

Annual General Meeting

10 August 2020

President John King opened meeting at 11am, welcoming everyone and thanking all for attending 136th Annual General Meeting of Wendouree Ballarat Rowing Club. John noted that there may be some technical difficulties due to the requirement to meet online due to COVID-19.

**Attendance:** John King (Chair), Kelly Bevan, Wendy Jacobs, Kim Gay, Neville Collins, Paul Blanchfield, Jim Kerin, Euan Thompson, Tim Wright, Rick Blanchfield, Simon Beckett, Alicia Ivory.

**Apologies:** Rebecca Stacey. (Technical difficulties: David Rowe, Lynette Egan)

**Item 1: Confirm Minutes of the 135th Annual General Meeting**

John King presented a copy of the Minutes from the 135th AGM.

*Minutes accepted - Moved by Rick Blanchfield, Seconded by Tim Wright*

**Item 2: To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Balance Sheet**

Simon Beckett presented the financial statements (Attachment 1) and noted an overall deficit of $14,470 which was largely due to the final payments for new Sykes fours purchased in prior years. A minor correction is required for the Miscellaneous expenses which should read $12,062. This is made up of $9000 insurance claims due to boat damage and approximately $2000 in refunds from the nationals cancellation. The correction does not impact the overall result for 2019-20.

John King noted that WBRC engaged new auditors this year as previous auditors were unable to complete the audit in time for the AGM. John King thanked Jason Hargreaves (PPT) for his efforts in overseeing and delivering the audit. A major change which was as a result of changing auditors was the inclusion of the shed and boat fleet as assets on the Balance Sheet. Alicia Ivory noted that given the investment in new boat purchases in recent years, it was reasonable to add boats to the financial statements.

*Financial Statements adopted – Moved by Kelly Bevan, Seconded by Neville Collins.*

The Annual Report (Attachment 2) was presented by John King.

*Annual Report accepted – Moved by Tim Wright, Seconded by Euan Thompson*

**Item 3: To elect Office Bearers for season 2020/2021 and recommendations for the new Committee**

John King presented the committee nominations for 2020-21. (No change to 2019-20).

*New Committee accepted – Moved by Kelly Bevan, Seconded by Euan Thompson.*

**Item 4: Recommendations for membership subscriptions 2020/2021**

John King presented the proposed change to student memberships starting 1 August 2021 from $200 to $250. Wendy Jacobs queried the changes and John King confirmed that there was no impact to the Social Membership at $50 per person.

*Changes to subscriptions accepted – Moved by Rick Blanchfield, Seconded by Euan Thompson.*

**Item 5: General Business**

Wendy Jacobs advised that the Dragon Boat return to on-water rowing was postponed given the latest restrictions in place until mid-late September.

Euan Thompson asked to confirm that members storing boats in the shed are required to pay $350, this was confirmed by John King.

Alicia Ivory noted that WBRC was committed to support Dragons Abreast to return to on water rowing and would work with the committee to assist where possible.

**Meeting closed 11:35am**