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Treasurer: Bob Kelsall

Carnival Director: Karon Fuller

Asst. Secretary: Barbara Urquhart

Webmaster: Colin Duncan

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT BONDI JUNCTION WAVERLEY RSL CLUB
ON 13TH AUGUST 2012 – 8PM

MEETING

COMMENCED:

At 7:10pm Kerry Ryan opened the meeting with the Ode, then he also made comment on the recent passing of Paul Lipscombe of Wentworthville and Don Warren of North Bondi, both of whom were noted for their devotion to the swimming fraternity and therefore would be sadly missed. Kerry also advised letters had been received from Karon Fuller and Bob Kelsall who were unable to attend, but gave their proxy to Kerry Ryan and Jeanette O'Keeffe respectively. He then welcomed John Stanford from Southport.

APOLIGIES:

Bob Kelsall	Harbord
Fred Atterton	Maroubra
Don Johnston	Bondi Junction Waverley
Barbarar Urquhart	“ “ “
Colin Duncan	Gosford
Tom Lamont	Wentworthville
Mick Pearce	Moree, Twin Towns
Lily Pearce	Gladesville
Karon Fuller	Warren
Robert Allchin	Botany
Max Sayer	North Bondi
R. McGregor	

PRESENT:

Pat Kinghorn	Bondi Diggers
Glenn French	Botany
Michael McMahon	Coogee
Kerry Ryan	Gosford, Newcastle, Albury, Warren
Brian O'Keeffe	Condobolin, Currumbin
Jeanette O'Keeffe	Hornsby, Dubbo
L. Harris	Manly
B. Harris	“
Noel Ryan	“
R. L. Nicholson	Maroubra
R. Dickens	Seven Hills Toongabbie
F. Bawden	“ “ “
C. Middlebrook	“ “ “
F. Farebrother	Wentworthville, Wellington
J. Stanford	Southport
Judy Watts	South Sydney Jnr. Leagues

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM: Minutes were taken as read.
Moved Taffy Nicholson and 2nd by Glenn French - Carried

TREASURERS REPORT: As the Treasurer was absent, the President read the Treasurers Report and Taffy Nicholson stated that as usual, the Report was spot on. Accepted by Taffy Nicholson and 2nd by Frank Bawden. (Taffy took the opportunity to advise that Affiliation Fees of \$90 should have been received by the Association and he was told the matter would be looked into.)

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS: Kerry Ryan thanked Brian O’Keeffe and all the outgoing Committee for their support during his health problems and stated that their hard work was very much appreciated. Kerry then requested Taffy Nicholson to act as Returning Officer and declared all positions vacant. The newly elected Officer Bearers for 2012/13 were as follows:-

President:	Kerry Ryan
Vice President:	Brian O’Keeffe
Treasurer:	Bob Kelsall
Secretary:	Jeanette O’Keeffe
Asst. Secretary:	Barbara Urquhart
Carnival Director:	Karon Fuller
Web Master:	Colin Duncan
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Kerry then thanked Taffy and welcomed Jeanette to the Committee.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP: The matter of Karon Fuller’s nomination for ‘Life Membership’ was brought forward (which nomination had been advised to all clubs) and Brian O’Keeffe stated that there had been 12 official replies received plus 3 personal replies, all stating their full support for the nomination. A vote was taken and the Life Membership was passed unanimously. Kerry thanked Karon for her many years of hard work and stated her ‘Life Membership’ was well deserved.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Brian O’Keeffe asked were there any present who would like a copy of the Association’s Constitution and copies were required by Wentworthville, Coogee, Southport, Manly, Botany and Maroubra. He advised these would be forwarded in the near future.

Affiliation Fees: A unanimous decision was made to keep the Affiliation Fees at \$45.00

Entry Fees: Kerry stated that in stock there were only 31 towels, 9 plaques and 6 mugs and we would need to purchase more for Nelson Bay. He would therefore like to increase the Entry Fee from \$10 to \$15 per swimmer. With at least 400 swimmers this would raise a considerable amount. He also anticipated the cost of insurance plus programme costs would more than likely both rise. Pat Kinghorn asked why it was necessary to raise the fees with a balance of \$7000 in the bank, Kerry again reiterated that the unknown rise for insurance, printing, other incidentals plus purchase of trophies, would deplete this amount significantly. Brian O’Keeffe suggested the amount be raised by \$2.50 per swimmer. Michael McMahon asked how long the fee had been \$10 and maybe we could look at a half way rise. Glenn French and Margaret Farebrother thought there would be no problem with \$15. After much discussion, a Motion to increase the fee to \$15 was:- Moved by Glenn French and 2nd by Margaret Farebrother – Motion carried.

Programme: With regard to how to proceed with the programme, ie. printing/emailing, a Motion was moved to look at the current cost of the programme:- Moved by John Stanford and 2nd by Taffy Nicholson - Carried

Remuneration: Kerry Ryan requested remuneration for the executive as follows:-

President:	\$50
Vice President:	\$50
Treasurer:	\$50
Secretary:	\$100
Asst. Secretary:	\$100
Carnival Director:	\$150
Webmaster	<u>\$50</u>
	<u>\$550</u>

Moved by Taffy Nicholson and 2nd by Ray Dickens – Carried

Trophies: All agreed that the towels, mugs and plaques would remain as the prizes.

Proposed changes: Manly's proposal regarding distance changes for Over 70's and Over 80's was brought forward and Brian advised that 11 clubs had replied to the proposal, with the result being – 3 Yes, 3 No, and 5 Go with the flow. A discussion followed with many varied views, therefore Kerry suggested it be left to the executive to do some future investigation. With regard to the 'carnival format', Kerry advised the current format had been very carefully thought out in order to keep various distances together, ie all 50m races together and all 30m together etc. This way the carnival could flow and any changes would need to be very carefully considered. Brian O'Keeffe advised there were varying responses to this particular proposal and suggested it be handed back to the committee.

The proposed changes put forward by Brian O'Keeffe were discussed. With regard to the Tobruk Shield having 1 service person OR 1 swimmer of 65 years or over, there were strong opinions that it should stay as a service person. But also there were those who wanted an over 65 years, as they had no service people. This definitely needed further discussion but it was decided there was not enough time. With regard to NO FINALS, this was also left for future discussion.

Pat Kinghorn stated that regard to entries for the formstroke championships, there were no 'entry forms' sent out for these events. Brian advised these would be forwarded in future.

Lyn Harris requested that the Championship Cards be given out at the Meet & Greet and she would be willing to do this herself. Lyn felt there was not enough time to fill them out at the carnival. Kerry advised this had been done in the past, but unfortunately by the next morning some cards had been lost.

CLOSURE: The meeting closed at 8:30pm.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

**THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING MONDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2012
BONDI JUNCTION WAVERLEY RSL CLUB COMMENCING 7PM.**

Jeanette O'Keeffe
Honorary Secretary