

Minutes Australian Hansa Class Association

2017 Annual General Meeting

5.00pm Friday 14th April 2017

Royal Geelong Yacht Club

Meeting Opened: 5:04pm

Attendees: Russell Phillips (VIC), Shauna Phillips (VIC), Bob Schahinger (SA), Christine Elliott (VIC), Beck West (VIC), David Hales (VIC), Rob Eadie (TAS), Kenneth Hibbert (SA), Allister Peek (ACT), Genevieve Wickham (WA), Rod Angwin (WA), Tracy Odiam (WA), Krista Bailey (VIC), Stewart Cathie (VIC), Louis Patterson (VIC), Peter Osborne (QLD), Deirdre Schahinger (SA), Paul Linden (SA), Charles Weatherly (VIC), Di Weatherly (VIC), Alison Weatherly (VIC), Jason Elwes (NSW), David Staley (VIC), Terry Peek (ACT), Colin Alderton (NSW), James Tuner (WA), Chris Mitchell (NSW) and others.

Welcome – President Russell Phillips. Sailors and their supporters were welcomed to the Combined Asia Class Championships and the AGM for the Australian Hansa Class Association (AHCA).

Apologies: Apologies were received from: Donna Britton, Tony Clear, Tish & Michael Leydon

Minutes – A copy of the minutes from the AHCA AGM held at Gold Coast Sailing Club on Sunday 26th March 2016 were supplied to attendees.

Motion – Shauna Phillips - that the minutes were a correct and accurate reflection of the 2016 AGM held at Gold Coast and that they be approved.

Moved – Tracy Odiam

Seconded – Deirdre Schahinger

Approved

President's Report - Written President's report presented to meeting. Tabled but not read out

Motion – Shauna Phillips - Pass the President's report

Moved – Rob Eadie

Seconded – Louis Patterson

Approved

Secretary & Treasurer's reports – Written Secretary & Treasurer's report presented to meeting by Shauna Phillips. Attendees were taken through the income and expenses for the Association in 2016. AHCA made a profit of \$2,901.93 and at the end of 2016 had \$25,281.34 in the bank. (This balance and profit includes a \$3,000 grant received in the 2016 financial year for the Asia Pacific Championships which has been spent in the 2017 year).

Membership is steadily increasing, so membership fees will remain unchanged at \$35 for Adults and \$10 for children.

Motion – Shauna Phillips – that the Secretary and Treasurer’s reports be passed

Moved – Bob Schahinger

Seconded – Beck West

Approved

Championship report – Secretary presented a Written Championships report of upcoming events to the meeting. State reports were received from NSW, VIC, SA & WA. Attendees were advised that the location of the 2018 AHCA National Championships – originally scheduled to be held in WA – would now be in NSW due to the inability to secure a suitable venue over Easter in WA. Penrith Lakes were to host the 2018 event, however the venue operator has a clause that allows them to cancel any event with 24 hours’ notice if there is weed or blue-green algae in the lakes. Therefore the 2018 AHCA Nationals will now be held at Kogarah Bay Sailing Club.

Motion – Shauna Phillips – that the Championships report be passed

Moved – Paul Linden

Seconded – Deirdre Schahinger

Approved

Rules and Technical – VP Rules and Technical Bob Schahinger gave a brief verbal report to the meeting. There have been few changes over the last 12 months – most significant would be the requirement of the use of keel pins in boats. The seating issue in the Hansa 303 class is ongoing and still under discussion. Also compasses – what sort should/would be allowed and what functions they could have. The Class rules will be revised and rewritten to make them more readable and enforceable. Since 2005, they have been added to and amended rather than looked at as a whole and revised. This will occur well before the next World Championships in 2018.

Development Report – Written report was tabled and read through by the Secretary.

Motion – Shauna Phillips – that the Rules and Technical and Development reports be passed

Moved – Rob Eadie

Seconded – Christine Elliott

Approved

Election of Committee of Management

President Russell Phillips declared all positions vacant and stepped aside.

- President – only one nominee – Russell Phillips – elected unopposed
- Secretary – only one nominee – Shauna Phillips – elected unopposed
- Treasurer – only one nominee – Shauna Phillips – elected unopposed
- Vice-President Championships – only one nominee – Tony Clear – elected unopposed
- Vice-President Rules & Measurement – only one nominee – Deirdre Schahinger – elected unopposed

- Vice-President Development – only one nominee – Donna Britton – elected unopposed
- State/Territory Representatives
 - ACT –No nominations received
 - NSW – Donna Britton & Jason Elwes
 - QLD – Greg Williams
 - SA – Bob Schahinger & Paul Linden
 - TAS – Rob Eadie
 - VIC – Christine Elliott
 - WA – Tracy Odiam & Jamie Turner

President thanked those who served on the Committee this year and the new members for coming on board.

General Business

Deirdre Schahinger commented on the suggestion that had previously been raised via email regarding changing the AHCA's logo to reflect something more easily recognisable as 'Australian' in line with other NHCA's around the world. Shauna Phillips explained that it was her preference to also alter the logo, as it is barely distinguishable from the IHCA logo, however there was little response from the executive when raised and so the matter was dropped. General discussion was held that it would be good to change the AHCA logo – in anticipation of Australian sailors travelling to overseas events, and particularly prior to the 2018 Hansa Worlds.

Motion – Deirdre Schahinger – that the AHCA investigate to change our current logo to something that is more easily identifiably as Australian ASAP, to be finalised prior to the 2018 Hansa Class World Championships.

Moved Tracy Odiam

Seconded Christine Elliott

No objections

Approved

Meeting closed 5:35pm