



SASC CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NORTH SYDNEY LEAGUES CLUB **Wednesday, 15TH NOVEMBER 2017**

The meeting opened at 8.10 p.m. The President welcomed those present. The president also advised that the third prize of skis from Alpsports that had been drawn at the Social function had been handed back and a new draw would be conducted at the end of the AGM.

There were 26 members present.

APOLOGIES: Jan Edwards, Christine Edwards, Sylvia Gore, Darren Gore, Alan Sutherland, Phil Friedlander, Daniel Kavo, Rebecca Wayne, Sarah Rees, David Collett, David Green, Phillipa Sidwell.

SICK REPORTS Helen is out of a cast after 18 months so good news. Phillipa Sidwell has had a knee replacement and is recovering well. Daniel Kavo is back home after a virus affecting his inner ear. Joan Gardner is getting better after a trip to hospital.

The President asked to start the AGM thanking all the members attending.

MINUTES of the last AGM were emailed to the committee and normal attendees at the meetings.. Rod Peile wanted an amendment to the Presidents report "The President proposes increasing the membership **subscriptions** in 2017...." The Minutes were then moved by Bill Sidwell and seconded Marie Westgarth.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

2017 has been a solid year for SASC with great snow and strong bookings and an impending resolution to the Charlotte Pass lease. The president thanked all members who assisted in Lodge working bees, events in racing, Xcountry and bush walking as well as those that attended the social function. The social function was not well attended, and we will need to reconsider our social offerings to the members.

In 2017 financial membership has grown by 140 due to non-financial members paying overdue subscriptions. There were 76 new members and 97 juniors rolled to adult memberships. All new members are welcomed. At the Kahane working bee it is proposed to rename the upper lounge "Kurt's Lounge"

Club communications continued as quarterly newsletters and group emails covering Lodge updates, passing of key members and social events. Facebook continues to grow thanks to the efforts of Steph Witts.

The Club and the Lodge Cooperative have continued to support our elite skiers Sam Wells and Sami Kennedy-Sim. Both are on track for Olympic selection and we wish them well in their endeavours. The Sponsorship element of the website will be disabled for the duration of the Olympics to comply with Olympic rules.

The Constitution review is taking longer than anticipated as the Model constitution I initially worked on Kirsty Easdale suggested that model may not provide the best outcome. Kirsty will have a draft version by early January.

Asked that all members support our sponsors of the Juniors Guessing Competition. Sun Peaks, Nancy Green's Cahilty Lodge, Alpsports, Snowskiers Warehouse, SX Snow and Sensational Sydney Cruises.

Finally, the President thanked the 2017 Committee, Lodge Directors, Booking Officers and Lodge Managers for their contributions in 2017.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Major items are

1. Net assets are slightly down to \$245,253.90 due to reducing the amount outstanding between the Lodge Cooperative and the Club because of different accounting periods.
 2. Reduction of the value of books because of selling these through new member purchase.
 3. Investments have remained stable across the general investment account,
 4. Juniors and the Xcountry group. Rex Cox fund is marginally up. The social account is down with funds due in from the function recently. Juniors account is down, and the Junior Committee is working on ways to raise further funds as expenses have outstripped income for several years.
- Xcountry account is increasing.

5.. Liabilities have reduced to \$41,062.93. The largest change in in the Rex Cox training fund and the repayment of the liability to the Lodge. The mismatch of the payment of subscriptions into the Lodge account between Lodge FY 31/12 and the Club FY 30/9 there will always be a small debt between the Lodge and Club. Juniors are looking at a loss of \$5000 each year and ways to fix the leakage need to be found by increasing the cost of the bus trip or additional fund raising. The Juniors have had donations for \$18,000 in 2016 and \$24,000 in 2017. Need to decide how many books we need to keep for future 20 is the suggested number

JUNIOR COMMITTEE REPORT

David Green apology due to work commitments. Report was read by Rod Peile. The sponsored skiers of Leticia and Charlotte Murphy, April and Ben Wynn, Louis McCrohon and Jacqueline Lee all competing overseas. The Bus trip was oversubscribed in 2017. The parent helpers are acknowledged Troy Ingle, Linda Fischer, Michael Este, Darren Gore. Preparation morning held at the Longueville Skiff Club was well attended and a great event. SASC sponsored 14 skiers during the Australian season with some excellent results. Theo Coates Most Outstanding Racer and Beatrix Jones Most Improved in 2017. Alpine Junior Club Championships are Nick Pike and Beatrix Jones. Xcountry Junior Champions are Nick Pike and Hannah Williams. Thredbo Junior Interclub the club came a very close second. The Juniors won NSW Alpine Club of the Year and Perisher Cup the juniors team won the Perisher Goblet. The end of year function was well attended by the juniors and much entertainment from the kid's percussion was enjoyed. The winner of the main prize will donate to her daughter who is travelling for the next 12 months. It was very well received.

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Arthur Owens presented the Club Captains report. Pleasingly the Club has excelled in most events this year. The Captain thanked the Directors for their continued support to all programs for elite and developing athletes. The Senior Interclub team won, the Juniors took out the NSW Alpine Club of the year and Race week was well supported. The replacement shield was displayed.

Race week for 2018 planning has commenced with KAC hoping to reduce all their involvement to one day. TAC is still keen to work with SASC

A request for a computer to be made available from June to Race week was made to facilitate testing of the new Thredbo "payment by racer" rather than the previous "payment by time."

The Club Captain thanked Robert Kavo, Alastair Sloan and Kim Easdale for their support during race week.

CROSS COUNTRY & BUSHWALKING REPORT

Bob Sims presented the Xcountry report. 8 walks were planned in 2017- two were lost one to rain the other to heat. Annual Summit tour bus trip was very successful with 27 skiers. Nordic week full lodge. Easter at Kahane was popular with walks from Perisher and bike rides. An enjoyable weekend was had camping at Alex Theakston's at Abercrombie National Park. The last event on 25/11 will be a Xmas picnic walk at Lane Cove National park.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Marie Westgarth presented the Social Committee report. One social function which was socially fantastic but not generally not well supported.

LODGE REPORT:

Presented by Tim Moore. Charlotte Pass Village have been awarded a Head lease for 40 years and lodges have been given a 6-month extension to review the lease. Early Dec we will be negotiating with Charlotte Pass Village to establish more details around the proposed lease. Summer fire upgrade work in the kitchen dining room area will commence of some doors and the Managers area will be done during the Perisher working bee. Winter was successful financially and in bookings for the Lodge. Thanks to Booking Officers and Lodge Managers.

BEN RICKETTS

Management are planning to increase occupation of Ben Ricketts lodges by greater use of the website, local groups, new caretaker communicating more widely in the local community. They are re-engendering their Lodge shareholders (19 shareholders) to use the facilities. Non-refundable donations of \$50,000 have been made by some shareholders to upgrade bathrooms and Managers accommodation. SASC have not offered a donation.

Ski associations report

NSWSA the vote on the unitary model with SSA was carried by 75% in favour with a voting turnout of 57%. The NSWSA board will explore working operations with SSA over the coming 12 months developing a high-performance centre in Jindabyne. ACT Snowsports will be meeting 2 weeks for an update of the acceptance of unitary model.

At SSA the major development was the appointment of Mick Branch as Program Director for Alpine. He has made great progress but has taken leave for a period in which the National Alpine Committee (NAC) will take on the development of the new working model for Alpine.

There has been increase funding from Australian Sports Commission due to the number of Snowracers members.

Acceptance of all reports moved by Alastair Sloan seconded by Bill Sidwell.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP: There were no nominations.

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2017-2018 SEASON

No positions were contested, and all incumbents offered their services again for 2018.

PRESIDENT	ROD PEILE
VICE PRESIDENTS (4)	LINDY ELLIS-JACK, PHIL FRIEDLANDER BILL SIDWELL DARREN GORE
SECRETARY	KIM EASDALE
ASSISTANT SECRETARY	LARA EASDALE
TREASURER	PETER COLLETT
ASSISTANT TREASURER	DAVID COLLETT
CLUB CAPTAIN	ARTHUR OWENS
VICE-CAPTAIN	ROBERT KAVO
SOCIAL SECRETARY	MARIE WESTGARTH
EDITOR	HELEN PEARSON

All continued in their current positions.

Ratification of	
JUNIOR RACING COMMITTEE - CHAIRMAN	DAVID GREEN
CHAIRMAN NORDIC & BUSHWALKING COMMITTEE	BOB SIMS

DELEGATE TO SKI ASSOCIATIONS: KIM EASDALE.

LODGE DELEGATE: TIM MOORE

Confirm	
AUDITOR	RON GILES

CALENDAR

Has been planned as per the normal meeting schedule. Winter will commence a week later, and the meetings have been moved accordingly. Charlotte Pass will open for Winter 2018 on 9th June and remain open to 30th September. This could mean the Clubs will need to be open for this period. There could also be other changes around summer activities in Charlotte Pass.

KAC have replaced all office staff and they have appointed a functions coordinator. They are looking to have a movie night and it is proposed SASC joining them for example a Warren Miller movie night. Lower cost and it could be interesting difference.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Charlotte Pass stores weekend has not been determined-? end of April.

Honorary memberships were discussed. Please remember these are available as older members choose to discontinue their membership. Gerhard Maye, Tommi Tomasi, Dorothy Lance are examples of this membership.

Lodge booking program will potentially incorporate the membership database.

Some new members are pressuring booking officers and the Secretary making booking prior to their membership being processed.

Proposers are not fulfilling their role in introducing the new members. Incomplete applications are also common. Helen Pearson suggested going back to the proposer to say their introduced member has been difficult. It was suggested that the Proposer needs to send in the application with all relevant documents to assist the education and setting of expectation of new members. Rod Peile will talk to Danielle Ozelins and Christine Edwards and we will explore again at the Feb next meeting.

Charlotte Murphy has become an adult but has applied for sponsorship through the Juniors. Rod Peile will talk to Charlotte about her plans.

3rd prize in the Juniors raffle drawn at the end of season function was declined by the winner so redraw was held with winners being -Karen and David Pearson.

They have also won the Snow skiers Warehouse prize in the initial draw.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 09.30 p.m.