

MINUTES OF 2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE WEITI BOATING CLUB INC. HELD IN THE CLUBHOUSE, #1 FAIRHAVEN WALK, 2pm SUNDAY 25th JULY 2016

The Commodore, Mike Rowe, opened the meeting at 2.00pm, 36 members signed in.

1. APOLOGIES:

Vilma Hooper, Tony Willis, Steve Williams, Peter and Shirley Austin & John Rea

Accepted: Mike Rowe / John Tate

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD 19th JULY 2015

The 2015 AGM Minutes were circulated to all members.

Mike Rowe asked if there were any matters arising from the minutes.

The minutes were accepted as true and correct.

Janet Boyle / Colin Thrush, Carried

3. COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Commodore's report circulated to all members. Mike Rowe asked the AGM attendees if they'd had a chance to read it, and did it need to be read out at the meeting. The members replied that it did not need to be read at the meeting.

David Craig / Stan Bolton, Carried

4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

The audited accounts, audited by S. de Jongh, were distributed to the members. Tony Peat presented the financials to Year End March 2016. Tony Peat explained the Financial Performance of the club. Revenue is up but there have been extra expenses this year due to the repair of the upriver dinghy pontoon. Apart from that club activities are stable year to year. Tony Peat called for questions, Chris McGuire asked how many piles need replacing, Chris was advised 50 are left to do with 20 being replaced this financial year.

Mike Rowe / John Tate, Carried

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Commodore	Mike Rowe	E Tate / T Peat
Vice Commodore	Evelyn Tate	M Rowe / K Davies
Rear Commodore	Michael Long	M Rowe / J Tate

Mike Rowe advises that Tony Peat is stepping down as Rear Commodore, and there has only been one nomination for the position of Rear Commodore which is Michael Long.

Mike Rowe congratulated Michael Long and presented the Rear Commodore's Flag.

Mike Rowe advises that there have been eleven nominations for Committee Members received:

John Tate	M Long / P Mummery
Kerry Davies	T Pear / M Rowe
James Fitness	S Bolton / K Davies
John Deeney	M Long / C Thrush
Peter Wright	J Tate / E Tate
Stan Bolton	E Tate / C Thrush
Glenda Fawcett	E Tate / M Rowe
David Craig	M Rowe / J Boyle
Donald Wright	E Tate / C Thrush
Colin Thrush	E Tate / M Rowe
Nick Elais	E Tate / M Rowe
Andy Berns	E Tate / M Rowe

Mike Rowe asks for extra nominations from the floor, no nominations received from the floor.

Nominees that are new to the Committee, Nick Elias, Donald Wright, Peter Wright & Kerry Pearson, stand up and

introduce themselves.

Mike Rowe / Evenly Tate, Carried

Mike Rowe announces that all nominations for the committee are elected. The members responded with applause

Mike Rowe advises that Peter Arcus is stepping down as Vice Patron and Gus Gager will be the new Vice Patron

Patron: George Turnbull

Vice Patron: Gus Gager

Auditor: S. de Jongh to be confirmed as auditor for the 2016-2017 year.

Mike Rowe / David Craig, Carried

That completes election of officers.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS:

a) Budget 2016-2017 and beyond – Budget was present to the members. Colin Thrush advises that the club is a little better than last year financially. 30K has been put aside each year for the hardstand filtration system and it will be sitting at 190k by the end of this year. 20 piles will be replaced this year. The main pontoon will be replaced in 2017/18

b) Subscriptions for 2016-2017 – Colin Thrush suggests that the Senior, Family and Associate Memberships stay the same this year. Next year subscription might increase due to some major projects at the club.

Senior Membership set at \$265.34 Mike Rowe / John Tate, Carried

Family Membership set at \$319.10 Mike Rowe / John Tate, Carried

Associate Membership set at \$72.98 Mike Rowe / John Tate, Carried

c) Works Committee Report – Mike Rowe thanks the works committee for their hard work this year.

Committee members: Mike Rowe (chair), John Rea, Roger Price, Alex Marshall, Stan Bolton, John Deeney. Co-opted members David Craig & Peter Mummery

FINISHED PROJECTS

- New roof on clubhouse deck
- The middle section of the boat ramp has now been replaced
- Holes in the lower section of the ramp have now been repaired
- 4 new garage doors for the dinghy lockers have been installed
- The sub-siding sea wall by the upriver pontoon has been repaired
- Refurb of the inside of the patrol boat

CURRENT PROJECTS

- 20 piles will be replaced in Aug/Sep
- Filtration system for the hardstand
- Maintenance work on the wheeler
- Maintenance work on the mast gantry
- Playground
- Environmental Management Plan
- New carpet for the clubhouse
- New waste oil tank for the hardstand

FUTURE PROJECTS

- Main pontoon
- Upriver dinghy pontoon
- Hull on patrol boat needs painting
- Caps on piles, can anyone help with this during the week or weekends?

d) Communications Committee Report (Evelyn Tate) –

Strategic Plan – A group of members have been working on the Clubs 2, 5 10 year strategic plan, together with Kevin O’Leary from North Harbour Sport. Incorporating the results of the club member’s survey sent out recently.

The feedback was missed but mainly positive. With some good ideas on where improvements can be made.

As of our last meeting we are well on the way to completing the draft program, the basic layout is

- What we want to concentrate on
- What we want to achieve
- How do we achieve it
- & how do we measure it

Once we have finalised this, the next steps will be to add a time line to the tasks & allocate the task force & responsibilities

As with any business plan, this is a very much a fluid document, meaning it will change & be modified as tasks are completed, added or reschedule, or as there is urgency is determined.

Playground – Is well underway and the playground equipment donated by the council is now on site in storage, thanks to the help of some energetic club members. The perimeter fencing has been purchased and is also onsite in storage thanks to KDL Constructions who gave a very good price and free delivery. The next steps are to position the playground posts in the ground and fence the area. The budget for the playground is \$3000.00, of which we have spent \$1900.00 so far. Some beautification is planned for the area between the club house and playground to create an area to relax & enjoy when the sun returns.

Health & Safety – we have recently engaged the services of HazardCo to assist us with our Health and Safety requirements. This is a comprehensive program to ensure we keep our membership and those we come into contact with safe. We have new signs posted around the club grounds. Particular care needs to be given to the yard area, with heavy vehicles, ladders, power tools, slippery ground and public traffic and the car park area which sometimes has a large volume of activity. Please report any unsafe features in and around the club grounds. This is a developing program so once again if you have any constructive ideas in this regard please let Katie or myself know.

e) Sailing report (Kerry Davies) – Over the past year the Sailing Committee has carried on working on the goal to improve the numbers of boats participating in our club racing. To help achieve this we have continued to combine the Winter Series, Barfoot and Thompson Short Handed Series and some of the Cruising races with Gulf Harbour Yacht Club. This has been successful and beneficial to both clubs in making for more competition for our racers, and therefore has also attracted other boats to our events.

Our club is also organising a combined cruising race and social event with Milford Cruising Club which will be held early next year on Anniversary Weekend. The summer seasons cruising racing had an average of six boats entering in each race which is down on the numbers for the previous year, this is maybe partially because of weather conditions at the time, but we are really hoping to see more boats participate in these races next summer season. Working in with other clubs may help to make these events more interesting and appealing for our club members, with new and different competition, as well as having the opportunity to meet other people in our local sailing community. Short-handed racing has been successful again this year with the Barfoot and Thompson Two Handed race having up to 13 boats participating on race day. We trialed a new idea of having two Male/Female Short Handed races over the past summer season instead of one, as numbers had been low for this event, and we were pleased that this has seen numbers improve, so will continue with the holding of two races for the coming summer season. This year's Ladies Race had a good number of entrants and also enjoyed having the participation of sponsors out on the water, a tradition which has continued for the last four or so years. A bit more of a breeze this year gave a more exciting day for the woman racers and enthusiasm was shown for next year's event.

Overall, the club has been able to maintain the level of participation in the past years short handed racing events, with even a slight increase in some races, and we continue work with new ideas to improve numbers for the cruising races, while it has been encouraging to see a few new entrants coming out to compete in the Winter Series. The Sailing Committee would like to thank the club members who have helped out over the year with the race management on the start boat and also the after race prize giving functions in running the bar and supplying refreshments.

We are also looking at ways to encourage more volunteers to help with the running of our races by making it more appealing for them to come out and be part of what's happening. All the races we have on our calendar require people to run them, and we are always in need of more volunteers to help with race management out on the start boat. At present we are relying on just a few people to do this and we really do need to have more club members

become involved. It certainly makes the start boat more fun to be on if there are more people to help on board, so anyone interested in helping out is most welcome.

Kerry Davies moves that the trophies remain at the club for now on, seconded George Turnbull. ALL IN FAVOUR

f) Social Report (Janet Boyle) – The Social Committee comprises 8 Ladies who are enthusiastic about developing the social side of the Club. Last year Olive Brighthouse and Sally Maynard resigned and I would like to thank them very much for the wonderful contribution they made over the years. We were very fortunate to welcome Sue Long, Glenda Fawcett and Ali McFarland, thank you to these ladies who have already proved their worth! They joined Janeann Freeman, Janice Haferkamp, Claire Hunt, Katie Clark and Janet Boyle.

Along with our usual mid winter dinners and Christmas Party, we have also hosted the Ladies Race, season opening / prize giving dinner, new members night, working bee morning teas and have looked after the BBQ for the winter series on a monthly basis. Last summer, unfortunately, we didn't open the bar on Saturdays but we hope to this coming summer. One issue we have with regard to opening the bar more often is a lack of qualified bar managers. If anyone is interested in getting a bar managers licence please see Katie. I'd like to thank Dave Craig who is always willing to manage the bar when asked.

If anyone has any ideas for social functions that they think would work for the Club please come and see me! We are very happy to put on more functions if the Club members support them.

g) Start boat use – David Craig ask if the start boat could be available for fishing and dive groups to use. Mike Rowe advised that this is a committee decision and should be brought up at the next general committee meeting.

h) Neighbours membership – Stan Bolton suggested an idea of a neighbour's membership. Mike Rowe advised that this is a committee decision and should be brought up at the next general committee meeting.

i) 50th Anniversary 2018 – Gary Morris spoke of what the club did for the 25th Anniversary, there was a decision on what the club could do for the 50th anniversary and a sub-committee would be set up to organise the 50th

j) Commodores message -

Mike Rowe thanked the members for attending and closed the 2016 AGM at 3.25pm.