

# Minutes

## Council of Aquatic Sports – May 2017 Council Meeting

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**VENUE:** LSV

**DATE:** Monday, 29 May 2017  
7.00pm

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### 1. Preliminaries

#### **Attendance**

22 Delegates and Proxies were in attendance (see attached)

18 observers were in attendance (see attached)

**Apologies:** Aaron Green (Swim Rep) and Ben Griffin (Powercraft Coordinator)

**LSV Staff:** Luke Gavin (LG) and Cat Cester (CC)

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

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted:

Motion: Bruce Sampson

Seconded: Ben Herdman

**Carried**

Business Arising: None

### 3. AGENDA ITEMS

#### a) Aquatic Sport Executive Member Reports

- IRB Competition Update (on behalf of Ben Griffin – Powercraft Coordinator) – 3 IRB Carnivals have been completed successfully – 1 more carnival remaining at Anglesea followed by the State Championships at Apollo Bay.
- Brian Happ (Sport Development Coordinator) – currently working on the High Performance Programs, including calendars, coaches etc. More information to be provided in the HP Agenda Item
- Maurice McCutcheon (Beach Representative) – Sponsorship of the Open Beach Relay will continue in 2017/18.  
A sponsor has also put money up for the Junior Belt and Reel event overall pointscore.  
There will be a change for next season, requiring clubs to provide a beach official if they have beach competitors.
- Matthew Culka (Surf Boat Representative) – ARSL Surf Boat Club Forum has been held - 4 Victorian Members attended. Discussed Officials matrix on how to conduct an event, and probationary bronze - allowing members to row whilst completing their bronze. More information to follow later in the year.
- Jo Teagle (Pool Panel Coordinator) – pool season has started, first 2 junior carnivals have run well. Senior short course with U10/U11s is being held on June 18.

July 23 carnival to be brought forward to July 22 (afternoon event) due to pool availability – further details will be confirmed with all team managers.

Sam Howe (Pt Leo SLSC)– has been selected into the Australian team travelling to Poland, and is also in the Australian Squad for Rescue (2018).

#### **b) Revised draft of 2017/18 Season Calendar (attached)**

- Natalie Hood (Portsea) raised concerns over a clash of events with the Victorian Endurance Champs and Swimming Victoria's Sprint Championships and would like this changed if possible
- Bruce Sampson (Ocean Grove) suggested to move Senior Carnival no. 2 to December 16 and make the first carnival on December 3 a swim/board/ski carnival and December 16 a full carnival.
- Natalie Hood (Portsea) suggested to move the first Junior Carnival to the weekend of December 2/3 – it was noted that some clubs had not begun their programs that early and would not have completed their competition swims.
- Geoff Waters (Anglesea) confirmed that R&R would be run at the Swim/Board/Ski Carnivals
- Judy Silom (Frankston) suggested that LSV need to clarify how the 'Rounds' Program works and how pennants are awarded to avoid confusion in awarding and ordering pennants
- Conor Hayes (Mentone) raised concerns about having Junior Carnivals 5,6 & 7 all on Sundays – clashes with a lot of club nipper programs
- Discussion in regards to Lorne Masters weekend – should it be juniors or seniors competing the following day – mixed feedback, possible solution to alternate each year.

**ACTION ITEM:** Aquatic Sport Executive to review feedback and finalise the competition calendar

#### **c) Update on proposal for Junior/Youth/Senior Champs**

The majority of clubs felt that the three Championship model was something worth pursuing and looking into further.

RR asked for volunteers to be on a working group. Brian Happ, Bruce Sampson, Natalie Hood, Cliff Goulding, Bill Johnson, Judy Silo and Chloe Hardman will form the working group. Matt Culka will provide a name to represent surf boats also.

**ACTION ITEM:** Working group to meet and start on a proposal for a three State Championships format.

#### **d) Update on helmets and PFDs**

Shane Daw from SLSA is waiting on reports from James Cook Uni in regards to Personal Protective Equipment.

With regards to any implementation SLSA are looking at a plan which will be a risk management process with the use of PPE one of the potential mitigations.

LG is attending the SLSA Sport Meeting in early July, and following this will be able to provide a more detailed update in regards to helmets and PFDs.

#### **e) Update on State Champs locations 2017/18**

The Aquatic Sports Executive are in the final stages of confirming the locations for the 2018 State Championships, and once all unsuccessful clubs have been notified LSV will communicate the locations to all clubs.

#### **f) HPS/WDS update**

Brian Happ (Sport Development Coordinator) gave an outline on the plans for the upcoming HP and Development Programs. See attached for further details.

#### **g) End of season review/survey**

A Sport survey is nearly complete and will be sent out to all members – will include specific questions for juniors/seniors/surf boats and have room for additional comments for general feedback.

Bruce Sampson (Ocean Grove SLSC) asked what our key objectives are for the upcoming season. How do we measure our performance – what are our KPI's?

No official LSV Sport goals are currently in place, but we have collected better data this season, which should allow better comparisons going forward. Bruce volunteered to assist RR in putting these together.

#### **4. GENERAL BUSINESS**

- Judy Silom (Frankston) – Will we be using the system that requires athletes to put their registration numbers on their arms?

Most clubs are in support – enables us to collect data, improves efficiency.

LG – We will have to wait for SLSA updates on SEMS to see if the new system will be ready for next season. If the SLSA update is not ready, we will look to continue using the athlete numbers for results.

- Judy Silom (Frankston) – Raised concerns about not having enough qualified officials on the beach at the Junior State Champs

LG - SLSA are currently redeveloping the officials courses, these will be online and will include a practical component. This could assist in getting more officials accredited.

Jo Teagle (Pool Panel Coordinator) – We will be running a Pool Officials Course before next season that will involve mentoring of up and coming officials.

- Bruce Sampson (Ocean Grove) – noted we need to run more officials courses at appropriate times e.g. September/October – which are well advertised, and run at central, eastern and western locations.
- Rachael Rylance (Aquatic Sports Director) - Circular advertising the Aquatic Sport Executive Positions that are up for nomination at the annual meeting is going out on Wednesday. There have been some changes to the LSV By laws – The Powercraft Coordinator role has split into two – IRB Competition Coordinator and Powercraft Gear and Water safety Coordinator.

#### **5. Next meeting - AGM Saturday 12 August – time is TBC and will be sent out via LSV circular.**