

MINUTES OF THE ANSC AGM
HELD AT WYNYARD SAILING CLUB, TASMANIA
47TH AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SABOT REGATTA
Thursday December 30th 2010

The ANSC President David Eutick opened the meeting at 7.30 pm

Attendees

David Eutick – (DE) ANSC President
Mark Dodge – (MD) NQSA Observer
Sharon Dodge – (SD) ANSC Delegate
Alan Booth – (AB) NNSW Vice-President
Anthony Makin – (AM) NNSW President
Georgie Mainland – (GM) VSSA Committee
Chris Symonds – (CS) TSSA Secretary
John East – (JE) VSSA President
Ian Smith – (IS) SQSA President
Steve Graham – (SG) ANSC Measurer
Scott Rankin – (SR) TSSA President
Neil Rodwell – (NR) TSSA Treasurer
Ian Stephenson – (IS) NQSA President
Gayna Turnbull – (GT) NQSA Secretary

Apologies

Mark Robson – (ANSC Treasurer/ Registrar)
Pip Kyle- (ANSC Outgoing Secretary)

1. Presentation of Minutes of previous ANSC AGM 2009

Matters arising from previous minutes
No matters

Adoption of previous minutes (accepted as being true and correct)
Moved: DE Seconded: GT

2. President's Report

From DE – attached

3. Treasurer's Report and Auditor's Report

DE read the report in Mark's absence
David Selle Chartered Acct asked to continue to administer ANSC Audit

Adoption of Treasurer's Report
Moved: DE Seconded: SG

In Marks' absence it was proposed the ANSC levy for National Registration to continue at \$10
Moved: SG Seconded: DE

4. National Measurer's Report

From SG – attached

Adoption of Measurer's report
Moved: SG Seconded: NW

Points to note re measurement;

- SG thanks to all Tassie measurers Mark Phillips and the volunteers at Wynyard at this year's Nationals measurement
- Black Bands required (less than 60% of sabots had them) even after circular went out prior to Nationals event.
- Presence of sabots for measuring needs to be better, SG urges SQSA for better control lines for 2011 Nationals, extra items eg mainsheet etc need to come off (get info off SG) for weigh in
- Improvements on foils getting thru temp plate
- Keel stick check with measurers, stick needing to be replaced – can only order 6 at a time, SG will be getting costing for this
- On board compasses – no electronic ones
- Check of sabot plans, Shane Koreman putting together
- Avail. of components, parts, masts inventory for their zones TAS, ?? (2 other states)
- Fibreglass masts in spars, alum or timber rule 4.1 talk about fibreglass spars for 5 yrs
- 2 members from SQSA to organise costings for next year, maybe SQSA being sole supplier, affordability is the key \$950 incl stays
- VIC establishing standard fitout, JE and team working on that, for interchangeability of components

5. General Business

Reports from Zones

TAS – SR and CS adv they have had 15mths to push the class locally. HBA reverted from sabots to optis, also Tamar Club also, sadly no representation from Tamar this year. TSSA concerned by that trend as RYC HBA also purchased optis. TSSA invite optis to join the sabot circuit throughout the year, sometimes they do come and have fun together that is the aim, on a positive HBA still has and Kingston, good fleets in sabots.

NR adv new sabot sailors that don't come from sailing families makes it difficult with commitment and a lot of help is given to trail boats around TAS, this has become quite an issue throughout TAS

NR adv. they encourage kids to come to Wynyard all types of weather, this is slowly attracting kids and families. WSC organises brekky and other indoor activities. For kids not taking to sailing, they encourage them to go out in rescue boats.

NQ – SD advises that there is a mix of bics, sabots, optis in NQ, eg May Day regatta in Tinaroo (Atherton Tablelands) big on bics but all classes come and sail and have fun. NQ sees kids jumping from sabots to optis sometimes due the sabot age restriction and if kids outgrow their sabot before they are 12 yrs, they have moved on to other class. Also more talented kids jumping up and onto an opti to go 1up sooner seems to be the trend. SG suggests maybe overlapping the age to encourage the kids to stay. (see below General Business)

IS – Issue in Mackay is our 1 volunteer sail trainer has resigned so no qualified sail trainers for new kids coming to learn. MYC parents would like to pull new kids through the ranks but not sure of legalities of what they can do to be the trainers without the qualifications. SG suggest talking to the local club to see what can be done for legally accredited trainers and coaches. As long as there is a procedure put in place for safety issues etc, there should not be a problem for other parents to train and coach without qualifications.

VIC GM and JE advise critical trouble with dwindling nbrs of sabot sailors, clubs working hard to bring up younger members, dwindling numbers largely due to non sailing background families and difficulty in promoting the sport as a lifestyle to these families, some parents not keen on putting in the efforts, some sailing families have gone to Optis, 3 training camps ran last year but as weather dependent didn't work as well as planned. In Middle Brighton, there are 55 kids on water, 10 with own boats and the rest are reluctant to get out of club boats, possibly a reason is that new sabots chase too many \$\$\$\$. Optis are now at 3 Vic clubs. A couple of clubs don't even have a junior class at the moment. Hence the small team number for Sabot Nationals this year. VIC in fair bit of trouble as has not grown in junior sailing at all this last year. Brochures have been given out but no Vic schools sailing at the moment.

110 sabots sitting in VIC clubs doing nothing,.. Optis at 3 clubs, possibly a reason chase too much \$\$ for new sabots. Sabots competing with optis, 29ers, lasers 420's etc
VIC have a plan and will go forward with a group of young crew to start off next season hopefully build up the sabot numbers.

NNSW

AB and AM adv NNSW numbers in all the zones is improving particularly in northern zone Hawkesbury River (Lake Mac-good numbers of sabot sailors even though some optis have made their way there, this has not made any problems as Lake Mac is a close sailing community)- NNSW offer inexpensive training, to attract new kids coming out of field sports and into sailing. NNSW find it difficult to retain the commitment particularly for non sailing families to purchase boats and continue on with the sporth.

SQ - IS – 54 sabots registered with SQSA (32 active sailors), Shane Koreman advises they tend to coach back end of fleet, pleased with 25 sabots in this year's Nationals, SQ doesn't see optis as a threat even though YQ promotes optis, some come back into sabots after optis. Bne Sailing Squadron at Darling Pt a great operation, BSS - SQUIDS sabot kids, good place for junior training. 10-15 kids racing and having fun, Vagabonds sail training both kids and parents. Lake Samsonvale (10-22 sabots) working, Noosa Yacht and Rowing Club have 40 sabots training in the river.

In Summary

- (a) For non sailing parents, offer support in and out of the water, put them in the water on the rescue boats and show them the ropes, get them involved,
- (b) For Learn to Sail training without qualified coaching, all parents should be able to teach kids sailing providing they have a WWC card , a check list to be in place, show parents, agree with coaching principals, demonstrate duty of care. WPHS would come down heavy if nothing was in place if issue occurred.
- (c) For Encouragement of kids travelling around zones - encourage billeting of kids/families in spare rooms or tents in backyards, this will help reduce cost for families.
- (d) For Age restrictions on 1 up and issue with kids leaving the class early due to the current age/size, SD and GT to work with SG to put together a motion to amend the age of 1 up sailors

6. New Business

(a) Shane Koreman has racks on autocad – to organise measurement and diagram to TAS

(b) 2011 ANSC Committee

President: David Eutick (SQ)

Vice President: **Vacant**

David encourages someone to fill this position, not difficult, be at AGM each year and fill in for President when required, please advise DE if interested in taking this on

Secretary: **Vacant**

Pip has resigned, position entails taking of minutes and organising postal motions during the year, please advise DE if interested in taking this position on

Treasurer/ Registrar: David to check with Mark Robson (NNSW)

National Measurer: Steve Graham (NNSW)

Executives: Sharon Dodge (NQ)

Gayna Turnbull (NQ)

John to check if Ben Solly (VIC) will continue as an ANSC executive

Thanks from David for input and for coming along to the meeting

There being no further business this meeting was closed at 8.52 pm

Notice: At the annual conference of the ANSC, each zone is to be represented by a minimum of two delegates from that zone. These two delegates have voting rights for their zone. Preferably the ANSC representative for that zone should be one of these persons.

Motions that come before the Annual Conference need to be voted on and a two-thirds majority reached before any motion can be passed. If passed, a date that the motion becomes effective also needs to be considered otherwise it becomes effective immediately.

Each delegate will only be permitted one opportunity to speak either for or against a motion.