disappointment that came with the cancellation of events due to the current pandemic.

On a positive note, we saw an increase in the number of your/senior competitors again this season, and we have seen numbers trending upwards consistently since the 2015/16 season. We had 885 entries for the Youth/Senior Championships prior to cancellation, which was an increase of over 100 from the previous year.

325 members commenced online training, with 195 members completing their course – this resulted in 145 new officials and 19 new coaches.

It was also pleasing to see 34 clubs competed in junior competition and 44 clubs competed across youth/senior and masters.

RR concluded by congratulating all athletes and officials that represented their clubs, and state and national and interactions events this season.

Any comments or changes required to Annual Report can be sent to: sport@lsv.com.au

b. Aquatic Sports Update

Rachael Rylance provided an update around restrictions due to COVID-19. It is requested that people do not attend their clubs, as they are currently closed.

RR provided an overview of the restrictions that are currently in place across Victoria. All community sport must cease across all of Victoria, however we encourage members to continue to exercise within the guidelines, noting there are different restrictions for Metro Melbourne and Regional Victoria.

We do recognise this will be a difficult time, we ask that everyone supports each other, and we will hopefully come out of this stronger. Do not forget that there are services if you do require support. Continue to check the Activity Guide on the LSV Website.

Helpful Links:

- SRV: <https://sport.vic.gov.au/>
- DHHS: <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/>
- Activity Guide: <https://lsv.com.au/activity-guide/>
- LSV Sport Forum: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LSVSportForum/>

The LSV AQS Team has had discussions with all clubs regarding the upcoming season, if your club has not been contacted, please don't hesitate to contact the Sport Team. It has been interesting regarding the trend for all clubs, that there is a focus on mental health for all athletes and an understanding that the year will look very different. A survey has been sent to clubs which we ask is completed by the 9 August 2020.

We are continuing to work on a number of scenarios for sport, and are working towards the calendar being in two blocks – the first up to the end of the year, and the second from January through to April. We anticipate being able to provide an update towards the end of August, or early September.



LSV will continue to provide updates as we move through the COVID-19 Pandemic and towards the 2020/21 Sport Season, we thank clubs for being understanding during this time.

c. Questions

No further questions were asked.

Meeting Close at 10:08am

Meeting calendar (DATES TBC):

- *September – Conference*
- *October*
- *November*

