

# NSWPWC 2018/2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES



Non for profit Organisation:	Sydney Jet Sports Boating Association T/A New South Wales Personal Watercraft Association AGM Meeting		
Region:	Sydney	Location:	St George Sailing Club, Sans Souci
Date:	Sunday 1st July 2018	Time :	3pm
Attendance	Attendance		
Committee Members & Representatives:	President – Corey Styles Vice President - Mark Qu Secretary – Jess Burns Treasurer / Social Media – Matthew Skelly  General Committee Nathan Wethered, Paul Leven, Dean Jeffries, Mark Cavanagh, Nik Pazanin,		
Apologies:	Mark Glew, Mike King, Mike Krouskos, Liam Ohalloran		
Visitors:	David Helleman, Sebouh Bahadourian, Matt Tyler, Julie Williams, Zeyad Masri, Dean Gioulis, Moey Ghandour, Karl Ghandour, Vince Tran, Van Tran, Jim Tsalalos, Doug Leven		
Minutes of previous meeting:	Nil		



Standing agenda items:	Recommendations / actions this meeting	Responsible Person	Due date
Issues outstanding from previous meetings:	Nil New season (2018/19)		
Presidents Report	New South Wales Personal Watercraft Association - 2017/18 season.  The 2017/18 season of jet ski racing held by New South Wales PWC Club (Sydney Jet Sports Boating Association) was capped off with a six (6) rounds series with 8 separate classes over the field with both circuit and endurance racing.  Each round seen a large contingent of racers with the following in each round hosted at the St George Sailing Club  Just wanted to start off with congratulating the tireless effort of the new committee members where these specific roles have only been taken upon themselves this season. Without the efforts of the persons the season would not have been as successful as it was.  During the season we had one (1) minor incident in runabouts lites class which caused a cease in racing and the last endurance race to be cancelled for safety purposes, other than this incident there were a number of minor racing incidents although no injuries as a result. All incidents were handled exceptional well and communicated in effective manner to uphold how rule of 'safety first' when it comes to holding these racing events.  There were a number of issues raised by the St George Sailing club management in relation to our racing events, mainly the use of the clubs carpark, access to beach and the general behaviour of our members both in and around the club itself. The NSWPWC committee organized a meeting with RMS representatives Andy Robertson & Simon Annabel, St George Sailing club / manly Skiff club representative Brad Andrew and our club officials to speak about the issues raised and to rectify such issues not only to work in partnership with the Sailing club but to also rebuild what is believed to be a communication issue or lack of action in past years and to work with the club so racing can continue in future as the history of racing at this location (St George Sailing club, Sans Souci) is one of significance and importance in our clubs long history and one in which our members and racers value. I sincerely hope that that our memb	Corey Styles	



able to continue to work in conjunction with the St George Sailing club for future events held by our club.

As of the 2018/19 season until further notice the current racing site at St George Sailing club will no longer be able to be used for our events due to the demolishment and rebuilding of a new sailing club which may take a number of months/year. The committee will continue to liaise with the manly skiff & and St George Sailing club in relation to possible future events.

I'd like to acknowledge both the committee members for their assistance throughout the season and I'd also like to thanks the following people (in no particular order)

Liam O'Halloran – always there to lend advice and put in the hard yards to help out and it is for this reason that the club has awarded Liam with the inaugural 'Sportsman Cup Award' for the 2017/18 season.

Hayden – The barge owner. Without the use of this vessel, our season would have been that more difficult to prepare for and was such a useful tool with placing the buoys out in the course.

Evan – Transportation of the barge to and from race site, helping with the race buoys and assisting with plotting the course

Michael Richards – Always there to lend a hand in any capacity he can and is a valued committee member with a host of knowledge of the sport

lan Smith – from watercraft developments for servicing and repairing the MJ's Mark Glew (AJSBA President) – always there no matter what to assist in the operations, logistics and physical assistance in any way for our NSW club

Nathan Wethered – Previous President of the Club for guidance throughout the 2017/18 season.

Paul Leven – (Two times and current Australian Number 1 rider), always there for advice and guidance, great experience on the running of the club, racing and course layout Mike Krouskous and family for assisting when they can with race days, both before and after, their generosity in supplying the club with a shade tent for scorers and Race officials was very much appreciated.

Mark Cavanagh and family for assisting club prior and after race days Rus Pomery and family for assisting club prior and after race days

Corey Reany, Adam Wildin especially for their help in marshalling as well as other person for making an effort and assisting with marshalling.



A huge thank you to Beaches Seadoo in supplying their Can Am's for launching and retrieving skis on race day. This made things not only easier but safer for all person's involved in the day. We hope that this relationship can continue in some way, shape or form in our future events.

Mike King from OzPWC – The man who captures the moments. Exceptional work as usual, such dedication and passion for his craft and for the sport of PWC itself. Valued member of the NSW Club and we thank him for attention to detail and the images videos he shoots.

In ending the NSW season, members of the NSWPWC contacted the AJSBA in relation to the national event and whether it would be taking place. With communication lines open the committee of the AJSBA returned and asked our NSW club if we could assist in holding the national event. Although not an easy task our members were excited to say the least and immediately began to Co-ordinate and assist in the large-scale organization of the national event being the 2018 WSM performance parts Australian water-cross championships.

The nationals was held at Warner's Bay, Lake Macquarie on June 7th - 10th (practice Friday - 8th, racing Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 10th). Our members assisted by transporting our equipment trailer and marshal skis to this location. This effort was not only the correspondence before and after this event but involved a massive physical effort by only minimal committee members as well which was very much appreciated.

With the 2018/19 season in site the committee members have already made contact with numerous locations/councils to hold events for our 2018/19 racing season.

Thank you to the members of the committee that assisted throughout the 2017/18 season and that will continue to assist into the new season.

Corey Styles NSWPWC President



Treasurers Report	We kept the entry fees the same as the 2016/17 season as they worked very well and put the club in a good position. A total of \$39,990 was received in entry fees (this does not include AJSBA Day and Annual License Fees we received), \$2722 in government grants for the Big Weekend, \$4750 in sponsorship from the Big Weekend and \$4220 from the Nationals Merchandise sales.  We had a few major expenses and purchases this season. Our Kawasaki race patrol jetski needed major repairs which cost \$2750, both our MJs needed repairs as well costing \$900 and our rescues boards needed repairs too totaling \$300. We also bought a trailer for the MJ not stored in the box trailer which cost \$500 after the purchase and registration dues were met. The club also bought new A6 blue and green split bouys from the QPWC for \$2000 which were first used at nationals as well as a new club laptop to be used for scoring and social media content creation for \$1018. Many of our radios started to fail so the club purchased 10 new radios with spare batteries for \$1060 as well. Other major expenses included our Race Day Medics, Trophies, Posters and other marketing tools and NSWPWC club uniforms.  The current bank balance is \$8,524.78. We are waiting on \$4220 to be paid to us from the AJSBA with regards to expenses the club paid for and the Nationals Merchandise sales which will put our bank balance to \$12,744.78.  Matthew Skelly NSWPWC Treasurer	Matthew Skelly	
NSW PWC Committee Positions Voted in:	President – Corey Styles Moved by Paul Leven Seconded by Nathan Wethered  Vice President – Angie Shanahan Moved by Paul Leven Seconded by Matthew Skelly  Secretary – Jess Burns Moved by Corey Styles Seconded by Mark Qu		



	Treasurer – Matthew Skelly Moved by Dean Jefferies Seconded by Michael Richards  Social Media – Matthew Skelly		
	Moved by Corey Styles Seconded by Michael Richards		
	General Committee Members: Nathan Wethered Paul Leven Mark Qu Dean Jeffries Liam Ohalloran Mark Cavanagh Nik Pazanin Mark Glew Michael Richards Mike King Mike Krouskos David Helleman Sebouh Bahadourian		
	No objections, all nominations accepted.		-
New business:	Hosting Race days on Saturday instead of the normal Sunday meetings:  This was discussed and due to the fact that a number of members/racers either have work or family commitments on the Saturday this was voted as not a preferred option and to keep racing to a Sunday if not a two day event.		
(tabled items of discussions)	Stand up classes due to change legislation regarding 2 stroke engines sold within the market:		
	Discussed as what classes would be held and will advise further from AJSBA representatives in relation to classes for the 4 stroke / 2 stroke engines as our club wishes to run same as what will be run in a National event.  - To be advised further from AJSBA		



## Live streaming for race days:

Live streaming / recording would not only generate exposure for the sport but also follow in the footsteps of affiliated clubs overseas. It could also be used as a tool to monitor racing incidents and or racers to assist the committee in determining an appropriate and comprehensive outcome and sanction if applicable. Committee advised that this could be looked at outside the realms of the immediate committee members to collate information and possible ideas to make this happen. Possible cost to club was spoken to ranged from \$3,000 - \$4,000 as this was looked into by NSWPWC Committee member for the recent 2018 National event. Could possibly use Local Media Student to do this to keep cost down.

Also from live streaming would need to be strickly monitored and kept PG rated. If no live stream possible, club will also look into the recording and then later being edited and released for exposure and viewing for the jet ski community and members of the public.

This was left in the hands of Nik Pazanin, Julie Williams to conduct enquires into and advise of outcome

## Hydro Drag Racing:

A topic of hot discussion and a number of outside members were in attendance to assist in the production of such an event.

Mark Qu had already made contact with the personnel from Upper Hawksberry River Power Boat Club in relation to possible holding an event such as this and piggy back one of their events.

This being a spectator event, if this event were to proceed it would possibly be a 'stand alone' event on a different scheduled date of the racing series itself.

If NSWPWC was to be the event organizer, then appropriate paperwork and insurance would be required to be completed and approved prior to such event. This was mentioned and a substitute 'Hydro Drags' committee was formed and a private messenger group created for this to be investigated and all information to be shared and organized through this group. Things to be considered were the start barge and cost, length of course and cost per entry etc.

Group member – Mark Qu, Moey Gee, Matty Oneup, Dean Gioulis



Committee Members will be a part of this group discussion as to liaise with these person and advised when required. These personnel were informed to make all relevant enquires into the running and performing of such an event as well as to contact and related formal paper work applications to be completed to get this event up and running.

### Insurance of all club assets and assets register:

Total assets within club are approximately \$60,000. President to look into possible insurances of these assets.

Register to be created and kept on file to manage assets. Register to be supplied to President and list checklist created and kept up to date.

Members advised that they will make themselves available in due course to complete this asset collation.

#### New race locations:

Committee members are still making contact with related councils and RMS re: applications and planning.

NSWPWC have secured 2 x Major Events at Lake Macquarie – Lions Park, Eleebana and this will be the location for the national event.

AJSBA President Mark Glew is continuing to speak with Lake Macquarie Council in relation to a permanent track for events and training which could possibly be at Rafferty's Resort.

Other locations being looked into are: Chipping Norton Wollongong

Nowra

**Central Coast** 

# **Upcoming Events:**

NSWPWC has been approached by the Organizers of the Shoalhaven River Festival and asked to participate in this event and possible put a race on. This



would not be in conjunction with our normal operating race series although would be a great opportunity to showcase the sport and involve those interested from down south and also be a great community engagement and exposure for our sport. This event will be held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Further details will come forth to advise. The organizer's and council have advised that they are more than willing to assist our club in relation to DA's, RMS applications, council assistance and even accommodation.

## Future growth plan:

The last season seen a huge growth in relation to new riders and person wishing to seek further information in relation to racing itself and also to view racing as a spectator only. This was a collective idea from the new committee members and to assist in the growth and exposure. Specific mention need to go to our clubs Social Media Personnel, Matthew Skelly for the formal and professional posts on our social media sites such as our website, Facebook and Instagram pages. This type of marketing and up to date informational posts will be continued in the future.

Some further ideas that were spoken about were 'flyer' sent out to all dealers and related sports business to gain exposure possible have new riders try racing.

Possible waive the fee for first time racers.

Race suits from organisations such as jet tribe, jet pilot etc to provide racers with race gear/equipment so that all racers look and appear professional. This will be sent out to such businesses and will be spoken about further at next meeting.

#### Other business:

Women classes was bought to the table by Sebouh Bahadourian. A vote was taken and Styles/Leven second the notion and the committee will now have a women's limited class.

The committee mentioned that there was a lack of assistance in relation to setting up and packing up, the general committee members were informed that more assistance will be required so that there is less pressure on the 'main' organizers



	and committee members. If this continues to be a trend or lack of assistance these event will be cancelled as safety and assistance is paramount for such serious racing events to continue and operate in a professional manner.	
	Meeting concluded at 5:20pm	
Funds:	\$8,490.65 (As of date of meeting – 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2018) Waiting on payment of \$4220 from AJSBA for Nationals merchandise sales and Expenses the NSWPWC Paid for. Once this payment is received the balance will be \$12,710.65	
Next meeting date:	TBA	

The minutes will be displayed on NSWPWC Website for viewing

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