

Minutes Council of Aquatic Sports – May Council Meeting

VENUE: LSV
Auditorium
DATE: Monday, 16 May 2016
7.00pm

1. Preliminaries

Attendance

24 Delegates and Proxies were in attendance (see attached)

Executive and Observers

9 observers were in attendance (see attached)

Apologies: Max Collins (Waratah Beach)

LSV Staff: Luke Gavin (LG), Russell Higgins (RH)

2. Minutes of the previous Aquatic Sports previous Council Meeting:

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

Business Arising: None

ACTION ITEMS – completed

Motion: Bruce Sampson

Seconded: Cliff Goulding

Carried

3. Executive Member Reports

- RR - Pool Panel Coordinator

Pool Handbook has been released, pool workshop is being held this weekend at MSAC.

- MJC – Surf Boat Representative

There is a disconnect between the boaties and the clubs, encourage club delegates to speak to their boaties to provide feedback to the LSV council otherwise they will only provide feedback to the VRSL

- HH - Chief Referee

Numbers were down overall from the season, mainly due to weather affected carnivals

- EL - Junior Referee – no report
- CG – Board/Ski Representative

We will be collecting data post season on the amount of competitors that are involved in each event to help make decisions about carnival programs. Victoria had a number of competitors at Aussies going through to finals.

- MM – Beach Representative
Numbers are down, open mixed relay was a good new event added to the program. Masters numbers were low at the 2 carnivals where masters were able to compete. Aussies – a number of Victorian medalists and finalists in the beach area.
- JB – Powercraft and Gear Coordinator
First 2 IRB carnivals have been affected by the weather, introduction to IRB season weekend and lorne was very successful.

4. AGENDA ITEMS

a. Feedback/Review Process

RH presented the raw data from the Post season Sport survey. The final results can be shared with council delegates once complete.

RH advised that there will still places available at the Sport workshops being held next week. The workshops will be an opportunity for athletes to design their ideal carnival.

b. Junior Qualifier Update

Elliott Lewis presented a new proposal regarding the qualifying for the Junior State Championship. This included:

- 2 qualifying carnivals whereby anyone can attend (7 carnivals total for the season)\
- Qualifying events include events that generally take a long time e.g. Iron, Aqua Cam, Flags etc.
- Non Qualifying events include are shorter duration events that maximise participation: Surf Race, Board Race, Beach Sprint etc.

Feedback regarding the system was for those athletes (u12-u14) who qualified in the majority of events – it is not fair for them to have to travel to the second qualifier if they can only compete in events that they haven't qualified for

Motion: That the Aquatic Sports Council accepts the new qualifying system for junior carnivals.

Motioned by: E Lewis
Second: B Happ
Carried

c. Draft Carnival Calendar Summer 2016/17

Feedback regarding the draft calendar:

- Junior carnival same date as southern states January 15th – clash for the junior awards
- Junior carnival no.5 on February 4th– low attendance due to qualifying next day
- Mordialloc LSC unable to attend Jan 22nd proposed qualifier due to clash with training camp

There was support from council members in regards to discipline specific carnivals

There was some concern over official's fatigue – what will be the difference between current vs new system (with discipline specific carnivals)?

d. SLSA Event Manager System Update

Improvements – include:

- Individual entry
- Automatic heat listings
- Automatic awards checking
- Simplified results recording through i pads

APRIL – LSV had a look at system

APRIL – LSV have asked to trial the system once ready

DELIVERY DATES – Unable to confirm

e. SLSA PFD Update

SLSA – working group for PFD 25 lifejackets

There are four elements to deliver:

- Education of membership
- Surf hazard rating
- Technical
- Manufacturing

There will be a number of manufacturers in the production.

Date of implementation – 1 October – not enough time for athletes to get used to it before competition

f. Senior Sport Development

Feedback regarding high performance programs includes:

- The high performance program needs clear Aims/purpose/goals
- Clear measurements and KPIs
- Need to develop the capacity of our coaches

5. General Business

Funding for Sport - (Mal Freake)

- SLSA recommendations part D
- Budget/LSV Board – we can't continue to run sport on a shoestring budget, we need to demand more funds from the LSV Board

Proposal for future state championships (Leigh Bartlett)

- 3 state champs (Junior 8-12, Youth 13 - 17, and Seniors 17 – Open)
- States for younger age groups to be held in February

- May avoid burnout of parents, officials etc.

IRB Carnivals (Glen Watson)

- Communication at IRB Carnivals could be improved – are TM Meetings and PA System the most effective way?
- Competitors couldn't hear emergency horn whilst competing at the back of the competition cans

6. Meeting close

The meeting closed at 8.53pm. The next meeting to be held on Saturday 13 August, at LSV, time TBC.