



Minutes of the 108th Annual General Meeting Held 20th July 2014.

Meeting opened 13:00

Present – As per attendance Book

Apologies:

Glen Clarke, Randwick City Mayor Scott Nash, Tony Beger, Phil Sweeney, Thelma Smith, Neil Smith, Peter Jones, Daphne Jones, Sarah Thompson.

The meeting observed a period of silence in respect of deceased members during the previous year.

The President welcomed guests – Member for Kingsford-Smith Matt Thistlethwaite, SLS Sydney President George Shales and Life Members Ken Ryan, Mark Percy, Sid D'Ornay, Geoff James, Pat Thompson and Bob Callaghan.

Matt Thistlethwaite thanked Clovelly SLSC for his invite and congratulated the club on behalf of the community for another successful season. Matt added that it is encouraging to see the club in such a healthy financial position being well managed with a strong nipper's base of future lifesavers. Congratulations to the management board on a successful season and best wishes for the season coming.

George Shales commended Clovelly SLSC on behalf of SLS Sydney on a magnificent season. Finances of the club look very healthy the club is obviously being well run. Commendations on no lives lost for the season which is attributed to the vigilance of the clubs members. Best wishes for another magnificent season in 2014/2015.

Matters arising from previous minutes

There were no matters arising

Adoption of Previous AGM Minutes

Previous minutes of 107th AGM held 14th July 2013 were accepted as a true record of meeting.

Moved by: Jim King **Seconded by:** Damien Cocks, and carried unanimously

Adoption of 108th Annual Report

The President Paul Smith addressed the meeting and spoke to the 108th Annual Report:

Has been a successful year the club can be proud of and thanks to all officer bearers through the season as their hard work has made my first season as president much smoother. Thanks to Secretary Tania Rouse, Assistant Secretary Rebecca Cocks and administrator Margaret Murray for keeping the administration of the club running smoothly. This has been an important season for gaining awards in the IRB section and increasing our IRB capabilities. Thanks also to Chief Training Officer Jess Wheatley and her education committee for the awards gained this season especially the strong numbers of Bronze Medallion. Club Captain and his lifesaving committee have done an excellent job this season in keeping the beach and surrounding areas safe for the general public. Club had a very successful season in the Masters competition with Wendy Pepper in particular winning a swag of gold medals from Branch through to Aussies titles. Next season the club will focus on more junior and open competitors. With regret Tania Rouse is stepping down as secretary after giving 4 years of service to the club in the role.

Treasurer Craig Wheatley addressed the meeting and spoke to the 108th Annual Report:

The financials contained in the 108th Annual Report are the consolidated accounts of the senior club, nippers club and Eskimoes and demonstrates a very healthy bank balance across the three clubs. Senior club has working balance account and also money in a term deposit. Nippers continue to be in a strong position with a healthy working balance account along with a term deposit. Eskimoes also looking healthy in their bank balance. Generous donations over past 12 months from Bendigo Bank to assist with the purchase of a new IRB and Randwick Council with the club maintenance grant. Sponsorship also from Randwick Club and South's Juniors. Sportsman's lunch great success. Bill and Barry Phillips collection at car park did an amazing job this season raising money which is used towards new equipment. Lifesaving equipment purchased over past 12 months includes a new IRB, IRB motor, rescue boards, rescue tubes, defib and first aid kit. Major expense last season was the new steam room and renovations works that took place around it. On current rates of usage it will take 4 ½ years to recoup expenses it cost to build. Lastly thanks to Bryan Mortenson who put the accounts together and consolidated the three clubs

Mr. Geoff James, Vice President Clovelly Surf Club commended the secretary, Tania Rouse, assistant Secretary Rebecca Cocks and Margaret Murray on many hours of work done in putting annual report together.

Moved the Annual Report be adopted John McNamee **Seconded by** Scott D'Ornay and carried unanimously

Resolution of Affiliation with Surf Lifesaving Australia

The President Paul Smith asked for a mover and seconder that Clovelly Surf Life Saving Club continue it's affiliation with Surf Life Saving Australia through its Sydney Branch.

Moved by Molly Cocks Seconded by Ken Ryan and carried unanimously

Election of Office Holders for 2014-2015 Season

All office positions were vacated and the President Paul Smith vacated the chair and handed over to the Treasurer Craig Wheatley to take nominations for President for the 204-2015 season.

One nomination for President was received being Paul Smith who accepted the position, Paul then continued the election of office bearers for 2014-2015 season.

The Following members were elected to office for the season 2014-2015

Position	Person Elected
President	Paul Smith.
Vice President	Geoff James.
Vice President	Russ Byrne.
Secretary	Rebecca Cocks.
Treasurer	Craig Wheatley.
Club Captain	Gerry McGillion.
Chief Training Officer	Jessica Wheatley.
Director of Competition	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
Publicity Officer	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
Social Secretary	Ryan Airlie
Assistant Secretary	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
Registrar	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
Assistant Treasurer	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
IT Manager	Andrew Radnedge
Assistant Chief Training Officer	Jennifer McNamee
IRB Captain	Christopher Thompson nominated Gordon Manuel from the floor, seconded by Molly Cocks and Gordon accepted.
Assistant IRB Captain	Christopher Thompson nominated Andrew Goodieson from the floor, seconded by Geoff James and Andrew accepted.
Recruitment Officer	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
House Captain	Ian Eccles
OH & S Officer	No Nomination received – held over

	until next management meeting
Vice Captain	Jim King
Vice Captain	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
First Aid Officer	Roslyn Manuel
Radio Officer	Anthony Beger
Gear Steward	Phil Sweeney
Junior Captain	Tania Rouse
Boat Captain	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
Board Ski & Swim Captain	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
Beach Captain	No Nomination received – held over until next management meeting
Club Delegate	Paul Smith nominated Tania Rouse from the floor, seconded by Gerry McGillion and Tania accepted.

Paul Smith thanked all those who have stood for and gained positions and welcomed new members to the management committee.

Set Annual Subscription and Dues for the Season 2014-2015

President Paul Smith advised changes to the subscriptions and dues for associate members of an increase to \$200 joining fee, \$200 annual fee and \$200 for the gym with these changes approved at the management Committee meeting May 2014 **proposed by Geoff James** and **seconded by Gerry McGillion**. There are no changes to active, junior and senior citizen fees. *All agreed unanimously.*

Proposed motion of changes to clubs statement of objectives and rules.

Paul Smith spoke to proposed changes to clubs statement of objectives and rules in particular Under Clause 4, Membership Qualifications, of the Club Rules; an Associate member is defined as:

(12) An Associate Member:

(a) Must not be less than thirty five years of age at midnight on 30 September of the season;

The Clovelly SLSC management committee propose that item 12 (a) be amended to

(a) Must not be less than forty years of age at midnight on 30 September of the season;

Proposed by Russ Byrne and **seconded by Gerry McGillion** at the May 2014 management committee.

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to encourage potential members to become bronze holding members to ensure that the first primary objective of the club is supported by an adequate supply of bronze holding members as per objective 1 in the clubs rules.

(1) Encourage, promote, carry out, study and practice the methods of lifesaving and first aid taught by the Surf Life Saving Australia Limited.

Bob Callaghan spoke to the motion asking if this was brought about by a reduction in numbers of younger patrolling members coming through the club and if that needed addressing.

Paul Smith spoke to more members joining the club at a later stage in life than in previous years in particular joining when their children commenced nippers. Paul Smith also mentioned that recent Bronze Medallion squads through Clovelly SLSC have seen more mature age candidates. Paul Smith also advised that this would only affect a small number of prospective associate members. Currently Clovelly SLSC has 6 associate members between the ages of 35 and 40.

Pat Thompson spoke against the motion as he felt the current rule works well, affects a small number of people and added that Clovelly already has sufficient patrolling numbers with the current age restrictions on associate membership. He referred to the saying "if it isn't broke don't fix it". He also added the increased fee the associates pay for membership is a good revenue raiser for the club.

Geoff James spoke for the motion. Geoff believes the future of the club is changing with people joining the club at a later stage in life than previously along with changes in lifestyles. He added that older members bring more life experience to patrols and provide guidance for younger members. People's lifestyles have changed along with life expectancy and many 40 plus year olds are now extremely healthy and fit and able to fulfil patrol obligations.

Ian Eccles asked if the club would give consideration to members over the age of 40 and how many years of service they need to provide to be eligible for long service on a sliding scale.

Ken Ryan added that any changes to age and years of service required needs to be addressed as a motion put to members with the appropriate notice.

Geoff James spoke to SRC patrolling members and that they fulfilled same hours as Bronze Medallion holders and deserve the same recognition.

With a show of hands members voted on the motion which was passed with a clear majority.

General Business.

Bob Callaghan expressed concern on the lack of beach events on a Sunday morning and the drop off in competitors for Clovelly SLSC. We need events to encourage active participation and as a stimulus for open competitors. Paul Smith responded that this one of his priorities for next season including a Sunday surf race, run or other such event on a regular basis and including the youth of the club.

Meeting Closed 13.31 hours.