RL24 AGM Minutes Venue: Royal Motor Yacht Club Toronto Date: Wednesday 8th January 2014

Present: Paul Corben, Michael Shannon, Charlie Shannon, Tim Jackman, Simon Vaughan, Luke Ratcliff, Wayne & Gretta Hill, Brad Taylor

Apologies: Ross Corben, Barb Castles, Andrew Pike

M.Shannon filling in for the President to chair the meeting

Previous minutes: Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and read. Tim Jackman moved that they were a true and accurate account of the meeting. This was seconded by Wayne Hill.

Treasurer's report: Paul Corben provided an oral report.

There is currently \$6909.14 in the bank and there is some cash to go into that. The financials are sound. Expenses of \$600 will come out for this regatta, plus \$150 for incorporation fees. After the nationals the class will be in a similar financial position to last year, around \$6250.

Correspondence in:

- Heaven Can Wait regatta

- letter from VYC wanting to know if the association is still up and running

Correspondence out:

General business:

The members discussed how the money in the bank could be put to good use. Brad Taylor suggested the association consider purchasing an old Mark 1 to have as a charter boat/intro to RL24 to make available to interested people. This could incorporate a youth element at the nationals. Another possibility is employing a sailing coach to assist owners lift their skills.

Wayne Hill suggested approaching the National Australian Maritime Museum to display an RL24 as an award winning design of its time.

Paul Corben's idea was to provide some money to the states to run smaller RL regattas outside the nationals.

Luke said funds could be used to assist interstate competitors with travel & transport costs for nationals on a needs basis. He knows that club's purchasing a boat for general use can turn that boat into a supplier of spare parts for other owners.

Gretta Hill liked the idea of offering financial support for petrol or accommodation. To raise the profile of the class she would like to see more RLs competing at existing regattas eg. Festival of Sails at Geelong. The association could provide support with travel costs to get the boats we have competing to established regattas

Simon Vaughan said the nationals is the key event to leverage for the association.