

THEEWATER SPORTS CLUB

BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

DATE Friday 15 November 2024 TIME 19:00 FACILITATOR Grant Ekermans Chairman

PRESENT

Stan Wallace - Vice Chairman, Futures and Human Resources

Lloyd Lomas - Caravans, Cabins and Camping

Johan van Dyk - Events and Marketing

Michelle Marais - Finance

Clinton Dante - Food and Beverage

Anders Buchwald - House and Grounds

Neil Ashton - Commodore and Information Technology

Bruce Kelly - Trustee

Stuart Brown - Trustee

Erica Waller - Trustee

Francois le Roux - General Manager

Julie le Roux - Board Secretary (in absentia audio)

1. WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed the attendees.

2. APOLOGIES

none

3. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The by-law amendments will be discussed at this meeting instead of the one scheduled for 16 November. The attendees approved the agenda.

4. ADOPTION OF BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES - THURSDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2024

The Minutes of the previous Board Directors' Meeting were adopted.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES – THURSDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2024	ACTION
5.1 The H&G Com will get prices for the self-catering cabins project and ensure that it gets underway. This project may need to be delayed until next year as it is not in the strategic plan for this year. (Point 5.1)	H&G Director needs to be made aware of this decision.
5.2 The Water Sports Committee is to focus on the development of water sports for the local community as this has implications for the Club's lease with the Department of Water and Sanitation. (Point 5.9) This point has been actioned within the Water Sports Committee.	
6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT	ACTION
Water Sports Affiliation invoicing:	
It has been a learning curve for the Fin Com and admin staff, enforcing the Club's Constitution regarding members belonging to a water sports affiliation. We feel like we have refined the process so that it will run very smoothly next financial year.	
Some members have taken issue with this and are refusing to co-operate and will unfortunately be blocked at the gate due to being in bad financial standing.	
SA Sailing Membership fees:	
331 members invoiced = R134 213.92	
25 members pays their SAS Fees via other Clubs.	
33 members are exempt from paying SAS Fees, over the age of 70.	
Affiliation to WPFAA (Western Province Freshwater Bank Angling Federation) and SAFBAF (South African Freshwater Bank Angling Federation):	
The Club needs to pay – R1 300.00 / year membership fees.	
The Members pays R60.00 / year membership fees.	
29 members invoiced = R3 000.00	
Members of Other Affiliations:	
Waterski Association: 1 Member	
Swimming Association: 4 Members	
Canoeing SA: 1 Member	
Affiliation to other Angling Clubs: 8 Members	
The discussion regarding "curfew hours" for non-members needs to be approved, please:	
After careful consideration, the following suggestions were made:	
No non-members will be allowed access to the Club after 20:00 to visit the restaurant and bar.	
Non-members that enter the Club before 20:00 will need to vacate the restaurant and bar by 22:00.	
Day visitors will need to vacate the Club by 20:00 in Summer and 17:30 in Winter. The idea is that the public visitor area is vacated before it gets dark. Most resorts and nature reserves apply this rule.	
Unfortunately, most incidents are traced back to local social members so I suggest that if the bar and restaurant is not open, the same curfew applies to these social members as to the non-members. If the bar	

and restaurant is closed and you do not have a permanent site and have not paid for overnight camping, why should you have access to the Club after dark?

Staff will be trained to be familiar with these procedures and signage will be made so that the rules are clearly visible to all. Membership application forms and by-laws will be updated to reflect these changes.

Please note that with official water sports and Club events, we will adjust the curfews accordingly.

The financial implications to Club revenue have been considered and will be negligible. Members need to come first.

The implementation of the rules will be simplified using a colour coded arm band to identify public day visitors and public campers when visiting the bar/restaurant.

We will change the colours of the arm bands from time to time so that visitors cannot "recycle" their bands for different visits.

DWS

I have reached out to Quaggaskloof and Worcester Yacht Club so that we can join forces to work on the issues with DWS. They are in a similar position. Quaggaskloof is keen to do so. Despite meeting with the regional manager, both TSC and Quaggaskloof have not had any resolution to the problems with getting building moratoriums lifted and leases renewed.

New Website

The admin staff received the link to the new TSC website and have made a list of "tweaks" that need to be made. A professional photographer was at the club on Monday to take photos to update the photos on the existing website – some of which are "stock" photos or are outdated. Some information needs to be updated too. A meeting will be held with Neil, Johan and Grant next week so that they can give their feedback.

Special projects

The House and Grounds Committee met on 5 November to approve the new design of the public day visitor ablution block. It will no longer be a container but a wooden structure in keeping with the existing ablution block designs. This is to lower costs.

I collaborated with many other committees as reflected in their committee reports.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS ACTION

7.1 Caravans, Cabins and Camping

01. by Law Amendments

Scrutinising of the Bylaws by the committee will be undertaken to see where we can improve, amend or correct items. These will be put to the board for approval.

02. Bylaw transgressions

The General Manager continues to institute the new disciplinary code on a number of Members who have chosen to ignore the bylaws.

03. Site Inspections

This is an on-going exercise and will continue to ensure that the standard at club is maintained and that members adhere to the bylaws.

04. General

a) Public side upgrade

In terms of the Terms of reference we will be collaborating with the General Manager, House and Grounds, Finance and Futures committees with respect to the public side.

b) Alternate mobile home concept

This was presented by our member Robert Hicks. We have asked him to submit an email with detail. These structures are in essence based on the concept of cold storage units using polystyrene sandwiched between a chromadek outer and inner.

05. WORKSHOP

The following matters were discussed briefly at the board meeting held on the 12/09/2024. A meeting will be held within the next week to discuss proposed by-law amendments.

1. Container housing and enclosing of carports

After a number of requests from member, this matter has been investigated .The proposal is attached.

Carports are not cabins and the municipal bylaw is plan in this regard. They make reference to it been; "carport" means a structure for the storage of one or more vehicles that is covered by a roof, provided that not more than two sides may be permanently enclosed.

In terms of bylaws of the municipality they refer to Caravans and Mobile homes.

Although the full proposal is attached and reference made to Shipping Container Cabins we should possible in line with the Municipality refer to our cabins as mobile homes and amend the bylaw accordingly. This will make sense as the term is self-explanatory and we need not have always defend the fact that the Cabins are movable.

2. by Law Amendments

Bylaws amendments recommended by the committee.

3. Latte

The committee has formulated a specification for Latte in order to achieve some uniformity.

A detailed application together with the specification will be sent to members wishing to put up latte. The current application form is attached and should the board agree with the

recommendation the necessary changes will be made to the bylaws.

4. Sidings

We have had a few requests to allow a siding to cover the upper section on a Carport to assist with protecting the caravan from water and wind. Proposal is attached.

5. Gabion Baskets

Proposal to allow this as an option to protect the front sites from water damage.

7.2 Events

New Event Dates

- Donkey Derby Moved to 27th of Dec
- Kids Treasure Hunt 14 Dec
- Childrens' Christmas party 21 Dec
- New Years Party 31 Dec

Donkey Derby

- . Look at ways to make buy-in cheaper to facilitate more rounds
- Keep with the Mexican Theme

Childrens' Christmas party

- Staff and Members Kids
- Cost R50 per kid
- Keagan / Francois to be Father Christmas

Welcome Pack

Members to get a welcome pack with the events and some sweeties on arrival for Dec Holiday

7.3 Marketing

Executive Summary

With the prolonged winter / bad weather, there was less activity at the club, resulting in less content to share on social media. We have seen a drop in our social media due to the lack of content and multiple events that used to be held in previous years. We hope the Cape Classic along with the Festive season will help us create content for our platforms and increase our marketing effectiveness. We are still currently without a committee, various people will be approached in the coming weeks to help beef up the marketing at TSC.

Social Media

Facebook still remains our primary social media platform with instagram as our secondary. With the prolonged winter, we have not had the same amount of content to generate posts, etc as per previous years, hence our facebook reach is down. More activity on Instagram led to a significant growth in reach and this should be focused activity should remain in place going forward. We do need to add additional training to ensure story post are done regularly as well as adequate tagging and # is done.

7.4 Finance

1. Audit feedback

Some documents e.g. solar system financing contract (Sasfin, Nashua) are still outstanding, but the team is working on obtaining all relevant documentation for submission to the auditors.

We are still battling to get SARS to update the club representative status. Seems to be an admin problem on SARS side but we will persevere.

Jacky has not heard anything from them this week but has been able to supply all other documentation requested by them.

Kelly is still going through control accounts but does not think this will affect the audit.

2. Affiliation fees invoicing feedback

It was suggested that affiliation fee payments from members be "ringfenced" so that they do not get used to pay for operational expenses.

The group discussed challenges with invoicing and collecting affiliation fees from members. They agreed to give members a deadline to provide proof of membership in other water sports associations,

and to invoice those who do not comply. The team also plans to propose changes to the club's affiliation policies at the next AGM.

Grant clarified that the Club is currently in good standing with SA Sailing so we do not need to pay over any more fees until January.

The aim for next year will be to pay SA Sailing by August next year in order to get 20% of the fees back for development sailing. This can go towards reinstating Theewater Sailing School.

A discussion arose surrounding encouraging members to belong to SA Sailing as opposed to other federations as the benefits to the Club (20% money back and development opportunities which DWS wants to see). SABAA is another good option too.

Jacky will only give a SA Sailing fees credit note to members that have provided proof of membership to another water sports federation.

Kelly suggested that R 10 000 be transferred to the investment account so that it can be paid over to SA Sailing when possible.

As only 28 people and R 2 880 has been invoiced for WP Angling and it expects R 1 300 from TSC to join the association, it was decided at the AGM so it needs to be reviewed by the Board at its next meeting using these statistics.

3. Cash flow for November

The team discussed the club's overall financial situation, including the need for tighter cash flow management. Some income will come in from the Rally and USSA Regatta.

The options to get a revolving loan or bigger overdraft were discussed. It is a cumbersome process.

It was agreed to schedule a dedicated session in January to review the budget for the next fiscal year and develop a long-term strategic and infrastructure plan.

4. Figures for Board meeting on 15 November

KS to send the figures to MM by Monday so that it can go to the Board by Thursday.

5. Review and implement procurement cap for F&B

Kelly raised concerns about lack of financial controls and transparency in the restaurant operations, including issues with stock management, cash handling, and event revenue. The group agreed to implement stricter procedures, such as requiring the restaurant manager to provide weekly financial reports and obtain approval for purchases over a certain threshold – 35% of the income of the previous week.

Francois explained the rationale for hiring a new restaurant staff member to provide additional oversight and support for the existing restaurant managers. The group debated the merits of this decision, with Kelly initially expressing reservations but ultimately agreeing it could be beneficial if the new hire is empowered with the right responsibilities.

6. Communication to staff regarding bonuses

FLR to communicate that staff must not bargain on 100% bonus this year.

7. Public ablution block project

Francois has managed to come up with a cheaper plan (R 100 000) than the original container idea – a wooden structure on a cement floor.

Some of the costs can be put on the Club's Vilko account and the rest of the expenses will be broken up into manageable payments. An investor will pre-pay subs to the value of R 100 000. This will affect our cash flow and VAT next financial year.

The Market Committee will be approached to advertise the new public day visitor area in the hope that this area will generate more income.

8. General

A discussion arose surrounding when VAT needs to be paid – on invoice or when the Club receives the money? Kelly says it has to be on invoicing.

The group summarized key action items, including finalizing the financial reporting, onboarding the new restaurant staff member, and preparing for the upcoming board and AGM meetings. They expressed optimism about the club's future direction despite the current challenges.

No staff purchases will be allowed going forward.

Kelly will be at the Club from 12 November. Office staff to discuss procedures. Will Dominique be doing F&B capturing? She will need to be included in training.

Only one permanent site is available at the moment.

7.5 Food and Beverage

Pushing through our slow season, the F&B staff did their best to offer wonderful specials to those who braved the cold, wet and windy weather.

Winter season has finally turned the corner. It was not our greatest off season. Events were quiet with the Donkey Derby having to be cancelled due to weather and participation. We will utilize the nachos and tacos now during December.

We will be reverting to our previous wood supplier from Worcester. Guaranteed dry wood but at a premium. Also offer now Rooikrans wood and fire starter wood. Sales are good with no complaints.

We were fortunate by steal Dominique from Kelkiewyn as The Galley' Front of House face. Fincom signed off and she started 1 November. Very good response by patrons.

Bar stock has been filled up to cope for the upcoming biker's event. Top up will be done when necessary. Fincom has further signed off that we keep a 3-week stock holding heading into season.

Steaks were removed from the menu at the beginning of the year but were placed back due to demand. Sales are doing well. Even better than before.

The F&B team was fortunate to obtain prawns at a ridiculous low price (price mistake from supplier), thus can give back to our members. Slightly higher GP but still extremely value for money. We currently offer a starter of 12 Queen prawns with savory rice or chips and now add - on prawns to any meal.

Bikers' weekend is upon us, and we are ready. Input from suppliers is very bad this year due to new reps. We managed to get 2 draught machines for bikers and Dec. I also got Dairymaid ice cream in starting from this weekend to assist in having stock for our customers. This also allows better variety.

The Pizza Oven project has been put on ice as the committee voted the have it in the kitchen. At this current time, there is no space. Refer minutes 11 October. A small kitchen extension was recommended under the current roofing structure. Extra fridges are also required – this will come from the existing budget allocation.

The committee has recommended a bylaw change with regards to Xmas and Easter bar/galley open times – see bylaw change suggested for Saturday workshop.

In response to the altercation at the bar in October, the committee has further recommended entrance and access changes for the public – see minutes 11 October 2024.

Bar Nett income – R30 055 less than same period last year (YTD). We foresee that this will pick up, close the gap as the summer & holiday season is upon us.

Biker Rally in November this year - last year earlier

We had some though winter weather and storms which also forced weekend closures.

Bar Gross profit - R26 598 less than same period last year (YTD)

As above

Restaurant Netto income – Loss of R105 429 (YTD) but compared to the same period last year we made we improved with R144 309. Last year to date the Restaurant showed a Loss of R249 738.

Restaurant Gross profit - R75 784 more than the same period last year (YTD)

Bar GP % - 56% versus 57% for same period last year (Down with 1%)

Restaurant GP% - 53% versus 39% for same period last year (Up with 14%)

Good controls and we keep looking out for those great specials. Continuing war on waste.

Upcoming events: Keelboat & Dingy Racing (salads and rolls)

Bikers Rally

Kids Xmas Party

New Years Eve Bash bar and galley specials.

Magnetised name tags will be ordered for staff.

(JLR)

7.6 Futures

There has been no need to review either the Strategic Plan or the Site Development and Aesthetic Framework.

The focus is currently on developing and implementing a Performance Management System in terms of which the performance of the GM can be managed and his performance can be rewarded. Accordingly, there is no progress to report in terms of the development and implementation of a Performance Management system.

As the strategic plan and the performance management and appraisal system is in the main focussed on risk containment and mitigation, it is not at this point considered necessary to introduce a formal risk management system.

In view of the above, no need existed for a meeting of the Futures Committee.

7.7 Human Resources

The Performance Management Policy, Performance Bonus Policy and the Performance Contract and Appraisal Template were viewed at the meeting.

The Board approved all the policies presented.

7.8 House and Grounds

Feedback on completed projects:

- Repaired the 8 covered boat parking roofs that were damaged in a storm
- · Lights were fixed and replaced on these boat parking sheds
- Installed barrier where NSRI building was situated
- Replaced broken poles for barrier at boat and trailer parking next to Bridge House
- · Road was filled with stone in front of Beele's Park boat sheds
- Fencing around club cabin towards afdak completed
- Beele's Pond dam wall cleared of vegetation adjacent to road
- · Additional clearing of invasive trees around the club
- Drinking water tanks have been cleaned in preparation for busy season
- Fence of hobie yard and public camping from site 1 to 15 has been repaired
- Numerous water leaks repaired
- Stoep of club cabin painted
- · Club cabin's roof was sealed and given a second coat of paint
- · Tractor, Lotto and Gosling were serviced

Current projects from now to December (over and above normal repairs and maintenance):

- Install jetty
- Scrape roads
- · Install irrigation behind afdak and in front of bar stoep
- · Ensure all facilities are neat, tidy and functioning for busy season
- · Cut down some pine/beefwood trees at Plaat
- Demarcate Plaat sites ensure equal spacing
- · Events' preparation e.g. Kraai Rally, Cape Classic Regatta

Special Projects:

· Ablution block for day visitor area

Quotes were obtained for 2 x 6m containers and 1 x 12m container – 12m option works out R 28 000 cheaper – currently experiencing cash flow problems so a Fin Com meeting was scheduled to overcome this.

The following alternative solutions will be used to achieve the objective:

Plant ablution block structure support poles, Cast a cement slab for flooring,Build structures' side frame between poles, Clad outside structure with wood similar to existing ablution blocks, Install IBR roof. With this we will have achieved the same goal as having a blank container delivered and positioned at the Club which will still need to be stripped and modified to make it an ablution block. The costing on doing it this way is R 45 000 instead of R 65 000 for a 12m container or R 94 000 for 2 x 6m containers. We are not just going to save money on this project, it will be faster, may end up being more aesthetically pleasing in keeping with the desired "look and feel" of current Club structures. The intended structure will also be bigger than a container, giving visitors more room inside.

Future Planning:

- There is a rapid decline in the condition of the asbestos roof in Beele's Park. The H&G committee is busy investigating alternative solutions and also considering how this may impact future planning.
- Finalising restaurant and bar extension we are waiting for plans from the draughtsman and will be discussing additional modifications to the club house and afdak areas for consideration by the futures committee.

7.9 Information Technology

Discussion Topics

Our discussions included the new website development and updates, gate access control solutions, point of sale systems, cell phone signal boosting solutions and IT infrastructure and cabling issues.

1. Website Development and Updates

The website is expected to be completed by the end of October, with a progress meeting scheduled for next week. Immediate updates are required for outdated information on the current site. If the new site isn't live by the deadline, the existing site must be updated to reflect current directors and trustees.

- Progress Meeting: Francois will arrange a Zoom meeting next week to discuss the website's progress with the marketing team.
- Current Website Updates: Grant emphasized the need to update the existing website with current information if the new site is delayed.
- Action Item: Francois to ensure the current website is updated if the new site is not live by the end of October.

2. Access Control Solutions

The committee discussed various access control solutions, including Bluetooth and number plate recognition systems. Concerns were raised about the effectiveness of current systems and the need for a comprehensive solution that integrates with existing membership management.

- Bluetooth System: A cheaper Bluetooth option was discussed, but concerns about its limitations in tracking member entries were noted.
- Number Plate Recognition: Shane mentioned the potential for using existing cameras for number plate recognition, though costs and software integration were highlighted as challenges.
- Action Item: A wish list for access control features will be created, and a shared document will be set up for committee input.

3. Point of Sale System

Neil is in contact with HRK regarding a new point of sale system that may require new hardware. The integration with existing accounting software (Xero) is a priority to streamline operations.

- HRK System: Neil is awaiting a quote and will follow up on the integration capabilities with

 Xero
- Demo Request: Grant suggested obtaining a demo of the HRK system to evaluate its usability before implementation.
- Action Item: Neil to arrange a demo and follow up with HRK for a detailed proposal.

4. Cell Phone Signal Boosting Proposal

Lourens presented a proposal for improving cell phone signal at the club, which could be costly but necessary for better connectivity.

- \bullet Initial Cost Estimates: The proposed solution could exceed R100,000, depending on the number of antennas required.
- Alternative Solutions: Shane suggested exploring partnerships with cell phone providers for potential income from antenna placements.

Action Item: Lourens to follow up with the signal boosting company for a revised quote and feasibility study

5. IT Infrastructure and Cabling Issues

Concerns were raised about the current state of IT infrastructure and cabling, which is cluttered and potentially unsafe.

- Cabling Compliance: The need for separate conduits for data and electrical cabling was emphasized to ensure compliance and safety.
- Action Item: Neil to address cabling issues with Vinet during the next meeting and propose a plan for re-routing and organizing cables.

6. General Feedback on Meeting Minutes Format

The committee expressed satisfaction with the new format for meeting minutes, which allows for more efficient documentation and discussion tracking.

- Approval of Format: The committee agreed to adopt this format for future meetings to streamline the process and improve clarity.
- · Action Item: Neil to continue using the new format for future minutes.

Next Steps

- Schedule the website progress meeting for next week.
- Follow up on access control wish list and demo requests.
- Investigate cell phone signal solutions further.
- · Address IT infrastructure concerns in the next meeting with Vinet.

Website Update and Meeting

The website is still outdated, and a meeting is needed to discuss progress and necessary updates. A quick Zoom meeting with marketing is to be scheduled for input on the website.

• Francois le Roux to arrange a Zoom meeting with marketing for next week to discuss website progress and gather input.

Website Content Update

The current website contains outdated information regarding directors and trustees. Immediate updates are required if the new website is not live by the end of October.

• Francois le Roux to ensure the current website is updated with the latest information if the new site is not live by the end of October.

A meeting has been setup for Thursday 20 November with the company concerned. Further feedback will be provided thereafter.

Equipment Condition Assessment

There is a need to assess the condition of outdated equipment at the dam and determine if it should be repaired or removed.

• Shane Wiscombe to investigate the status of the outdated equipment at the dam and report back on whether it should be repaired or removed.

Access Control System Proposal

Discussion on the access control system and its integration with existing systems is ongoing. A comprehensive proposal is needed for future budgeting.

• Shane Wiscombe to compile a wish list and scope of requirements for the access control system and share it with the committee for feedback

Point of Sale System Integration

The integration of the new point of sale system with existing accounting software is crucial. A follow-up is needed to ensure compatibility and gather further information.

• Neil Ashton to follow up with the point of sale system provider for a proposal and demo software to assess integration with existing systems.

Unfortunately, HRK have indicated that they would not be prepared to assist with the integration of Xero into their software at this time. The committee will need to find another solution that fits our needs.

Cell Phone Signal Boosting Proposal

The proposal for boosting cell phone signals at the dam is under consideration, but further investigation is needed to determine feasibility and costs.

• Lourens Marais to gather more information on the cell phone signal boosting proposal and explore alternative solutions for better connectivity.

IT Infrastructure Improvement

The current IT infrastructure needs improvement, particularly regarding the organization of cabling and compliance with regulations.

• Neil Ashton to prepare a plan for rerouting data cabling away from electrical cabling to improve organization and compliance.

7.10 Water Sports

Discussion Topics

Our discussion included Opening of the Season Ceremony, Committee Member roles and responsibilities, Lipton Challenge Cup '25, Club sailing calendar, Cape Classic '24, Stadt Provincials '24 and Club boats

Opening Ceremony

Neil proposed standardizing the opening cruise to the last weekend of September to facilitate planning. While Mary-Anne indicated that there may be potential scheduling conflicts with other events, there were no objections.

Member Roles and Responsibilities

Neil emphasized the need to distribute responsibilities among members to avoid burnout.

Role Assignments: Grant will oversee dinghies. David will manage radio setting. Emiel will focus on community transformation sailing. Mary-Anne prefers an advisory role due to travel commitments. Record Keeping: Henning agreed to take on the role of record keeper for regattas and member participation. Di will be approached to look after keelboat sailing. Brian Ferguson will be invited to join the committee as the cruising representative.

Lipton Cup Participation 2025

The group discussed the potential for Di to participate in the Lipton Cup next year, with varying opinions on the timing of the decision.

Timing Concerns: Henning and David expressed caution, suggesting that it may be premature to commit without more information about the event's format.

Decision Postponement: Neil agreed to wait for further announcements regarding the Lipton Cup before making a commitment.

Club Sailing Calendar and Event Scheduling

Neil proposed a new structure for the Club Sailing calendar to promote both keelboats and dinghies effectively.

Event Scheduling: Suggested scheduling keelboats for Saturday afternoons and dinghies for Sunday mornings to accommodate sailors participating in both.

Proposed Dates: Neil presented several potential dates for events between October '24 and May '25, and sought feedback on conflicts with other regattas.

19 & 20 October

16 & 17 November

14 & 15 December

25 & 26 January

22 & 23 February

15 & 16 March

26 & 27 April

Cape Classic Regatta

Neil indicated the need to start marketing the event sooner rather than later and asked May-Anne if she had last years spreadsheet of volunteers. Mary-Anne answered in the affirmative. Neil to speak with Johan van Dyk regarding marketing.

Stadt Provincial Regatta

Mary-Anne and Henning to take care of regatta organisation. Neil will endeavour to find a provincially qualified Race Officer.

Updates and Progress Reports:

Youth Nationals 2025 Tender

Neil reported that a tender for the Youth Nationals 2025 was submitted recently, and he is awaiting a response.

Decision-Making and Problem-Solving:

Opening Ceremony to be the last weekend of September in future

Announcements and General Discussions:

Club Boats and Impound System

The meeting concluded with discussions about the club's boats and the impound system.

Agreement to donate the Club Mirrors to Izivungu if no interest is shown by the end of September.

Discussion was had on how best to disperse of the Club Stadt if no offers were received by end September, no decision was made.

A decision was made to sell Hobo and ringfence the funds to use for development sailing.

Discussion on the potential sale of other Club boats, including Hobies and Oppies, no decision was made. Henning emphasized the need for clear communication regarding the impound system to ensure members understand the process and implications.

MAC Reciprocity Agreement

This agreement must have the same terms and conditions as the GBYC reciprocity agreement.

Water Sports Committee is to develop a policy document for reciprocity agreements with other clubs.

8. NEW CLUB MEMBERS

The following new Club members were approved effective 15 November 2024:

- Cameron Bennetts
- Wvnand and Jannike Beukes
- Petrus and Lelane de Villiers
- Arnold and Heidi Kern
- Clement and Tonya Martins
- Maria van Kamp
- Hermanus and Megan Wagner

9. DATES OF NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

- Friday 24 January 2025
- Friday 14 March 2025
- Friday 25 April 2025
- Saturday/Sunday 17/18 May 2025 Annual General Meeting

10. GENERAL

- 10.1 GM has obtained a procedure from an attorney, detailing how the abandoned assets can be disposed of/auctioned by the club. A decision was made to circulate the procedure to the Board, send one last communication to the members and then go ahead.
- 10.2 Local OK is launching a delivery service and wants to use the club as "guinea pigs" during the busy time. It is likely that more service providers e.g. Checkers 60 60 will do this in future so the club must move with the times. A suggestion was made that groceries are dropped at the gate house for collection by members. A decision was made to not make use of this delivery service.
- 10.3 A discussion arose surrounding giving members an option to erect more cost-effective "cabins". The CCC Com will take the proposal to the Futures Committee for consideration.
- 10.4 A meeting will be held in the following week to discuss the proposed by-law amendments.

11. CLOSE

The Chairman thanked Board Directors and Trustees for attending the meeting.