

Meeting:	2016 Annual General Meeting
Date of Meeting:	9 th July 2016
Minutes taken by:	Tessa Phipps

Attendance:

Justin Belczowski (outgoing Taylor Aiken Mitch Casey Dan Fox President) Mitch Wayt Chinni Rao Tessa Phipps (outgoing Nathan Adlam Treasurer & Secretary) George Kourquovel James Rice Nathan Wethered Dave Vella Greg Hack Paul Leven (outgoing VP) Jan Micallef **Gary Zaradic** Peter Hunter **Kristy Mirams** Joel Batt Tralee Cunningham Cameron Martin Justin Windsor Susan Lamprecht Joanna Kristofferson Ross Moore **Bailey Cunningham** Brendan Boyd Tim O'Neill **Derek Cunningham David Knott**

President's Report

AJSBA President, Justin Belczowski, reviewed the challenges of the 2015 National Tour and how a decision was made within the AJSBA to focus on club development and development of the AJSBA's administration procedures in the 2015-16 financial year. Much has been achieved in these areas including bringing on board a new affiliate club. The Victorian Jetski Club coordinates recreational events in Victoria and South Australia. Affiliate clubs have experienced an increase in competitor numbers, particularly the QPWC, and the NQPWCC are working towards including circuit racing in their future events. This focus has meant that a national championships event was not hosted in the 2015-16 financial year.

Justin thanked the staff, committee, affiliate club committee members and other stakeholders for their support across a challenging year.

Treasurer's Report

Many 2014-2015 expenses were paid in the 2015-2016 financial year (insurance, staff expense reimbursement, software).

Day licence income has considerably increased on last year due to the increase annual limit and frequency of use in QLD events (increased income of \$9148).

Additional expenditure this year spent to bring key partners and committee members to the AGM.

Not having run a national championship event in this financial year will also be impacting on the profit & loss statement.



Australian	Jet Sports Boating Association Profit & Loss Statement	on 2016			
01/07/2015 to 30/06/2016					
Income					
Licence Income					
	Day Licences	15,950.00			
	Restricted Annual				
	Licences	750.00			
	Competition Annual				
	Licences	11,972.76			
	Mangles Bay Recreational				
	Annual Licences	1,913.40			
Victorian Recreation	onal Program	1,550.00			
Affiliate Fees		1,200.00			
2015 Tour Income		1,368.45			
Interest		13.73			
Total Income		\$34 718.34			
Expenditure					
Administration Cos	sts				
	Software	770.88			
	ASIC Fees	46.00			
	Card Printer Consumables	359.10			
	Internet Data	581.22			
	Laptop Purchase	296.95			
	PO Box and Postage	198.20			
	Web Domain Fees	46.00			
	Staff Expense				
	Reimbursement	6040.84			
2016 Endurance N	ationals	840.00			
Insurance		13,700.00			
AGM		180.30			
AGM Travel		4,123.07			
2015 Tour		2,539.20			
Licence Refunds		240.00			
Mangles Refunds		120.00			
Expenditure Total		\$30 081.76			
	NET PROFIT = \$4 636.58				
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Balance Sheet			
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank	\$40015.70		
Invoices Owed	\$600		
Liabilities			
Monies Owed	\$0		
Members' Funds	\$40 615.70		



Secretary's Report

Membership

AJSBA Membership at 30 June 2016:

- 8 Associate Memberships (Victorian Jetski Club)
- 40 Competition Licences
- 5 Junior Competition Licences
- 14 Mangles Bay Recreational Memberships
- 6 Restricted Competition Licences
- 10 Life Members
- 87 Recreational Memberships (Victorian Jetski Club)

170 in total (2014-15 total was 120).

Membership at 20 June 2015:

- 58 Competition Licences
- 1 Junior Competition Licence
- 2 Junior Licence Non-Competitive
- 27 Mangles Bay Recreational Licences
- 23 Restricted Competition Licences
- 9 Life Members

120 in total (2013-14 total was 77).

- Due to the increase in the day licence limit from 3 to 6, competition licence numbers have dropped.
- The new affiliation with the Victorian Jetski Club via the newly created New Recreational/Social Club Policy has resulted in an increase of 8 associate memberships and 87 recreational memberships.
- Junior Competition licences are difficult to facilitate so it's good to see an increase there.
- Mangles Bay and Restricted Competition licences have decreased.
- An overall increase in membership and a redistribution regarding membership type.

Events

Club	Victorian Jetski Club	JSW	NSWPWC	NQPWCC	QPWC	Total
No. of Events	3	6	5	8	6	28
Day Licences Purchased	0	77	99	12	131	319
Annual Licences Purchased	94 (Recreational)	2	5	5 (Restricted)	6	13 94 Recreational 5 Restricted
Total Entries	103	177	233	50	256	819 (2014-15 total was 667)
AJSBA Event Income	\$1550 as part of New Recreational Clubs Policy.	\$2970	\$6430	\$1250	\$7480	\$19 680 (2014-15 Total was \$19900)

Total entries have increased with income remaining stable due to the redistribution of membership type.



Disciplinary Processes

- 3 competitor disciplinary processes this FY.
- 1 club-based improvement process.

(2014-15FY 3 x competitor disciplinary process and 1 club-based improvement process).

Incident Reports

7 reported incidents this FY.

Club	Impact Severity	Track Location	No. Craft	No. Person	Brief Description	Contributing Factors	Class	Rider Class.
NSW	3	Decision buoys	2	2	Craft on craft contact	Restricted visibility	Stock R/A	Pro/Exp
NSW	5	Various	1	1	Rider dismount	Equipment failure	Stock R/A Enduro	Pro
NSW	4		2	2	Craft on craft contact	Rider error	Stock R/A Enduro	Ехр
NSW	9	Back straight	1	1	Rider dismount	Rider error / Possible equipment failure	Open R/A Enduro	Pro
QLD	1	Turn 3	2	2	Craft on craft contact		Beg R/A	Beg
QLD	1	Last turn before straight	2	2	Craft on craft contact	Rider error	Stock R/A	Beg
NSW	7	Splits	2	2	Craft on craft contact	Rider error	Ski Lites	Pro/Jnr

Primarily craft-on-craft contact due to rider error. No other real patterns to note.

Reporting of incidents lacking from other clubs.

Insurances

We continue to facilitate a restricted access area in Mangles Bay, WA (renewable December). We will have an update on this from Jet Sport West.

This year we purchased Voluntary Workers Insurance on behalf of all affiliate clubs (renewable October). It was discovered that our PLI policy didn't cover event staff whilst on a PWC on the water on race days so this additional policy was purchased.

New Recreational/Social Clubs Policy

Policy available on AJSBA website. This year we used this policy to bring on the Victorian Jetski Club.

Created to make AJSBA affiliation an easier and more affordable process for beginner clubs who wish to start with recreational events only. The policy streamlines the membership process and charges only enough to cover the PLI policy purchased on behalf of the club. Clubs will typically only be able to access this new program for one year before having to move in to the AJSBA's standard membership system followed by all other clubs.



Other Comments

Joanna Kristofferson expressed her thanks to Justin and Tessa on behalf of the QPWC, SCJSC and all members of the community for their efforts in the AJSBA executive committee over the past two years.

Peter Hunter thanked the AJSBA for their support of his efforts with government over the past two years, including his nomination for the NSW Maritime Medal which was awarded to him.

Grant Busby said he would pass on the contact details of an insurer should the AJSBA decide to go to tender for their insurance policies again.

2016-2017 AJSBA Committee

Executive Nominations

President – Ross Moore. Moved: Justin Belczowski. Seconded: Greg Hack. Vice President – Justin Belczowski. Moved: Grant Busby. Seconded: Tessa Phipps. Treasurer – Paul Leven. Moved: Tessa Phipps. Seconded: Taylor Aiken.

Other Committee Nominations

These roles are filled via direct appointment by the executive committee. Secretary – Susan Lamprecht.

General committee – Dan Fox, Gary Zaradic, Eman Soliman, Michael Richards, Grant Busby, Peter Hunter, Dave Vella, Nathan Wethered and Michael Siccita.

Meeting handed over to the new executive officers.

Minutes of Meeting

Item

Incoming President – Ross Moore

Ross indicated that he has believed for some years that there was a need for a generational change in the AJSBA and that the people who are interested and attending meetings need to step up and seriously consider joining the committee. He said the AJSBA needs a young leader to step up and consider a long-term commitment to the President role. He asked the members present to consider this.

Ross discussed that the AJSBA Secretary role needs to be more specifically secretarial. The role is part of the non-executive committee and does not need to be involved in decision making. As such he indicated that he intends to employ someone part-time in this role based on an agreed hourly rate and that Susan Lamprecht had agreed to take on this role. Susan has a long history with the AJSBA and brings very useful experience to this role.



Ross also indicated that he would make more use of the general committee moving forward for their advice and experience but that decisions will ultimately be made by the executive committee.

Update from Victorian Jetski Club

Unfortunately the representative from the Victorian Jetski Club was a late apology for the meeting but Tessa Phipps gave the following update – This is our new affiliate club brought on via the newly created New Social/Recreational Clubs Policy. Since April 2016 the club has facilitated three events with 103 entries in total. One of these events has held in South Australia. This club will be facilitated via the new policy until the end of June 2017 at which time they will move in to the AJSBA's standard licensing and membership structure.

Mangles Bay Recreational Memberships Update (Gavin Hughes)

Jet Sport West and the AJSBA facilitate and insure a section of beach access at Mangles Bay, WA after the area was closed to the public due to the neighbouring Navy facility. Gavin reported that the program is functioning well with no issues and that it makes permits for events in the area easier to obtain. Members do express their dislike of the cost (access requires both a JSW and AJSBA membership). It was expressed that this is a good model for other clubs who may have preferred/secure racing locations.

2016 Endurance Nationals (Taylor Aiken)

NSWPWC hosted the 2016 Endurance Nationals in May after presenting a proposal to the AJSBA to do so as they have sufficient resources for such an event. It was a success for the clubs in terms of income generated and club promotion although they found sponsorship agreements difficult to obtain.

Their New Racer Protocol was helpful in explaining to first-timers why they weren't permitted to enter.

There were two incidents on the day. Dany Moujally was seriously injured after dismounting from his ski whilst racing but marshalling procedures were followed as well as all reporting requirements. There was also a craft-on-craft incident put down to rider error.

After the event, information came to light and complaints were received that required an investigation in to racer conduct. Whilst this investigation and the scrutiny surrounding it had a negative impact on the post-event environment, the NSWPWC decided that results were to remain unchanged due to a lack of grounds for penalty. This decision was made in conjunction with and supported by the AJSBA and the IJSBA. The details of this investigation and the parties involved remains confidential. NSWPWC representatives indicated that these types of things can happen when the number of volunteers are limited.

Review of Membership Fees for 2016-17 Financial Year

Grant Busby suggested that there be no limit on the number of day licences a competitor can purchase in a year and that annual licence fees be lowered or that a number of purchased day licences be used as credit towards an annual licence.

Day licences involve more paperwork for the competitors and affiliate clubs as well as more cash passing hands on race day.

Gavin Hughes said that JetSportWest uses an online registration facility and accepts no entries on race day, suggested this as a good idea for the AJSBA moving forward.



Ross reminded all present that licence fees are the only income stream for the AJSBA. It was discussed that perhaps the AJSBA is in a strong enough financial position this year to try something new with licence fees.

Dan Fox also suggested that a portion of day licence fees to back to the affiliate club.

⇒ Further discussion referred to the incoming committee.

Proposed quarantining of a portion of day licence fees for clubs to use for approved safety equipment and initiatives (Justin Belczowski)

Justin reviewed the additional administration pressures that day licences put on affiliate clubs and that the AJSBA wished to support the clubs to purchase approved safety equipment and training. Facilitating this based on day licences does make the amount dependent on the number of day licences that happen to be purchased at each club. It was discussed that this was a good idea for an initiative but that further discussion was required regarding the mechanism for it. Ross indicated that safety would be a strong emphasis of the AJSBA this coming year and in to the future.

⇒ Further discussion referred to the incoming committee.

AJSBA Paid Committee Roles

Ross indicated that the Secretary role is the only committee role that will be paid.

AJSBA and Inter-Club Communication (Grant Busby)

Grant requested more communication and guidance from the AJSBA in terms of the coordination of events dates across Australia so that competitors are given the opportunity to access more events (interstate). It was suggested that an area on the AJSBA website be created where state clubs can submit their proposed season dates visibly as a reference for other clubs as they plan their dates (there is an event date section in the current website). It was suggested that after each affiliate club's AGM that the President contact the Presidents of the other affiliate clubs with their proposed racing calendar, potentially timed around August. International events also to be taken in to account.

2016 Nationals (Justin Belczowski)

Justin explained that the original location of Marine Stadium had GCCC permit approval but that the Police and waterways regulators decided that the location was too small for the national championship event. As such a new location has been sourced opposite Australia Fair at Southport. This location currently has GCCC approval pending a \$5000 bond payment with no fee charge from the Southport Parklands regulators. Justin has been meeting with the Police, MSQ and other stakeholders regarding track design and the waterways permit as approval requirements are considerably increased after the incident at the 2012 nationals. Many of the new initiatives implemented at the AJSBA have assisted with this but it has been a very difficult process.

Whilst the 2016 Nationals were scheduled for the 3-4 September 2016, there is still more work to be done regarding permits and exemptions and the timeframe for promotion of the event has reduced considerably. Justin presented the meeting with various options; that he continue planning for an event on 3-4 September and accept the promotion and coordination limitations that would result or move the event to early-2017 effectively cancelling the 2016 Nationals. Justin has had very little assistance coordinating this event and the requirements have increased on previous years. It is important to the AJSBA to obtain successful approvals for an event on the Gold Coast to enable future racing in the location. Members indicated that they



agreed with the option to postpone the event, effectively cancelling the 2016 Nationals and having Justin continue with planning for a 2017 Nationals to be held on the Gold Coast in Jan-April 2017. This timing would enable state-based affiliates to time their seasons and potential state championship events in the build-up. Grant Busby expressed that coordinating other events around this time would also be good e.g. a surf titles or freeride nationals.

The AJSBA will again invite members of the community to nominate to assist Justin with planning for the now 2017 Nationals.

Lites Rules (Grant Busby)

Grant indicated that JetSportWest are having difficulties with rulebook interpretation in their Lites Ski class and requested that the AJSBA give further outlining of the rules and assistance with technical inspection. Whilst it was discussed that 'if it's not in the rulebook you can't do it', Ross also said to forward any questions to him for a definitive decision.

Marine 17 (Peter Hunter)

Peter suggested that the AJSBA be represented at Marine 17 at the Sydney International Boat Show in July/August 2017. It was agreed that this should be pursued.

AJSBA Water Safety Service Provision (Ross Moore)

Ross discussed that he wishes the AJSBA to create and provide a professional water safety service for use at AJSBA sanctioned events as well as available for hire for external events. He would source PWC's from manufacturers (4) and the AJSBA would hire and train staff (2) for this purpose. This would provide a potential income stream for the AJSBA, increase promotion opportunities and build on the AJSBA's ability to become a leader in the area of water safety. JetSportWest mentioned that they had previously done something similar and the NSWPWC indicated that they had also been approached to provide a similar service which indicates a market demand.

Women's Racing

Eman Soliman forwarded agenda items around women's racing, namely that she suggested that female racers be scored, awarded and ranked separately to male racers to encourage their participation. She also suggested that the promotion of women's classes be increased at a state level. The members and committee were in agreeance but this would need to be facilitated at a club-level for the majority of racing. Other suggestions regarding separating enduro classes and juniors were not supported.

Showroom Stock Class (Ross Moore)

Ross wishes for the promotion of this class to be increased across the board to attract beginner competitors and broaden the base of the AJSBA membership. He also suggested the promotion of Australian manufacturers for the permitted handling modifications. Ross included Lites Ski in this focus.

This led to a discussion around beginner racers and the need for increased training for beginners at the club level. The NSWPWC has created their own New Racer Protocol which included spectating in a similar way to other sports. The AJSBA will consult this protocol and work on creating a national system for beginners. The AJSBA wishes to promote safe racing particularly with this cohort.



The need for a renewed focus on the development of Junior racing was also discussed.

Race Numbers (Ross Moore)

Ross indicated that he will relax the AJSBA's expectations around regulation race numbers but that numbers have to be legible/readable at an appropriate distance and it will be the racer's responsibility to ensure this.

New NSW Legislation (Peter Hunter)

Peter shared that new legislation came in to effect in NSW on 1 July 2016. Peter has worked hard to bring back a stakeholder forum which will now be held one week after the Sydney International Boat Show and attended by representatives from Queensland, Victoria, manufacturers and others.

Meeting closed by Ross Moore at 4:20pm.