

**SLSQ – POINT DANGER BRANCH
BOARD OF SURF SPORTS MEETING –07th NOVEMBER 2013**

POINT DANGER BRANCH SURF SPORTS MEETING
HELD AT PDB HEADQUARTERS ON
THURSDAY 07TH NOVEMBER 2013
COMMENCING AT 6:00pm

1. PRESENT

1.1 PDB OFFIC E BEARERS

Nigel Ward	Director of Surf Sports
Rodney Jones	Coaching Officer
Paul Smith	Gear and Equipment Officer
IRB Officer	Peter Reid
Official Rep	Bev Walsh
Minute Secretary	

1.2 CLUB REPRESENTATIVES

Tallebudgera	Samantha Tiley
Currumbin	Marsha Maynard
North Kirra	Bruce Barnes
TH&C	Robert Webster

2. APOLOGIES

Coolangatta	Darren Swaney
Peter Della Ca	Deputy Director of Surf Sports

3. VISITORS

Dave Bellue (Currumbin)
Dave Fisher (Tallebudgera)

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING TAKEN AS READ

MOTION : THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (15TH AUGUST 2013) BE ENDORSED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT ACCOUNT ON THE MEETING

MOVED : MARSHA MAYNARD

SECONDED : PETER REID

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Nil

6. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

6.1 CORRESPONDENCE

- Tabled for noting

6.1 TRANSFERS

- Tabled for Noting

7. OFFICE BEARERS REPORTS

7.1 DIRECTOR OF SURF SPORTS

Nigel Ward

- Update on Branch team
 - Training Sessions have been occurring most weeks with a mix between pool, water and beach
 - Uniforms have arrived
 - 2 replacements were made due to team members pulling out for other commitments
 - Stephanie Ballantine assisting with Pool Rescue Training
- General reminders – water safety ratios for training
- Concerns with use of high vis at training sessions. Clubs are reminded that they need to use these at all times (refer to the SLSA Water Safety Policy)
 - It looks great with the athletes in High Vis but very ordinary when the coaches are not
- Water Safety at Junior Carnivals – these ratios are in line with the required ratios as per the SLSA policy

7.2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR SURF SPORTS

Peter Della Ca

- PDB has hosted 2 junior events to date
 - 27th October – U8-U10 Teams @ CUR
 - 02/03 November – GCCC Juniors @ KIR
 - We have received some thankyou e-mails from clubs for this event.
- Clubs are to be reminded of their water safety and officials provisions. These will be enforced at the next event

7.3 COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER/SS

Vacant

7.4 GEAR & EQUIPMENT OFFICER

Paul Smith

7.5 COACHING OFFICER

Rod Jones

7.6 IRB OFFICER

Peter Reid

- The 3 junior carnivals attended to date in our branch, brought a number of issues to be addressed
 - **Gear and Equipment**
 - Spare parts such as SS spring clips, D shackles, cable ties and amalgamating tape(for branch fuel bladder and line to motor) are needed under the seat of the branch ute. B&W Can tied to string line as clip missing on 2/11.

- When the equipment is washed, dried and put away, it needs to be checked and repaired. This gives us time to have restitched or repaired before the next use.
- Fuel/oil to be ready at the start of the carnival. Cannot rely on clubs to provide.
- Judge in boat tackle for each arena and at least 12 coloured 150 mm bubbles with line and clips. Can be used as spare bits if needed and to bubble up.
- Funnel, jiggler, lead, valve adaptors.
- Rostered crews
 - Found several clubs at each carnival unable to for fill the commitment of driver and crew. Varying excuses, but unacceptable to the requirements. Found it most difficult to deal with at the start of each shift for about an hour till the clubs got the idea. In that hour, the club crews that are on the job then suffer as their coordinators cannot focus their attention on the job but instead have to chase, listen to the reasons and usually, compromise or sort out at least 70% of the time.
 - *RECOMMENDATION: THAT THE BRANCH PUT TOGETHER A POLICY THAT IF A CLUB EFFECTS THE RUNNING OF A CARNIVAL DUE TO LACK OF WATER SAFETY THEN THE CLUBS ENTRY TO THE NEXT BRANCH RUN CARNIVAL MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED.*
- **Officials**
 - It was also noted that an increasing number of officials will only do what they want to do and only in the areas of their choice. The offer of peace of mind has back fired and we must go back to each official doing the job allotted. Do we have to retrain them. This must start at the sectionals and work down to all.
- **General**
 - I also have concerns with a number of club IRB compounds/rooms and will discuss and use a combined approach with Dave Fisher
 - Paul Smith has requested, we check equipment after the meeting and get the ball rolling with repairs and spares.

7.7 COACHING REPRESENTATIVE Vacant

7.8 ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE Vacant

7.9 OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE Bev Walsh

- The Branch has held one officials course already with 28 members attending
- The next course is 08/22 January 2014
- Clubs who have not sent any new officials to this course will need to start advertising this and identifying people who can do this course.
- It was noted that at the next SLSQ Officials Panel meeting a database will be put together outlining experienced officials data for appointed positions to assist in the appointments for carnivals.

8 GENERAL BUSINESS

8.1 SLSA CIRCULARS

- Clubs are to ensure that they are familiar with the latest circulars in relation to Surf Sports
 - **BULLETINS**
 - SLSA Bulletin 01/13-14 – Surf Sports Manual Updates
 - SLSA Bulletin 04/13-14 – Mandatory Surf Helmets in Surf Boats – Updated Implementation Plan
 - **CIRCULARS**
 - 23/13/-14 – Aussies 2014 Officials Nominations Final
 - 25/13-14 – Aussies 2014 Entry Circular
- These can all be found at <http://www.slsa.com.au/default.aspx?s=adminresources&id=320>
- OR go to www.slsa.com.au, click on Members, Club and Member Resources and select Club Mail (Circulars or Bulletins)

8.2 PATROL HOURS FOR COMPETITION

- Clubs are reminded that all patrol hours for Championship events (Branch, State and Australian) will be calculated on the calendar year 01 January – 31 December.
- Clubs are urged to check all competitors patrol hours and ensure that they have reached the required amount for their membership category.
- Exemptions will only be granted in special circumstances and will NOT be considered for work or University reasons. Any exemption for medical reasons must be accompanied by a medical certificate
- It is suggested that clubs pull reports on current patrol hours, make them available for competitors to see and remind those who are lacking of what they need to make up prior to the end of the year.
- A reminder that any SRC who competes in an Under 15 event must adhere to the provisions of this policy/

8.3 POINT DANGER BRANCH APP

- PDB APP is now available for download
- This includes the Branch calendar and push notifications for members
- Clubs will be included in this as well.

8.4 PROVISIONS FOR CARNIVAL

- Nigel will be doing a review into the provisions for carnivals relative to workforce etc. Draft provisions are as follows
 - Set Up (all gear on Beach) – 8
 - IRBs on Waters Edge – 4
 - Morning Tea and Lunch – 3/ 4
 - Workforce available during day – 2/ 3
 - Pack Up – 8 (to be available 1 hour before the end of the event)

MEETING CLOSED : 8:00pm

**NEXT MEETING : 27th FEBRUARY 2014
AGENDA ITEMS/REPORTS DUE : 20TH FEBRUARY 2014**

