



**MACKSVILLE-SCOTTS HEAD SURF LIFE
SAVING CLUB INC. ABN: 31637315870**

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING:
Wednesday 14.12.2016 6:30pm
Held at the Clubhouse**

1. MEETING OPENED 6.40PM

2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Terry Falson, Peter McNally, Barry Clow, Dot Clow, Peter English, Ken Laverty, Keith McKay, Jim Brazel, Cath O'Donnell, Michael Coulter, Scott Norman, Andrew Moran

Apologies: Andrew Moran (for lateness), Jason O'Donnell, David Brundson, Lara Jones

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9.11.2016

Resolved on the motion of Michael Coulter/Andrew Moran that the previous minutes be accepted as true and correct.

4. BUSINESS ARISING:

A letter is to be sent to Peter Swan thanking him for conducting the first aid courses.

5. ITEMS TO BE RATIFIED:

ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY
Nil	

6. FINANCE REPORT (Scott Norman)

The Treasurer circulated and spoke to a written report.

He advised that there was \$47,000 in the trading account.

It was noted that nominations and catering for the carnival only netted \$1,200 and that most profit was made from the bar.

It was reported that the \$2,500 donation from the Rusty Iron Rally had been received. It was received immediately after the Treasurer's Report was circulated.

It was noted that the current balance for the Tony Hardge Memorial Trust is \$7,250.

The Treasurer advised that last month the Club had a turnover of \$30,000 and the amount of work is more than he can handle. The President suggested that the Treasurer's role be split with someone undertaking the data entry for the book keeping whilst Scott Norman takes responsibility

for financial reporting. There were offers from Andrew Moran and Barry Clow to undertake the data entry into MYOB.

Resolved on the motion of Michael Coulter/Peter English that the Treasurer's Report be adopted.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Andrew Moran)

There was discussion about the Tony Hardge Memorial Award. It was agreed that the name of the Award be the:

"Tony Hardge Memorial Encouragement Award".

The donors are to be invited to the Club's Presentation Night for the presentation of the Award. Jim Brazel is to provide Michael Coulter with the address of Professor Bob Carney who will in turn invite the other donors.

Resolved on the motion of Jim Brazel/Michael Coulter that the arrangements for the Award be as per those put forward by the donors being to one young person under the age of twenty three (23).

The President advised that the annual carnival had been a great success. Andrew thanked everyone who was involved in the running of the carnival.

Terry Falson thanked Andrew and his family for all of their work in hosting the carnival and also Jason O'Donnell.

It was advised that at the recent Branch meeting there was discussion about a quota system for the provision of officials for carnivals. This was due to the difficulty in getting enough officials to conduct carnivals.

The President advised that the Branch meeting had also discussed proficiency assessments. It was noted that the Branch stance is different to the State. Barry Clow noted that only 42 Club members were currently proficient and 59 were not proficient (as entered in surf guard). It was noted that a bulk proficiency was being organised for this weekend.

The President discussed operating the bar over Christmas. Jason O'Donnell had proposed opening the bar on extra nights, suggesting Tuesday and Friday nights from about 4pm to 7pm and paying \$50 cash to members who work on those nights.

It was generally **agreed** that it was a good idea to open the bar on additional nights, however there was not agreement that members be paid for working behind the bar on those days. It was agreed that a roster be prepared to cover the period commencing Boxing Day and ending on the Australia Day weekend. The additional days are 24 December, 26 December, 30 December, 3 January, 6 January, 10 January, 13 January, 17 January, 20 January and 23 January.

8. CLUB VICE CAPTAIN (Peter McNally)

The Vice Captain noted that the First Aid room needs to be tidied up.

The defibrillator needs protection from the sun as otherwise its battery is damaged.

Video footage has been obtained of people stealing the bollards and tyres protecting the verandah posts.

Two rescue boards have been repaired.

It was requested that the Club be supplied with a map setting out the responsibility of government agencies at the beach.

The outboard motor has still not been sold. It was agreed to advertise the motor for sale at a price of \$1,500.

It was noted that the Club has no shark alarm and no shark bite treatment kit.

The Vice Captain advised that the Club needs a new big microwave oven.

There was discussion about the beach access still being a problem. Andrew Moran advised that Crown Lands are inspecting the trees and will remove any deemed dangerous before Christmas.

9. SECRETARY'S and BOAT CAPTAIN'S REPORT (Michael Coulter)

A written report of incoming/outgoing correspondence was presented.

The Boat Captain advised that he had travelled to Collaroy on 27 November 2016 to take delivery of a surf boat donated by the Collaroy Club. Every two years the Club donates a surf boat to a needy country club and this year the Macksville-Scotts Head Club was lucky enough to be the beneficiary of a boat about 6 years old and in very good condition. The boat also came with a trailer in reasonable condition and a set of oars.

Resolved on the motion of Michael Coulter/Peter English that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to the Collaroy Surf Life Saving Club.

The Boat Captain advised that the 220 year crew had competed at the Street's carnival at Tea Gardens the previous weekend. The Street's carnival is a combined carnival of the North Coast and Central Coast boat series. The crew had to row down in the 160 year age division but performed very well against approximately 18 crews with a 2nd and 3rd place on the Saturday and a 2nd and 1st on the Sunday to come 2nd overall on the Sunday and to win the 200 age division for the North Coast boat series on both the Saturday and Sunday. Unfortunately a "wipe out" in the last race on Saturday resulted in a broken sweep oar.

Resolved on the motion of Jim Brazel/Andrew Moran that the Club purchase a new carbon fibre sweep oar as well as repair the sweep oar which was damaged.

10. CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER (Peter English)

Due to work and study commitments the Chief Training Officer submitted his resignation from the position.

Resolved on the motion of Peter English/Michael Coulter that Cath O'Donnell be the Club's Chief Training Officer.

Peter English advised that he had attended a CWA function and presented a cheque to the Club for \$100 being a donation from the CWA.

Resolved on the motion of Peter English/Michael Coulter that a letter of thanks plus receipt be sent to the CWA.

11. DEPUTY CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER (Cath O'Donnell)

It was advised that following the assessment of the Bronze squad that the Club had 9 new bronze medallion members and 3 new SRC members.

It was commented that all of the new bronze members had done well in their assessment but were disappointed at the standard of proficiency required of existing members which was conducted on the same day.

There was discussion about the need to lift the standard of proficiency. There was discussion about a Branch assessor running the proficiency day and setting the standard. It was noted that the Club has to nominate a proficiency day to the Branch by 31 July each year.

There was a discussion about the need for more training supplies. The (new) Chief Training Officer is to provide a list of requirements.

The (new) Chief Training Officer advised that it was proposed to run another bronze squad in February 2017.

12. SURF SPORTS REPORT (Jason O'Donnell)

Cath O'Donnell provided Jason O'Donnell's Surf Sports Report.

There was a request for Cath O'Donnell for 50/50 funding in the purchase of a second hand ski at a cost of \$1,600 (with the Club contributing \$800).

Resolved on the motion of Jason O'Donnell (?)/Terry Falson that the Club contribute \$800 towards the cost of purchasing a single ski.

It was noted that the carnival went well and that cars and trailers were taken on to the beach despite advice not to.

A vote of thanks was provided to Trevor Gibb and all of those members who undertook water safety roles.

13. POWERCRAFT OFFICER (David Brunsdon)

The President noted that the outboard motor was not purchased and is now to be advertised for sale.

14. JUNIOR ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR (Lara Jones)

Michael Coulter read a written report from Lara Jones.

The report noted the great success of the combined Nambucca and Macksville-Scotts Head get together and thanked the boaties patrol and others for their assistance in supporting the day.

Resolved on the motion of Michael Coulter/Cath O'Donnell that the report from the Junior Activities Coordinator be noted.

15. MEMBERSHIP OFFICER (Dot Clow)

The Membership Officer read a list of new, transferring and renewing members.

Resolved on the motion of Dot Clow/Michael Coulter that the new, renewing and transferring members be accepted.

16. SOCIAL OFFICER (Cath O'Donnell)

It was noted that the Board Riders presentation was being conducted in the Clubhouse this Saturday 17 December.

GENERAL BUSINESS

There was discussion about whether or not to change the members hire rate for the Clubhouse which is currently set at 50% of the normal function hire charge. It was **agreed** that the 50% rate be maintained.

There was discussion about a request from Lucy Shepherd to use the hall for massages in the school holidays. The proposal from Lucy Shepherd was for a 50/50 split of revenue. It was **agreed** that the arrangement was cumbersome and that the Club decline the offer.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.30pm