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## ***ASBA Annual General Meeting held at RMYC Toronto.***

16<sup>th</sup> February 2020

### **1: OPENING.**

Meeting was convened on the deck of RMYC at 1830

#### **Present:**

- Jamie Berndt (acting President)
- Malcolm Dean
- Cayley Berndt
- Andrew Clauson
- Terry Riley
- Luke Ratcliff
- Tony Ritter
- Andrew York

### **2: APOLOGIES.**

None

### **3: RECORD OF PROXIES.**

None

### **4: ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF 2019 AGM.**

Proposed resolution: That the minutes of the 2019 annual general meeting be accepted. Moved by Jamie Berndt and seconded by Andrew York. **Passed all in favour.**

## **5: PRESIDENTS REPORT.**

### 2020 ASBA presidents report

Paul Heyes was voted in at the 2019 AGM as President but has had limited contact with myself and the ASBA, so I have been running the ASBA from my Secretary/Treasurer position.

The Australian Sports Boat Association has had a good 12 months with small growth in memberships as well as boats competing on the water. With a few committed people to help run the association along with myself, I have managed to get new sponsors on board which includes Harken Australia, Evolution Sails Gold Coast, Marine Outlet, Wet Tech Rigging and the latest sponsors to come on board for the National are Bar Karate and Ted Tec. I hope to lock all these sponsors back in for the next season and events to come.

The Australian Sports Boat Association website is fully up and running but it has come at cost. With the website costing around \$6,000 over last 18 months. This includes the building of the website which was around \$4,000 and updates to the website in the past 12 months at the cost of around \$2000. The website should cost far less now that I'm able to do updates myself and in the future, we should start making money from the sale ads.

I have managed to start a new contact list for the association, this includes all members up-to-date and Associates that want to be involved and kept up to date in the ASBA fleet for the future.

We have had good success with Regattas in the past 12 months. This includes the 2019 National Titles at Port Stephens where Malcolm Dean was crowned SMS champion. The Airlie Beach Race Week was another success and run in partnership with Whitsunday Sailing Club. We had a good fleet up at Airlie with some old and new boats on the water and sailing for the 6 days. Luke Ratcliff on Reheat won Airlie Beach Race Week. After Airlie Beach Race Week, Bundaberg Sailing Club hosted the Queensland ASBA State Titles with great success. With racing conducted over 3 days we managed to get a good mix of races done with passage and windward leewards races completed. Malcolm Dean kept up his winning form to take out the Regatta on SMS.

The idea of a performance handicap was spoken about early on in the year with myself and Luke Ratcliff investigating further. We found that Top Yacht could offer us a long-term performance handicap system that had worked quite well in other fleets across Australia. Working with top yacht, we use data from previous races to build a database of handicaps for a range of boats. This handicap system has been trialled in the background at Airlie Beach Race Week and the Queensland state titles with good results. We hope now to implement the system into the constitution and have a Second Division in ASBA racing.

With a new year ahead, I hope the ASBA can form a full committee and continue the success of previous years gone by. If we keep working on it and implement a few changes to help the fleet grow and get interest back into ASBA racing, we should get more boats on the water.

## 6: CONSIDERATION OF ACCOUNTS.

Opening Bank Balance as at 1 January 2019			\$8,468.80
Plus Receipts for the period 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019			\$9,634.78
Less Payments for the period 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019			\$11,929.03
Closing Balance Balance as at 31 December 2019			\$6,174.55

## 7: DISCUSSION & REVIEW OF SUBMISSIONS.

**The addition of the clause “4.1.13 shall not apply to Elliott 7’s if racing in full compliance with their respective class rules.” To the ASBA constitution.**

Members discussed the need to add the clause “4.1.13 shall not apply to Elliott 7’s if racing in full compliance with their respective class rules” to the ASBA constitution. After discussion the members present at the AGM all agreed to pass submission. **Passed all in favour.**

**The addition of the ASBA LTP handicap to the constitution.**

Members discussed the need to add/include the new ASBA LTP Handicap to the constitution under 15. HANDICAPS, to state that the ASBA is using 2 systems to work time factor corrections for the ASBA fleet. SMS provided by YRSA being the primary system and ASBA LTP provided by Top Yacht as a secondary system. After discussion the members at AGM all agreed to pass submission. Change to constitution to read, 15.1.

Association sanctioned events shall be raced under an externally administered (i.e. by an independent body to the Association) single measurement based rating system (SMS) agreed upon by the first Committee of the Association (hereinafter referred to as the primary handicap system) and a secondary handicap system (ASBA LTP Handicap) agreed upon by the member at the 2020 AGM. **Passed all in favour.**

**The investigation of resistance to capsize or self-righting capabilities and to get a set standard for the ASBA fleet.**

Members discussed the need to review the standard of the resistance to capsize or self-righting capabilities. The ASBA constitution states, 4.1.5 Resistant to Capsize as defined in Yachting Australia Special Regulations Appendix B to Part 1 using, at minimum, the values as defined for Safety Categories 5 and 6. Boats with moveable ballast shall also satisfy all requirements pertaining to them in Appendix B. Variable ballast is not permitted.

It has been found that not all sports boats in the ASBA fleet would meet the rule after test was done by ASBA in 2013.

After a discussion between members at the AGM the ASBA committee working with Australian Sailing to investigate and put forward a new standard for resistance to capsize or self-righting capabilities for the ASBA and all the fleet to comply to and new boats to be built to. This standard is to take into consideration the characteristics of the sports boat fleet and not take away what separates them from a standard trailer sailer. **Passed all in favour.**

**Non SMS rated sails being used during SMS races and the implementation of sail measurement buttons/stickers to be applied to measured sails. Rule out sails being used which do not rate under a boat's current rating.**

Members at the AGM discussed this issue of sails on boats being use that are not under a boats rating and YRSA measurers using the same procedures to measure the boat as it has been brought up that not all boats are being measured the same way. All members agreed that the ASBA is to send an email to SMS and YRSA to implement sail stickers to be used on sails for measurements and for YRSA to audit and check their measurers, to make sure that all measurers are using the same procedure to measure boats. **Passed all in favour.**

## **8: ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS.**

President; Andrew Clauson, Nominated by Jamie Berndt, **Passed all in favour**

Vice President; Malcolm Dean, Nominated by Andrew Clauson, **Passed all in favour**

Secretary/Treasurer; Jamie Berndt, Nominated by Andrew Wiklund, **Passed all in favour**

Digital Director; Jamie Berndt, Nominated by Andrew Wiklund, **Passed all in favour**

National Measurer and SMS Rep; Chris Bland, Nominated by Jamie Berndt, **Passed all in favour**

QLD Rep; Jamie Berndt

NSW/ACT Rep; Malcolm Dean

VIC/SA Rep; Open

WA Rep; Open

NT Rep; Open

TAS Rep: Open

State Reps were opened to table, but no Reps came forward

## **9: GENERAL BUSINESS.**

None

## **10: CLOSE.**

Meeting closed at 19:10 16-2-2020 by Jamie Berndt.