

NSW Union of Rowers Inc
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 26th August 2018 held at Sydney Rowing Club

1. Present: Phillip Titterton (Chair), Keith Jameson OAM, Terry Maher, Brian Guthrie, Barbara Ramjan, Anne Craig, Kim Rudder, Louis Petrin, Margot Harley, Geoff McIntyre AM, Anne Titterton, Ian McIntyre.

2. Opening: The President Phill Titterton opened the meeting at 11.07am and welcomed all attendees.

3. Apologies: were presented for Iain MacDonald, Steve Roll, Mick Poole, Dr Eric Carter, John Childs, Ian Toll, Tony Blower, Vic Schweikert, Neil Holmes, Dr Philip Sharp, Barry Moynahan OAM, Ken Ambler, Laurel Ambler.

4. Obituaries: The passing of the following former rowers was noted (The opportunity for a moment of silent respect was missed.): George Neilson OAM, Geoff Knight (Sydney), Charles Watson (Drummoyne), Laurie O'Donnell (Leichhardt), David Williamson (Port Macquarie/StGeorge), Malcolm Ritchie (Mosman), Dallas Smith, John St Vincent Welsh.

(Terry Maher and Phil Titterton brought the meeting up to date with the condition of three other members' medical travails)

5. Adoption of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the 27th August 2017.

Moved Keith Jameson OAM, *Seconded* Louis Petrin, that the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the 27th August 2017 be taken as read, and that the minutes be adopted as a true and accurate record. *Carried.*

6. Business Arising from the Minutes. No items for discussion arose.

7. Consideration of the 2017-2018 Annual Report and Financial Statement.

7(a) The Annual Report was presented by Phill Titterton.

7(b) The Treasurer's Report and Auditor's Report were presented by Anne Craig. Geoff McIntyre AM commented on the healthy state of the accounts and praised the work done towards the Scholarship Fund, commenting on the success of the program. Phill Titterton thanked Anne Craig on behalf of the committee for her work over the year.

7(c) Terry Maher presented the Merchandising Report, recording his appreciation of the Manning River RC for providing a convivial location for a sales point for the major retailing event of the year.

7(d) Louis Petrin commented on his Archives Report, noting a recent Donation from George Towns' connections held currently by Sydney Rowing Club, and flagged that he is expecting to spend more time looking into cataloging the collection and mechanisms for promoting Rowing History to the general public with a view to unlocking memorabilia that might be of value.

Anne Titterton raised the idea of advertising for assistance for Louis and offered assistance with this.

Phill Titterton thanked Louis for his efforts.

Moved Keith Jameson OAM, *Seconded* Barbara Ramjan that the Annual Report and Financial Statement be adopted.

Carried.

8. Office Bearers.

Phill Titterton presented the following unopposed nominees for the various positions noting that several of the nominees were "Apologies" for the meeting.

- (a) Patron – Geoff McIntyre AM
- (b) President – Phillip Titterton
- (c) Deputy President – Tony Brown
- (d) Elite Vice President – Terry Maher
- (e) Vice Presidents – Dr Eric Carter, Brian Guthrie
- (f) Public Officer – Anne Craig
- (g) Treasurer – Anne Craig
- (h) Honorary Secretary – Kim Rudder
- (i) Honorary Auditor – Simon Croot

(j) Committee Members – Keith Jameson OAM, Barry Moynahan OAM, Barbara Ramjan, Ian Toll, Louis Petrin, Neil Holmes, John Childs, Dr Philip Sharp
Moved Terry Maher, *Seconded* Anne Craig that the incoming Executive be appointed and endorsed by the meeting. *Carried.*

9. General Business.

- (a) Terry Maher presented the qualifiers for “**50 Years Service Certificates**”:
- (b) Keith Jameson OAM congratulated Phill Titterton for the work done over the past year holding down both the President and Honorary Treasurer positions.
- (c) Brian Guthrie commented on the role of excursions noting that the concept was fading away due to a combination of lack of interest and/or people in general these days having little spare time with the regatta program being as full as it is.
- (d) Geoff McIntyre AM commented on the Scholarship awardees in terms of their high character and manners. He spoke about the Ted Bromley Scholarships noting the continued support from Ted Bromley’s daughter and her contributions resulting from past letters of thanks and appreciation from recipients.
- (e) Phill Titterton reminded the meeting of the need to review the criteria for the Union’s Scholarship awards.
- (f) Terry Maher thanked the Union for the hosting of the JB Sharp Regatta series and for the role the Web Site played in the organisation of the series.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked members and guests for their attendance and invited all to a barbeque lunch, and closed the meeting at 11.45 am.

Approved.....Chairman/...../2018