



# Australian Tasar Council

## Annual General Meeting

### Sandringham Sailing Club 30/12/2023

#### **1 Meeting Opened 10:11 30/12/2023 AEDT**

#### **2 Present**

First	Last	Present
Nicole	Kidman	Yes
Blaise	Vinot	Yes
Richard	Mackinnon (SA)	Yes
Damien	Smith (WA)	Yes
Alistair	Murray	Yes
Darren	Watkins	Yes
Kate	Vinot	Yes
Martyn	Sly	Yes
Fiona	McManus	Yes
Simon	Medd	Yes
Stuart	Templeton	Yes
Chas	Thompson	Yes
John	Balass	Yes
Trevor	Date	Yes
Heather	Forton	Yes
Claire	Medd	Yes
Neil	Temperley	Yes
Warren	Blay (WA)	Yes
Stephen	Aulich (Race Officer)	Yes
James	Sly	Yes

#### **3 Previous Minutes**

Moved John Balass; Seconded Claire Medd.

Minutes accepted.

#### **4 Reports**

##### ***President's Report — Nicole Kidman***

Moved: Damien Smith; Seconded: Heather Forton

Report accepted.

##### ***Treasurer's Report — Blaise Vinot***

Moved: Darren Watkins; Seconded: Damien Smith

Report accepted.

### ***Measurer's Report — Stuart Templeton***

- Well thought-out regatta measurement process. Competitors often slow down process; pull-out stations really worked well. No changes creeping through class.
- Kit A boats fit out: not enough information going to people doing kit A boats.
- Have approved trial of Damien Smith's jib ratchet block for Nationals. Will demo it tomorrow 31/12/23.

Moved: Simon Medd; Seconded: Kate Vinot

Report accepted.

## **5 District Business**

None.

## **6 Next Nationals 2024-25 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Jan — Warren Blay**

- Mandurra Offshore Fishing Sailing Club WA
- Club excited. Have new water co-ordinator.
- Its a great drive across the Nullabor!!
- Working with local hotels for discounts.
- Have great Christmas lights on houses in canals. Great for family.
- Great restaurants including at club.
- Mandurra has won an Australian Tourism award.

Moved Warren Blay that 50<sup>th</sup> Nationals at Mandurrah: Passed.

## **7 Proposed Nationals South East QLD 2025–26**

- Six months before worlds.
- Venue Royal QLD.
- Discussion:
  - Martyn Sly: Very good facilities for off the beach. Can camp on club grounds.
  - Alistair: Best club in Australia. 4500 members.
  - Some people were concerned with costs.
  - Blaise: For a good nationals it is hard to do with a club that only has volunteers. Smaller clubs may have old rescue crews who may struggle to pull people out of the water.

## **8 World Executive Report**

- Peter Ellis stood down and Hugh Tait is Secretary. Bi-monthly meeting.
- Lots of discussion of strategic plan. Have put together a comprehensive survey... for future and past members. Lots of classes can't believe we have 100+ boats for a worlds.

### ***Class International Measurer***

Chris: we are supposed to have a class international measurer. Supposed to have international measurer on our technical committee.

- Have to do a course.
- Have to do some continental events.
- Have to stay up to date.
- We would have to cover costs.

- We can have multiple measurers, one per country but they have to keep up-to-date.
- We are an non-olympic international class and we don't have a European fleet to support international staff.

## **9 Meeting Closed — 10:55am AEDT**

## **10 General Business and Discussion**

### ***New Boats***

- Alistair:
  - Commercial problems... Can't buy a boat on online. RS have got the commercial side well sorted. Easy to buy, more affordable.
- Damien: I built a kit A boat. Very difficult to do.
- Marty Sly: Issues with stock boats in Australia.
- Sails are very expensive and discourage new entrants.

### ***New Sailors***

- Alistair: Have aging sailors. We are teetering on the edge of oblivion.
- Maybe we have baby sitting to encourage young families.
- James Sly:
  - Have some great younger people joining.
  - Age split: 0-30, 30-59, 60-- about 30::30:30% we are not an old class!!
  - Simon Medd has helped push youth in Sandringham.
- Let's market the youth aspect.
- Damien: Mounts Bay have 10 boats, 4 are parent+child. But they are all \$2000 boats but the sails are too expensive.
- Lets create a Whats App Buy/Sells group.
- Simon Medd:
  - 50<sup>th</sup> Nationals is also the 50<sup>th</sup> year of Tasar Sailing. Great marketing opportunity.
  - First Tasar was on show August 1975, Annapolus Boat Show.

**Neil Temperley**  
**ATC Secretary**