



RICHMOND  
YACHT CLUB

## 120<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Friday 21 June 2024

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Venue:** Richmond Yacht Club, Westhaven Drive

**Present:** President, Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Treasurer, Acting Secretary John Marshall and 21 members

**Apologies:** Keith Bekker, Gregory Thwaite, Andy Bevan, Peter Osboldstone, Coen Ursem, Jeremy Cope, Dagmar Bellamy, Nigel Garland, Liz Henderson, David Cashmore

WHO	DETAILS
<b>Commodore</b>	Welcome and introductions – Commodore opened meeting and welcomed President, Flag Officers, Committee and members. Apologies - announced and accepted as per above. Minutes of 2023 Annual General Meeting presented, no issues raised by attendees. Commodore moved the 2023 AGM Minutes be accepted, Seconded: Mike Harvey, Carried. Commodore report – presented to those attending.
<b>Secretary</b>	Secretary's Report – presented to those attending.
<b>Treasurer</b>	Treasurers report and 2023/2024 Annual accounts – Treasurer presented and talked through the 2023/2024 Annual Accounts and Balance Sheet. Items of note discussed including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adopting new format showing service performance statistics.</li><li>• 5% growth in membership.</li><li>• Participation numbers, based on vessels entered in each race of the series has grown but impacted by weather events.</li><li>• Overall estimated sailors participation has grown by 9%.</li><li>• Small surplus recorded this year, moderately higher than last year's surplus.</li><li>• Slight revenue decline along with a larger decline in expenses.</li><li>• The club continues to be in good financial position.</li></ul> Treasurer moved that the 2023/2024 Annual Accounts be accepted, Seconded: Russell Hawken, Carried.

<b>Treasurer</b>	<p>Treasurer proposed membership subs and other fees for 2023/2024 do not change. Seconded: Rodney Janes, Carried.</p> <p>Questions asked and answered regarding: not raising fees in light of current inflation pressures; Building assessment and Warrant of Fitness; plans for reinvestment when interest rates fall in future.</p> <p>No further comments from the floor were received.</p>
<b>Commodore</b>	<p>Election of President. Sole nomination - Hans Swete. Elected unopposed.</p>
<b>President</b>	<p>Election of roles - The following nominations were received by the appointed deadline.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Commodore – Chris Crone .</li> <li>- Vice Commodore - Jacky Bush</li> <li>- Rear Commodore – Mike Matthews</li> <li>- Secretary - John Marshall</li> <li>- Treasurer - Steve Morriss</li> </ul> <p><i>All unopposed, Carried.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General Committee Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Returning committee members - Andy Bevan, David Cashmore, Gregory Thwaite, Jeremy Cope, Tony Evans, John Marshall</li> <li>o New committee member nominations: Damon Paling and Russell Hawken Seconded Rodney Janes, carried.</li> <li>o Stepping down: Keith Bekker and Liz Henderson. Their contributions were acknowledged and applauded.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Appointment of Honorary Auditor and Solicitor – Moved by Commodore that Mike McGlone and Donald Webster be appointed to the role of Honorary Auditor and Solicitor respectively. Unopposed and carried.</li> </ul>
<b>Commodore</b>	<p>Presentation of special awards and Gifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fantastic Race officers recognized and appreciated.</li> <li>- Handbook editors recognized.</li> <li>- Plain sailing editor acknowledged.</li> <li>- Blake Memorial Shield awarded to Keith Bekker.</li> </ul> <p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Congratulations from member to racing committee on adopting PHRF and suggestion to let owners know about how to get PHRF certificates.</li> </ul> <p>Free membership draw won by member Mark Timmins.</p> <p>Committee welcomed, date for first committee meeting for 2024 set to 15<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm. Thanked members for attending.</p> <p>Meeting closed 7.20pm.</p>