

**Australian Canoeing Incorporated**  
**59<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**MINUTES**



Held on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2008  
at The Y Hotel, Sydney

Attendees List (see attached)

Meeting opened at 09.35 am

1. Australian Canoeing Chairperson, Danielle Woodward opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees.

Special welcome extended to our Life Members present: Joan Morison, Helen Brownlee, Graham Johnson and Jim Murphy.

2. Apologies were received from: Gary Flanagan, Jerry Dunn, Duncan Cochrane, David Lunn and Richard Fox.
3. The current Board members were introduced to the meeting: Jim Murphy, Martyn Clancy-Lowe, Shelley Oates-Wilding, Danielle Woodward & David Lunn (not present).
4. The Chair introduced the new CEO, Greg Doyle, who commenced with Australian Canoeing on 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2008 to the meeting.
5. Greg Doyle gave a brief outline of his background and previous employment experience. Greg gave a summary of the upcoming challenges: Finance, Delivery of key points from the Strategic Plan, and Staffing.
6. The Chair gave an explanation of the voting procedures and voting rights of various categories of members.
7. The Chair tabled an email from the Board circulated to all State Associations outlining certain timing irregularities relating to this AGM. Responses of acceptance from every State Association were also tabled.
8. Minutes from the Previous AGM  
MOTION: That the minutes of the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting as presented be adopted as a true record of the meeting.  
MOVED: Tom Hirschoff (CV) SECONDED: Jo Holman (QC)  
ACCEPTED: By a show of 5+ hands in favour

9. The Chair summed up the past year as follows;

- Ian Muir resigned & Danielle Woodward stepped in as Chair
- Shelley Oates-Wilding joined as Board Member
- Kate Heeley resigned – new CEO, Greg Doyle, recruited
- NSW Canoeing terminated affiliation – currently no affiliated association in NSW – this will have a significant financial impact on AC due to loss of affiliation fees
- Payment of loans: Penrith Whitewater will be paid out in 2008-09 year and ASC loan will be paid out in the following year
- Wildwater has had success in their bid with Canoe Tas to host the World Championships
- Thanks to AC staff: Sam Lyons, Jan Hall, Michael Thorn & Josh Williams. The shortage of finance staff has led to difficulties last year.
- Primary goal this year is to stabilise permanent staff situation
- Thanks to all Board Members for their hard work throughout the year

- The report on the Olympics does not fall within the year under review and will be included in next year's report
- Outgoing CEO, Kate Heeley, provided a brief report for the Annual Report.
- Due to his recent appointment, Greg Doyle was not able to provide a CEO address.

10. Financial Statements

Richard Roach, newly appointed Financial Controller, explained the accounts and answered questions.

MOTION: That the Audited Financial Statements as presented be adopted.

MOVED: Jo Holman (QC) SECONDED: Tom Hirrschoff (CV)

ACCEPTED: By a show of 5+ hands in favour

11. Annual Report

MOTION: That the Annual Report as presented be adopted.

MOVED: Jo Holman (QC) SECONDED: Tony Bowman (CWA)

ACCEPTED: By a show of 5+ hands in favour

12. Election of Directors

David Lunn and Jim Murphy stood down as Directors.

Helen Brownlee was appointed as scrutineer.

State Delegates present were:

Sharon Swoboda (Canoeing Victoria)
Tony Bowman (Canoeing Western Australia)
Jo Holman (Queensland Canoeing)
John Borojevic (Canoe Tasmania)
Ian Hume (Canoe South Australia)

Nominations were received for: Jim Murphy and Robbie Stewart

Following a secret ballot conducted by State Delegates both nominees were elected unanimously to fill the vacant positions.

13. Election of President (from within the ranks of current Interested Directors)

Interested Directors:

Danielle Woodward
Martyn Clancy-Lowe
Jim Murphy
Shelley Oates-Wilding
Robbie Stewart

MOTION: That Danielle Woodward be appointed President of Australian Canoeing.

MOVED: Jo Holman (QC) SECONDED: Tom Hirrschoff (CV)

ACCEPTED: By a show of 5+ hands in favour

14. Appointment of Life Members

There were no nominations for the appointment of new Life Members.

15. 2008 Award Winners

It was announced that the Awards for 2008 will be presented at the dinner later in the day.

16. Notices of Motion

No Notices of Motion were received.

Meeting closed at 10.35 am

## AUSTRALIAN CANOEING - 59th AGM ATTENDEES

NAME		MEMBER STATUS	VOTING DELEGATE
Sharon	Swoboda	Executive Officer, Canoeing Victoria	No
Susan	Lyons	Chair, Slalom Technical Committee	No
Danielle	Woodward	Chair, Australian Canoeing	Yes/No
Jason	Dicker	Chair, Education Committee	No
Tom	Hirrschoff	Chair, Marathon Technical Committee	Yes
Jan	Hall	Australian Canoeing Staff	No
Siobhan	Goble	Development Officer, Canoeing SA	No
David	Gray	Chair, Wildwater Technical Committee	No
John	Borojevic	President, Canoeing Tasmania	Yes
Tony	Bowman	President, Canoeing Western Australia	Yes
Greg	Doyle	CEO, Australian Canoeing	No
Ian	Hume	Executive Officer, Canoeing South Australia	Yes
Jim	Murphy	Australian Canoeing Board Member	No
Mark	O'Brien	Chair, Flatwater Technical Committee	No
Andrea	McQuitty	Executive Office, Canoe Tasmania	No
Graham	Johnson	Life Member	No
Laurie	Kenyon	Paddle NSW, Manly Warringah Kayak Club	No
Lynn	Parker	Paddle NSW	No
Martin	Clancy-Lowe	Australian Canoeing Board Member	No
Josephine	Holman	President, Queensland Canoeing	Yes
Helen	Brownlee	Life Member	No
Shelley	Oates-Wilding	Australian Canoeing Board Member	No
Mark	Priestley	Executive Officer Queensland Canoeing	No
Sam	Lyons	Australian Canoeing Staff	No
Bruce	Morison		No
Joan	Morison	Life Member	No