

NATIONAL MOSQUITO CATAMARAN COUNCIL AUSTRALIA

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2013/2014

Held at Meningie SC, SA, 8th January 2014

Present

Mick Floyd, Tim Shepperd, Gary Maskiell, Peter Hallsworth, Peter Dunk, Garry Johnstone, Peter Nikitin, Tim Kennedy, Ian McAlister, Philip Warren-Smith, Robert Lott, Matt Stone, Roy Douglas, Trevor Armstrong, Phillip Pearce, Warwick Kemp, Gordon Hyde, Kate Hyde, Sarah Floyd, Daniel Stone, Eliza Kimlin, Mark Pfennig, Steve Thomas, Kirsten Thomas, Jaimee Broekers, Rick Verboon, Peter Nicholson, Ben Clark, Simon Hallsworth, Greg Hackett, Brad Spencer, Peter Nicholson, Trish Pollock, Mark O'Halloran, Allan Pettman.

Apologies

Neil Joiner, David Joiner, Phil Flaherty, Bob Wilson, Mark Stillman.

Meeting Opened at 2030 by Peter Dunk

Minutes of the Previous AGM – Gippsland Lakes YC, January 2013

Read by Peter Dunk.

Motion - to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as read as correct.

Moved by Rick Verboon, seconded by Jaimee Broekers.

Passed Unanimously

Business Arising From Previous Meeting

None

Correspondence In/Out

None

Business Arising From Correspondence

None

Accounts for Payment

None

National Secretary's Report

Good evening everyone and welcome to the 2014 national.

This year has been a quiet one for me as far as this job goes.

In regard to the class I am happy to see the continued growth in SA, Victoria and Queensland. This ongoing growth I believe needs to continue outside of the "heartlands" of Victoria and South Australia. It is also good to see some more new boats on the water this season with both production and home built boats being sailed competitively.

The strength of the class is evident for all to see, just look at the number of boats for sale against boats wanted by prospective sailors. It is also good to see some of the older boats getting a new

lease of life and getting back onto the water.

We are again an accredited class with Yachting Australia. On the face of it, it may appear to be a frivolous achievement but it does have some advantages being a recognized national class.

I look forward to the continued growth of the class and look forward to seeing more mossies on the water in the years to come.

Peter Dunk, National Secretary.

National Technical Officer's Report

VMCA discussed the class wind limit at their meeting due to Yachting Victoria setting our recommended limit to 26knots. This was seen to be excessive and they agreed to change this limit to 22knots. MCASA has suggested a split limit of 22knots in sea and more in flat protected waters.

Mick Floyd moved motion that *"Tim Shepperd approaches Yachting Victoria to change to 22knots."*
Seconded by Robert Lott.

Motion carried, majority in favour.

Financial Report

Not available.

Election of Office Bearers

National Secretary - Peter Dunk

Nominated by Simon Hallsworth, Seconded by Allan Pettman

Elected Unopposed

National Technical Officer - Tim Shepperd

Nominated by Mick Floyd, Seconded by Mark Pfennig

Elected Unopposed

General Business

YA Affiliation – has continued.

2014-15 Nationals – VMCA has been talking to Southport Qld and they are happy to have us. Alternate venues are being discussed Lake Illawarra being one possibility.

Boat Weighing – Simon Hallsworth discussed boats being weighed as complete boats rather than platform only. Discussion followed with the general consensus being there was no reason to change, no action was taken.

Nationals format – Gary Maskiell moved a motion that *"Change the format of nationals to 12 day regatta consisting of 4 spinnaker days, 4 sloop days, 4 cat rigged days plus 2 reserve days one between each event"* Seconded by Daniel Stone.

Gary Maskiell proposed this may help to increase the number of sloop rigged boats that compete in the nationals and bring new people into the class.

Discussion followed with for and against point raised. Vote conducted

Motion not carried, majority against

Nationals format – Gary Maskiell moved a motion *“That the mosquito nationals include the spinnaker class at the same time as a third division dependent on a constitution change to officially recognise the spinnaker class.”* Seconded by Peter Nicholson.

Gary Maskiell proposed this as he is of the opinion that the spinnaker class is seen as a lesser standard national event.

Discussion followed with for and against point raised. Vote conducted

Motion carried, majority in favour

Constitution Change – Phillip Pearce moved a motion *“That the NMCCA investigate the mosquito class constitution and organise a vote by its membership to change the constitution to include boats with a spinnaker as a class. The vote to be circulated to the membership after 3 months and to be finalised by the close of the following month”* Seconded by Brad Spencer.

Discussion followed with for and against point raised. Vote conducted

Motion carried, majority in favour

2 class presidents, National secretary and Technical Officer to investigate and circulate vote.

Meeting closed at 2205