



SPORT CLIMBING AUSTRALIA

Sport Climbing Australia AGM

25th March 2018 – 4:30pm

Meeting Minutes

Meeting started 4.45pm

1 Welcome and Apologies

1.1 Apologies –

1.2 Attendance (in person) – Alex Turnbull (SCQ), Lucy Stirling (departed meeting 6.34pm), Roxy Perry, Eilidh Thurstans (SCT), Rick Perry (SCT), Naomi Cleary, Ian Fullagar (departed meeting 6.27pm), Paul Kinnane (departed meeting 6.50pm), Phil Goebel (SCV), Katie Kaminsky, Ellen White Mackenzie (departing meeting 6.05pm), Romain Thevenot, Sophie Bell (departed meeting 6.17pm)

1.3 Attendance (online) – Barbara Dobie (NSW/ACT), Scott Braithwaite, James Damasco (WA)

2 Proposal of motions for voting – *No objections on voting.*

- Approval of 2017 AGM Minutes
- Election of Board Members

3 Approval of 2017 AGM Minutes (subject to approval of Item 2.1)

- Moved to accept – Romain
- SCV, SCT, SCQ, SA, SCNSW/ACT & SCWA – all in favour

4 Report from the board

4.1 Annual report

4.1.1 Directors, Staff and National Coaching Team

- Ian Fullagar appointed to board since 2017 AGM, for a 2 year period
- Katarina Rahikainen as Executive Officer for 3 months. Chris Hampton appointed EO October 2017.
- Coaching Team structure - New structure implemented early 2018, with 7 team members as previously advised to States. Team in development learning what their roles and duties are.

4.1.2 National Structure, constitution and membership scheme

- National Structure – State constitutions reviewed for consistency by SCA in 2017 and feedback provided to states. States to provide any return feedback and adopt as soon as possible.

4.1.3 Olympic Games, AOC, ASC, IFSC

- SCA welcomed to AOC, ASC & Olympic Games “families”, as Sport Climbing was recognised as an official sport.
- Opened pathways for grant applications. State boards encouraged to apply to as many as possible, and contact the grant authority to ensure the best application put forward. SCV noting that States may need to get recognised as the SSO (SSA) in their respective States to access some grants. SCV happy to share their experience with other States.
- AOC – SCA is now a member of the AOC. States may have their own State Olympic Committee’s which they could apply to sit on as well.
- IFSC – Naomi Cleary represented SCA at the IFSC Plenary Assembly in 2018.
 - Naomi noting SCA in terms of growth, direction and finances is in good standing compared to other countries. Naomi to share slides from presentations.

4.1.4 International Team

- 2017 - More consistent results overall. Good participation in boulder & lead.
- Increased SCA budget means ability to provide more services to Open & Youth teams is being looked at.

4.1.5 2017/2018 Competitions, Events and Policies

- State titles held in 7 out of 8 States & Territories in Australia.
- Welcoming SCWA in 2017.
- Nationals – 2017 Youth Nationals was first year with a single multi-discipline event. 2018 to do this again, but in one venue.
 - Volunteers at Nationals to be mandated as a 1 volunteer to 5 athlete ratio.
 - If there’s to be a penalty for not providing volunteers, it should not be reflected in reduction of athlete quota at the event.
- Noting the need for respect and code of conduct to apply to everyone at events, volunteers in particular.
- Event Policies changes
 - Selection policy for National events.
 - Option for Youth C & D format to be not set to 2 qualifier/1 final standard. To encourage participation a 4 route round can be introduced.
 - Looking at adapting IFSC rules.
 - **** Note to update times for climbing lead routes**
 - Policy tracking document (to track changes) to be implemented in 2018.
 - Selection policy for International Open Team updated due to increased application numbers.

- Events such as Tonde coaching and route setting workshops have had very positive response Nationally and SCA will continue to develop these programs.
- SCV – Note around event calendar. Extending SCA’s capability to advise future calendar dates is very important for the ability to apply for funding opportunities.
- Overview discussion of potential for a conference type event for the ability to share information between States, presentations, awards, AGM etc. “Climbing summit”.
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4.1.6 PSE Agreement

- In 2017 SCA signed a 3-year agreement with possible 2-year extension, with PSE.
- One of the KPI’s is to bring international events to Australia. This may involve the development of an SCA training facility (preferable fixed), but open to a transportable option.
- Agreement is at a high level concept around commercialising the sport and enabling growth at National & State level.
- State bodies noting that if there is negotiations between PSE and State governments, that a briefing of State Boards would be appreciated to make sure there’s no double up.

4.1.7 SCA sub-committees

- Athlete – Campbell Harrison (Chair). Still in infancy. Committee numbers need increasing.
- Route Setting – Jane Engel (Chair); 8 members spread across most States. Several meetings run so far. Tasked with proposing of route setters for National level events, along with other development roles.
- Coaching – Phil Goebel (Chair); major project is accreditation scheme for coaching, including assessment process and education process. ASC have given initial support for the accreditation scheme with potential financial support.
- Judging & Competition Policy – Aim is to review policies from year to year providing comment. Still in infancy and needs more members.
- SCA requests that States consider anyone who might be willing and suitable experienced to propose them to SCA for any of the above committees.

4.2 Financial Report

- P&L for 2016/17 Financial Year, P&L for 17/18 YTD & Balance Sheet provided previously via email to Boards. Boards to review and provide feedback.
- SCA now registered for GST.
- Balance Sheet – Romain talking over details. SCA Director strategic meeting to be held in April to discuss the use of the current available funds. States to be consulted with.

5 Election of Board Members (subject to approval of Item 2.2)

5.1 Directors remaining in office

- Braithwaite Scott (2 years remaining)
- Fullagar Ian (1 year remaining)
- Thevenot Romain (1 year remaining)

5.2 Directors with term ending

- Cleary Naomi
- Kinnane Paul
- Perry Roxy

5.3 Nomination Received

- From SCSA: Kinnane Paul
 - Motion – Paul Kinnane to renew for 3 years. - **CARRIED**
 - In favour SCT, SCV, SCWA, SCSA, SCQ
 - Abstain: SCNSW/ACT
 - Against: *nil*.
- From SCV: Cleary Naomi
 - Motion – Naomi Cleary to renew for 3 years. - **CARRIED**
 - In favour SCT, SCV, SCWA, SCSA, SCQ,
 - Abstain: SCNSW/ACT
 - Against: *nil*.
- From SCT: Perry Roxy
 - Motion - Roxy Perry to renew for 3 years. - **CARRIED**
 - In favour SCT, SCV, SCWA, SCSA, SCQ,
 - Abstain: SCNSW/ACT
 - Against: *nil*.

*** Note: PK, NC & RP left the room before the vote.*

6 Motions from member states

- 6.1 SCQ advising concerns regarding National selection policy. Details provided by email to SCA 25 March 2018. Raising objections on multiple points. Discussion continued with SCQ and Directors.

Meeting closed 7.02pm