

**WALLIS SPIRIT DRAGONS INC.**

Committee Meeting – 12 February 2023 9.30am at the Brunch Cafe

<p><b>Attendance:</b> Annabelle Lewis, Barbara Filter, Janne Moran, Robyn Munson, Pat Powell, Christine Rand  <b>Apologies:</b> Brian Cotterill</p>		
ITEM and DISCUSSION	ACTION	WHO
<p><b>Minutes of previous Meeting on 8 January 2023:</b>  Moved that the minutes be accepted (Chris / Annabelle)  <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b></p>		
<p><b>Business Arising:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Males Sweeping Female Races:</b> Sally explained that men “supposedly” do have a strength advantage, especially in difficult weather conditions. It was noted that no response to this question from DBNSW has been received. After discussion the following motion was proposed:   <b>“That we contact Northern Region, noting that we consider this ruling to be discriminatory and request that it be raised with the Board of DBNSW” (Annabelle / Janne) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b></li> </ul>	<p>Contact Northern Region</p>	<p>Pat</p>
<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>IN – <b>DBNSW</b> – Chief Executive Departs; Sydney Lunar Festival Dragon Boat Races - Draw V1, 2 &amp; 3; Grafton Sweep Clinic - 12 March; Bank St Working Group; AusDBF Pride In Sport Survey; Dragons On Darling - World Pride Regatta Volunteers needed; DBNSW Staffing Update; AUSDBF Updates - Feb 2023 (training grievance policies); Regatta Series Round 5 Update;  <b>Westpac Bank</b> –  <b>Regattas</b> – Grafton 18/19 February 2023  <b>Northern Region</b> – Dragons On Darling - World Pride Regatta  <b>Emails:</b>  <b>Grants</b> –  <b>Advertising</b> – Team Elite</p> <p>OUT – <b>DBNSW</b> –  <b>Northern Region</b> – Nil  <b>Grants</b> –  <b>Emails</b> – <b>Members:</b> Coomba Fest, Trivia Night, Minutes of December and January meetings, Resuscitation Refresher; <b>DBNSW:</b> Nil; <b>Committee:</b> Various; <b>General:</b> Resuscitation Refresher</p>		
<p><b>Treasurer's Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Report tabled:</b> Balance at end of January is \$6250.73</li> </ul> <p><b>MOVED</b> that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted (Chris / Robyn) – <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annabelle raised the idea of WSD as a group volunteering at the Brunch Café once every two months, to raise funds for our new boat. Several Committee members volunteered and Annabelle to follow up with the Café Committee</li> <li>Janne demonstrated a device for electronic payments to the club. This to be considered if the need arises in the future</li> </ul>	<p>Speak to Café Committee</p>	<p>Annabelle</p>
<p><b>SUB COMMITTEES</b></p> <p><b>Coaches and Sweeps</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Swim Test:</b> Some members are still to complete their swim test. Days to be advised (after paddling), and members to be notified that if the test is not completed they will be required to wear a PFD.</li> </ul>		<p>Pat</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Grant for PFD's:</b> Investigate a grant for the purchase of comfortable PFD's</li> <li>• <b>Capsize Procedure and On-Land Capsize Simulation Drill:</b> Documents discussed. These to be put on our website. The Committee also discussed having a rescue tube on board to support injured paddlers in the event of a capsize. Janne to procure one</li> <li>• <b>Succession Planning:</b> Noted that we should be seeking new sweeps and coaches. It was agreed that we hold a day where anyone interested in sweeping can have a go as there is currently no sweep course available. It was also suggested that anyone interested in coaching could sit with a Coach to see what is involved prior to signing up for a coaching course. Committee to look for upcoming Coach courses.</li> </ul>	<p>Look for grant</p> <p>Put on website Procure rescue tube</p> <p>Look for Coaching courses</p>	<p>Pat</p> <p>Annabelle Janne</p> <p>Committee</p>
<p><b>Fundraising and Catering (Barbara, Jenny, Robyn, Pat)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nil</li> </ul> <p><b>Membership &amp; Publicity (Robyn, Sally, Chris R, Janne, Pat, Annabelle)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nil</li> </ul> <p><b>Regattas (Janne, Elaine, Sally)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Grafton</b> – 18/19 February 2023.</li> <li>• <b>Urunga</b> - 6/7 May 2023</li> </ul> <p><b>Maintenance (Brian &amp; others as needed)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nil</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Learn2Paddle (Sally, Elaine, Chris, Annabelle, Pat, Liz)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next series to commence 5 March 2023 at 9am (following our usual Sunday session)</li> <li>• So far 13 people have expressed interest, Elaine to contact them after the Grafton Regatta</li> <li>• Some of our paddlers are also required to stay behind on the Sundays, exact numbers to be decided once we know how many new people there will be</li> <li>• Some changes to be made to the follow up survey, and certificates to be laminated</li> </ul>	<p>Contact L2Pers</p> <p>Make changes</p>	<p>Elaine</p> <p>Pat</p>
<p><b>Social (Jenny, Chris R, Robyn, Barbara)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organise a breakfast at the Brunch Café at the conclusion of the L2P so that new people can meet other club members</li> <li>• Possibly organize a local walk if a paddling session has to be cancelled</li> <li>• <b>Aquatic Club Trivia Night:</b> Due to the change of date to the Friday, it was unfortunately decided not to participate. Notify CAC</li> </ul> <p><b>Uniforms (Jenny, Liz, Pat)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New order to be put in if anyone wishes to order more apparel</li> <li>• Ascertain SPF rating of shirt material</li> </ul>	<p>Organise walk</p> <p>Notify CAC</p> <p>Contact WearIt</p>	<p>Chris R</p> <p>Pat</p> <p>Pat</p>
<p><b>General Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Resignation of Ramsay Cobb, DBNSW:</b> A letter of appreciation to be sent</li> <li>• <b>Aquatic Day, Sunday 12 March:</b> The CAC is holding an Aquatic Day on Sunday 12 March and have asked if WSD could attend. As the L2P will be running from 9 – 10am, we decided we could be available from 10 – 11am if anyone wishes to have a go in the boat</li> </ul>	<p>Send letter</p> <p>Advise CAC Email members</p>	<p>Pat</p> <p>Pat Pat</p>
<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday 29 March 2023, 4.30pm at the CAC Gazebo</li> </ul>		