

**AIF MINUTES GENERAL MEETING
Monday, 16 January 2023 by Zoom**

PRESENT

Kerry Ryan (Gosford), Helen Little (Southport), Peter Bain (Wentworthville), Michael McMahon (Coogee Randwick) , Bob Kelsall (Manly Diggers), Bob Clark (Cobar), Joanne Falla (Coogee Randwick), Anita Hawtin (Bondi Diggers & Bondi Junction Waverley).

APOLOGIES Pat Kinghorn (Bondi Diggers & Bondi Junction Waverley), Sean Henly (Wentworthville),

ODE The meeting was opened at 7.45pm by Kerry Ryan reading the Ode.

Kerry welcomed everyone to the meeting.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting were accepted as correct.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

The minutes of the last meeting were sent out to all clubs.

CORRESPONDENCE IN

Correspondence relates to the 2023 Carnival: South Juniors (Kerry Simon) would like to attend the Carnival and re-join the Association. Dee Why RSL has also advised they are attending the Carnival this year.

It was proposed the correspondence be accepted Proposer: Michael McMahon,
Secunder: Peter Bain

TREASURERS REPORT

This was read by Bob Kelsall. 22 clubs are affiliated and \$14,583 in bank.

It was proposed that the Treasurer's report be accepted Proposer: Helen Little,
Secunder: Michael McMahon

GENERAL BUSINESS

Kerry Ryan informed the meeting that Pat Kinghorn will not be standing as Assistant Secretary in the next elections. Kerry acknowledged Pat's significant contribution as Assistant Secretary. Pat's work behind the scenes to help make the carnival a success is also very much appreciated by the AIF Committee including raffles and program distribution. The Committee wished Pat all the best and hope to see her at future carnivals.

Public Liability Insurance - Helen Little advised that a quote for \$12,000 had been received for public liability insurance that covers the whole association. This will cover carnivals and all 30 clubs. The meeting thought that this would save clubs a lot of money. A decision will be made by the AIF committee at a future meeting however in the meantime, clubs are encouraged to start considering whether they think this is worth pursuing and the date this arrangement will commence (e.g. beginning of the next swim season).

2023 CARNIVAL

Towels and Trophies - Helen Little advised that towels and trophies are being prepared and will be delivered directly to the Coogee Diggers Club, 2 Byron Street, Coogee.

ACTION:

- Helen to write out to those clubs who currently hold trophies to ensure they bring them to the Carnival.
- Helen will arrange for the starting system to be delivered.
- Helen to re-send carnival entry forms with a due date of 20 February 2023. and information about swim caps. It should be noted in the communication that orders for caps should come from clubs and not individuals.

Sponsors – Clubs usually donate \$100 plus and individuals \$25 to sponsor a race. It was noted that Pat Kinghorn donated \$150 and Manly Diggers \$200. Cobar will also donate.

Programme - Peter Bain advised that articles (one page maximum) for the Carnival Programme are required from clubs by 14 February 2023.

Meet and Greet – will be held on 17 March at Coogee Diggers, 6.30pm to 8.00pm. A maximum of two representatives are required from each club.

Des Renford Leisure Centre, Jersey Road & Robey Street, Maroubra. The pool entry fee is \$4.00 and swimmers are encouraged to bring the correct money. Raffle tickets will be sold on the day and Maroubra lions club will hold a BBQ. A kiosk is also available at the pool. There is shade at the start and finish lines.

Presentation – will be held on 18 March at Souths Juniors starting at 6pm with entrees being served at 7pm (VIPs to be served first to ensure formalities run to time). The light rail, L3, leaves from the CBD and stops at the front of the club. An opal card is required.

Sunday Swim – will be held at Wylie's Baths, 4B Neptune Street, Coogee. High tide could present a problem and if this is the case, people will be encouraged to just dive in noting that safety is the most important thing.

Official guest – The Randwick Mayor will open the carnival. Simone Parker will also be in attendance. An article will also be prepared for the Programme.

Last post – Joanna Falla advised that Martin Paul will be delivering the Ode. The RSL will supply a bugler. An artificial wreath is recommended as it is better for the pool.

Judges and Recorders – there was discussion regarding recorders and judges. It was decided to put times and places on the one sheet. Everyone should be briefed on how this will work to avoid any confusion on the day.

ACTION: Helen Little to request the Cronulla clubs to assist as judge or recorder.

Flippers – Bob Clark asked if flippers were allowed to be worn at the carnival. After some discussion it was agreed that flippers are permitted for individual handicap races and relays but not for championship events of any kind. The AIF **MUST** be advised of any requests prior to the event and it is expected that such requests will be for medical reasons only. This is a trial only, and will be investigated further if required.

It is noted that our usual rulings are guided by FINA rulings.

Meeting Closed – 9.10pm

Next meeting : Monday, 27 February 2023