

Volunteer Marine Rescue

Southport-Surfers Paradise Association Inc.

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MINUTES

Forum Meeting

Date: 05/05/2015 Time: 18:50 Venue: VMR Training room

Please note: this meeting was delayed due to the briefing conducted by Australian Customs and Border Protection

Service from 18:50

Presentations

Attendance – as per signed register	
Minute Taker	Martin Walsh – Green Crew
New Members	Hilton Brown, Fiona Roberts
Apologies from the floor	Terry Hunt, Rob Sinclair, Bruce Anderson, Scott Gregory
Special Visitor	Graham Kingston – Vice President of VMRAQ

Statements of Recognition -nil	
New Members – David Futo introduced himself	
Crew Ranking - Dave McDonald announced that both Stephen Hipkiss and Rex Scott had achieved their Inshore	
Skipper status, although the paperwork has been delayed.	

3.0	Previous Minutes
3.1	MOVED THAT the minutes of the Forum meeting of April 7, 2015 be accepted as a true and accurate record.
	PROPOSED Alan Curtis SECONDED Merv Handley MOTION CARRIED

4.0	Moments in History – Senior moments deferred	

5.0	Crew Reports	
5.1	Green – Tim Hutchison	1 crew, very busy with training, 2 jobs, one dispersal, one tow – large cruise vessel ran aground. 90+ people plus evacuated. Bob Jordan assisted.
5.2	White - Dave McDonald	1 crew, 12 people in attendance, Saturday night fire works – Dale Brink assisted. 3 tows, 1 pumpout, 1 x 1 st Responder job with injured female on jet ski, 9 training activations. 234 litres fuel used
5.3	Red – Alan Curtis	Paul Butler presented report.—2 crews, 10 April—9 crew present, 6 jobs, 128ltrs of fuel Crew — May 1, Friday night BAD weather, house boat side on to Bayview harbour on rocks. 30 knot wind. Trawler on side in marine stadium needing assistance. 11 crew present. 316L of fuel used.
5.4	Yellow – Peter Barker	2 crews since last meeting. 1 st – 11 April, 13 crew present, 7 jobs, Rob Fisher undertook MR4 endorsement, 297ltrs of fuel used. Crew – 2 May - 11 crew present, Merv Handley assisted, 3 jobs, Visit from VMR Jacobs Well to test MR4.
5.5	Black – Ken Gibbs	1 crew, busy 5pm start, 11 jobs, finished 8-30 pm Saturday. Visit from wildlife man – injured pelican. 151 litres of fuel used
5.6	Blue - Steve	Bruce Anderson attended to do training, 250ltr of fuel used, Very windy day. 441ltrs of fuel used. 2 small jobs
5.7	Callouts – Tim Hutchison	Several interesting prearranged Jobs with some very large donations
		22 callouts in the month. 18 different crew members assisted inc. Peter Barker, Rex Scott and Glenn Norris.
	SRC	Crews to report Fuel Dip on Sunday night to Roy.

6.0	Management Reports		
Item	Brief Discussion	Action/Outcome	Officer
6.1	TREASURER	John Lang - 2 months left of the financial year. Revenue is 5-6% up on same time last year. Income is \$394K Expenses: \$9,129.00 in electricity and Gas (high). Please turn off lights \$50k fuel \$4.5k postage \$6k vsheet Postage	

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6.2	SECRETARY	Jill gets enquires on membership cards and everyone is	Office
0.2	OLOKETAK!	reminded that it can take up to 7 weeks to receive a card.	
6.3	VICE PRESIDENT	Nil	
6.4	SEARCH & RESCUE	Nil	
	COORDINATOR		
6.5	COMMUNICATIONS	Nil	
	CONTROLLER		
6.6	OPERATIONS	Glenn Norris- boats running well. MR1 seats	
	CONTROLLER	replaced.	
		Pontoon – deck repaired. Slippery when wet. It will be	
		rectified ASAP. Super fender to be replaced – pylons	
		to be replaced in next 6 weeks.	
		New fire pumps, now working – ALWAYS run with	
		water!! Merv Handley is going to spray with INOX on	
		Tuesday each week	
		MR2 has steering Issues - to be rectified Notable jobs – QAS activation - assisted man on	
		yacht with severed finger – pain relief provided.	
		Helen Stanfield and Glenn Norris – incident in	
		Seaway – lady hurt back going over a wave –	
		became wedged between boat seats and had	
		extreme pain	
6.7	COMMITTEE MEMBER 1	Martin Walsh discussed the Boat Show specials for new,	
		existing and ALSO for gift card sales relating to the	
		Membership drive.	
		Examples of cards, banners and instructions were provided	
		and will be on display in the Radio Rooms up and including	
		the 24 th May. (the shows are scheduled from May 21-24 th)	
		QA occurred and additions were made to the instructions to	
		ensure that all new members are all gold coast water users.	
		Glen Norris provided a vote of thanks to the Membership Sub	
		Committee who include: Martin Walsh, Bob Jordan, John	
		Stanfield, John Lang, Rex Scott and Mike Oram.	
6.8	COMMITTEE MEMBER 2	Bob Jordan– When selling membership please ensure that full	
		disclosure on membership benefits and limitations are shown.	
		A lot of discussion occurred about the meaning of safe haven	
		and also membership types.	
		Confusion appears to have taken place over time as some of	
		the rules have been relaxed. It is important to note that the	
		skipper does have the authority to show discretion on each	
		job, although the rules state that members will be towed to the	
		nearest safe haven or as negotiated at a rate per hour	
		(currently \$150 per hour). Associate and Gold membership	
6.9	PRESIDENT	relates only to the area of coverage. Nil	
6.10	RADIO OPERATIONS	Bev Weldon thanked Red and Yellow crews for covering	
0.10	CONTROLLER	Friday and Saturday night shifts at the SWT.	
6.11	UNIT TRAINING	Nil	
0.11	COORDINATOR	130	

7.0	General Business	
Item	Who	Brief Discussion
7.1	Glenn Norris	 National volunteer week – 11 – 17 May QAS conducting a CPR awareness session on 29th May,10.30-12.30 at VMR. Whole of community welcome. BBQ at conclusion.

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8.0	Lucky Door Prize – D70 -Be	v Weldon and D88 - David Futo	

Meeting Closed 2045 hours	Next Meeting 1900 hrs Tuesday 2 June 2015 White crew to chair.
Minutes Signed	

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