

## Australian Sailing WA

AGM held Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2017. My notes and other documentation will be forward to committee when all received.

- Reduced board due to vacancy and less responsibility since One Sailing introduction
- New constitution passed in line with Associations Incorporations Act 2017
- Board elected:
  - President Mark Fitzhardinge
  - Vice President Rob Rooke
  - Treasurer Kim Lawrence
  - Jessica Paterson
  - Paul Arns
  - Geena Pickering
  - Gary Morrison

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- Mark Fitzhardinge – President Yachting WA – Yachting WA Update
- John Lee – CEO Australian Sailing – Australian Sailing Update
- Chris Battel – AMSA – AMSA & National Law
- Laurie Adams – Dept. of Transport – Local Waterways Authority Enforcement
- Kevin Cahalane - Membership Growth & Retention
- Joel Steendhan & Craig McBride – Network Steadfast & Nautilus Insurance – Current Insurance offerings
- Glen Stanaway – Sailing Service Australian Sailing – Officials & Volunteer Workforce
- Lorraine Campbell – WA Sports Federation – Child Protection Strategies & Policies
- Marie Pickett – Club in Focus – Walpole YC – Volunteer Recruitment & Retention
- Jenn Suffield – Club in Focus - RFBYC – Female Participation in Sailing

## Affiliation

To be affiliated with Australian Sailing WA we need to be incorporated and have insurance as per letter sent by Australian Sailing 2 months ago (sent to S&S34 Committee). Where there are more than one body of an association, only the one deemed to be national needs insurance, or if only one (us) that one becomes the national body and thus requires insurance.

### Affiliation:

- ~\$200/yr
- >10 paid members

### Insurance:

- \$10million protection \$800/yr
- \$20million protection \$1000/yr

### Incorporation:

- Incorporation costs ~\$150/yr
- Initial costs ~\$150-200
- Vera can assist with this as it is here area of expertise. There are templates that can be used. Association rules can be applied, but need to be reviewed by ASIC.
- Incorporation protects the officers of the association

Advice from ASWA President Mark Fitzhardinge is not to pay the current Affiliation subscription (due November) until further discussions occur.

Discussion with Glen Stanaway put our position forward on the basis of:

- ~35 paid members,
- ~8 participating members,
- All events (Commodore Race, Xmas Twilight, Swan River Series) come under the auspices of another Organising Authority (OA),
- We wish to remain affiliated as it is the right thing to do as an active association (this comment surprised him). See Pro's & Con's below.

We do not hold any events or activities in our own right, and thus insurance for our events is covered by the OA's. If we held an event outside the auspices of another authority, then we would need insurance (e.g. Bunnings Sausage Sizzle, raffle ticket selling, self-organised cruise in company (however are ways around that)).

Glen Stanaway is taking our point of view away to David Edwards (Australian Sailing – Sailing Services Manager) to discuss further. He will most likely organise a teleconference with me as ASWA Delegate to discuss further with David Edwards. Potential outcomes:

- No – requirements are the requirements,
- Yes – as an exception. AWW comment here would be; so that we are doing the right thing going forward we should write a rule into our constitution that we are not allowed to be an OA, or organise activities outside the auspices of an OA.

#### **Pro's & Con's:**

- Need to be incorporated.
- Need to continue to meet affiliation requirements.
- Spokesperson at Quarterly Members meetings (voting rights, advocacy, information, feedback, etc.)
- Not able to run regattas or events in our own right.
- No diminished provision of service because all active 34's would be supported under their Club affiliation.