



Minutes of Annual General Meeting
June 17th, 2017
Held at Drummoyne Sailing Club

The Meeting commenced at 10.40am

Present:

President	Colin Court (Chair)
Vice President	Allan Bicknell
Secretary/Treasurer	Peter Newman (Minutes)
Publicity Officer	Kevin Wingate
Regatta Officer	Owen Jarvis

Club Delegates:

Ballina RYC	
Basin RYC	Kevin Wingate
Brisbane Water RYS	Kevin Humphrey
Carss Park RSC	Glynn Pulling
Central Coast RYC	
Dobroyd RC Lasers	Noel McPherson, Graham Brown
Drummoyne SC	Maurie Hotson, Phillip Page
East Coast SA	
Forster-Tuncurry RYC	
Harrington Park RYC	
Kogarah Bay RYC	Allen Roberts
Koonawarra Bay RYS	Jon Pinkerton
Lake Macquarie RYC	
National Capital RYC	
Northern Mariners	Richard McCulloch
Pittwater MYC	
Southern Cross MYC	
Sydney A RYC	
Sydney Maritime Modellers Club	John Armstrong, Lew Gemell, Nigel Brimble
Tabourie Lake RYC	Allan Bicknell
Workers Hubertus MBC	Paul Martin, Alan Taylor
Wollongong MYC	

(RSYS Phil Burgess - Visitor)

1) Apologies:

Robert Hales, Scott Condie, Kevin Troy, Brian Thornton, Arnold Grant, Cliff Bromiley, Leigh Grove, Phil Page, Ralf Steyer, John Hall, Peter Maddison, Garry Bromley, Neil Webb

2) Previous Minutes:

The Minutes of the previous NSWRYA General Meeting had been circulated to all clubs. They were accepted as true and correct record of the previous meeting.

Owen Jarvis moved the minutes be accepted. Seconded: Kevin Wingate. Carried: Unanimously

3) Business arising from the Minutes:

No business arising

4) Correspondence:

a) IRSA regarding introduction of new Provisional Nano Class based on 3d Printing Production.

b) BWRYS nominating Kevin Humphrey for the position of NSW Soling One Meter Coordinator.

c) Phil Burgess RSYS expressing an interest in starting a RC Division and Affiliation with NSWRYA.

d) KBRYC nominating Colin Court for position of President, Peter Newman for position of Sec/Treasurer and Paul Martin for position of Regatta Officer.

e) ARYA re request for NSW (and other States) Dates for Ranking Events for the first half of 2018. To be lodged by 31st July 2017.

5) Business arising from the Correspondence:

Jon Pinkerton asked why the 2018 Ranking Events Dates had to be lodged so soon. Owen Jarvis explained the reasoning behind the ARYA policy. Peter Newman would send draft calendar to all club secretaries again.

6) Reports:

President's Report:

Presented by Colin Court (Attached)

Secretary's Report and Treasurer's Reports:

Presented by Peter Newman (Attached)

Publicity Officer's Report:

Presented by Kevin Wingate

Soling Coordinator's Report:

Presented by Kevin Humphrey (Attached)

EC12 Coordinator's Report:

Presented by Allen Roberts

2017 Nationals Organising Committee Chairman's Final Report

Presented by Colin Court (Attached)

Phillip Page moved the reports be accepted. Seconded: Owen Jarvis
Carried: Unanimously

7) Election of Office Bearers for 2017/2018:

All positions were declared vacant and the following people were nominated to fill the positions for 2017/18. Owen Jarvis stood in as Returning Officer.

President: Colin Court
Vice President: Allan Bicknell
Secretary/Treasurer: Peter Newman
Regatta Officer: Paul Martin
Publicity Officer: Kevin Wingate

NSW Class Coordinators:
Soling Coordinator Kevin Humphrey
EC12 Coordinator Allen Roberts

Moved that all the nominations be accepted: John Armstrong, Seconded by Allan Bicknell.

As there was only one candidate nominated for each position those nominated were declared the office holders for 2017/18.

8) Dates and Venues for the 2018 State Championships:

The **provisional** dates and venues are:

A Class	October 13/14	KoBSC
10R	November 10/11	KBRYC
RM	October 20/21 ?	TBA
IOM	November 17/18	KoBSC
Soling	October 27/28	SMMC
Laser	March 11	DAC
EC12	May 5	ECSA

Paul Martin is working on the remainder of the 2018 program and the draft will be circulated to the clubs in the near future. He would like to have dates and venues for all events confirmed and ready for publishing in the last Radio Waves of 2017. Please don't delay on your club's input.

9) Life Fellowship Presentation

As per the unanimous Motion at the November 2016 General Meeting, the offering of Life Fellowship to Robert Hales, Allan Bicknell, Owen Jarvis and [Ian Hayden (in Memoriam)]

A short presentation was held prior to the commencement of the meeting. Peter Newman to set up an honour roll on the website.

10) Notice of Motion from Koonawarra Bay Sailing Club KoBSC. "That discussion take place to consider the protocols re the setting of Affiliated Clubs GP Race Entry Fees."

Preamble: The Regatta Officer changed the fee set by the hosting club and this was passed to the Secretary to publish on the website. This came about as there had been a change from a two day event to a one day event. The Host Club insisted that the fee be changed to \$20 rather than the published \$15. The Host Club and the Regatta Officer finally agreed on the \$20 and the Secretary immediately published the new amount but by then we were less than 24 hours from the event. To clarify Clause 17 of the NSWRYA Constitution; State Championships and Approved Regattas, section (c) states;

- (c) The club delegated the responsibility for the organising and running of championships may charge such entry fees as may be deemed appropriate and necessary. From the entry fees they will supply the appropriate prizes, trophies, publicity, mailing etc. The proposed entry fee shall be submitted to the Committee for approval prior to the issue of the Notice of Race.

Discussion: Jon Pinkerton explained why clubs with more facilities and therefore larger overheads should be able to charge more at their events. He also suggested that the fee for a one day event should be more than 50% of a two day event when considering the distribution of costs across the event.

There was general agreement with Jon and that the Hosting Club should set the fee to reflect their costs and the intent of Clause 17(c) was that the Committee would only refuse an "unreasonable" fee increase.

Peter Newman suggested that in a future rewrite of the Constitution we may better define the timing of notices between the Committee and the Host Club to avoid last minute changes before events.

**11) Notice of Motion from Workers Hubertus Model Boat Club WHMBC
"That a discussion take place to consider the registration of the DF95 Class as a "State Recognised Class", in NSW".**

There was general agreement that the DF95 should in due course become a State Recognised Class but some disagreement as to whether they had ticked all the Constitutional boxes for that to happen. After some discussion, it was moved by Colin Court (Seconded Owen Jarvis) that Paul Martin form a Sub Committee to liaise with the DF95 and DF 65 Classes to bring their Association structures and Constitutions to a level that the NSWRYA would be able to ratify.

Carried: Unanimously

12) Discussion re the Management Committee's progress on the drafting of changes to the NSWRYA Constitution to incorporate the NSW Model Constitution and to update the changes made by the NSW Associations Incorporation Regulations 2016.

Peter Newman and Colin Court had met and had roughed out a format for a draft of the new constitution. They intend to have a draft ready for distribution to the Members by November 2017. Moved Kevin Wingate, Seconded Jon Pinkerton "that the Management Committee be empowered to rewrite a draft Constitution to incorporate the NSW Model Constitution"

Carried: Unanimously

13) General Business:

a) Peter Newman requested that he be authorised to purchase Accounting Software to bring all the Associations account keeping to a digital format.

Moved Jon Pinkerton, Seconded Kevin Wingate “that Peter Newman be authorised to purchase such Accounting Software as required up to a limit of \$25/month.

b) Discussion re supply of One Meter Soling Kits. Some issues with Victor Yachts but it appears there may be some changes soon in the USA to resolve this and Kits are still being ordered and arriving in Australia.

Moved Kevin Wingate, Seconded Phillip Page “that NSWRYA formally recognise that Victor Model Products are the Sole Supplier of the Soling One Meter.

Carried 15:1.

c) Moved Noel McPherson, Seconded Graham Brown,” that Non-ARYA Ranked Classes be exempted from the requirement to hold State Championships over a minimum two days”.

Carried Unanimously.

The meeting closed at 1.01 pm

Reports:

Presidents Report:

As has been the case for a number of years, 2016/17 was a steady year for the NSWRYA.

Year	Number of Clubs	Number of Members	Number New Members
2014	21	315	43
2015	21	281	46
2016	23	295	44
2017 (preliminary)	22	314	43

On the sailing front, state championships have been held for all our major classes with congratulations to each champion (below).

Class	Champion
A	Jon Pinkerton
10R	Stephen Sedgmen
M	Scott Condie
IOM	Scott Backhouse
Soling	Graeme Smith
Laser	Graham Brown
EC 12	Allen Roberts

As in past years, participation at NSWRYA sanctioned regattas varied depending on event. However, participation by non-NSW sailors chasing competition or ranking points was common and boosted numbers at several events. The NSWRYA thanks these competitors for their efforts.

The 2017 ARYA National Championships have been run and won and I will cover this in detail with my final Organizing Committee report. However, I want to thank all those who participated in the organization and running of the event. Participation was high and from a competitor viewpoint the event proceeded without a hitch.

The DF65 and DF95 classes offer significant potential growth for the association with their low barriers of entry for new members. The challenge for the association is to introduce these classes in a sustainable way. The ARYA has a set of criteria that a new class must meet before being formally recognised and I suggest NSWRYA should adopt a similar set of criteria.

At the other end of the spectrum, we need to make sure state level radio yachting competition remains vibrant by dropping recognition of classes that no longer meet the criteria, or risk proliferation of events on what is an already crowded calendar and dilution of competitor numbers.

As well as introducing new classes, we need to make sure the framework exists that facilitates event innovation within a flexible competition hierarchy. For example, other forms of sailing (and indeed other regions of RC yachting) use different scoring systems and race formats. Even within NSW, the Laser (and other) class has adopted a multi-fleet format where competitors choose the level of skill and competitiveness that they want to compete at. We need to encourage such flexibility if it encourages more sailors to compete at state level.

The Australia Day Regatta was moved from Drummoyne SC to SMMC only three weeks prior to the event. Despite this SMMC stepped in, organized and conducted a wonderful event. For the first time, the DF95 class was invited to participate along with the RG65 and NSWRYA recognized classes. Numbers across all fleets were good and SMMC was able to run races concurrently on two courses to ensure everyone maximized their sail time. On behalf of the association I'd like to thank SMMC for their efforts.

The committee understands the need for a more legally robust constitution that is in line with current corporate requirements and practices. To that end the outgoing committee has started a review process of the current NSW Fair Trading "model" constitution to see how it aligns with our current constitution. The plan is to develop a draft based on the model for consultation before the next NSWRYA general meeting.

Today the NSWRYA recognised the contribution of Ian Hayden (Deceased), Robert Hales, Allan Bicknell and Owen Jarvis with life memberships. I want to pass on both my personal and the association's gratitude for their efforts.

Finally, I would like to thank the outgoing NSWRYA committee for their efforts governing this wonderful sport. This year was especially difficult as the executive committee were all also part of the National's Organizing Committee. We know firsthand the travails of commuting across Sydney during weekday peak traffic! I would also like to acknowledge all the NSW based ARYA committee members for their contribution at a national administration level.

Yours Sincerely,

Colin Court
NSWRYA President.

Secretary / Treasurer Report:

NSWRYA had an increase in membership for 2016/2017. Principal club memberships are now 322, up from 281 last year. There are 44 additional club memberships. 24 clubs are affiliated with the NSWRYA. We have had some duplication of Primary Memberships which inflates the numbers a bit. You will see below that the actual member numbers are made up by 314 Individuals. Going forward it is our intention to restrict members to one Primary Membership.

This past year we have added North Lakes Radio Sailing (NLRS), Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club RC (NCYCRC) and Workers Hubertus Model Boat Club (WHMBC) but I fear that we may find that NCYCRC by have already folded.

Below is a listing of the club membership numbers comparing the 2015/16 year with the 2016/17 year.

Club	2015/16 Primary Memberships	2016/17 Primary Memberships	2016/17 Additional Memberships
1 Ballina Radio Yacht Club Inc	16	17	4
2 Basin Radio Yacht Club Inc	23	26	0
Brisbane Water Radio Yacht Squadron Inc	23	25	0
3 Carss Park Radio Sailing Club	12	11	0
4 Central Coast Radio Yacht Club Inc	0	8	0
5 Dobroyd RC Lasers	25	22	5
6 Drummoyne Sailing Club - Radio Yacht Division	11	5	2
7 East Coast Sailing Association	5	5	0
8 Forster-Tuncurry Radio Yacht Club	13	16	0
9 Harrington Park Radio Yacht Club	10	9	0
10 Kogarah Bay Radio Yacht Club (Inc under KBSC)	21	21	5
11 Koonawarra Bay Sailing Club	10	8	1
12 Lake Macquarie Radio Yacht Club	19	22	1
13 National Capital Radio Yacht Club	3	3	0
14 Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club RC	0	5	2
15 Northlakes Radio Sailing	0	11	2
16 Northern Mariners Inc	6	8	8
17 Pittwater Model Yacht Club	8	12	2
18 Southern Cross Model Yacht Club Inc	8	5	3
19 Sydney A Radio Yachting Inc	10	10	0
20 Sydney Maritime Modellers Club Inc	26	26	3
21 Tabourie Lake Radio Yacht Club	13	19	1
22 Workers Hubertus Model Boat Club	0	8	0
23 Wollongong Model Yacht Club	19	20	5
	281	322	44
		Individuals 314	Individuals 43

I really jumped in at the deep end, by taking this job on in a year that NSW was holding the National Championships but it was a great learning exercise working with such an experienced group. I need to thank all the volunteers that helped at the Nationals and special thanks to Colin Court, Scott Condie, Owen Jarvis, Scott Backhouse, Gary Bromley, Allan Bicknell, Mathew McAnna, Robert Hales, KBSC and KBRYC.

I will be sending an Excel Membership Template to all the Clubs in the format that I need to send to the ARYA. If you could use this to return your members list, it would make my job a little easier. Membership Cards will have a Membership No. and Members Address this year. If the address is incorrect, let me know and I will correct the Register. The Membership No. is intended to form part of the encryption that I will add to a new log on system for the website at some time in the future. This is to prevent the public getting to some critical areas of the website.

Could all clubs please get their dues in as soon as possible so that I can process the Membership Cards in one batch. Last year I was young and naïve so I was processing memberships for three months but this year I have joined the cranky old bastards, so beware the 1st of August.

Finally, congratulations to Gary Bromley 10R and Scott Condeeeeeeee (you will understand the spelling if you watched to YouTube coverage), IOM for their excellent results at their respective World Championships.

Financial Statement of New South Wales Radio Yachting Association Inc as at 31/05/2016

Statement of Assets & Liabilities

CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank	8,135.15	
Cash at Paypal	667.18	
Merchandice	Written Down	-
Sun Shelter	Written Down	-
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	8,802.33	
NONCURRENT ASSETS		
Other	-	
Total NonCurrent Assets:	-	
TOTAL ASSETS	8,802.33	
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Nationals		
	-	
Fuel	Allen Roberts	30.00 Note 1
Freight	Scott Condie	11.86 Note 1
Bags	Peter Newman	95.84 Note 1
Stationary	Peter Newman	60.20 Note 1
NSWRYA		
Stationary	Peter Newman	126.49 Note 2
Total Current Liabilities		<u>324.39</u>
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		
ARYA Loan	1,858.34	Note 3
Total NonCurrent Liabilities:	1,858.34	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,182.73	
NET ASSETS	6,619.60	

Statement of Income & Expenditure

INCOME	
Membership Fees	3,895.34
Interest Income	1.02
Merchandice sales	285.00 Note 4
Freight	11.00
	<u>4,192.36</u>
2017 Nationals	
PayPal Entries and Shirts	14,101.00
Refund from Member	106.50
Sponsors	1,500.00
Cash at Nationals	283.00
Nationals Income Total	<u>15,990.50</u> Note 5
TOTAL INCOME	20,182.86
EXPENDITURE	
ARYA Affiliation Fees	1,520.00
YNSW Affiliation Fee	220.00
Incorporation Fee	54.00
Postage & Stationary	54.18
Medallions	1,109.50
ADR Medals and lunches	270.00
Website Hosting	175.99
PayPal Domain Name Registration	29.90
	<u>3,433.57</u>
2017 Nationals	
Cheque Book	13,540.54
Cash at Nationals	141.00
PayPal EventBrite Fees	545.93
PayPal Fees	392.08
PayPal Refunds	966.70
	<u>15,586.25</u> Note 5
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	19,019.82
OPERATING SURPLUS	<u>1,163.04</u>

Peter Newman
NSWRYA Secretary/Treasurer

Class Coordinator – Soling Report:

Since taking over the position of Class Coordinator – Soling after the last AGM, there have been 14 Solings registered one of which was an old boat which had been sailing for a number of years without being registered. The other boats were all new boats with 5 being registered to BRYC members, 4 to BWRYS members and 1 each to SMMC and TLRYC. A further 2 boats were registered through BWRYS but have gone to owners in South Australia. One boat was removed from the fleet during the SMMC Interclub event when it sunk and could not be recovered. I have also been notified that a couple of other yachts have been confined to the scrap heap due to irreparable damage. Numbers have now been issued for 228 Soling One Meter class yachts, however, 46 of those boats are not recorded as having been registered.

The number of new boats registered this past year compares favourably with the previous year when 7 Solings were registered. The future outlook, however, has been a little uncertain as there were difficulties in contacting Victor Model Products during the past few months with the proprietor, Ruby, having some health problems and various US forums reporting substantial delays in receiving orders. This seems to have been rectified for the present as BRYC has received 3 kits from Victor in the last few weeks which they now have for sale.

In view of this uncertainty there is an intention to form a Soling Owners association to guide the continuation of the class should the supply of kits from Victor become permanently unavailable. Discussions have also been had with regard to revising the class rules as they are presently written around a “kit” which would not exist if the Victor supply ceases.

Interclub events were held by SMMC in August 2016, by TLRYC in October 2016 and BWRYS in March this year. Unfortunately, due to storm damage the Interclub event to be held by BRYC in April this year has had to be postponed and will hopefully be re-scheduled for later this year.

All Interclub events were well attended with a number of visiting entrants to each event. Graeme Smith was the successful skipper at both the SMMC and TLRYC Interclub events but met his match at the BWRYS event when Mathew Middleton took the honours. Graeme Smith also won the 2016 NSWRYA Travellers Trophy.

The 2017 Soling One Meter State Title will be held at Lake Tabourie on the weekend of October 28 & 29. With 19 entrants for last year’s interclub event at this venue, this year’s Soling Title promises to be well attended.

Kevin Humphrey

Class Coordinator - Soling

2017 National's Final Report

In February of this year the Kogarah Bay Radio Yacht Club successfully hosted the ARYA National Championships.

In planning, there were three objectives for the championships:

1. Run an event that was enjoyable and satisfying for competitors.
2. Be cost effective, giving competitor's value for money.
3. Financially, be "break-even" for the NSWRYA.

The Organising committee feels that all three objectives were reached.

From a sailing perspective we had 11 A, 50 IOM, 23 10R and 16 M class competitors from all states represented by the ARYA as well as representatives from other countries. Despite storms, heatwaves and variable sailing conditions high volumes of races were completed in each class.

Congratulations to the champions crowned. Pleasingly, no state or country was represented more than once by the honour role:

Class	Champion	State/Country
A	Glenn Dawson	WA
10R	Scott Condie	NSW
M	Lincoln McDowell	VIC
IOM	Ian Vickers	NZ

Off-site catering for presentation dinners, welcome BBQ's, and lunches for volunteers and competitors on each day of competition were provided as part of the entry fee. The committee also pioneered an entry system using third party tools that streamlined administration, and introduced a new style of event shirt that allowed more graphical freedoms than previous designs.

Sponsorship was raised for the event by selling space on the event shirt. The committee would like to thank RMG Sailwinch and RYSA for taking up this commercial opportunity, and together these sponsors raised \$1500. We would also like to thank BG Sails & Design, Ultralite, Hales Micro, Plan B, Radio Sailing Shop, 360 Sails, Shift Radio Yachts, Spinifex Constructions, SOS and Garry Bromley for providing prizes for the event.

Financially, the event was run more or less break even. The treasurer will table the P&L for details shortly.

There is no way that the event could have been held without the tireless efforts of volunteers. While the list of volunteers is long, special mention should be given to Owen

Jarvis, Scott Condie, Scott Backhouse, Peter & Silvia Newman, Kevin Wingate, Allan Bicknell and Robert Hales who all went above and beyond to make the event happen.

The PRO's Allen Bicknell, Sean Wallis, Owen Jarvis and Lindsey Walker, as well as the scorers lead by Anne Walker were also extraordinary.

While this list is long, it still does not cover all who contributed. On behalf of the Organising Committee and the NSWRYA, I want to extend our gratitude and appreciation to all who volunteered to make the event successful.

Yours Sincerely,

Colin Court
Organizing Committee Chair.

ARYA 2017 National Championships

Profit and Loss

Peter Newman 31/05/2017

	CURRENT PERIOD	CURRENT PERIOD AS % OF REVENUE
Revenue		
Competitor Entry Fees	11,450.00	72.1%
Sponsorship	1,500.00	9.4%
Shirts 2017	2,651.00	16.7%
Extra Meals (Non Comp- Presentation and WBBQ)	283.00	1.8%
Total	15,884.00	100.0%
Expences		
Shirts 2017	1,965.54	12.4%
Eventbrite fees	545.93	3.4%
PayPal Fees	392.08	2.5%
Refunds (Includes \$300 for PRO & Scorer Shirts)	966.70	6.1%
KBSC Welcome BBQ	1,737.50	10.9%
KBSC Lunches	3,265.50	20.6%
KBSC Water Discount	63.00	0.4%
KBSC Tea & Coffee	25.00	0.2%
KBSC Catering for AGM (\$340 - \$250 paid by ARYA)	90.00	0.6%
KBSC Profit Share	350.00	2.2%
TPBC Presentation Dinners	3,127.00	19.7%
Hats 2017	1,914.00	12.0%
Lanyards	459.00	2.9%
Trophy Engraving	39.00	0.2%
Stationary Supplies 1	116.20	0.7%
Stationary Supplies 2 Note 1	60.20	0.4%
Sunscreen	49.50	0.3%
Fuel Note 1	30.00	0.2%
Competitor Gift Bags Note 1	95.84	0.6%
Wine	298.80	1.9%
Scott Codie Freight for Prizes Note 1	11.86	0.1%
Sundry Expences at Presentation Dinners	75.00	0.5%
Total	15,677.65	100.0%
Profit	\$206.35	1.3%
Note 1. Not reimbursed as of 31/5/2017 so listed as a current liability in NSWRYA Financial Report for 2017		