



Point Yacht Club

3 Maritime Place
Victoria Embankment
Durban, 4000



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF POINT YACHT CLUB HELD AT POINT YACHT CLUB ON 31 AUGUST 2020 AT 18H00

PRESENT:

The Commodore, Mr Myles White (in the chair), and Members as per the register. (Attachment 1)

APOLOGIES:

Ron Lazarus, Rene Roux, Boyce Naidoo, John Pammiter

QUORUM:

A quorum being present, the Commodore declared the meeting to be properly constituted and that he could proceed with the meeting.

1. Notice convening the meeting:

The Commodore read the Notice of Meeting to convene the meeting. (Attachment 3)

Proposed by Trevor Donald and seconded by Mark Weatherill. Voted by all members present:

For: vast majority

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Obituaries

The Commodore advised the meeting of the passing of the following members:

- Bernard John Lewis
- Terence McDonald Ballantyne
- Robert Neil McInnes
- Michael Bennett
- Lesley Hyla Noble
- Donald Walter Pfothenhauer
- Giulio Nunzio Do Cocciante
- Gregory Theunissen
- Paul Green
- John Lee
- Harry Dowle

Members present stood and observed one minute's silence as a mark of respect.

3. Confirmation of Minutes: The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 27 August 2019 were accepted as a true reflection of the procedure of that meeting. Proposed by Trevor Donald and seconded by Rob Bowman.

Voted by all members present:

For: vast majority

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

4. Matters arising

None

5. Commodore and Rear Commodore Reports

The Commodore, Mr Myles White, presented his report to the meeting (Annexure A) followed by the reports of the respective Rear Commodores:

REAR COMMODORE KEELER REPORT – Wayne Smith
REAR COMMODORE DINGHIES REPORT – Rudi Fokkens
REAR COMMODORE YOUTH REPORT – Paul Vermaak
REAR COMMODORE POWER BOATS REPORT – Alan Heath

6. Beach Site development update - Alec Lanham-Love

The building plans took time due to Covid. Plans were only handed to the council on 3 August. Internal building has taken place. Ablutions have been amended as there was only 1 shower and 2 toilets. The front end of the club is being sorted first. We have just under R1m to spend, while the club next door is spending R10m. We need to secure the back area of the club with Clear-Vue fencing and gate.

Extraction units are being donated by Richard Eslick from DPSC.

Durban Paddle Ski club signed their final document on 30 August, so PYC will have some access to funds from the paddle ski club. Racks have been installed. There will be about 40 racks for the fishing skis. Paddle-skis can be put in by the middle of September. The R70 per month, rack charge will start by November. There is a R100 joining fee which will help with the racking cost.

There will be access from the back of the club.

Henri is hoping that by 1 October the club will be ready enough to allow people in. There will be toilets but probably not hot showers. Tiling is going in this week.

Craig Millar and Eddie Goldblatt will sort out the ceiling. The clubhouse will have a warehouse style look. 'Sails' will be suspended at different levels on the ceiling.

Sue will take down names for paddle-ski racks.

Mr Lanham-Love appealed for donations and advised some equipment will go from PYC.

Two coffee vending machines are needed.

Alec asked if perhaps Dave Cuthbert has an old coffee machine? Fridges, waffle makers, ice-cream machine, two and three door under-the-counter fridges, ice-makers, dishwashers are needed,

Greg de Beyer offered a display ice-cream fridge. Alec thanked Greg who has done a lot of work on the site and has welded racks together.

Mast needed 8 meters long to make a flag pole. It will be rigged with spreaders.

Mike Surgeson offered an anemometer.

3 large TV's needed.

Anyone with contacts in the below mentioned areas are requested to put names forward: Anyone good at graphics such as Paul Changuion, a RNYC member? A graphic will go on the side of the club closest to our new neighbours. Racks for Stand-up paddleboards (SUPs), surf-boards and bicycle stands will be erected in an enclosed safe area and rented out to generate funds.

Tables and loungers are needed and an iconic Captains table is being sought.

Wayne Smith asked for a list of what is required to be circulated among the members. Alec will put down a list of items needed, and requested cash donations and advised good second hand items will be gratefully accepted.

Rob Bowman asked about the protocol of getting boats on and off the beach. Kevin Bingham has worked with Greg de Beyer and Henri Frencken on the beach protocols and Alec advised a beach protocol has been signed with our neighbours. Access will be on the south side, through a boom gate. You don't need to be a member of PWC to access the site.

Thomas Funke asked for a list of details.

Denmar Nel advised he will circulate lists of what is required and will donate R500.

Andrew Dolloway from Ladybird will make indoor plants available.

Chris Ballard asked about the proposed footfall and will look for some sponsorship.

Parking is directly adjacent on the north side of the club. We are hoping for preferred rates from the council. There is parking at Ushaka, but it is quite far away. Natasha Govender, from the council, is in charge of the promenade area, and Alec is hoping for success on that front.

Bowman asked about getting on and off the beach. Alec advised that 4x4 cars and trailers can be taken onto the beach and parked up against the promenade wall.

Liquor license has been applied for and we should have it by the middle of November.

Members can BYO (bring your own) at present. The existing Public showers are very good.

7. **Finance Report - Lydia Salt** presented the report on club finances. Lydia advised that the books were very clean and neat this year, and thanked Lorna in the accounts department for her hard work. Jan Cronje, Director, Krona Accountants and Auditors Inc was introduced as the new auditors. Membership income is up in 2020, compared to 2019, due to an increase in fees, as the number of members is still reducing. There are currently 674 members.

Last year there was a loss of R89k, this year we have a profit of R160k, so even though our income is not much greater than last year, a profit was made as all costs have been cut and membership fees increased. Careful management and budgeting is needed going forward. The new beach site should be opening soon and new members should be joining. PYC GenCom has ensured the risk is well managed.

Henri Frencken queried the R25k electricity bill, and Ed de Lange advised that the club has installed monitors to check on usage, and said the fridges were high usage. Henri suggested a 3 month cost analysis to compare lockdown usage with pre-lockdown usage.

Security costs were questioned. Darryl Williams advised that a Labour dept inspection required a trained night security guard with support from a security company. He advised this cost can be looked at, because there is a Police Station on site. It was suggested a remote to an armed response company, with a night watchman on site be looked at.

Krona Accountants and Auditors Inc were appointed as the Auditors for the upcoming year.

The Annual Financial Statements as circulated were approved. (refer to annexure C)

8. **Election of Office Bearers:**

The following were elected unopposed for the following year:

a. Honorary Life President: Mr Vernon Goss

b. Honorary Life Vice President: Mr Dave Cuthbert

c. Trustees: Messrs Dave Cuthbert, Kevin Bingham, Rob Bowden

d. **Honorary Vice Presidents** - Peter Latter, Henri Frencken, Gavin van der Meulen and Gareth Davies

e. **Commodore** - Myles White

f. **Vice Commodore** - Robin Hulley

g. **Rear Commodores** (Keelers - Wayne Smith, Dinghies - Thomas Funke, Youth - Cornell Pretorius, Power Boats - Alan Heath, Paddle sports - Greg de Beyer)

h. **General Committee** - Rob Bowman, Alec Lanham-Love - Beach site, Chris Sutton - Safety, Ed de Lange - Communications, Lydia Salt - Finance and Cay Hickson - Scribe, were co-opted onto the General Committee

i. **Finance Committee** - Lydia Salt, with assistance from Jeremy McLoughlin, Commodore and Vice Commodore

j. **Watersport Committees**

- Sailing: Keelers - Struan Campbell, Theo Nagel, Tim Attwell,

- Dinghies: Vince Nel, Rudi Fokkens, Justin Butler, Denmar Nel,

- Youth: Cornell Pretorius and TBA

- Paddle sport: Greg de Beyer and TBA

- Power Boats: Mark Weatherill / Finance / Admin, Anthony Fuilerhade / Competitions, Kevin Nel / Chairperson Body Corporate Shelter Group, Paul Commons / Maintenance.

Kevin Bingham presented the flag officers with PYC flags.

YACHTSMAN (SAILOR) OF THE YEAR AWARD:

Due to no sailing during Covid there was no sailor of the year award.

CLUB HONOURS:

Jackie de Fin was awarded club honours. She has made headlines during the year for her work at Sail Africa.

9. General

Neil Barnes wanted to know why the financials were not circulated prior to the AGM. Myles White advised that a decision was taken a few years ago, that the financials would not be distributed publicly before the AGM, and that has continued. But as soon as the financials were signed and completed on Friday of last week, information was circulated and all members were invited to inspect the AFS in the club office. Statements were also made available to members at the AGM.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21h15.

Read and approved by the General Committee on this 13 day of October 2020



COMMODORE

Read and confirmed at the Annual General Meeting of Members held on this xx day of August 2021

COMMODORE