NEW SOUTH WALES RADIO YACHTING ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting - June 5th 2025 7:30pm Video Conference

Present:
Committee:

Phil Burgess – Vice President
Andrew Payne – Secretary
Peter Zecchin – Treasurer
Wayne Keavy – Regatta Officer
David Moll – Publicity Officer

Club Delegates:

Jack Hornsby - LMRYC
Phil Page – LMRYC
Bruce Brown – TLRYC
Frank Russell – LMRYC
Andrew Holly – NM
Ross Brewer - RSYS

1) Apologies:

Brad Quiggan, Warwick Crossman, John Wyatt

2) Previous Minutes:

Previous set of meeting minutes tabled.

3) Business arising from the previous Minutes:

It was suggested that committee members stand for only a 3 year period. It was found that we don't have enough volunteers to make this possible at this stage. Support was given to LMRYC to host the 2024 Marblehead and 10R Nationals. Generally thought that we need more clubs to host GP's.

4) Correspondence:

Amendments made to the ARYA Race management Manual.
IOMICA rules interpretation, Q&A released about

- Vertical placement of the deck limit mark
- Is the mast kicking strap fitting or gooseneck exposed.

Expression of interest for IOM Continental Championships to be held in NZ 2025.
ARYA AGM held in Tasmania. We got Phil Burgess elected to the board and David Moll as assistant IOM Registrar.
Draft policy for ARYA Alcohol & Illicit Drugs Policy 2025 released for review.

Certificate of Insurance for 2025/26 has been renewed.

5) Business arising from the Correspondence:

None.

6) Reports:

Committee

President's Report:

none

Secretary's Report:

Two new clubs formed, Lake Macquarie Wind Warriors club and Port Hunter Sailing Skiff Club.

2026 Nationals, we'll be hosting the DF's and A class. The IOM's were been pushed back to the ARYA to find another state to host.

Enquiry put out to the clubs and the subject of defibrillators. Most clubs responded, a number do have them or are available with their associated club.

We've purchased a set of 2 Bouy Bots and a controller for evaluation.

Treasurer's Report:

Financial Period 1 July 2023 – 20 June 2024

Current Commonwealth Bank account balance: $17327.94

Income for period: $4995.00

Expenses for period: $6172.50

Expenses consist of:

- Membership to the ARYA
- Purchase of 2 IOM measurement tanks
- Purchase of 2 Bouy Bots and a Controller

Full Transactions details available for audit via TidyHQ Finance module as required.

Membership fees for 2025/26 remain at $15.00

Publicity Officer's Report:

David has only recently taken over the roll and has started reaching out to the clubs. About 60% have responded so far with a person of contact for communication. Once we have all the clubs, we can start looking at things to do such as a newsletter.

Regatta Officer's Report:

There have been a couple of main highlights of the NSWRYA racing year so far. These have included:

1. 10R and Marblehead Nationals held at Grahamstown Dam to great success.
2. IOM worlds held in Gladstone, Queensland where NSW fielded 8 members, the largest State representation.
3. The DF 65's & 95's Travelers Trophies have been included in the National program for the first time.

Low Lights.

Northern Mariners are experiencing issues with their dam, making sailing next to impossible.

There has been ongoing 'ups and downs' with the ARYA Notice of Race generator. Also a few issues with the ARYA and NSW hosting events.

This year we will be hosting the following Nationals The DF's at Lake Macquarie, the A Class at Illawarra and the Lasers at Drummoyne.

NSW Class Coordinators

Soling Coordinator's Report: none
DF Coordinators report: none
RC Laser Coordinators Report: none
10R Coordinators Report: none
Marblehead Coordinators Report: none
IOM: none.
A CLASS: none
EC 12: none

7) Election of Office Bearers for 2024/2025:

Current committee dissolved; Phil Page elected as returning Officer.
No nominations received for the committee positions.

Executive Committee

President:

Andrew Payne nominated Wayne Keavey, seconded by Phil Page

Vice President:

No nominations received Phil Burgess standing again, seconded by Phil Page

Secretary:

No nominations received Andrew Payne standing again, seconded by David Moll

Regatta Officer:

No nominations received Wayne Keavy standing again, seconded by Phil Page

Treasurer:

Phil Burgess nominated Peter Zecchin, seconded by David Moll

Publicity Officer:

David Moll only recently brought into this position, so standing again, seconded by Phil Burgess

NSW Class Coordinators:

Soling: agreed to take this class out as in need of a coordinator.
RC Laser: to be advised
DF 65/95:
10R: Frank Russell
IOM: Andrew Holly
Marblehead: David Moll
A Class: to be advised
EC 12: agreed to take this class out as in need of a coordinator.

8) Dates and Venues for the State Championships:

For 2025

Kogarah hosting the IOM
Illawarra hosting the Marblehead's
Lake Macquarie hosting the 10R
Illawarra hosting the A Class

For 2026

RPAYC hosting the DF65 Nationals
No site for the DF95's at present
Koonawarra hosting the A Class

9) General Business:

1 – Bouy Bots. NSWRYA has purchased a set of 2 Bouy Bots and a controller for evaluation purposes to be used at regattas. Peter has 'field trialled' these Bots at 3 club racing events. Nore trials are yet to be held to get more familiarisation in using them. The next step is to discuss how and when they will be used, stored, and operated. It was discussed about possibly using them at the upcoming Laser Nationals at Drummoyne.
A question was raised, 'what happens if a club sinks a bot', this and the question of grants for purchase is yet to be discussed,

2 – ARYA Alcohol and Drug Policy.
Phil Burgess, as having been involved with this policy outlined.
For all functions, events and other activities of which the ARYA or its member State associations are the organising authority:

Alcohol will not be made available or provided to any party during the events racing time, as set out in the NoR.

Volunteering officials, competitors must not drink alcohol or take drugs during the event.

This includes club events.

3 – ARYA proposed National rotation.

The ARYA puts out the rotation two years in advance. The State body then needs to put forward a ‘proposal’ of the event.

NSW has put forward and will be hosting the DF 65 & 95 and the A Class. The IOM Nationals were put back to the ARYA as unfeasible to host this time.

4 – ARYA Insurance, all up to date. The policy is very comprehensive and covers our activities very well.

5 – Promoting our sport.

Phil Burgess outlined his experiences with a program which started out in Western Australia in some schools. The program was to introduce students into sailing within their school curriculum. The WA government originally was funding this project but had removed this funding. Sailing Australia took up the shortfall left by the government to continue the program until the end of the year.

But SA is in consultation with Phil and his brother about expanding this program nationally. The talks involve a 5-year program and NSW is being considered as the next target location. There are pockets of clubs around the country whom support local schools in sailing projects.

6 – Phil Page raised concerns about the current Notice of Race generator. It was generally received as not working effectively due to being outdated. The current NoR system needs urgent updating.

10) The meeting closed at 9:00pm

Next General Meeting: 20th of November, 2025