



**MINUTES OF THE 70th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE PORTSEA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.
CONDUCTED AT
TOORAK BOWLING CLUB
9 MANDEVILLE CRESCENT TOORAK
ON TUESDAY 13th AUGUST 2019**

Present

Club Patron

Fildes OAM, Mr. R.

Honorary Life Members

Campbell, Mr. I.	Milligan, Mr. A.S.
Fisher, Mr. R.	Moulden, Mr. R.
Hewitt, Mr. A.	Riddell, Dr. S.
Hood, Dr. N.	Traynor, Mrs. S.
Hunter, Mr. C.B.	Wells, Mr. G.

Active Members

Biviano, Mr. A.	May, Mr. A
Blewett, Mr. S.	McKendrick, Mr. H.
Byrne, Mr. J.	McNamara, Ms. S.
Evans, Mr. C.	Mellor, Mr. J.M.
Gould, Ms. R.	Mellor, Mr. R.
Harrison, Mr. D.	Mitchell, Mr. G.
Hunter, Mr. O.	Paynter, Mr. S.
Judge, Mr. H	Perrott, Mr. C.
Kerr, Mr. D.	Perrott, Mr. M.
Kift, Mr. W.	Pizzi, Mr. M.
Kiss, Mr. A.	Rayner, Mr. S.

Kiss, Ms. R.	Stoll, Mr. W.
Lamb, Ms. J.	Tissot, Mr. N.
Madden, Ms. A.	Traynor, Mr. S.
Madden, Ms. N.	Traynor, Mr. C.
Mahon, Mr. M.	Willis, Ms. L.

Associate Members

Kift, Mr. A.	Madden, Mr. S.
Madden, Ms. J.	McLean, Ms. F.

Visitors

Dwyer, Mr. H.	F&B Consultant
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1. Opening

The meeting was opened by the President at 7:32 p.m. Recognition and welcome was given to the Club Patron, Mr. Rob Fildes OAM and the Life Members present.

2. Apologies

Apologies were noted from the following members:

Adams, Mr. N.	Martin, Mr. N.
Adams, Mr. T.	Nola, Mr. J.
Blewett, Ms. S	Paterson, Mrs. E.
Croft, Mr. B	Paterson, Mr. D.
Hall, Mr. M.	Schall-Riaucour, Mr. A.
Knight, Mr. S.	

3. Confirmation of Proxies

No proxy forms were received.

4. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 69th Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 69th Annual General Meeting, held on 21st August 2018, were read. Attention was called to errors in the nomination table shown in the circulated minutes:

- The entry "T. Clarke" should read "A. Hewitt".
- The row entitled "Education Director" should be deleted.

At the direction of the meeting, the minutes were signed as a true and correct record, subject to the correction of the errors identified.

Moved McKendrick, Mr. H.
 Seconded Traynor, Mrs. S.
 Carried by unanimous show of hands

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

Nil.

6. Correspondence

Nil.

7. Presentation, Consideration and Confirmation of the 70th Annual Report

The Club Patron, Mr. Rob Fildes OAM, addressed the meeting, congratulating the Club on its recent successes.

The President presented highlights from the 2018/2019 Annual Report, including:

- The Club of the Year submission.
- Summary of the clubhouse rebuild project.
- Acknowledgement of the Club's financial backers, building sub-committees and volunteers who have made the rebuild project possible.
- Summary of lifesaving statistics, including special reference to the preservation of "no lives lost".
- Acknowledgement of Mr. Chris Perrot as the LSV regional leader.
- Summary of Club awards for the 2018/2019 season.
- Special acknowledgement of Simon Knight achieving the club's first 50-year active service award.
- Acknowledgement of Mr. Rowan Cameron for the success of bronze camps for Frankston High School and indigenous students from St Teresa's, Abergowrie.
- Record numbers participating in the Portsea Swim Classic, with 2000 swimmers.
- Mr. Matthew Mahon was recognized for winning the Club's Wishart award.
- The President recognised the passing of Mr. Terry Smith.

A motion to accept the 70th Annual Report was then put to the meeting

Moved Dr. N. Hood
Seconded Mr. M. Pizzi
Carried by unanimous show of hands

8. Presentation, Consideration and Confirmation of the 70th Annual Financial Statement and Balance Sheet

Mr. A. Biviano presented the audited Financial Statements for the 2018/2019 financial year and narrated major points, including:

- The club is in a strong financial position and the Treasurer is comfortable that the club will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.
- The Treasurer acknowledged that the Naphthine Fund contributed \$184K to the Rebuild project.
- The club has taken on debt to help fund the clubhouse rebuild: the Portsea Foundation contributed a loan of \$700K; a bridging loan of \$200K from Westpac bank will be closed in the next couple of months.

Questions were invited:

- The Treasurer was asked what the club's financial position will be after the building costs have all been accounted for. AB indicated that the club expects to emerge from the rebuild project with approximately \$1m in the bank.
- The Treasurer was asked at what point does the club plan to look at the future to make sure the club is financially secure in the long term and ensure that the members can control the club's future? AB indicated that the club's financial position is being constantly monitored and that he plans to review the club's longer term financial strategy in the next 6 months, once we have a clear picture of annual operating costs of the new clubhouse. Members of the Committee added:
 - o The club prefers to be in control of our own destiny, rather than having to rely on the Foundation for financing.
 - o In recent years the club has returned a surplus of about \$250K-\$300K each year.
 - o The Westpac loan is a short-term bridging facility.

- There are further pledges still to come in.

A motion to accept the 70th Annual Financial Statement and Balance Sheet for the 2018/2019 financial year was then put to the meeting.

Moved Mr. A. Milligan
Seconded Mr. C. Hunter
Carried by unanimous show of hands

9. Building Redevelopment Update

Mr. Matthew Mahon gave a presentation detailing the status of, and recent developments in the clubhouse rebuild project. Questions were invited and responses were provided in relation to:

- The planting plan for the Southern dune.
- The general difficulty of the project and the efforts of builders and all parties involved.
- Acknowledgement of Club members who hosted the building tour during the opening celebrations.
- The planned walkway around the radio room.
- Acknowledgement of the effort and contribution of all members of the Building Sub-Committee.
- Acknowledgement of the overall success of the project in preserving the club and delivering an amazing building.
- Acknowledgement of the fundraising efforts of Nick Martin.

The President introduced Mr. Wayne Stoll to present on the Food & Beverage (F&B) solution for the clubhouse. Mr. Stoll provided a detailed presentation of the planned approach. Mr. Henry Dyer introduced himself as the Club's F&B consultant and summarized the approach proposed for the F&B offering in the new clubhouse. Questions and responses arose in relation to:

- Holding club events at the new clubhouse and making the clubhouse available for hire for private events.
- Arrangements for managing accommodation facilities.

10. Historian's Update

Ian Campbell provided an update on the clubhouse memorabilia and historian activities with a focus on the means by which memorabilia will be displayed at the clubhouse. Mr. Campbell acknowledged Fiona McLean's contribution.

The President acknowledged the contribution of Ian Campbell and Fiona McLean in preserving the club's history.

11. Election of Office Bearers for Season 2019/2020

The President thanked the Committee members for their efforts during the year, declared all positions vacant, noted that all positions were uncontested and welcomed all new Committee members into their respective roles.

The President thanked all Committee members and acknowledged departing Committee members: Ms. Rebecca Gould, Mr. Sam Paynter and MS. Emily Mellor. The President also thanked all members of the Club's sub-committees.

The President gave a farewell address, thanking the club for his 8-year tenure which was wonderful and rewarding. He welcomed new committee members and congratulated Mr. Matthew Mahon on his election to the role of President.

Position	Nominee	Proposer	Secunder
President	Matthew Mahon	S. Rayner	C. Hunter
Club Captain	Matthew Perrott	M. Mahon	E. Mellor
Deputy President	Andrew Hewitt	M. Mahon	R. Mellor
Treasurer	Angelo Biviano	R. Mellor	M. Mahon
Secretary	Robert Mellor	M. Mahon	E. Mellor
Director	Jodie Madden	M. Mahon	M. Perrott
Director	Brett Croft	S. Paynter	M. Mahon
Director	Christopher Perrott	M. Perrott	M. Mahon
Director	Jessica Lamb	M. Perrott	M. Mahon
Director	Hamish McKendrick	M. Mahon	R. Mellor
Director	Nicholas Tissot	M. Perrott	E. Mellor

The outgoing President then handed the chair to the new President. The room rose and applauded in recognition of Mr. Rayner's service.

A presentation was made to departing Committee members.

Matthew Mahon addressed the meeting, welcoming new Committee members and describing the three themes he wishes to follow: engagement, operating model and values.

12. Confirmation of Annual Subscription Fees

Mr. Robert Mellor explained that the Committee's recommendation was to leave the club's annual subscription fee schedule unchanged for the upcoming season and proposed a motion accordingly.

A motion to leave the club's annual subscription fee schedule unchanged for the 2019-2020 season was then put to the meeting.

A vote on this motion was initially omitted, but was covered later in the meeting.

Moved Mr. R. Mellor
 Seconded Mr. W. Stoll
 Carried by unanimous show of hands

13. Motions:

13.1. Resolve as an ordinary resolution to elect Mr. Stuart Rayner to life membership of the club.

Dr. Sophie Riddell gave a presentation detailing her proposal to nominate Mr. Stuart Rayner to be elected to life membership of the club. Mr. Andrew Hewitt provided a short speech in support of the nomination. Mr. Rayner left the room while the vote was carried out.

Resolve as an ordinary resolution to elect Mr. Stuart Rayner to life membership of the club.

Moved Dr. S. Riddell
Seconded Mr. A. Hewitt
Carried by unanimous show of hands

Mr. Matthew Mahon mentioned that Mr. Tim Adams wanted it to be known that he was supportive of this resolution.

Mr. Rayner was welcomed back to the room as a life member and gave a short acceptance speech.

Life members Mr. Graeme Wells and MR. Angus Milligan took the floor and made a presentation of a polo shirt.

A request was made to investigate making Mr. Rick Berry a life member posthumously.

14. Confirmation Appointment of Auditor, Honorary Solicitor and Honorary Medical Officer for Season 2019/2020

14.1. That the Auditor for 2018/2019 be Walker Wayland Advantage
Moved Mr. A. Hewitt
Seconded Mr. S. Rayner
Carried by unanimous show of hands

14.2. That the Honorary Solicitor for 2018/2019 be Mr. Jeremy Smith of Gadens Lawyers
Moved Mr. A. Hewitt
Seconded Mrs. S. Traynor
Carried by unanimous show of hands

14.3. That the Honorary Medical Officer for 2018/2019 be Dr. Natalie Hood
Moved Mr. S. Rayner
Seconded Dr. S. Riddell
Carried by unanimous show of hands

15. Affiliation with Life Saving Victoria Limited & Surf Life Saving Australia Limited

It is required by Surf Life Saving Victoria that the following resolution be put to the Annual General Meeting of all clubs.

"That affiliation be sought for 2019/2020 with Life Saving Victoria Limited ("LSV") and, if affiliation is granted, the Life Saving Club agrees to abide by and be subject to the Constitution, By-Laws, Regulations, and Resolutions, together with the awards and equipment of LSV, without reservation."

Moved Ms. R. Gould
Seconded Mr. H. McKendrick
Carried by a majority show of hands.

16. General Business

The Committee was requested to investigate creating a membership card for life members.

Mr. Darren Kerr asked to establish a working committee to review the process for life membership and Wall of Fame recognition and make recommendations for improving the recognition of the contribution of members, including adding a category of life membership for special life members. Some discussion followed. Mr. Matthew Mahon summarized the discussion by agreeing that the Club should do a better job of recognizing members.

Mr. Dwight Harrison highlighted an error in the masters results in the Annual Report tabled at the meeting.

Mr. Richard Fisher addressed the meeting, stating that bullying and harassment should not be tolerated and should have consequences. The President stressed the importance of culture in determining behaviour of members.

The President acknowledged and thanked the younger members who attended the meeting.

17. Close of Meeting

The President thanked all attendees for their attendance and participation and closed the meeting at 9:57 p.m.