

# Annual General Meeting - 17<sup>th</sup> March 2005 held via Express Teleconferencing

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

#### **Attendees**

Bill Joselin (NSW) lan Fox (VIC) John Rohde (SA) David Morehead (TAS) Linsay Gadsby (QLD) lan Grose (WA)

#### 1. Welcome

lan Fox (chairperson) opened the meeting at 8:06pm Eastern Summer Time.

# 2. Apologies

none

# 3. Confirm minutes of previous meeting

Confirmation of the minutes was Moved by Linsay Gadsby and Seconded by Bill Joselin

# 4. Matters arising from previous minutes

# 4.1 Financial report

John reported that although research had been carried out on improving banking costs, nothing had been changed yet. He also thought that the constitutional requirement for 2 signatories on the account was restrictive when attempting to open new accounts.

NSW stated that St. George didn't charge any fees for "Not for Profit" organisations.

WA stated that Westpac was another good option, and that second signatories could give transaction approval via the internet. WA also recommended using Banks over Building Societies.

John also stated that we should move to internet banking. NSW suggested that this be explored.

Vic suggested we move to a "non cheque book" scenario

John agreed to follow-up on all suggestions as soon as possible, and would withdraw his proposed constitution change.

WA and NSW to provide John with additional information on their banking arrangements.

# 5. Financial report

John Rohde presented the AWA financial report for the period 31/12/2003 – 31/12/2004 (Attached).

Financial Report Moved by Ian Fox and Seconded by Bill Joselin

lan expressed thanks to John for providing timely reports throughout the year.

A copy of the report is to be placed on the website.

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

There were no formal nominations presented prior to the start of the AGM. Current officers said they would continue in their respective positions for another year.

Elections complete:

Proposer & Seconder

President Ian Fox Ian Grose & Dave Morehead

Vice President David Morehead Ian Fox & Ian Grose

• Secretary/Treasurer John Rohde Dave Morehead & Ian Fox

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

Last years statement was checked by Bruce McPhail (Public Officer) and submitted to the "Consumer & Business Affairs Victoria", (CBAV). Ian Fox stated that John should contact Bruce to lodge the current financial statement.

Number of members @ 31/12/2004 = 498

lan said John should also provide a copy of last years lodged document to the meeting

# 8. General Business - General discussion on ;

# 8.1 Proposed Alteration to Constitution from John Rohde

Change clause 29 of the constitution http://www.windsurfing.org/files/info/AWA\_Constitution.pdf

This rule prevents me from opening new bank accounts, etc.

I propose the replacement of the words "two officers" with "at least one officer".

The current rule reads as follows:

#### **CHEQUES**

29. All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments shall be signed by **two officers** of the Association.

The proposed change was withdrawn. John will follow-up on the other States suggestions outlined in "Matters Arising from Previous Meeting" (above).

# 8.2 Fee Structure:

- currently \$50 + \$3 per member, with a maximum of \$600
- based on State membership numbers at end of their last financial year
- All agreed to keep the current fee structure. NSW happy unless AWA wants to generate other funds. John proposed basing the numbers on the AWA member list at the end of June, rather than chasing up numbers at the end of each State's financial year. This was approved.
- John to look into online method of collecting AWA fees. Discussion includes a proposal that all fees (including State charges) be collected at a central location, with AWA keeping its portion, and returning the balance to the relevant State.
- States happy with Invoices.
- Ian emphasised that Names should be sent to John ASAP, for inclusion in the National Register of Members. The list confirms event eligibility and insurance coverage.

# IWA Class Fees

Formula Windsurfing 160euros IFCA 160euros IMCO 160euros Raceboard 160euros

Raceboard fee included this year reflecting RS:X inclusion in that class.

AWA to invoice State Associations to recover IWA fees from events. The fee has been previously stated as:-

- a \$10 per head levy should be built into National events through the entry fee
- there should be a \$10 per head levy for any National Championship affiliated with an IWA Class

# 8.3 <u>Venues for next Australian Championships</u>:

Raceboard/Mistral 2006 NSW or Sail Melb.

Longboard numbers just not there – event may not happen.

Slalom 2006

Undecided

- WWA was at this stage not prepared to do the Slalom Nationals in 2006.
- The general feeling from the Eastern States was that it would be good if WA did run the Slalom Nationals. No other state was willing to take it on.
- WV had advised that it didn't think it could add the Slalom Championships to its already busy schedule running the Australian and World Formula Championships in December 2005
- WA rep agreed to return to his committee and see if they would reconsider.
- Suggest that event happens as close to Formula Worlds as possible to maximise participation.
- Early January dates would be best

Formula 2005/6

Vic – Combine with Formula Worlds.

December 2005 as a Worlds warm-up. Bill asked Ian how NSW/AWA could help with Worlds.

2007 – WA

2008 - Qld.

Wavesailing 2006

Gerroa, NSW

Mid February – Aaron Constable organising

Mistral see Raceboard/Mistral Replace IMCO with RS:X asap

Windsurfer 2006

Hamilton Is. (organised by NSW)

At Easter or June/July. Possible joint event with Aust Uni Games.

RS:X 2006

**NSW or Sail Melb** 

Sail Melb in Mid Jan, or Feb/Mar in NSW

Subject to equipment availability

Stand-alone event

# 8.4 National Initiatives

- a) Website
  - States happy with information provided on site
- b) Sail Number Register
  - numbers to be made dead/reusable after a period of unfinancial status.
  - Particularly applicable to "AUS" numbers
  - State associations to discuss and make suggestions by May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- c) Insurance Register
  - States to keep list up-to-date by providing names to John asap.
- d) National Calendar of events (website)
  - States to follow-up by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

# 8.5 Liability Insurance 2005/2006

Although we would like this to be sorted by June 1<sup>st</sup>, the Insurance companies won't make renewal quotes until 30 days before expiry date (30<sup>th</sup> June).

APRA recognition still a problem (our Insurer is not recognised)

- WA had problem with a Kite & windsurfing event. Windsurfing insurance was OK, but Kite cost \$4000 just for that event.
- NSW reported non-acceptance of our cover for several events
- Qld has not had any problems

Insurance industry changes are making them more receptive for "Sports Cover" this year.

Each state to canvas members for contact names, or other leads, that can assist in obtaining insurance for the association. Send responses to lan Fox.

# 9. Other Business

# 9.1 RS:X – The new Olympic board

How should we support the new Olympic board as a National Association?

NSW suggested maintaining close links to Yachting Australia, offering services and advice.

Strategies for development of RS:X as a Class

- we need to lead from the front (provide direction)
- YA: not their role to support class
- AWA to foster RS:X racing in State programs alongside Formula events

# Interest in Class by State

#### DID

- what funding is available for Olympics?
- what coaching is available?
- 6 possible sailors in Brisbane area
- Some further north are interested

#### **NSW**

- Some recreational sailors
- 3 sailors with Olympic potential

#### Vic

1 to 3 potential serious sailors

#### Tas

- not a lot of interest
- 3 interested in one design racing

#### SA

- Unknown

#### WA

- talk and small fleet discussions
- no Olympic potential
- want to include Starboard GO & Bic Techno at Formula events

# **Board Distribution**

- No clues as to how it will work
- Cost estimate is 4000euros

## **Website**

- RS:X web page to be created. Make it the RS:X hub in Australia
- Require email distribution list and a list of interested sailors ie. A sign-up page on the web
- Include a link to the Neil Pryde site
- 9.2 Ian congratulated John for his efforts as Secretary/Treasurer, and with the website.

# **Meeting Closed**

Ian Fox closed the meeting at 11:20pm Eastern Summer Time





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## **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

1/01/2004 to 31/12/2004

## **BANK BALANCE @ 31/12/2003**

\$ 9,899.67

			2003 Financial Year					
INCOME	2002		2002		2003		2004	
State Levies								
NSW	\$	600.00			\$	600.00	\$	600.00
VIC			\$	125.00	\$	230.00	\$	167.00
QLD			\$	209.00	\$	209.00	\$	164.00
TAS	\$	173.00			\$	170.00	\$	173.00
SA	\$	140.00			\$	113.00	\$	80.00
WA			\$	470.00	\$	600.00	\$	593.00
Other Affiliation								
IMCO	\$	60.00			\$	190.00	\$	220.00
IWA		-			\$	430.00	\$	300.00
Insurance		-			\$	6,285.00	\$	8,575.00
Other Income								
Incorrect Payee		-			\$	210.00		-

# **TOTAL INCOME (2004)**

\$ 10,872.00

EXPENSES	2002		2002		2003		2004	
Affiliation Fees AYF IWA		- -	\$ \$	110.00 601.41	\$	110.00 654.75	\$	110.00 860.70
Bank Charges	\$	3.30			\$	104.20	\$	148.50
Consumer & Business Affairs (Vic)			\$	33.00			\$	35.00
Incorrect Payee (Refund)		-			\$	210.00		-
Insurance		-			\$	7,393.10	\$	7,559.48
Internet/Website	\$	120.00			\$	247.50	\$	332.25
Postage			\$	20.10				

# **TOTAL EXPENSES (2004)**

\$ 9,045.93

Outstanding Income as at 31/12/2004 Outstanding Liabilities as at 31/12/2004

none none

**BANK BALANCE @ 31/12/2004** 

\$ 11,725.74