

**CAVALIER 28 ASSOCIATION**  
**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**HELD AT ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT SQUADRON**  
**ON THURSDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2009 AT 6.00 P.M.**

**Present:** John MacLeod, Oliver Greeves, Andrew Christian, David Brown, Pam Joy, Lesley Barr, Phillip Mahony, Colin Rooke, Jefferson Smith, Peter Donnelly, Craig Mitchell, Cec Williams, Stephen O'Halloran, Brian McConaghy.

**Apologies:** Stephen Phillips, Jonathan Rosenberg, Chris Kloster, Graham Hekenberg, Rod Mitchell, Michael Delaney, Chris Bowling, Graham Richter, Byran Moore, Richard Pearce, John Veale, M. Dalley.

**AGENDA**

1. The President Scott Lamb was not present at the meeting and accordingly pursuant to Clause 4.5 of the Cavalier 28 Constitution the members present at the meeting elected Stephen O'Halloran to the position of Chairman of the meeting. The meeting accordingly commenced at approximately 6.30 p.m

**AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Apologies as noted above.
2. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2008. Stephen O'Halloran read out the report of the previous Annual General Meeting that had been prepared and is held in the Association records. Minutes of previous meeting approved upon motion of Brian McConaghy, seconded by David Brown.

3. President's Report.

Regrettably, there was no President's report available.

4. Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer Brian McConaghy had previously prepared and distributed a financial report for the year 08/09. Report shows a trading loss of approximately \$1,200.00 for 08/09 and a credit balance in the Association bank account of approximately \$8,000.00. Treasurer's report accepted by meeting on motion of Phillip Mahony, seconded by Oliver Greeves.

## 5. Fixing of Subscriptions for 09/10.

The meeting approved a membership subscription amount of \$60.00 per member for financial year 09/10 upon motion of Phillip Mahony seconded by John MacLeod.

## 6. Racing Secretary's Report.

Regrettably there was no Racing Secretary's Report available for the meeting.

## 7. Election of Office Bearers.

The following persons had nominated for positions on the Cavalier 28 Committee for the year 09/10:

David Brown, President  
 Stephen O'Halloran, Secretary  
 Cec Williams, Racing Secretary  
 John MacLeod, Special Executive Member  
 Brian McConaghy, Treasurer.

There being no other nominations for those positions those persons were declared elected to their nominated position and congratulated by the meeting accordingly.

At that point the Chairman Stephen O'Halloran relinquished the position of Chairman for the meeting and the duly elected President for 09/10 David Brown assumed conduct of the meeting as Chairman.

### GENERAL BUSINESS

- (a) Phillip Mahony congratulated John MacLeod upon his excellent work with regard to the Association website which was endorsed by the members present. Stephen O'Halloran suggested to John that the website should be in some way linked or connected with the various sailing schools so that crew shortages could possibly be remedied by recruitment of persons from the various sailing schools. John MacLeod to investigate further.
- (b) Discussions held re: increased frequency of social events coupled with a sailing day. The President indicated that he was keen to develop more frequent social activities and would develop the issue at committee level.
- (c) Sails and equipment compliance. A general discussion was held concerning the issue of sails complying with Class Rules and boats complying with standard equipment item requirements. It was noted that in previous years the Class Rules were amended to provide that sails constructed after the 05/06 season needed to be stamped by the sailmaker with an endorsement that they complied with the Class Rules. Upon motion moved by Craig Mitchell and seconded by Jefferson Smith a resolution was passed requiring all skippers competing in Cav 28 racing events to sign a declaration to the effect that their sails and equipment comply with the Cavalier 28 Regulations and Specifications. A period of grace is extended for compliance with this

requirement up until the commencement of the State Championships in March 2010.

- (d) Oliver Greeves raises the issue of the Association attempting to become more “inclusive“ and welcoming and assisting new members who join or contemplate joining the Association. General discussion was also held concerning the desirability of attempting to persuade some of the half dozen or more Cavalier 28s that sail out of Greenwich Flying Squadron to join our Saturday fleet. Stephen O’Halloran commented that during his 5 years as President he had fielded a large number of enquiries from persons who were contemplating joining the Association or who had joined the Association and had on every occasion done the utmost to be helpful and welcome potential or actual new members. A problem was identified in that many new members do not have sufficient crew with expertise in spinnaker handling as a result are reluctant to race on Saturdays on the Harbour. Discussions about how this situation could be alleviated. The newly elected committee agreed to convene at first meeting on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 6.00 p.m. at Brian McConaghy’s residence to being implementation of the program for 09/10.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.35 p.m.

Stephen O’Halloran