

**Annual General Meeting  
Victorian 29er Sailing Association  
The Long Room  
Mordialloc Sailing Club  
23 August 2015**

**Meeting Opened:** 15:30

**Welcome:** Martyn Sly

**Attendees:** Mitch Galland, Steve Telford, Deanne Telford, Daryl Robinson, Sue Sly, David Brown, Josh Galland, Leroy Addison, Hayden Brown, Tom Dwyer

**Apologies:** Chris Manton, Paul Ross, Peter Alexander, Craig Lang, Dean Addison.

**Proxy Forms:** Two proxy forms for Peter Alexander and Paul Ross are held by Martyn Sly.

**Previous Minutes:** distributed last year. Moved as a true record

Moved: Martyn Sly

Seconded: Daryl Robinson

**Presidents Report:** see attached report

Moved: Martin Sly

Seconded: Daryl Robinson

**Treasurer's Report:** see attached notes and accounts

Lesley Fasala

Moved: Felicia Brown

Seconded: Mitch Galland

**Coaching Report:** Martyn Sly

A very difficult period as we have encountered difficulties in sourcing a coach who will commit to a 29er coaching program for a whole season including the interstate regattas. The program currently being put together is changing daily. We had a very successful program run at the end of the season with sessions run by Bunny Warren. This was funded by the VST grant with a focus on VST members for 2015. The intention is to begin the 29er training in September, looking at one session per month building towards the 9er nationals in January.

Training priority is 29ers at this stage.

Any FX transition training will be user pays, and a separate coach will be employed. At this point in time there is no external funding for the FX class.

Future growth of the 29er class is looking healthy with all 4 RBYC boats fully leased, growth at RGYC, and RYCV. A number of Bic and Opti sailors are looking at moving into the class after Xmas.

Moved: David Brown

Seconded: Mitch Galland

**Aus 9er Rep Report:** Martyn Sly

2016 Nationals to be held at Woolahra Sailing Club. Sharing venue with 420's- a positive step for all classes.

2017 Nationals are in SA.

MS is organising chair for this event. Will start on Jan 2nd. Clubs narrowed down to two venues.

Congratulations to the 2015 29er World Champions Tom Siganto and Simon Hoffman. A recognition of the high standard of the Australian fleet.

**9er Concept**

MS filled in history and direction the national committee have taken. The AUS 9ers Association was formed on Jan 17th, 2015.

The extended format will give some management structure for the FX and 49er classes. This will give a more clearly defined pathway for our senior youth, with transition and regattas organised and including these classes.

Discussion points

Steve Telford- Questioned 29er support for FX's and 49er and division of existing funds between the classes.

- MS outlined the intention of the committee is to use a small amount of funds to be used for transition from 29er and FX.
- Current 29er coaching to continue
- YV have been approached with a request for grant funding for our transition program for FX sailors.
- Division of funds will be along lines of \$5000 FX and \$10,000 for 29ers
- FX to be user pays program
- David Brown floated idea of association purchasing a couple of FX rigs. Was informed this option had been investigated but was too expensive for the association to fund.
- Tom Dwyer noted the 29er was and will remain the heart of the association and its coaching programs
- Daryl Robinson noted a big jump for sailors on a number of levels both performance and skill levels, plus finances for those looking at transition into either an FX or full 49er.

### **Motion put to members**

**Motion** for the Victorian 29er Sailing Association to change its name to Vic9ers Association and adopt the new constitution as circulated to members.

The committee to report back to members biannually via SGM re breakdown of financials between FX, 49ers and 29ers

Moved: David Brown

Seconded: Steve Telford

Passed unanimously.

### **Election of Office Bearers**

President: Martin Sly

Vice President: Daryl Robinson

Secretary: Felicia Brown

Treasurer: Lesley Fasala

General Committee:

Chris Manton- RGYC rep

Tom Dwyer- sailors rep 29er and FX

Moved: David Brown

Seconded: Mitch Galland

### **General Business**

A number of coaches are currently in discussions with the association. These will be finalised over the next few weeks.

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