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Minutes - Annual General Meeting

Date: 5.30pm, Saturday 26th July 2025

Venue: Inverloch SLSC Clubhouse and remotely via Google Meet

Minutes:

Members Present: Angela Malan, Chris Malan, Glenn Arnold, Xavier Korbel, Stephen Duncan, Alan Bolton, Maureen Ansell, Gayle Morris, Rob O'Neill, Leanna O'Neill, Ella Arnold, Nicole Harman, Teagan Thom, James Harman, Rhys Bartlett, Xavier Korbel, David Morris, Kyler Booth, Ian Boaler, Chris Tatnall, Morrie Tatnall, Lisa Arnold, Owen Davies.

Apologies: Hayley Coutts-Johnson, Kirk De Marchi, Holly Foster, Lucy Tate

1. Open & Welcome:

- Angela Malan opened the meeting at 5.36pm and explained the housekeeping rules for the meeting for those attending in person and remotely via Google Meet. She also thanked David Morris and Xavier Korbel for their assistance in editing the Annual Report.
- Angela acknowledged the traditional owners of the land.
- Glenn Arnold welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

2. Confirmation of Minutes from previous AGM:

- Angela Malan asked for acceptance of the minutes of the 2023/24 AGM held on the 5th of August 2024, moved David Morris seconded Xavier Korbel, motion carried.

3. Board Reports:

Summaries of the Board reports as detailed in the 2024/25 Annual Report were presented to the meeting as follows:

- **Presidents Report:** Glenn Arnold
Glenn highlighted the strong position of the club and the record number of members from last season. He reflected on the success of programs such as Nippers and the IRB Competition season. The club has increased local engagement with the offseason Nippers program, adult SRC program and the Sunday swim club. He thanked the volunteers and sponsors who have made the season a success and the Board and SLT for all their hard work and dedication.



- **Operations – Director of Lifesaving Operations:** Ella Arnold

Ella thanked David Morris and Lucy Tate for their dedication over the years as they step down from their roles. She highlighted that the SLT structure is working well and continues to grow and expand. Ella thanked the SLT for their hard work and support.

Club Captain, David Morris

David remarked on the large number of patrolling members from the past season, the increase in older patrollers and the improved retention of patrollers which is very pleasing. David congratulated Rob O'Neill on his milestone of 1000 hours. He commented on the increased focus on maintenance of equipment and patrollers participation in providing first aid support to community events. In his final speech as Club Captain David thanked everyone for their support.

Membership and Leadership Development, Holly Foster

In Holly's absence the report was presented by Ella Arnold. In her first season in the M&LD role Holly introduced the Off-Season Nipper Program which was a success, Ella thanked Gipps Sport for their support of the program. A new Nipper Committee structure was trialled successfully, and the Nipper program continues to grow. Ella reported on the record number of Nippers for this season and the success of the YIPs and Grommet Gurus programs and the increase in members participating in State and National development programs. Thank you to Holly and the Development Committee for all their work.

Training, Lucy Tate

Lucy remarked on the continued expansion and growth of the training area. This past season 10 courses were delivered thanks to the committed trainers and water safety. The age range of trainers is expanding, and we also have an increased number of school programs being run. The hope is to increase the number of trainers and assessors. Lucy thanked the dedicated trainers for all their work.

Competition, Kyler Booth

Kyler reported on the growth in participation at Club Championships, congratulating all the winners. IRB racing continues in popularity with a number of new team members. Thank you to James and Matthias who competed in summer sport with great results, the hope is to grow the number of summer sport competitors. Kyler thanked all the officials who supported competitors and Brydie Smith who is stepping down as IRB Team Manager.

- **Finance Report (Treasurer):** Stephen Duncan

Stephen asked that members refer to the finance report in the Annual Report for full details of finances for season 24/25. Stephen thanked the members for all their fundraising efforts. The club had a record year for memberships meaning we have been able to cap membership fees for the coming season. Bar and merchandise sales have had a successful year. Camps, social functions and first aid support have all contributed to club funds. Stephen thanked club sponsors and grants received from LSV, SLSA Beach Safety grant, Bass Coast Shire Council and EMV VESEP for their contributions towards improving our patrol and Nipper storage and operational



equipment. Bendigo Bank were also thanked for their contribution towards Certificate Four training.

- **Community Relations:**

Kirk De Marchi

In Kirk's absence the report was presented by Glenn Arnold. Glenn reported on the increase in participation and engagement with the local community. The club has once again supported the Disabled Surf Association with their events and also started a Sunday Swim group to much success. Overall, there has been an increased focus on engaging with the greater Inverloch community.

- **Member Engagement:**

Xavier Korbel

This is a new role to the Board for season 24/25. The aim of the role is to boost member engagement across all age groups. Events were held with much success including 120 plus members at the Back to Invy event, a wine and cheese night and gin tasting for adult members. Patrol events were also subsidised to increase participation in the shoulder season. Member communication was refined and improved. Xavier thanked the subcommittee for their organising of the events.

Angela Malan asked the floor if there were any questions on the above reports. James Harman moved to accept all reports; Robert O'Neill seconded; motion carried.

4. Election of Office Bearers for 2025/26 Season.

Angela Malan tabled nominations received by 11.59pm on Saturday 19th July 2025:

Position	Nominee/s
- President	Glenn Arnold
- Secretary	Angela Malan
- Treasurer	Stephen Duncan
- Director of Lifesaving Operations	Ella Arnold
- Director of Member Engagement	Xavier Korbel
- Director of Community Relations	Kirk De Marchi
- Director of Clubhouse Management	Nil received

The following Director Positions were elected.

Position	Appointee
- President	Glenn Arnold
- Treasurer	Stephen Duncan
- Secretary	Angela Malan
- Director of Lifesaving Operations	Ella Arnold
- Director of Member Engagement	Xavier Korbel
- Director of Community Relations	Kirk De Marchi
- Director of Clubhouse Management	Nil received

Angela Malan moved to accept the appointments, David Morris seconded, motion carried



5. Motions

I. Motion for affiliation with Life Saving Victoria.

Stephen Duncan moved the following motion to continue affiliation with Life Saving Victoria:

“That affiliation be sought for 2025/26 season with Life Saving Victoria Limited (“LSV”) and, if affiliation is granted, the Life Saving Club agrees to abide by and be subject to the Constitution, By-Laws, Regulations and Resolutions, together with the awards and equipment of LSV, without reservation”.

Motion seconded by Gayle Morris, motion carried.

II. Motion of appointment and remuneration of the auditors.

Stephen Duncan moved the appointment and remuneration of our current auditors (Finance Consulting & Accounting, Wonthaggi).

Motion seconded by Robert O'Neill; motion carried.

6. Closure of AGM

Angela Malan closed the meeting at 6.30 pm and thanked members for their attendance. The Annual Report will be circulated to members and will also be available on the website.

A presentation was made to Angela Malan and Rob O'Neill by Glenn Arnold of the National Medal which was awarded to them for their long-standing service to lifesaving.

Minutes: Angela Malan, Secretary Inverloch Surf Life Saving Club