

RL24 OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING CONDUCTED AT
PAYNESVILLE COMMUNITY CENTRE ON 3RD JANUARY 2007.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Pam & Bryan Cuthbertson	<i>Toucan</i>
Jane & Paul Davis	<i>Street Car</i>
Ruth & Bernie Ryan	<i>Spud Gun</i>
Ian Lane /Daryl Langdon	<i>This Way Up</i>
Michael Reid	<i>Sasha</i>
Michael Shannon	<i>Lowana V1</i>
Simon Walsh	<i>Ohau Rua</i>
Ian Cook	<i>Screamin' Blue Murder</i>
Hugh Hetherington	<i>Miss Tress</i>
James Shannon	<i>Warrigal</i>
Adrian & Alison Cassar	<i>Splice</i>
Jeff Germaine	<i>Running Late</i>
Trevor Jones	<i>Casper</i>
Stephen Lumbery	<i>Thinga Majig</i>
Adam Chambers	<i>Pipe Dream</i>
Brad Taylor	<i>F Troop</i>
Paul Corben/Jan Corben/Ross Corben	<i>Cosmic Sedso</i>

APOLOGIES

Barbara Castles	<i>Pegasus</i>
Darren Dyer	<i>Whatever</i>
Craig & Ian Rainey	<i>Wings</i>
Greta & Wayne Hill	<i>Spiral Navigator</i>

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Accepted as read on the motion of M Reid, seconded M Shannon.

TREASURERS REPORT

The Hon. Treasurer, Trevor Jones reported as follows on the 2006 Financial Year.

Opening Balance:	\$9303.79
Income:	\$2354.80
Total:	\$11658.59

Expenditure:	\$3525.78
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Balance as at 31/12/2006: \$8132.81

Trevor supported his report with the attached statement of Income and Expenditure and moved its acceptance. Seconded R. Corben. Motion carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

(a) Swing Keel Slot Dimension.

The motion circulated via the October 2006 Newsletter by Wayne Hill was moved in his absence by Hugh Hetherington. It lapsed through want of a seconder.

(b) Annual subscriptions for membership of the RL24 Owners Association of Australia.

After discussion, it was moved Hugh Hetherington, seconded Paul Davis that Association subscriptions for the 2007/08 financial year be set at \$25 per boat. Carried.

(c) Horsepower rating of outboard motors.

Simon Walsh noted that, where previously competitors at RL24 regattas had carried outboard motors rated at 6 – 8 horsepower, there was a now a trend in the Class toward the use of much less powerful but much lighter motors. Simon drew attention to the fact that where once the Y.A. Trailable Yacht Safety Prescriptions specified a minimum rating of 6HP rating, this requirement has been replaced with a *performance* capacity. Simon expressed his concern that (1) the use of low-powered motors may compromise if not jeopardize safety in adverse conditions and (2) the carrying of a lightweight motor confers an advantage on that boat over the boat carrying a more powerful motor. He suggested that the new Committee seek a broad range of views within the Class and bring a motion addressing the issue to the next AGM. In so doing, Simon recommended that the Class adopt 5HP as a minimum power for outboard motors carried during RL24 regattas.

In presenting an opposing opinion, Brad Taylor and Bernie Ryan made the point that their lightweight motors adequately met YA performance requirements and expressed the view that it would be against the philosophical nature of the Association as a development class to discriminate against innovation.

The discussion concluded with agreement that the Committee would attempt to consult with the membership as widely as possible and bring the matter to conclusion at the next AGM.

(d) Man overboard procedures.

Brad Taylor reported to the meeting that during an early Heat, an adult member of his crew had fallen overboard. Brad spoke of the difficulty of retrieving the crewman and urged other skippers to be mindful of the necessity to be prepared to deal with such an eventuality. He strongly supported the carrying of a boarding ladder fixed to the transom which folds down below water level.

(e) Attendance at RL24 2006 State Titles.

Pam Cuthbertson expressed her extreme disappointment at the failure of the Class (other than owners from host club, Colac) to support the State RL24 Championship held in conjunction with Colac's Annual Regatta at St. Leonards Y.C in December 2006.

(f) Venue for the RL24 National Championships 2008

Association Secretary Paul Corben reported that approaches had been made to Mannering Park Sailing Club on Lake Macquarie, NSW to secure their agreement to hosting the next National Championship. At this stage, no response has been received but, unofficially, there is reason to believe our request will be viewed favourably. As part of the discussion regarding regatta venues, it was moved D Langdon, seconded J Shannon that the new Committee also seek a location for the 2009 championships so owners might have more time to make appropriate travel plans. This motion was passed.

(g) Election of Office Bearers for 2007/2008 Season.

By popular and common consensus the outgoing Committee was re-elected for the 2007/2008 sailing season. The Committee is as follows:

HON. PRESIDENT: BERNIE RYAN.
HON SECRETARY: PAUL CORBEN.
HON. TREASURER: TREVOR JONES.
NEWSLETTER: JAMES SHANNON/ROSS CORBEN.
YACHTING VIC DELEGATE: JAMES SHANNON.
MEASURERS: SIMON WALSH
MICHAEL SHANNON
LLOYD GRAHAM.

The meeting closed at 1855hrs. with a vote of thanks to the Committee for their stewardship during the previous 12 months.

RL 24 Owners of Australia Incorporated Income & Expenditure for 2006
INCOME 2006

Date	Income	Rec No	Amount	Banked	Membership	Titles	Donations	Other
Dec.20	Opening Balance		9303.79	9303.79				
Dec.21	S Walsh	408	134.00		24.00	110.00		
Dec.23	T Jones	409	110.00			110.00		
Dec.26	J Germaine	410	134.00		24.00	110.00		
Dec.27	R Corben	411	110.00			110.00		
	I Lane	412	134.00		24.00	110.00		
Dec.28	H Hetherington	413	70.00			70.00		
Dec.31	H Hetherington	414	40.00			40.00		
	D Voller	415	134.00		24.00	110.00		
	P Davis	416	110.00			110.00		
	M Reid	417	110.00			110.00		
	M Shannon	418	110.00			110.00		
	D Langdon	419	24.00		24.00			
	T Jackman	420	24.00		24.00			
	J Shannon	421	134.00		24.00	110.00		
	A Cassar	422	134.00		24.00	110.00		
	W Hill	423	110.00			110.00		
	L Graham	424	24.00		24.00			
Jan.10	Banked			1024.00				
				488.00				
Jan.27	G Onions	425	24.00		24.00			
Feb.27	Banked			158.00				
	Rec No cancelled	426						
May-12	A Pike	427	24.00		24.00			
	Banked			24.00				
June.01	Bank Interest		20.00	20.00				20.00
Nov.17	P. Corben	428	24.00		24.00			
	P. Davis	429	24.00		24.00			
	M.Shannon	430	24.00		24.00			
	I Lane	431	24.00		24.00			
	J Walsh	432	12.00		12.00			
	Banked			108.00				
Nov.29	D Langdon	433	24.00		24.00			
	D Lee	434	24.00		24.00			
	Banked			48.00				
Dec.1	Bank Interest	444	20.80	20.80				20.80
	B & P Cuthbertson	435	36.00		36.00			
	H Hetherington	436	24.00		24.00			
	H Hetherington	437	130.00			130.00		
	D G Dyer	438	154.00		24.00	130.00		
	Banked			344.00				
Dec.8	G McDonald	439	24.00		24.00			
	R Watson	440	24.00		24.00			
	A Russell	441	24.00		24.00			
	Banked			72.00				
Dec.18	G Onions	442	24.00		24.00			
	T Jones	443	24.00		24.00			
	Banked			48.00				
TOTALS			11658.59	11658.59	624.00	1690.00		40.80

