

## **AIF MINUTES**

**MONDAY 19th FEBRUARY 2018**

### **CLUB BONDI JUNCTION**

#### **PRESENT**

Kerry Ryan (Gosford), Sean Henly (Wentworthville), Helen Little (by Skype), Peter Bain (by speaker phone - Wentworthville), Bob Kelsall (Manly Diggers), Michael McMahon (Coogee Randwick), Noel Ryan (Manly), Judith Watts (South Sydney Juniors), Pat Kinghorn (Bondi Diggers & Bondi Junction Waverley).

#### **APOLOGIES**

Wally Northcott (Coogee Randwick)

#### **ODE**

The meeting was opened at 7.00 pm by Kerry Ryan reciting the Ode.

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as read.

Proposer: Judy Watts, Seconder: Noel Ryan

#### **CORRESPONDENCE IN**

- . Letter from ATO for income tax
- . carnival entry forms
- .emails regarding nationals from Nelson Bay
- . emails regarding nationals from clubs

#### **CORRESPONDENCE OUT**

- . email to Robert Browne with information regarding ATO letter
- . minutes from previous meeting

.emails regarding nationals – reminders and answer to queries

. continuing correspondence with Nelson Bay regards Nationals

Proposer: Bob Kelsall Seconder: Michael McMahon

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

This was given by Bob Kelsall. 34 clubs are now affiliated. A couple yet to pay affiliation. A reminder will be sent.

Carnival fees - a few clubs have not put in their fees. Helen will chase these up. They are : Bellingen, Ballina ( one has paid – not sure which), Lismore, Nyngan, Mentone and Seven Hills.

Current balance is \$21,567.00

less cheques just written for \$1,428.00 and cheque in for \$90.00

A letter was received from the ATO stating our organisation hasn't paid tax for the 6 years from 2010/11. A similar letter was received in 2005. The letter stated the organisation 'operated as a business'. However this is disputed as 'we operate as a non profit organisation'. We have employed Robert Brown of Spectrum Financial to investigate.

Proposer: Michael McMahon Seconder: Judy Watts

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **Nelson Bay 10th March, 2018**

Peter Bain report we have 419 swimmers attending this year. This means:

100metres - 326 swimmers in 41 heats

50 metres - 407 swimmers in 51 heats

30 metres - 413 swimmers in 52 heats

As a guide the last carnivals have had these numbers

Grafton in 2017- 373 swimmers

Southport in 2016- 407 swimmers

Albury in 2015- 320 swimmers

Nelson Bay in 2014- 443 swimmers.

We seem to be holding reasonably consistent numbers, particularly considering that Masters Swimming has had a significant drop in numbers nationally.

Kerry said he was very pleased we have the numbers for Nelson Bay. He thanked Bob and Helen for the very big job they have done re the money and numbers. He also thanked Peter for preparing all the races. As well, Kerry thanked the Clubs as everyone has put their entries in on time. Maybe this is the first time this has happened.

**Officials for the carnival:** We have many in place already – big thank you to Gosford, Southport, Twin Towns, Wentworthville, Coogee and Maroubra. Helen will contact some of the clubs with the bigger numbers for the carnival to see if they can help with a couple of positions. Many hands make light work!

### **All volunteers welcome!**

Presentation - usual format of announcements before and after dinner.

. Meet & Greet - will be held on ground floor, out the back of the club.

- . Pool Entry cost is \$5.60 per adult and \$4.10 for concession.
- . Function cost: held at West Club by run by 'Nelson Bay Function Centre'.
- . No diving from shallow end of pool . This is to be confirmed.
- . request for teams to bring pop-up tents and chairs as there will not be as much shade at the pool as usual.
- . Merchandise - there was a general discussion about whether merchandise should be sold at carnivals. Whether this could be done by the host club or by the AIF organisation. It's an idea raised for consideration.
- . Reminder will be sent out by Helen. This will again mention need to bring shade and chairs. Timekeeping as usual - clubs assigned certain lanes – will be sent out with handicap sheets.

Thank you to all those clubs who got entries in on time!

**PLEASE BE AWARE – NO LATE ENTRIES TO CHAMPIONSHIPS.** We had some people wishing to enter championship events on the day last year! All entries **MUST** be in now! It would be appreciated if clubs could also let us know as soon as possible any withdrawals from any events. This lessens the stress for the engine room, and allows the carnival to run smoothly. With over 1400 entries from over 400 swimmers, please be aware that all officials are volunteers and work very hard to make the carnival run smoothly. Your help and understanding in this is appreciated!

MEETING CLOSED at 7.55pm Next meeting date to be advised.