



Minutes of
Annual General Meeting – 31st March, 2014
held via

Teleconference (Express Virtual Meetings)

8:00pm AEDST (NSW, Tas, Vic), 7:30pm (SA), 7:00pm (Qld), 5:00pm (WA)

Shaded boxes display previous decisions/notes and post AGM information

Attendees

Brett Morris (NSW)
Ian Fox (VIC)
John Rohde (SA)
David Morehead (TAS)
Tim Brazier (WA)
Bryn Somers (QLD)

1. Welcome

Brett Morris (chairperson) opened the meeting at 8:25pm Sydney Time.
JohnR thanked by all, for carrying out the required Administration Duties.

2. Apologies

None

3. Confirm minutes of previous meeting

Confirmation of the minutes was moved by Ian Fox and seconded by Tim Brazier

4. Matters arising from previous minutes

None (see General Business).

5. Financial report

John Rohde presented the AWA financial report for the period 31/12/2012 – 31/12/2013 (Attached).

Attention was drawn to the list of Outstanding Income & Liabilities on page 2 of the financial statement – in particular Ian Fox's unclaimed Green Island (2013) event expenses (\$15,000). Ian to follow-up ASAP.

Note made that \$3,000 set aside each year to assist with class "Nationals" at approximately \$500 per event/class.

Acceptance of the Financial Report moved by Brett Morris and seconded by Ian Fox

6. Election of association office bearers and ordinary members of the committee

No nominations were received prior to the meeting for the positions of Secretary/Treasurer, President and Vice-President. The following Officers were elected:

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| • President | Brett Morris | Brett agreed to continue in this position
Nominated by Dave Morehead & Ian Fox |
| • Vice President | Ian Fox | Nominated by Brett Morris & Tim Brazier |
| • Secretary/Treasurer | John Rohde | Nominated by Ian Fox & Brett Morris |

7. Receive and consider statement submitted by the association in accordance with section 30(3) of the act.

Copies of the lodged documents were supplied to the reps with the agenda. The statements were accepted as a true record Proposed by Ian Fox & Brett Morris

- **Number of members @ 31/12/2013 = 594** (last year 613) – end of financial year numbers.
- Members @ 30/06/2013 = 813 (last year 801)
- Members @ 16/03/2014 = 747
- The 31st Dec numbers are used for the lodged statement, and guide for getting the insurance quote.

7.1 Public Officer John Rohde (Secretary)

The “Australian Windsurfing Assoc. Inc.” was incorporated in Victoria on 1/12/1995. The incorporation followed a name change to Australia’s then peak windsurfing body, AUSA (Australian Union of Sailboard Associations).

New: Under the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012, the Public Officer is the Secretary of the Association, and must be a resident of Australia (previously the Public Officer needed to be a resident of Victoria).

8. General Business - General discussion on ;

8.1 Membership Numbers: NSW 219; WA 165; Vic 135; Qld 138; SA 34; Tas 56 @ 16/03/2014

- SUP’s getting quite popular and competing with windsurfing as an activity
- Still a lot of new members each year. Churn rate high – those that join for just 1-2 years.
- WA light wind events caused drop in new/renewing members
- Vic numbers typical
- Qld up a few. Upswing happening in the older demographic
- SA numbers down on last season. Last season, concern about PFD legislation, banned/restricted areas, etc., lead to more joining the association.
- Tas number remaining steady. Come’n’Try days etc. being popular. More people being seen on the water, attracting more interest in the sport generally.

8.2 Fee Structure:

Brett proposed that the fees remain the same. All agreed.

- The affiliation fee is currently \$3 per member, with a maximum of \$600
- Affiliation fees are payable in February, and are based on State insurance numbers at 30th June, the preceding year (excluding insurance only payments).

8.3 IWA Affiliation Fees:

	<u>2013 Fees</u>	<u>2014 Fees</u> (To Be Paid)
Formula Windsurfing	100 Euros	100 Euros
IFCA (slalom)	100 Euros	100 Euros
Raceboard	100 Euros	100 Euros
Techno 293	100 Euros	100 Euros
Total	\$593.94 AUD	\$TBA AUD

We agreed to continue paying for all 4 classes. Proposed by Brett Morris & Tim Brazier
RSX fees paid by YA or Class Assoc?

IWA paid on 27/06/2014 - \$643.40AUD

8.4 Australian National Championships:

Class	Proposed Dates	Proposed Venue & Host
Formula Windsurfing	NSW	
RS:X		Youth Nationals '15 in WA, Fremantle
Raceboard	Aust Day '15	RQYS (+Worlds in Nov '15)
Slalom/Freerace/Freestyle	June 16-20 '14	Green Island, QLD
Techno 293		Youth Nationals '15 in WA, Fremantle
Wavesailing		
Windsurfer OD		

2015 Youth Nationals in WA (Fremantle) for RSX & Techno

8.5 Review of National Initiatives

8.5.1 Website

Windsurfing.org + facebook.com/Australian.Windsurfing

Discussion mentioned:

- Website and electronic communication are an Achilles heel going forward. Google communities could be used to reduce the workload.(Tim)
- Active website(s) and social media paramount. Organisations are nowhere these days without social media presence & communication. Ticks boxes on what we might like to do (Brett)
- Brett suggested that Shaun Obrien be recruited to do a website review.
- Oceanet(.com.au) – although not yet live, it's still up for consideration for possible integration of all AWA administration/management needs, with future adoption by all states.

Online parent/child (AWA>State>Club) setup needed to streamline everything.

Whether it's Oceanet, or something similar, the committee sees the need for a whole-of-sport solution to streamline all our admin needs. Ian Fox to keep in touch, with the developer, on Oceanet progress. Without that feedback, it's easy to assume that it's not happening.

- Need a memorandum of understanding that all info feeds to a particular site – seabreeze, facebook, whatever! Currently doesn't exist and each state doing what works best for them.

8.5.2 Sail Number Register

- JohnR thanked for efforts to provide updated info in a timely manner.

8.5.3 Liability Insurance 2014/2015

- To be decided in June 2014
- Insurance premiums for 2014-2015 to be decided then also
- Current costs: \$19/member on a \$14,201 policy (previously \$11,925). Cover increased to \$20million (previously \$10million).

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- Ian has asked that any members that have the ability to obtain better insurance cover, please let the AWA Reps know so that steps may be taken to assess its suitability.
 - Ian says there are no problems with the current policy and expects it to be renewed at approx. \$15,000
 - Professional Indemnity wasn't added to the current policy because (1) it cost an extra \$1,000; (2) Didn't cover unpaid volunteers.
 - Ian provided advice to reps queries about what was/wasn't covered by the policy.
 - Insurance Cover Guideline/Statement: A brief paragraph should be added to membership application forms, detailing what is covered and what isn't.

A NEW TPL policy is in place (July '14) with upgraded cover at lower cost. Insurance Fees to pass-on will be the same as last season. The increased funds collected by AWA will put it in a better position to promote national initiatives. Proposals to add extra cover have been postponed.

8.5.4 Insurance Register

JohnR was congratulated on the rapid update of the register as states supply updates. State member lists are now accessible from the AWA website.

- In the future, something like Oceanet could streamline the process

8.5.5 National Calendar of Events

John said the submission of excel data helped populate the database for updating the calendar on the website. John to circulate excel calendar template to states asap.

Consider adding calendar items to a Google Calendar and embedding in our website. Calendar updates to be circulated, at least monthly. Need to be more proactive in supporting the national calendar of events – especially to support insurance requirements.

It's imperative that each state keeps John up-to-date with the latest calendar information.

8.5.6 Strategic Plan/Budget for AWA Expenditure

WA – Not enough volunteers for individual clubs to survive. WA trialling site reps instead of local club structures, with all participating under WWA banner rather than the unsustainable structured club scenario. Demise of the local (incorporated) club is also happening in other states.

SUP's eating into windsurfing numbers.

SUP sailing trend growing. These are the next generation of windsurfers! Due to the numbers participating in SUP activities, it's the best source for us to recruit future windsurfers.

2009 AGM:

AWA to support events by funding expenses for interstate event organisers/judges to attend National events. \$3000 per year, with \$1000 max per event. Grants should be sought in advance of an event, rather than afterwards. Usually, \$500 per class nationals, is sought after the event.

8.6 Common Branding

Not discussed

8.7 Life Membership Legacy

8.7.1 Bruce McPhail presentation

Ian and Brett to arrange something.

2010 AGM:

With respect to the AWA presenting him with something in recognition of his service to the association (see 2009 AGM Minutes), he will be given something along the lines of what WNSW presents to its members.

- *Brett to send sample pictures to reps.*
- *Ian F to follow up with Brett*

8.7.2 Register of Life Members

- No action

9. Other Business

Discussion on the subject of Inverloch (Vic) clubs' insurance status with respect to AWA and YVic. What value there is in YA silver membership and whether it's worth it as a funding channel? What benefits our sport best?

YWA program for T293 on inland waters. Similar programs in NSW. Brett to follow up.

Meeting Closed

Brett closed the meeting at 11:13pm Sydney Time

Post AGM Discussions:

RSX & T293 class associations to affiliate with AWA. Both classes to form advisory committees under AWA banner. Windsurfing Queensland is coordinating this integration.



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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1/01/2013 to 31/12/2013

BANK BALANCE @ 31/12/2012

\$ 28,203.00

INCOME	2010	2011	2012	2013
State Levies				
NSW	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 585.00	\$ 600.00
VIC	\$ 447.00	\$ 351.00	\$ 501.00	\$ 549.00
QLD	\$ 351.00	\$ 378.00	\$ 243.00	\$ 252.00
TAS	\$ 57.00	\$ 54.00	\$ 75.00	\$ -
SA	\$ 36.00	\$ 108.00	\$ 114.00	\$ 60.00
WA	\$ 597.00	\$ 510.00	\$ 591.00	\$ 600.00
Other Affiliation (from Nationals)				
IMCO	-	-	-	-
IWA	-	-	-	-
Insurance	\$ 9,320.00	\$ 11,313.00	\$ 11,925.00	\$ 14,201.00
Other Income				
Term Deposit	\$ 580.70	\$ 295.90	-	-
Event Sponsorship				\$ 5,000.00
Event Income				\$ 8,828.12

TOTAL INCOME (2013)

\$ 30,090.12

EXPENSES	2010	2011	2012	2013
Affiliation Fees				
AYF	\$ -	\$ 110.00	\$ 230.00	\$ -
IWA	\$ 853.99	\$ 736.71	\$ 559.31	\$ 593.94
Bank Charges	\$ 133.20	\$ 131.10	\$ 132.90	\$ 138.30
Consumer & Business Affairs (Vic)	\$ -			\$ -
Insurance	\$ 9,720.83	\$ 9,748.33	\$ 9,918.83	\$ 12,217.83
Internet/Website	\$ 277.86	\$ 274.86	\$ 285.86	\$ 274.86
Event Grants	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Event Expenses				\$ 1,807.49
Teleconferencing (AGM)	\$ 242.37	\$ 368.90	\$ 215.78	\$ 438.60

TOTAL EXPENSES (2013)

\$ 16,971.02

Asset: Cheque Account Balance @ 31/12/2013

\$ 41,322.10

Asset: Other @ 31/12/2013

\$ -

Outstanding Income as at 31/12/2013	
INV 292 - Windsurfing Tasmania	\$ 1,012.00
INV 291 - Windsurfing Western Australia (paid 20/1/14)	\$ 1,539.00
Outstanding Liabilities as at 31/12/2013	
Ian Fox - Green Island Event Expenses (Approx)	\$ 15,000.00
AYF Affiliation Fee 2013	\$ 230.00
John Rohde - Consumer & Business Affairs (Vic) expenses 2013	\$ 51.40
BANK BALANCE @ 31/12/2013	<u>\$ 41,322.10</u>