SURF LIFE SAVING NEW ZEALAND

COROMANDEL – Club Chairs Meeting Minutes

Saturday 17th May 2014

Venue:	**Trust Waikato Waihi Beach Lifeguard Service**
Time:	**Meeting opened 9:00am**
Present:	**Peter McCormack** - Pauanui, **Laurie Stubbing** - Onemana, **Ross Bradding** – Whangamata, **Donna Pfefferle** - Waihi Beach, **Brent Warner** – SLSNZ Board Rep.
Attending:	**Paul Dalton** - CEO SLSNZ, **Sarah Leppard** – Coromandel CDO.
Apologises:	**Gary Hinds** - Hot Water Beach, **Rob Ford** - Tairua, **Michael Jeffs** – Whiritoa, **Chris Emmett** - Eastern Regional Manager SLSNZ
Meeting Open:	**12.00pm**

1) Welcome & Introductions

Donal Boyle officially opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. He then gave everyone the opportunity to introduce themselves.

2) Last Meeting Minutes

It was moved that the minutes of the last meeting were a true and correct record. Moved – **Laurie Stubbing**, Seconded – **Donal Boyle**, motion passed.

3) SLSNZ Topics

a) **SLSNZ AGM:** Saturday 20th September in Wellington at the same venue, Amora Hotel/format, Awards of Excellence 6pm. Topics for discussion send through to Paul Dalton. Encourage as many clubs as possible. Governor General may be present. One off opportunity for all clubs annually

b) **Blue Sky Sports Review:** Noted first 12 hours – system crashed – reiterate to re-do, **BW** – importance of spreading through your clubs, distribute through as many channels. Spread the view and cross section of membership. Phase 2 – more interactive and opportunity to make a difference**. PD** – It's about evolving and making a difference through continued improvement. Timelines discussed, encouraged to let Paul D know if you need extra time.

c) **Health and Safety:** Review event safety manual. Australia legislation impact on Health and safety. Project to put together a snap shot of surf sport and then formulate recommendations with the new health and safety laws that have come in.

PD Mixture of liability – each club single entity to be accountable. **BW** Media p.o.v – create the drama + attachment. Will likely go after the biggest "fish" need as clubs + National entity to do simple things right. **PD** Timeframes, any day report from Health and safety consultant need to reiterate standards, 4 weeks at latest.

d) **Member Protection:** Overnight staying/bunkrooms, make sure policies are up to scratch. Expect clubs to be prepared, honestly say you have policies to avoid this happening. **PD** Suggested work with clubs /SLSNZ to protect our members and align rules so no matter what club you patrol at, control is the same. **PD** Complaints process – shouldn't wait 2 years, obligation for clubbies to hand onto SLSNZ.

e) **SLSNZ Strategic Plan:** Increase line of sight and stretch out a bit further, **DB** opportunity to question, **LS** nice to be consulted and asked, **BW** Good to have conversations at a level with balance. **DB** Noted that Paul Dalton has made a huge impact by involving and communicating this is how we can work together for the better. **PD** Wanting to create and fix with transparency.

4) Insurance Questionnaire

PD Gave and overview, Chris Emmett to follow up with those not present. **BW** Please take the opportunity to do this Christchurch is a case and point of why we need to get this accurate. **DP** – Where do clubs sit with sport + travel to events. $25K limit – can increase cover on one off basis. Glen at Mount is a great example. Clubs can ring before events. Only handful, a few days of the year require premium cover. **LS** Security and Alarm Systems still covered at this stage, however encourage clubs to have security to save cost at fall out damage. **PD** Extra pages around risk appetite and capability need to be filled out. **LS** What about Tsunami risk in policies and with councils. **PD Rebuilds** may require a lot more but currently no issue. **DB** Are there any indications for the boards to contribute? **PD** There may be a very small increase; however indications are that there will not be premium increases.

5) Healthy Club Initiatives

DB Was this useful? How have you found it? **DP** Communication has been good. **BW** Full transparency and staff work with clubs and have targeted outcomes. **LS** It's great that someone has sat down with clubs individually to communicate and provide transparency.

6) Regional Committee Structures

BOP/CORO Sport Committee: Happy to have local area experts on that committee, **DB** 3 months ago – transparent by having the strategic sports session at Classic Flyers.

Lifesaving Committees:

Junior Surf Committee Coromandel: co-ordination, sharing best practise, **DB** is everyone in agreement we need Junior Surf Committee in the Coromandel. **RB** Raised concerns about volunteer workloads. **LS** Gave overview of programme in Onemana Club, chairs agreed Coromandel needs Junior Surf Committee, meet quarterly would be ideal.

7) General Business

a) **Eastern Region Annual Report – DB:** write up has been drafted, Donal is looking for Clubs feel on how last season has gone.

b) **Trust Waikato Sponsorship – PM:** Something to recognise Trust Waikato Sponsorship of the Coromandel Area.

c) **Second Hand Surf Lifesaving Equipment – LS:** Amongst Eastern Region can we have some sort of register or second hand equipment for sale?

d) **Digital Radio Network – PD:** The digital radio network for the BOP/CORO Area is currently progressing, equipment will be provided to each club.

e) **National Appeal – PD:** SLSNZ is committed to doing it again; take away single day and club choose their approach. **PD** Some clubs have preferred to keep the December date others January. Up to each club as to what they choose. **DP** is SLSNZ keeping text Appeal? **PD** Now able to get Text appeal donations all year round.

f) **HWB Meeting – PD:** mentioned meeting with their full committee around expectations that aren't delivered by the CDO. HWB to come back with expectations of CDO. **PM** offered if ER/SLSNZ need any help/support don't hesitate to ask

g) **Northern Region – BW:** The Northern Board has currently segregated themselves with their own projects. **BW;** SLSNZ aim to create an environment where we can all work together, **PM;** questioned sponsors view and reputation. **PD;** Any new sponsors, Northern are included 25%/30%, OPS, Thrifty, they get share of it.

h) **Financial Position - PD:** Sent out to clubs for comment, trying to achieve transparency.

i) **Whangamata – RB:** Integrating into role, after 13 years with Geoff Hogan as Chair Person, we have a new committee with a focus on structure.

j) **Pauanui – PM:** Highlight – record numbers of nippers, challenge but good.

k) **Onemana – LS:** Good growth in all areas lifeguards qualified 14 – 15 last year mainly from Rookies. 60 nippers, plans to replace clubhouse – fundraising support and council is getting on board.

l) **Waihi Beach – DP:** Big driver 58 lifeguards refreshed, 700% increase in IRB crew/drivers awards, 108 turnout for end of season dinner.

Meeting Closed 11:30am