



March 2025 Minutes
Soldiers Beach Surf Club
Committee Meeting

Attendees: Gail Rixom, Mick Crowe, Kell Maxwell, Simon Falconer, Tony Axford, Jenny Downing, Shawn Ford, Jennifer Falconer, Suzanne Lourens, Jaydee Lourens, Simon Blakely, Annie Vandertouw.

Apologies: Jackson Vandertouw, Darcy Waller, Coral Raymond, Emma Griffiths, David Harris, Matt Keys, Brian Koppman, Mick Sawatske, Mel Ogle

Date: 23 March 2025

Meeting opened at: 9.20am

Item 1: Declaration of any Conflict of interest:

Does anyone have a conflict of Interest that is not registered below?

Name: Matt Keys	Interest: Wife owns Kraken
Name: Brent Farnworth	Interest: Owns Dunes
Name: Matt White	Interest: Sister owns Kraken
Name: Shawn Ford	Interest: Contractor Light of Installation
Name: Kelly Maxwell	Interest: Relative of the Kraken

Item 2. Motion to Adopt Previous Minutes

Moved By: Jennifer Falconer
Second by: Kell Maxwell
CARRIED.

Item 3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

NIL.

Item 4. President – Simon Falconer

1. Council:
 - i. Roof replacement has been put on hold till new financial year.
 - ii. Lift still going ahead, early June.
 - iii. Floors in Kitchen and Bar now restored.
2. Would like to congratulate Kell Maxwell on a new 3 year extension for caretaker role
3. The club has reimbursed over \$3200 back to our volunteers so far, this an a big achievement for the current committee.
4. Support has been offered and will continue to be offered to those involved in the recent tragedy at Soldiers. Let it be known reports received from emergency services and Duty Officers is that everyone involved on the day did a great job and gave the deceased every opportunity of survival.
5. Congratulations to everyone involved with nippers, another great success capped off with presentation on the 16/3/2025
6. Club end of season celebration will be held on Saturday 10th May. This will be an early afternoon event held on the grass, Fancy BBQ style. All members will be invited. More details to follow.
7. A request that all END OF SEASON reports be submitted to Annie ASAP so she can start the annual report
8. A big thanks to The Lakes SLSC and North Entrance SLSC for assisting us with a couple of patrols.

MINUTE:

Congratulations to AL members who participated in the rescue recently and for a great job.

Item 5. Director of Finance – Tony Axford

See attachments on email:

- a. Attached Bank Register Payments
- b. Profit and Loss
- c. Balance Sheet
- d. Compliance Payment Notice

<u>Current Financial Position</u>	\$293,019
Gross Profit to date 11/03/25	
LESS EXPENSES	\$184,815.00
Net profit	\$108,204
Less Grants	\$11,829.90
Working Capital	\$96,374.10
Age Receivables	\$ 7,468.21
LESS Age Payables	\$ 2,893.89
Term Deposit	\$ 70,000.00
Term Deposit (Bendigo)	\$20,149.33

Total unbudgeted Working cash \$2,589.00

As of the 11/03/25 Cash in Bank

Bendigo Event acc	\$26.14
Greater Main account	\$6,124.82 budgeted expense
Greater 100 Account	\$ 4,727.85 budgeted expenses. <u>See note below.</u>
Bendigo Investment Acc 1.	\$70,000.00 Note: 12 months term at 4.40%.
Bendigo Investment Acc 2.	\$20,149.33 Note 9 month on call
Grant Account	<u>\$11,829.90 budgeted expenses</u>
Total Cash	\$ 112,857.86

Motion 1:

Move that the Attached Payments be approved as legitimate expense to the Club.

Moved By: Tony Axford

Second By: Jennifer Falconer

CARRIED.

Other issues

1. No Debt current, as all bills are paid when they fall due.
2. Budget is on track no over spends.

Item 2. Investments

1. The Club has now a 12 month investment of \$70,000 with the Bendigo Bank at 4.4% as a rollover account.
2. The Club has now a 9 month investment of \$20,149.33 in the Bendigo Bank on call at 3.2%

This completes the Club side of the sponsorship deal we have for Wyong Bendigo Bank.

Note:

1. re: the Greater 100 account I would like to Close this account and open another investment account for 3 months with the Greater.
2. The Club has been successful with its Legal and Life Saving Compliance review by SLISA and has received \$8,000 which is unbudgeted income. This plus \$2,000 from the Clubs unbudgeted funds would create \$10,000 investment for 3 months and would help in the 2025 -2026 financial budget, due to be set in April.
3. I have overpaid some reimbursements for Club membership refunds and recouping them now.

Motion

Move \$2,000 surplus + the Compliance funds (\$8,000) total \$10,000be invested in the Greater as a 3 months investment account and close the 100 account (as this was for the Gallipoli tour).

Moved by: Tony Axford

Second by Gail Rixom

Item 3. Dunes License Extension

1. Dunes License for their first three years is up, as of the 1st of September 2025, Brent had to give 6 months' notice if he intends to utilise the option for a further 3 years in the current agreement.
2. Part of the negotiations for the option, was to review the Schedules in the agreement, one the salient points were to review was the responsibilities of cleaning by the Caretaker.
3. A review of the Caretakers job description was also due and coincided with the Dunes option negotiations. Once the Caretakers Job Discription and to install the current Caretaker for further 3 years this keeps the Licence agreement aligned. This was reviewed and it was emailed to the Committee for comment, and voted on in the positive. The Caretaker and Dunes were informed.
4. Dunes is now totally responsible for the Cleaning of the upstairs toilets and floors.
5. The final License agreement reviewed and agreed that the Club will not increase the rent for the period 1st September 2025 to 30th August 2026. 1st September 2026 the rental will increase 4% per annum for the balance of the Licence agreement.
6. The Club has transferred the Gas account out of its name and into to Dunes. Note Dunes and Kraken always paid for this.
7. The formal document is with the Legal but in good faith of all parties we have agreed.

Item 4. Insurance Claim

1. During the high wind and thunder storm the Club has lost most of the Solar panels and has an insurance Claim lodged and currently is being procced. Over \$30,000 of damages.

Compliance payment

see attachment

Item 6. Director of Administration – Annie Vandertouw

1. Incoming/outgoing Correspondence as per Register (copy supplied upon request).
2. Monitor inbox and distribute emails.
3. Website updates – ongoing.
4. Membership flyers & FB updates/posts
5. Minutes on website – ongoing.
6. Calendar entries – ongoing. *(Please remember to advise me via email of any meetings you attend or events we are participating in so I can add to our main calendar – this is a compliance requirement.)*

Item 7. Director of Life Saving

1. Patrols still working well although a little short sometimes.
2. We have moved into section 4 of the LSA, reduced times 10am-5pm, from April we will move into stage 5 further reduced hours 11am-4pm.
3. Unfortunate event happened on Sunday 2nd March. The patrol did all they could. SLSNSW has offered counselling to all members involved. Branch has also offered assistance.
4. During the resuscitation, one of our Defibs failed: was not able to shock patient due to insufficient battery.
5. i. The Lakes helped us out with a patrol on the 15/3/25.
ii. North Entrance will be doing a patrol on the 22/3/25. The club provided lunch for those who assisted on those days.
6. Will be looking to cover patrols on the last weekend of the year 25/26/27 of April, the former Director has labelled these as voluntary.

MINUTE:

A big thanks goes out to everyone who assisted with the recent rescue. Your efforts are to be commended.

Recommendations:

1: a plan be put in place to replace batteries on all defibs every year or 2 years at start of season. Current price is approximately \$80 per defib.

MOTION:

Batteries on the Defibs to be replaced every year, pre-season.

Moved by: Tony Axford

Second by: Annie Vandertouw

CARRIED.

Actions:

1: New adult pads and batteries have been purchased for the 2 defibs used on the day.

Item 8. IRB Report

1. IRBs are running well. Regular preventative maintenance is being done.
2. Spoke to Shawn about selling hull. Suggestion was to wait till end of season and maybe sell hull with motor, maybe #2 or #3 motor as they did the hard run up to Gold coast and are now 2 seasons old.
3. The tyre inflator attachment has been misplaced, new one will need to be purchased.

Recommendations:

New tyre inflator to be purchased asap as Patrol trailer tyre needs inflating.

Item 9. Board & Ski Captain – Simon Blakely

Nothing to report.

Item 10. Junior Club Captains - Jaydee and Evelyn

1. Slight changes to youth camp (May 17-18, 15-19 yr olds) to be discussed. Equipment usage, leaving the Saturday morning not Friday night, alongside general tips from their club president.
2. Thank Bendigo Bank as sponsor for covering the costs

Item 11. OHS/Special Projects – Darcy Waller

nil to report , please accept my apology for this and other meetings I may have missed due to my wife having an accident at home causing a severe leg Injury I have since completed a WHS report and took the appropriate action and threw the offending footwear.

MOTION:

To receive and adopt all reports.

Moved by: Simon falconer

Second by: Tony Axford

CARRIED.

Item 12. Life Membership – special resolution

A special resolution for Life Membership – Darcy Waller. See attachment on email.

NOTE: This was unanimously passed to go to the AGM.

Item 13. General Business

1. Price List 2025-26 – add in Cadet \$55.

MOTION:

Use \$8K Corporate Governance Compliance payment to subsidise Associates fees as a one-off Cost of Living Grant keeping the associate fee at \$65.

Moved by: Tony Axford

Second by: Gail Rixom

CARRIED.

2. Fuel card:

MOTION:

Stop fuel card as at 30.4.25 and start using debit card.

Moved by: Tony Axford

Second by: Mick Crowe

CARRIED.

3. Shawn: Approved to go ahead and do training for IRB racing.
4. Jennifer: Nipper presentation went well and a big thanks to Simon, Matt K and Kate K for organising and running this.
Nipper handbook – should get this up to date and send out to all new Nippers. (Copy sent to Jennifer)
Also need to clean out lost property and have better signage.
5. Membership Discount – Dunes.
We will no longer have the cards but instead members will received a QR Code for Dunes to get their 10% discount.
6. Simon: have been advised we can no longer have jumping castle or slip n slide at Junior presentations due to risk factors and insurance.

Meeting closed: 10.30am



Simon Falconer
President



Annie Vandertouw
Director of Administration