

**Ski Racing Queensland AGM**

**30th July 2025**

**Zoom Conference Call**

Meeting Opened at 7.04p.m., Chaired by S. Smith.

Elected Officers: David McCallum (President) Stewart Smith (Vice President), Debra Opperman (Treasurer), Edwina Best (Secretary)

**Attendees:** Stewart Smith (SS), Peter Best (PB), Dave McCallum (DM), Chris Singleton (CS), Jason Davis (JD), Derek Mountney (DM), Nathan Walker (NW), Scott Cleaver (SC).

**Apologies:** Nil

**Correspondence:** Registration renewals for vessels.

**Minutes from 2021 AGM**: Accepted : D. Mountney

 Seconded: E. Best

**Business Arising from minutes:**

Nil

**President’s Report:**

D. McMillan stated that there wasn’t anything to report as no racing had taken place in the last 12 months.

**Vice President:** S. Smith also stated that, as Vice President there was nothing to report, however as SRA Delegate he will report in General Business.

**Financial Report** –

D. Opperman reported:- Gross Profit Nil. No income received.

 Expenses $3,330.15

 Balance - General Account $2,126.22

 Event Account $5,413.95

Total $7540.17

Accepted – D. Mountney

Seconded – C. Singleton

Chair called for all Positions to be declared vacant and called for nominees for 2025/26.

**Election of Officers**

**President:** D. McCallum - nominated by C. Singleton, seconded S. Smith. D. McCallum accepted nomination.

**Vice President:** S. Smith – nominated D. McCallum, seconded C. Singleton. S. Smith accepted nomination.

**Treasurer:** D. Opperman - nominated C. Singleton, seconded J. Davis.

D. Opperman accepted nomination.

**Secretary:** E. Best - nominated C. Singleton, seconded D. Opperman

E. Best accepted nomination.

**SRA Delegate**: N. Walker - nominated C. Singleton, seconded J. Davis.

 S. Smith – nominated N. Walker, seconded E. Best.

M. Titmarsh – S. Smith stated that M. Titmarsh was unable to fulfill position.

 N. Walker declined. S. Smith accepted nomination.

At this stage S. Smith stated that there will be a need to replace SRA Delegate in the future as currently Position can be held for a 2-year term consecutively over 6 years.

SRA Race Committee position, currently held by S. Cleaver. S. Cleaver stated that if there was anyone else wanting to Stand, he would step away. No nominations received.

S. Smith congratulated all Nominees.

**General Business:**

* J. Davis reported a recall from Mercury regarding SRQ’s large barge requiring a retainer bracket for shift linkage. Mercury donated engine, needs to be carried out by Mercury Dealer. S. Cleaver to supply parts to D. McCallum.
* S. Smith proceeded with report on SRA Board. For a number of years SRA have not been in line with their Constitution due to COVID pandemic. Next AGM will call for new Chairman.
* Slowly reclaiming Compliance.
* Bank account currently balanced at $600,000.00.
* SRA not in position to Sanction Events as all insurances (exception of D & O Insurances) are on hold.
* NSW Maritime have extended 60knot speed limit till mid-2026. SRA received Maritime’s Draft Report to which they have till 15th August 2025 to reply.
* 3 expert Professionals have been engaged to address Maritime’s recommendations.

Risk & Compliance – S. Goss who has done previous work for SRA., a concussion expert (un-named), Dr. Gibson – PPE gear and testing equipment. As Maritime Report becomes a public document all recommendations will stand.

Compliance – K. Lindsell, S. Shipp & B. McMillan working on all compliance documentation;- race grading system, competitor progression system, web- based App centralises system to manage compliance systems.

PPE – wet-suit, helmets & helmet restraints have been tested on rigs – no on water testing to date. 2 Manufacturers for wet suits, Rubber Jungle & Williams. Wizard have not yet attained sanctioning as no documentation has been received to date. Helmet release clips to release up to a certain speed – above a certain speed they are to remain intact.

* World Team have been endorsed providing all new equipment is used. 6 skiers & 12 competitors will attend 2025 World Titles. SRA not funding or supplying Insurance as Event Organiser is responsible for all insurance needs.
* Return to racing will be under controlled conditions possibly later this year.
* Maritime Draft Report forwarded to Tweed River Ski Club as they are independent to SRA. Their type of racing is mostly what Maritime have adopted in their draft report, but SRA are aware that their type of racing is not that of SRA’s.
* McKay Ski Club is till racing.
* S. Cleaver enquired costs involved in utilising Professionals etc., as he is still waiting for reply from SRA regarding annual Membership paid but only having 3 rounds in Wagga.

S. Smith reported new Compliance costs for 1 off documentation. Concussion expert (un-named) & Dr. Gibson, at this stage have been free of charge. Test equipment supplied by MOTEC free of charge. SRA are exploring Grants to cover costs instead of using Membership monies.

Days of jumping into boats to fill teams as require are gone. No more TBA’s.

* Insurances to be investigated for Event holders having to cancel any Event.
* S. Cleaver commented that with all the expenses incurred is it viable for SRQ to continue under the extra requirements and expenses that will be needed for future racing. There seems no point in building up Sport for diminished number of Members.
* S. Smith reported that SRA are looking at any Class over 80mph will require new equipment whereas below 80mph equipment costs won’t need to be as high which may attract Member numbers as the investment wouldn’t be needed.
* S. Smith also reported that a new rule is to be introduced regarding yielding – if a boat approaches team within 100metres then the team must pull over and allow boat to pass.

There being no further business Meeting closed at 9.39p.m.