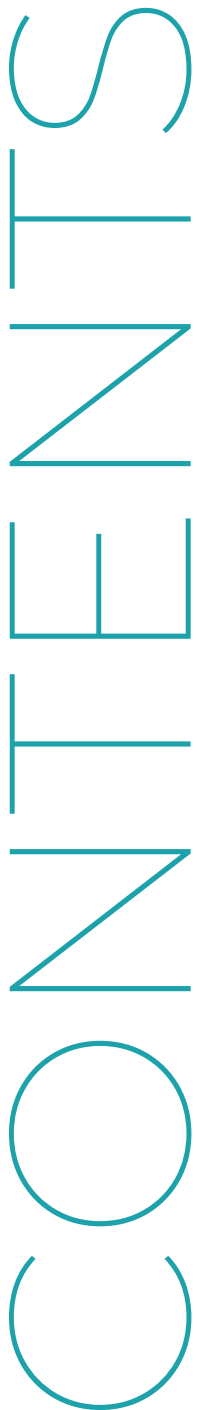




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PADDLE SA PRESIDENT - JIM MURPHY

Once again it is my pleasure to reflect on the past year and it has been a busy one. Our refurbished building has occupied a few people for the year with new racking, shifting equipment back in and working out how to administer the place. Suffice to say it is coming together and we will soon have our processes in place. A big thank you to Tony Matz and Luke Haniford for their support and commitment to our sport. Onkaparinga CC is going through a similar process now and I wish them well.

The Board has been focused on governance issues to ensure we are compliant with Paddle Australia and government agencies in general. This is becoming a major task for all boards and committees and it is important that we all have working with children checks and these are registered appropriately, all volunteers are registered at least as volunteer members and that we are recording these in the correct manner. There are examples of clubs being cited for child safe matters and the onus is on boards and committees to keep accurate meeting minutes to satisfy the legal requirements.

It has been a pleasure to work with Sally Jenkin, Karla Della Pietra, Meredith Blesing, Mark Bulmer, James Tucker and David Heard our EO. All club committees and Standing Committees are to be congratulated on helping to drive our sport forward. I must also thank our major supporters in SASI and ORSR for funding and advice. Sport SA has been a major help with the governance work. There are two people Paddle SA is indebted to in Ian Hume and Matt Duggin, who continually support us through their business interests and sound advice.

Although small registration numbers, the Australian Masters Games was a success with everyone having a great time, in spite of the weather challenges. I have not listed all our successes for the year as they will appear elsewhere in reports.

SASI has supported Bernadette Wallace in developing a high performance Para program and we hope this will flow into a recreational para program. The SASI head coach David Smith has driven a focused High Performance program with success in this year's teams. Sadly he is leaving us in early December to take up the position at the Queensland Academy of Sport. I thank David for his support, and wish him well for the future.

Going forward we need to grow our membership and continue to run programs that introduce new people to our sport. In the PA presidents report there is a good section on the ICF's future approach, I recommend you have a read.

At this time of the year I remind you all we need to look at succession planning both in PSA and club committees.

PADDLE SA EXECUTIVE OFFICER - DAVID HEARD

The opening of the redeveloped facilities at the Aquatic Reserve in March this year was a major highlight of the past 12 months. The redevelopment project presented some operational challenges, reflected in our trading results in the last financial year, but they were managed efficiently.

The return to the Aquatic Reserve has already presented new opportunities for activities across our club and committee networks, and collateral benefits and additional income streams will be further enhanced heading forward. I thank Jim Murphy, Tony Matz, Luke Haniford and our sponsor Matt Duggin from Mr Doors for all their hard work and support both during, and post, the rebuild.

Paddle SA has made a significant financial investment to the security of the Aquatic Reserve facilities. Not only will this investment help protect our assets, it is also a major enhancement for our sub tenants and other user groups. We were also successful in securing Federal government funding to complete works not covered in the scope of the building redevelopment, such as the boat shed flooring restoration.

The other major initiative we have undertaken this year is our Governance reform project. The Board identified the need to implement methods and techniques that produce optimal results, increase efficiency, and develop structured processes heading forward. We successfully applied to participate in the inaugural SSO governance reform project with Sport SA, which is framed on ASC governance principles. We have made good progress so far, including a full review of our Constitution, but there is still much work to do on that front.

Our partnership with SA Water continues to flourish, and we were engaged to train several of their staff members and assist with managing its community based programs on SA reservoirs.

The launch of the #She Paddles movement was another highlight. Congratulations and thank you to Meredith Blesing and her team of on water leaders for their passionate commitment to this innovative program. It is something that we can be proud of, and I encourage clubs and members to support it whenever possible. And we received some good news recently, securing another significant grant from SA Water to deliver the #She Paddles program at our reservoirs.

Another highlight in the past year was hosting the Australian Masters Games. Thanks again to Jim, Luke, Wayne and Libby and Peter Carter for their support with this successful event.

Despite recording a trading loss this year our financial position is sound, with consistently good results recorded over recent years. In the past 12 months we have tapped into those cash reserves to invest back into the organisation, including upgrading our Education boat and equipment fleet, appointing a dedicated Community Development Officer, and committing to various special projects such as the implementation of a Communications Plan, and a complete re build of our website.

I pay a special thank you to our finance officer Shirley Higgins, and I value our working relationship highly. To our State Coach Luke Haniford, and your team of club and support coaches, well done on the massive contribution to the development of our sport you have made over the past 12 months.

I also pay tribute to our Education and Safety team. Paddle SA continues to deliver training and education programs of the highest standards. Our Community Development Officer Phil Doddridge has done an excellent job in his time in the role, helping to enhance our profile and presence within schools, community and industry networks.

To Jim and the PSA Board, thank you for your support and encouragement throughout the year.

To all our amazing volunteers, thank you for your dedication and commitment. I am very conscious that our volunteer base, at club and state level, is the backbone for the ongoing growth and future sustainability of our organisation. Heading forward, there is plenty to be excited about on the Paddle SA events and activities horizon, including hosting the National Marathon and SUP championships at Encounter Lakes in April.

PADDLE SA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER - PHILLIP DODDRIDGE

Firstly I would like to thank Paddle SA for offering me this position. I bring a unique blend of experiences and competencies to this position, and believe I have much to offer PSA in the future development of community programs related to paddle sports.

In 2023 the major tasks completed were:

1. Review and rationalisation of the kayaking equipment used by PSA Education and Safety.
2. Review and further development of documents related to presentation of PSA Education and Safety Courses.
3. Conducting Leadership Course for SA Water, St. Mary's College, Unity College, PSA, West Lakes Aquatics Centre and Wilderness Escape Outdoor Adventures.
4. Managing the Paddle Australia Qualification Scheme.
5. Ongoing communication to stakeholders and providing information in reply to enquiries.

A brief comment on each of these.

Equipment

Most of the kayaks and equipment owned by PSA Education and Safety when I began were very old, in poor condition and some not designed for the course we conduct.

These older kayaks were sold off to create funds for the purchase of new kayaks designed for flatwater paddling. Paddles and lifejackets were also rationalised.

PSA Course Materials

Considerable time has been put into the development of contemporary course content, delivery and records. These new resources will be stored in a cloud based system for all PSA Instructors to access both now and in the future.

Leadership Courses

I have conducted numerous courses for small business groups which have been highly successful and extremely well received. The most expensive of these has been the SA Water Course and ongoing support of their team. This support has seen me travel to the Happy Valley and Myponga Reservoirs many times to firstly continue training of the leaders and then is support of the programs SA Water runs for Bedford Industries and Retire Active SA.

Paddle Australia Qualifications Scheme (PAQS)

Running courses is only a small part of the education and ultimate qualification of the kayak leaders that come through the system. The ongoing communication to trainees includes review of their written assessment tasks, clarifying content, directing them to best resources and processing their passage through the scheme.

Already in development for the near future are:

Enclosed Sea Guide Course for the Far West Tourism Development initiative planned by Ceduna Aboriginal Corporation. I will be travelling to Ceduna next week for a five day course with indigenous ranges.

Sea Leadership Course will also begin in December; the first for several years.

A Flatwater Guide -SOT course for January.

FLATWATER TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

PSA FLATWATER TECHNICAL COMMITTEE CHAIR - MARK BULMER

The Flatwater Technical Committee is a representation of all stakeholders in sprint and marathon racing in SA, including clubs, coaches and various special interest groups. The committee plays a pivotal role in the promotion and development of the sprint and racing marathon disciplines and is responsible for the organisation and running of local regattas and facilitating the national events when they are held in SA.

Locally we hold sprint regattas between October and February, which are held at the West Lakes Regatta Course, and long distance (LD) regattas across the winter months, which are organised and run by and at our clubs with assistance from the committee.

The local 2022/23 Sprint Season was completed in February 2023 with our State Titles and throughout the season we enjoyed a good level of inclusive participation across many age groups and all disciplines of canoe, kayak and paracanoe. A highlight was again the national Grand Prix 1 Regatta, which was held at West Lakes and facilitated by Paddle SA.

The 2023 Long Distance and Marathon season ran with great support of our local clubs, with LD races held at each of our four clubs, Encounter, Holdfast, Onkaparinga and West Lakes. The PSA annual Brother Howard LD race, which this year was run on the Port River in perfect conditions and proved to be an excellent event that will become a regular event on the regatta calendar.

Congratulations are extended to the following local athletes who were selected in national teams:

Under 23 Sprint Team: Demi Bates, Charli Smyth, Caitlin Webber and Maguire Reid

Junior Sprint Team: Max Gandziuk and Emerson Simone

Asia Pacific Team: Demi Bates, Charli Smyth, Emerson Simone and Will Spencer

Marathon Masters Team: Cathy Venning

The Paddle SA State Development Program continues to operate with a high level of success under the very capable supervision of our Program Coordinator Luke Haniford with great assistance from David Smith (SASI Head Coach), Bernadette Wallace (Para Coach) and all club coaches. A special mention must go to Jebb Francis-Staite from Holdfast Paddles Sports, who was a finalist for the recent Paddle Australia Club Coach of the Year Award.

Success only comes from the coordinated and committed efforts of the technical committee, clubs, coaches, athletes, officials, volunteers and supporters, and I thank everyone for their contributions. We are also grateful for the support from Department of Sport and Recreation and SASI and appreciate the good working relationship we have with them

CANOE POLO TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

PSA POLO CHAIRPERSON - NOEL HOLMES

Polo Tech C'tee meets on a roughly two-monthly basis, with five regular attenders and some 5 or 6 other admin contributors between meetings. We foster 'user pays' and volunteer work principles.

Priorities: Sustaining and developing networks; using club-secured grants and Tech Committee-earned funds for training and development of coaches and officials; recognising those who give generously of time and equipment. This moves central management and delivery of polo events to a position that will: a) support clubs to run programs; b) manage foundational equipment for shared use of clubs; c) engage in policy development at both local and national levels.

Financial details: Healthy to functional purpose. Details viewable in PSA's general sheets.

Items to be addressed include: needing increased clarity and ease in keeping and communicating of treasury details; identification of a future Chair; traditional, occasional school programs continue to give low return.

Details: Polo in SA is consciously rebuilding, through favouring low-cost sites at West Lakes and Mawson Lakes, with a new site being discussed with Charles Sturt Council for come and try - and at best - low-cost competition use. We run a focused duality of a recreational and social polo paddling program, alongside local, state, national and international participation. Overall, change is as follows:

1. Local seasons at pools are now not run by the Tech Committee, but by Adelaide Canoe Club, in 8 to 10 week blocks, seasons timed to match evident interest, with a club 'feel' to the program.
2. Over 2022/2023, Northern Districts Canoe Club supplemented their annual national Summer Series event in January by initiating the Tech C'tee's idea to run a schedule of one-day training events in good-weather months. This, 4 to 6 times a year has re-engaged past players/athletes with other seasonal players, now with supervised training managed by NDCC and ACC players between events [Future Summer Series Competition dates are on a cycle set by national Polo schedule-rejigging, after 2023 national discussions].
3. Of great encouragement to all, players have initiated networking promoting training and games for beginners through to Masters. This nurtured state team formation for the 2023 "nationals", with past elite players from NDCC and ACC now leading regular training and coaching for all comers.
4. ACC and NDCC coaches and PSA Committee contribute markedly to National programs – and lead teams for Summer Series and Oceania.

CANOE POLO TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT CONT.

5. We have moved from Batchat for player information, to Facebook page and issue-related emails; and Whatsapp groups about: training, coming national events, club events and state admin. An A frame and QR code related web address is being constructed for delivery late in 2023. (A past Aussie Women's player as a mum to a late-teens daughter player, recently reassociated, has offered to improve our social-networks communication to improve public viewing, while her husband, a play and ICF policy advisor, also re-engaged to coach two of the state teams.)

Polo has responded to PSA loss of Leslie St site storage by relocating its gear at a players' home. We are now assessing quantity of surplus gear and will sell the excess and too old.

ADELAIDE CANOE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT

ADELAIDE CANOE CLUB PRESIDENT - MARK LORAM

The past 12 months has absolutely flown by for the Adelaide Canoe Club (ACC), with a busy paddling calendar this year, all this despite the changeable weather – again!

Our goal throughout the year has been to provide an eventful and broad paddling calendar for the Club, while also aiming to attract new members. Our website had an increasing number of Trip Reports and is proving helpful in member recruitment. Our numbers are healthy, currently sitting at 123 with a recent increase due to the Basic Skills Training as well as participation in regular paddles. New members continue to mention that a major reason for joining the Club is due to the interesting Trip Reports and busy Calendar.

Early this year Hugh Stewart offered Saturday morning forward paddle stroke technique and fitness training sessions at West Lakes – and all after his K1 training! The sessions have proved very popular and have been of great benefit, particularly for newer members.

Our AGM in July 2023 was very successful with 33 members attending. The Bartley Hotel once again hosted the Club. This year we started the evening with a door raffle offering prizes from AdelaideCanoe Works and Binks Marine in addition to a few of the Club shirts and hoodies. This worked very well and will probably become a template for future AGMs. Elections resulted in a few fresh faces joining the committee following some retirements. In addition, some of last year's committee continued in their positions with Mark Loram (President), Charlie Walker (Treasurer), and Phil Doddridge (Training Officer). We welcomed Simon Langsford (Secretary), Matt Condon (Membership), Hugh Stewart and Peter Drewry to the General Committee following the retirement of Nicholas Bluhm (Secretary), Steve Wild (Polo Representative) and Jo Molsher (Membership).

Throughout the year there were several initiatives aimed at increasing membership and underpinning the Calendar:

- We introduced impromptu paddles managed by WhatsApp, which has been a helpful initiative with paddling flexibility when the weather has not been cooperative. Several Club members supporting the Leadership Team have used the App to offer Peer Paddles and enhance the Calendar.
- The Committee has also designed Club Shirts and Hoodies for sale to members, which have been reasonably well received and have helped to promote the Club.
- This project was followed up with decal Stickers for cars and kayaks, (paid for by the Club) and these are gradually being handed out to members at Events.
- We have also purchased A-Frames advertising ACC for display in prominent positions prior to paddling Events, further promoting the Club.
- General Meetings have recommenced at Bower Road, with our first meeting on the topic of Anne and Simon's Murrumbidgee River paddle in January 2023. Our next meeting will be in December about Club member Gireh's trip to Greenland earlier this year.

ADELAIDE CANOE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT CONT.

Late last year the Active Club Grant 51 submissions opened and the Committee submitted our application to ORSR. In June we received notification ACC had been successful. As membership exceeds 100, we were eligible for the \$3,000 Grant. The funds are now in our account, and we have until 31 Mar 2024 to spend and reconcile with monies to be spent on Polo equipment and Coach Training.

There have been over 150 Events (paddling, training and meetings) conducted over the last 12 months due to the hard work and commitment from the Leadership Team.

I would particularly like to acknowledge the support I have received from the Committee and Leadership Team throughout the year that has made all this possible.

WEST LAKES PADDLE SPORTS REPORT

WEST LAKES PADDLE SPORTS PRESIDENT - AMY BARNETT

What a year it has been at West Lakes Paddle Sports.

I would like to start with some thank-yous. It takes many hands to run a club like ours and I can't thank the committee members enough for their help and support. This year we had 5 committee members which meant many of us needed to double or triple up on job rolls.

Steve Kernaghan - asset register, website, and communications

Jo Ness – first aid and child safety officer

Chloe Jenkin – memberships and the companion paddling program

Tamara Bruce – treasurer and secretary

They are an absolutely wonderful group of people, and we are lucky to their service at our club.

Jo Kneebone stayed on to help us settle in as we were a new committee, and it was fantastic having her help. Lynne Donnelly had hundreds of phone call from me and she was so willing to help me in the roll. Jim, you have been such a great support to me, and I thank you for listening to my stories.

I would also like to thank all the past president and committee members for the work they would have put into planning this amazing new space. It felt like forever when we were standing in the cold watching the building slowly take shape wishing they would hurry up, and now we are here.

it was a huge task moving back into the space and a logistical nightmare but our community pitched in and got it done.

Huge thank-you to Jim Murphy and Tony Matz for all the work you did during the week to get the racking done. They made many trips getting boats and equipment out of storage.

Thank-you to Richard Bruce and Steve Kernahan who then logged the boats into the asset register and have continued to keep our records updated as more boats arrive.

Tam, you have been amazing. I can't thank-you enough for the work you have done. We now have systems put in place that are more efficient and accessible. You have been a wonderful sound board for me, and I have valued our conversations. what you have done has been just perfect and I thank you for that.

I would like to thank Matt Duggin from Mister Doors for his generous donation going towards our security systems.

WEST LAKES PADDLE SPORTS REPORT CONT.

Now to the great things that have happened on the water.

Ellie Kernahan and Eva Bruce represented Australia in the Asian Pacific sprint cup in Japan and loved the experience.

Jordan Jenkins represented Australia at the Canoe marathon world championships in Portugal.

Emerson Simone, Max Gandziuk, Demi Bates, Charli Smyth and Caitlin Webber all represented Australia at the junior and under 23s world championship in Italy.

Pavel did 3 international events, petrovesky paddling Marathon (68km)

The white day (27km)

Crazy Volga Race(145km)

And came 3rd in one of his races.

Geroge Rypp took out the trophy for the Trevor Gallard memorial marathon.

Josephine Bulmer is currently training in Canada in preparation for Olympic selection.

It was wonderful to get back to traveling again. Our sprint team went to Perth to compete in the national sprint regatta. They all had a wonderful trip away making lots of memories and competing extremely well. Westlake came second overall.

For the first time West Lakes had a couple of teams in the Roar Barossa which was out of our comfort zone and made challenging by recent flooding but our teams loved the experience. RPM was a highlight with Madi Barnett, Jo and Jason Ness winning orange hats.

Jo Kneebone has continued to host come and try's every second Saturday of the month and introduced a social paddling group every Saturday morning.

6km Time trials returned. Michael Arther and Sally Jenkins have done a great job organising that event. Many people enjoying socialising after in the new function space.

What's next for this year.

We will be continuing to work on boat repairs and maintenance. We have plans to update the clubrooms and fridge. School holiday program is back this October. Partnering with paddle SA and continuing to work towards having more qualified instructors. We have some new adventures planned for recreational paddlers. Nationals will be in Penrith next march, and we will look forward to the many memories that will come from that trip. We will continue to promote our programs and reach out to our community to encourage new members.

Thankyou for all your support

ENCOUNTER PADDLING ANNUAL REPORT

Strategic Priority 1: Governance

- 1.1 Promote and support improved administration roles and structures
- 1.2 Encourage a shared workload through the delegation of tasks and responsibilities
- 1.3 Ensure that clear meeting procedures and conducts are defined

Meetings this year have returned to a being a little more informal. Sorry. But really appreciate the flexibility of committee members to have a chat over coffee, email or phone. Thanks to all you have been awesome.

A number of people, both committee and non-committee, have continued to step up and support the club in various ways. We have discussed that we will need to really have this moving forward as we host the 2024 National Marathon Champs

One of the priorities moving forward will be to ensure that all members are compliant with all relevant policies.

Strategic Priority 2: Leadership

- 2.1 Promote quality by increasing opportunities for training and accreditation for all members
- 2.2 Ensure a targeted approach to different paddling disciplines, competitive as well as recreational

We have lost a few members over the last membership year. Some of this has been due to people moving out of the area or injury. It will be a priority to try and increase membership in the future.

Strategic Priority 3: Growth & Development

- 3.1 Promote, support and encourage junior development through a range of opportunities and pathways
- 3.2 Ensure adherence to a range of policies, including Child Safe Environments and Safety Procedures
- 3.3 Increase opportunities for social interactions amongst members

This is an area that needs developing at the moment. With people busy in lots of aspects of life it can make it challenging to fit in but I think needs to become a real priority again

ENCOUNTER PADDLING ANNUAL REPORT CONT.

Strategic Priority 4: Resources/Finances & Assets

4.1 Continue to develop the boatshed and our fleet of craft through a targeted approach and planned expenditure

Tony again has been very thorough in his work and understanding of our financials. Thank you for your time and work in this Tony and we look forward to you mentoring our new treasurer into the future.

Strategic Priority 5: Competition & Participation

5.1 Encourage greater participation across all levels from elite to recreational

5.2 Promote the fitness, fun and non-competitive aspects of paddling

Time trials have continued with some good numbers and great results showing improvement. Thanks to Juliet who continues to record results and send to all. We managed to hold both the Baudin Flinders and Trevor Gallard again this year with some good numbers.

Good club representation at the RPM

Juliet and Lucinda competed in national sprints in WA coming home with a number of medals

Lucinda and Cath supported by Verity and Edith travelled to Geelong for national marathons.

Some positive results also achieved at this event with some fun in the doubles as they were able to work in a pack for the first time in a women's masters double event.

Cath then travelled to Denmark for the World Championships.

Thank you to all volunteers and committee members for 2022/23

In 2024 we will be hosting the National Marathon Championships as so will be looking for good club representation on the water and to support where possible. We will be in touch.

ONKAPARINGA CANOE CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT

ONKAPARINGA CANOE CLUB PRESIDENT - NICK TUCKER

The Club Membership over the period had increased slightly with an influx of surf paddlers wanting to build on preparations for the 23-24 SLS season. We have been fortunate to retain a large number of paddlers from previous seasons and are still attracting new paddlers from time to time.

One of the most encouraging aspects of this year's memberships and triallist activity has been the involvement of younger siblings of members and others from nipper members of local SLS clubs. These paddlers are motivated and easy to teach quickly. I expect we will see them commencing their competition careers during 2023 and hopefully for 50 years beyond and then some.

The proposed Wearing St Re development is now well underway and the building has been taking shape. The club has been operating from a container at Hunt reserve, but this will likely cease in the coming months as we seek an alternative which is more financially sustainable.

The club has been successful in securing funding through a National Communities Grant and has purchased two mini K4 kayaks, which will be in Australia for use in the 2024 season. The club will also have access to another mini K4, 6x Mini K2's and 10 Mini K1's to launch an Academy style programme to introduce new paddlers to flatwater racing. This programme will be formulated over the coming months and hopefully offered as a school holiday activity at the club.

The club Coaches have continued to deliver quality instruction with several new members learning to be able to transition from surf skis to K1. Quite a number of the younger paddlers are on the cusp of being able to balance a race boat, and are enjoying the journey. Challenges we face are those of ensuring our volunteer Coaching base is supported and recognised not only by us, but also the State and National bodies. I feel this is a challenge faced by many clubs who need accredited and trained volunteers.

We feel that 2023-2024 will be another cycle of growth at Onkaparinga, and thank our fellow clubs and Paddle SA for supporting our competitions and providing the vital frame work for competition and inclusion in South Australia.

NORTHERN DISTRICTS CANOE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT

NORTHERN DISTRICTS CANOE CLUB PRESIDENT - IAN HEARD

Report covering Oct 2022 to Sept 2023

One Day Polo Comps:

Northern District Canoe Club continues to provide opportunities for canoe polo players and teams through the One Day Competitions. The competitions are well supported by the Canoe Polo community with two grades of competition on offer. A grade or Division 1 is for players who are seeking National or International selection level competition. B Grade or Division 2 is a more social competition, but sometimes you could be surprised at the level of sheep-stations that are being fought over!

Competitions were held on: 9 Oct, 6 Nov & 11 Dec in 2022 and 28 Jan, 12 Feb, 19 March, 30 April and while a competition was planned for 4 June it had to be abandoned due to weather conditions being unsuitable.

Competitions have been held this season on 10 Sept & 15 Oct. With competitions planned for 26 Nov, 28 Jan, 3 March, 14 April, 26 May and 23 June.

NDCC congratulates Matt Schar for his award of PSA Volunteer of the Year and thanks all the other volunteers who assist him in making the One Day Comps so successful.
January Summer Series Competition.

In Jan 2023 NDCC did not hold a Summer Series Competition due to the absence of interstate team nominations. This obviously was a great disappointment to the club as NDCC had initiated the January Comp to coincide with the Aust Day Long Weekend in 2002 and had held a competition on that weekend every year since.

During 2022 there was a concerted campaign by some individuals in other states to change the date of the NDCC Summer Series competition. NDCC shares its accommodation at Mawson Lakes with a Rowing Club and a Model Yacht Club. Having our Summer Series Competition in January is due to water quality and convenience with other clubs in recess over the holiday period.

A vote was held at the ACPTC and in 2024 NDCC will hold the Summer Series competition on the Anzac Weekend. While this is not ideal and will be dependent on water quality which won't become apparent until mid-April. The other clubs have kindly vacated activities from the lake for that weekend.

MARATHON CANOE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT

Whilst participation numbers were down on previous years, our two annual events were well supported and successfully managed.

HOLDFAST BAY PADDLESPORTS CLUB ANNUAL REPORT

HOLDFAST BAY PADDLESPORTS CLUB PRESIDENT - MARTIN FINN

Holdfast Bay Paddlesports Club continues to work with Glenelg Surf Life Saving Club to provide a location for members to enjoy the safe paddling water of the Patawalonga. We continue to invite members to paddle any craft, both recreational and competition kayaks, training ranges from 5.30 am session on Tuesday & Thursday, various times on Saturday & Sunday.

Our membership numbers have had a surge with Juniors numbers increasing with Jebb who was recently nominated for the Paddle Australia Awards Category for Club Coach due to his continuous support of our junior development program.

Members can still enjoy good safe paddle conditions in these protected waters and on our FACEBOOK we notify those who could be effected by the Operation activities which determine the water levels of the Patawalonga at various times.

The club still provides a focused on three strong squads. The Junior Development Squad for younger paddlers, the Seniors Squad and Fun and the Fun and Fitness Squad for older paddlers. All squads have designated experienced coaches and support members.

We have just renewed our Lease with Adelaide Shores to continue another ten years (2023 – 2032) to use our Canoe /Kayaking Storage Facility, the increase of 11% in our Insurance with QBE Insurance (Australia) Ltd has been identified as a concern which our committee will look into the future.

STATE DEVELOPMENT REPORT

STATE DEVELOPMENT COACH - LUKE HANIFORD

<p>Funding</p>	<p>2022 - 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$70,000 confirmed from ORSR for State Development Program • \$38,000 confirmed from PA for Pathways • The work in the Para space made it possible for PA to directly support and run the Para Program in SA including employing an additional coach (Bernadette Wallace) <p>2023 - 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$71,500 from ORSR - confirmed • \$38,000 from Paddle Australia - continued level of support from 22-23
<p>Talent Squad</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 athletes regular training with the Talent Squad including across the year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 3 SASI athlete ◦ 4 canoe athletes ◦ 6 athletes from SASI Talent Search initiatives in 2022 ◦ 6 athletes from Surf LS skills development programs in 2023 • 2 athletes from Talent Squad were selected in the 2023 National Junior Team to race at Junior World Championships in Italy in July (Emerson Simone and Max Gandziuk) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Emerson has transitioned to the SASI Squad and Max remained in the Talent Squad ◦ Emerson also raced in NZ at the Asia Pacific Sprint Cup, April 2023 • 6 athletes joined the Talent Squad from the 2023 Winter Paddling program directed at surf lifesaving athletes
<p>Talent Search</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SASI conducted 2 rounds of Talent Search testing in 2022 bringing in 6 athletes to regular training with the Talent Squad after the initial trial periods • 3 of the Talent Search Athletes from 2022 raced at the 2023 National Championships • Testing for Talent Search in 2023 has finished with a phase 2 testing and come and try day planned for Saturday 25 November
<p>Paracanoe</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Paracanoe program was supported and funded after the initial work that was done in through the Talent Squad and ORSR Performance Pathways Program grant • 3 athlete training in this squad • One athlete has progressed to a SASI scholarship
<p>Regattas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22-23 Regatta 1 - 54 competitors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ LD State Champs as part of this regatta which was successful run as the opening event ◦ 22/54 were Talent Squad or Talent Search (40%) • 22/23 Regatta 2 - 35 competitors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 17/35 were Talent Squad, Talent Search or Paracanoe (48%) • 22023 Regatta 3 - 57 Competitors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 21/57 were Telent Squad, Talent Search or Paracanoe (36%)

STATE DEVELOPMENT REPORT

STATE DEVELOPMENT COACH - LUKE HANIFORD

<p>Regattas cont.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22-23 Regatta 4 - 27 Competitors (14th Jan, many people away on holidays and SLSSA State Team in Sydney) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 13/27 were Talent Squad, Talent Search or Paracanoë (48%) • 23 State Championships - 56 competitors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 23/56 were Talent Squad, Talent Search or Paracanoë (41%) • 22-23 Regatta 5 - Cancelled, only 19 entries at close of entries • 22-23 Regatta 6 - Cancelled, low numbers again due to SLSSA State Champs same day plus close to National Champs
<p>National Championships</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42 SA athletes raced at National Championships from 21-25 March 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 18 Talent Squad ◦ 12 SASI athletes ◦ 12 from club squads (2 EP, 1 HB, 1 OCC, 8 WL)
<p>International Competition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior and U23 World Championships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 6 SA athletes (4 SASI, 2 Talent Squad) raced in Auronzo, Italy from 5-9 July 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Max Gandziuk (Talent Squad) – 17th MC1 500m U18, 18th MC1 1000m U18 ▪ Emerson Simone (Talent Squad) – 12th MK4 500m U18 ▪ Demi Bate (SASI) – 12th Mixed K2 500m U23, 17th WK2 500m U23 ▪ Maguire Reid (SASI) – 13th MK1 1000m U23, 13th MK2 500m U23, 13th MK2 1000m U23 ▪ Charli Smyth (SASI) – 13th WK1 200m U23, 10th WK4 500m U23 ▪ Caitlin Webber (SASI) – 10th WK4 500m U23, 17th WK2 500m U23
<p>Other</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Talent Squad has transitioned back into the PSA shed at Aquatic Reserve after the program expanded and outgrew the SASI shed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ There has been significant work going on in this space including getting a new floor and installing new racks. ◦ I want to acknowledge the massive amount of work that Jim Murphy and Tony Matz have done in this space. • Henley High School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 17 students in the Specialist Surf Sports Program attended 4 sessions where they have been introduced to kayaking as a great sport to help supplement and improve their ski training. • #ShePaddles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ The canoe sprint pathway is hoping to help promote this amazing initiative by getting t-shirts for all the girls in the Talent Squad. ◦ I am actively promoting that the girls go to the paddles if they are available. • Winter Surf Paddling Program – June to July 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Was approached in April/May by Grange, Brighton, Semaphore and Glenelg about paddling development in Surf Lifesaving. ◦ Organised a technical paddling program for 16 surf athletes to introduce to paddling. ◦ Eight athletes from this program have signed up for memberships to continue paddling.

SHE PADDLES REPORT

PADDLE SA BOARD MEMBER - MEREDITH BLESING

The She Paddles movement begun by Paddle SA in 2022 has now commenced its second year. Set up in collaboration with British Canoeing, this movement aims to reduce the impediments women experience to entering kayaking and canoeing activities and sports. This movement provides opportunities for female paddlers to take to the water with the encouragement and support of other females. Fears around appearance, ability and often a general lack of exposure and knowledge of paddling are all very real inhibitors to female participation in the paddling community.

Importantly She Paddles events are organised and run by women for women and girls. Events based at West Lakes provide an opportunity for our new paddlers to access a variety of craft and to receive encouragement and assistance to get on the water and develop important paddling skills; being responsible for their own craft, getting into and out of the water, for selecting equipment and learning on-water skills. Each event is overseen by qualified female guides, many of them young and inspiring role models themselves.

This season we have begun to explore further afield, with paddles at Happy Valley Reservoir and Garden Island (Dolphin Sanctuary). To date more than 70 women and girls have participated in She Paddles events, with a number of new local club memberships resulting from the program.

Providing a welcoming, non-threatening environment is important if we want to encourage more female participation in our sport. It is exciting that our efforts in developing and promoting She Paddles in South Australia have also now been recognised with a nomination for local Australia Day award for 'Emerging Event or Community Group of the Year Award'.

PHOTOS OF 2023



2023 AWARDS

Athlete of the Year-Olympic Discipline

Maguire Reid

Junior Athlete of the Year-Olympic Discipline

Emerson Simone

Athlete of the Year-Non Olympic Discipline

Nikki Brennan

Junior Athlete of the Year-Non Olympic Discipline

Jordan Jenkin

Athlete of the Year-Paracanoe

Seb Steel

Club Coach of the Year

Jebb Francis-Staite

Master Athlete of the Year

Lucinda Remilton

Volunteer of the Year

Matthew Schar

Instructor of the Year

Simon Langsford

Service to Paddling

Adele Bain

Allan Toohey

BOARD REPORT TO MEMBERS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

The Board presents the Financial Report of Paddle SA for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Association throughout the year were to facilitate paddling as a multi-faceted activity, ranging from recreational to competitive activity

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating results

The operating deficit for the period amounted to -\$46,591 (2022 surplus \$23,201)

During the year, no officer of the Association, business of which an officer is a member, or body corporate in which the officer has a substantial financial interest, has received or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a trading contract between the officer, firm or body corporate and the Association.

The Committee has determined the Association is not a reporting entity and that the special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The first part of this financial year saw the completion of the redeveloped facilities at the Aquatic Reserve. This caused considerable disruption; however, a number of events and other normal activities were still completed. The final trading result albeit negative was planned for and the Association moves forward in a good financial position for the future.

The members of the Board declare that;

The attached Special purpose financial report presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the Association as at 30 June 2023 and its performance for the year then ended.

At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

We table the audited financial statements for the year ended 30/6/2023.

James Tucker, Finance Director

David Heard, Executive Officer

Receipts and Payments Statement

For the 12 months ended 30 June 2023

	Note	30 June 23	30 June 22
Income			
Activities & Recreation Income		\$636.36	\$7,222.73
Athlete Levies		\$0.00	\$400.00
Education & Course Income	2	\$34,953.48	\$0.00
Event Income		\$29,755.93	\$47,622.77
Fundraising & Donations		\$0.00	\$24,627.77
Membership Income		\$18,313.11	\$750.00
Merchandise Sales		\$1,279.99	\$17,951.63
Other Income	3	\$23,574.90	\$532.25
Sponsorship Income	4	\$0.00	\$87,516.61
State Grant Income	5	\$186,740.12	\$70,130.26
Other Grant Income	6	\$611.69	\$7,761.37
Profit on Sale of Asset	7	\$4,094.30	\$103,810.00
Interest Received		\$611.69	\$175.07
Total Income		\$364,608.53	\$368,500.57
Less Operating Expenses			
Accommodation		\$1,040.91	\$100.00
Airfares		\$447.54	\$0.00
Audit Fees		\$1,718.18	\$1,575.00
Bank & Govt Charges		\$2.00	\$0.00
Catering		\$1,247.47	\$1,244.79
Cleaning - Office		\$3,336.28	\$2,832.72
Consultants	8	\$5,112.00	\$0.00
Contractors	9	\$61,870.41	\$41,297.87
Depreciation		\$8,009.31	\$7,622.49
Education & Courses		\$1,793.67	\$4,720.03
Equipment Hire & Purchase	10	\$34,031.66	\$9,481.71
Event Expenses	11	\$44,739.28	\$16,446.18
Fees & Subscriptions		\$3,178.04	\$3,114.38
Insurance - General		\$8,265.37	\$7,287.00
IT Expenses		\$0.00	\$1,363.64
Maintenance & Repairs		\$3,717.41	\$1,999.40
Office Supplies & Postage		\$4,134.38	\$4,901.47
Other Expenses	12	\$30,782.49	\$31,589.64
Other Grants	13	\$22,037.20	\$0.00
Other Support		\$0.00	\$4,200.00
Other Travel Costs		\$0.00	\$211.71
Postage/Freight		\$49.27	\$0.00
Rent	14	\$3,484	\$1,139.60

Profit and Loss

For the 12 months ended 30 June 2023

	Note	30 June 23	30 June 22
Salaries & Wages	15	\$170,544.63	\$182,463.98
Sponsorship & Donations		\$0.00	\$1,775.01
Team Uniforms		\$719.55	\$2,964.55
Telephone & Internet		\$295.86	\$592.04
Utilities	16	\$0.00	\$4,740.62
Vehicle & Boar Expenses		\$615.15	\$427.05
Venue Hire		\$0.00	\$1,209.09
Total Operating Expenses		\$411,199.54	\$345,299.97
Net Surplus/Loss		(\$46,591.01)	\$23,200.60

Balance Sheet

As at 30 June 2022

	Note	30 June 23	30 June 22
Assets			
Bank			
PSA Operating Account		86,402.88	233,105.87
Statement Account (Debit Card)	17	500.00	500.00
Term Deposit Bank Account		100,786.64	100,176.07
Total Bank		<u>187,689.64</u>	<u>33,780.94</u>
Current Assets			
Inventory	18	6,862.18	7,698.73
Trade Debtors	19	10,497.00	19,421.96
Total Current Assets		<u>17,359.18</u>	<u>27,120.69</u>
Fixed Assets			
Plant, Equipment, Vehicles & Boats	20	80,565.59	47,627.19
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(24,279.56)	(19,464.95)
Total Fixed Assets		<u>56,286.03</u>	<u>28,162.24</u>
Total Assets		<u>261,334.85</u>	<u>389,063.87</u>
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
GST Payable	21	(9,110.00)	3,980.30
Trade Debtors	22	10,202.77	9,711.57
Total Current Liabilities		<u>1,092.77</u>	<u>13,691.87</u>
Non-Current Liabilities			
PAYG Payable	23	7,902.00	6,430.00
Provision for Long Service Leave	24	2,554.99	2,262.49
Provision for Annual Lea	24	6,693.75	0.00
Superannuation Payable	26	0.00	1,144.93
Grants & Income in Advance		47,299.33	123,151.56
Total Non-Current Liabilities		<u>64,450.07</u>	<u>132,988.98</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>65,542.84</u>	<u>146,680.85</u>
Net Assets		<u>195,792.01</u>	<u>242,383.02</u>
Equity			
Current Year Earnings		(46,591.01)	23,200.60
Retained Earnings		242,383.02	219,182.42
Total Equity		<u>195,792.01</u>	<u>242,383.02</u>

Notes to Financial Statement at 30 June 2022

- Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies.
- 1.The financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act 1985.
 - 2.The financial report has been prepared on an accrual's basis.
 - 3.The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period, unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of the financial report.
 - 4.Receivables (money owed to the Club by a member or others) is an accrual item and causes distortions to financial reports that are prepared on a cash basis. The Committee has determined not to include receivables in the Balance Sheet unless material.
 - 5.Income Tax: As the Club is a not-for-profit organisation established for the advancement of sporting activities, it is an exempt entity and therefore not liable for payment of income tax in accordance with Section 50-1 of the Income Tax Assessment Act (1977).
 - 6.Assets under \$1,000 are expensed whilst those over this amount are depreciated to provide for replacement in the future.
- Note 2. Education & Recreation Income: was reduced during the year due to the building renovations.
- Note 3. Other Income was significantly reduced during the year due to the building renovations.
- Note 4. Sponsorship Income was affected due to the building renovations.
- Note 5. State Grant Income Includes:
- (a) ORSR Sustainability - \$30,000
 - (b) ORSR Infrastructure - \$86,740
 - (c) ORSR State Development - \$70,000
- Note 6. Other Grant Income received:
- (a) Paddle Australia: Contribution towards Coaching role - \$38,000
 - (b) Para Olympics equipment - \$1,697
 - (c) West Beach Community Bendigo Bank - \$454
 - (d) Sport SA – Governance Reform - \$8,300
 - (e) High Performance & Infrastructure Grant - \$13,252
 - (f) Paracanoe Program - \$2,945
- Note 7. During the year two (2) 40' containers were sold to Mr. Doors and this created a profit on sale.
- Note 8. Consultants: This additional cost related to some of the building renovations.
- Note 9. Contractors: Paddle SA engages with various specialists to provide a range of coaching and educational activities on behalf of the Association.

Notes to Financial Statement at 30 June 2022

- Note 10. Equipment Hire & Purchase: Special project to build a ramp at Loch Luna which was funded by DEW plus new office and security equipment.
- Note 11. Event expenses: These costs were much higher due to costs of the National Sprint Championships in WA.
- Note 12.. Other Expenses primarily represents honorarium payments for services rendered and reimbursements for meeting expenses
- Note 13. Other Grants: These related to balance of DEW and ORSR ramp project.
- Note 14. Rent: This was reduced due to the building renovations.
- Note 15. Salaries & Wages includes:
 (a) Salaries & Wages - \$153,198.23
 (b) Superannuation Guarantee - \$15,965.55
 (c) Workers Compensation Insurance - \$1,380.85
- Note 16. Utilities: This was reduced due to the building renovations.
- Note 17. The Association has a debit card with a balance of \$500 to allow for expenses to be purchased without the need of a petty cash float.
- Note 18. Inventory includes outstanding medals for various competition events.
- Note 19. Trade Debtors represents various monies owed to the Association in the ordinary course of business

Note 20.

	2023	2022
Vehicles & Boats	\$42,937	\$34,483
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	\$21,877	\$15,698
Plant & Equipment	\$32,992	\$9,144
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	\$2,157	\$3,777
Office Furniture & Equipment	\$5,086	\$0
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	\$245	\$0
TOTAL	\$56,286	\$28,162

Notes to Financial Statement at 30 June 2022

- Note 21. GST Payable: GST is paid quarterly. This amount represents the April to June quarterly amount due plus an overpayment made of \$5,902.
- Note 22. Trade Creditors represents various monies owed by the Association in the ordinary course of business. No amounts are older than 12 months.
- Note 23.. PAYG Payable is paid quarterly and represents the tax deducted from the wages.
- Note 24. Long Service Leave provision is accounted for when an entitled employee has been employed for 7 years.
- Note 25. Annual Leave provision has been included given the materiality.
- Note 26. Grants & Income in Advance. The amounts represented in the balance sheet are those that have been received and not acquitted as they relate to the 2022-2023 financial year. They include:
- (a) Department of Environment & Water - \$23,159.88
 - (b) ORSR Infrastructure Grant - \$22,139.45
 - (C) NELO Parts from State Development Program - \$2,000

Independent Audit Report cont. For the Year ended 30th June 2023

It has been advised that the Finance Committee believe it is impractical to establish further internal controls over the collection of membership fees (EZIDEBIT) and other fund-raising activities prior to entry into its financial records. Albeit, that at least two members must sign off on any cash payments made from the cash proceeds of any activity. Accordingly, as the evidence available to me regarding this source is limited, my audit processes with respect to membership and other fund arising activities had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records. I am therefore unable to express an opinion whether membership and other fund-raising activities of the Association obtained are complete.

There is a further qualification with respect to Salaries, wages and associated costs. I am unable to validate that the salaries and wages paid were in accordance with any award or authentication from the board or whether the superannuation, taxation deducted or workers compensation was in accordance with current legislation. This disclaimer withstanding, the records demonstrate consistent fortnightly payment to various staff with corresponding entries to superannuation and tax payable. There are quarterly returns to the Australian Taxation Office based on the Xero Accounting system and the amounts processed into the superannuation and taxation payable accounts.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion in relation to the Financial Report as at 30th June 2023.

Subject to the above qualification, I am of the opinion that the financial report of the Paddle SA is consistent with the accounting policies noted, materially represents a true and fair view of the results of and the position of the Association for the year ended 30th June 2023.



T G White FIPA, FAICD

Dated: 10th November 2023