



## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF CLUB WHITTLEY QUEENSLAND INC.**

**SATURDAY 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 10.15 AM**

**Fiction, Shop 9&10, 152 Shore St W, Cleveland, QLD 4163**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

#### **1. Welcome by Club Commodore: Meeting opened 10:23am**

#### **2. Apologies from Members unable to attend**

-Kieron & Kylie Ryan	-Kim & Tony Pullen
-Jacqui & Arthur Cowley	-Annette & Phil Sullivan
-Michael Magrath	-Alan Coulton
-Jodi & Peter	-Brian Svenson
-Cathy & Craig	-Ian & Belinda Mayes
Scott & Pam Morgan	-Greg & Lesley Andrew
-Steve & Jenny Bowden	-Steve Horton
-Linda Parker	

**Attendees as per sign on sheet attached**

#### **3. Confirmation of Minutes from the AGM of the previous year:**

motion proposed to accept by Kelvin. Motion seconded by Vanessa and carried.

#### **4. Commodore's Report:**

##### **Introduction**

##### **Captains and Crew,**

- Welcome to the 2025 AGM held here at Fusion. Thank you all for making the time to attend.
- We hope to stick closely to the agenda, have a short meeting, and leap into lunch!
- A huge THANKS to my fellow Committee members and everyone else who has helped to make this last year a Fantastic one!! Tim will talk about some of our great trips shortly and of course the National Rally.
- I'm stepping down as Commodore after three years. I'd like to thank all those who have helped me, over the years, continue to make the club what it is today. I'm very appreciative! It's time to hand the baton to someone who I know will continue to grow, expand, and make it an even more enjoyable experience for our members.
- I'm going to update you on the state of our club, membership, and what is happening with other Whittley clubs around Australia.

##### **Membership**

- Our membership has grown by 25%, currently 55 active members (boats) up from 44.
- We have maintained our membership fees to \$84.00.
- Members should get substantial benefits with subsidies for our Sausage Sizzles, Christmas events, formal training, and other member benefits. Please refer to our web page for details!
- Commodore's Report



- We have maintained the same format as in previous years, with 10 formal and organised trips, and two events.
- The new committee will be setting out the calendar for 2026 in the next month, so if there is anything that you would particularly like to do, or places to go, please let us know.
- We are reluctant to change the dates once they are published because there are many who want to coordinate their holidays with our planned trips. So, any changes incur the wrath of those who have planned their activities around our calendar.
- A lot goes into planning our trips, suitable weekends, public holidays, tides, public events, and anticipated weather.
- Sausage sizzle's at our drinks and nibbles sessions have been popular. They have been well received, and it certainly helps to get everyone together, to discuss the trip, issues with boats, and other boating stuff, and feed those who can't or don't like to cook themselves.
  
- The main event for this year is the National Rally which was held earlier this month. Tim and Julie, with the assistance of Kelvin (main sponsor organiser), Vicky and Vanessa (catering), Kim (treasurer), Jon (magazine editor and post-rally coordinator), Lisa (magazine printing and formatting, and Whittley liaison), Mark (Safety), and Lindsay (PR). They have done an awesome job. Tim will update you shortly!

### Communication

- We have maintained our communication with members by being more diligent on our Facebook page and publishing events, notices, and briefings on Facebook, our web page, and email.
- Just to clarify, there are two Facebook pages, the public one and the closed group which we use "Whittley Club Queensland Group (Members only)" (confusing, I know).
- The Web Site continues to grow, and hosts all our meeting minutes, financial reports, and of course Whitbits.
- We'll continue to grow it with useful information, trip briefings, reports, photo gallery, Merchandise, Meeting Minutes, Constitution and Rules, etc. All the things you would normally see on a website!
- Let me know if there is anything else you would like to see there!

### Whitbits

- Julie has done an awesome job with Whitbits, our newsletter, that comes out every quarter (see website for old copies). She wishes to pass the baton on, so if you would like to help, please let us know!
- Please feel free to contribute articles **Photos** and other interesting contributions by emailing them directly to our secretary at [secretary@clubwhittleyqld.org.au](mailto:secretary@clubwhittleyqld.org.au)

### Merchandise

- Through Vicky's contacts we now have merchandise on demand ordering (just fill out the web form, part with \$\$ and Vanessa will coordinate the orders.
- We currently have:
  - Polo's
  - Hoodies
  - Szymic outdoor sun shirts
- As a show of hands, who is interested in:
  - Jumpers
  - Caps:
  - t-shirts
  - Flags
  - Anything else??



- Keep your eyes peeled for additional livery in 2026 !!
- We don't carry stocks of items, so please order from the website!!)

## 5. Treasurer's Report

In Kim's absence, Jon presented the Treasurer's Report. Please find copies of the audited annual Financial Statements here for those who want a copy. It is also on the web site. Some highlights:

- I. We have had an excellent year. Removing the impact of the Rally, income and expenses are approximately even, with a surplus of \$234.24, up from the \$205.75, shortfall last year.
- II. Banking: WCQ has 3 bank accounts with the following balances as at 24 September 2025.
  - a) Cheque \$5,080.88
  - b) Savings \$8,029.27 (\$6,000 IN FLEXI TERM DEPOST ending 11/1/26) \$2,029.27 Available funds.
  - c) Rally \$1,664.16
- III. The Rally accounting was kept separate from our regular operations. Income and expenditures:
  - a) Rally Income: \$34,467.57
  - b) Expenses: \$32,953.41
  - c) Surplus: \$1,514.16
- IV. We have cash assets of \$14,774.41 at year end. (\$12,293.93 in 2024, and \$11,539.69 in 2023). While this seems a lot, we were conscious of the need to have reserves for any additional costs needed for the 2025 National Rally.
  - a) Our renewal revenue is up slightly to \$3,941.00 from \$3,726.00 in 2024.
  - b) On the expense side, insurance was up \$1,483.43, against \$946.84 as we decided to pay the external coordination coverage because of the Rally. This is under review for 2026.
  - c) Events cost us \$975.00, down from \$1,521.12 in 2024
  - d) There is a need to return some of the funds to members by way of benefits, e.g., training, MRQ briefings, etc.
- V. A separate rally account was set up, so income and expenses relating to the rally are isolated from our normal Club income. The idea is for the rally to be self-funded but have plenty in reserve for unexpected costs and to provide clear accountability.

### OFT reporting statements:

- I. We note that we do not pay any funds to committee members or Club members. We do reimburse for funds paid out by club members for club expenditures, e.g., BBQ or raffles prizes when receipt supplied.
- II. No club members receive any remuneration (their service is voluntary).
- III. Dispute Resolution:
- IV. We must also advise that in the case of a dispute we must either : Follow the model rules to resolve disputes or use a compliant grievance procedure if you have one in your constitution. For minuting, WCQ advise we have our own dispute resolution process and it is available to all members on the Web site.
- V. Auditor's report of the financial affairs of the Club for the last financial year is on the website.
- VI. Receipt of Statement of Income and Expenditure, Assets and Liabilities and Mortgages, Charges and Securities affecting the property of the Club for the last financial year was presented and is available on the website.
- VII. The Auditor's report of the financial affairs of the Club for the last financial year gave the club an unqualified opinion. It is available on the website.

**Jon requested a motion to adopt report: Daryl moved, Kim H seconded, and it was moved unanimously.**



## VIII. Appointment of an Auditor for 2025/2026

Jon requested a motion to adopt Audit Right as the auditor for 2025/2026: Kim H moved, Kev Adams seconded, moved unanimously.

## 5. Vice-Commodore's Report on this year's trips:

Powerpoint with pictures from each trip. See Powerpoint file

**Sept'24:** Keppel Island led by Julian with 12 boats attending

**Oct'24:** Mackintosh Island/Wavebreak Island:

**Nov'24:** Cleveland with Peel Island attempt (rain and wind so aborted) Led by Tim & Julie

**Dec'24:** 1.Christmas lunch at Scarborough. 32 attendees. Led by Kelvin and Vicki.

2.Bribie Island Christmas lights led by Jon and Kim

**Jan'25:** Australia Day at Peel Island led by Michael and Vanessa

**Feb'25:** Koorringal led by Jason and Deon

**Mar'25:** postponed rally (cyclone Alfred) AdHoc trip to Tangalooma organised by Jon and Darryl

**Apr'25:** Tweed River led by Darryl

**May'25:** Tippler's led by Tim and Julie

**June'25:** Brisbane River led by Kim and Tony

**July'25:** Christmas in July at Coochi led by Michael and Vanessa

**Aug'25:** Bribie/Mission Point led by Jon and Kim

**Sept'25:** Sanctuary Cove National rally take 2: 35 boats

## 6. National Identity Whittley Clubs: Update.

A committee of members from state clubs and Whittley form the **Whittley Clubs Advisory Committee**. Essentially this is the recognition of Whittley owners clubs in each state in Australia. It aims to Adopt a consistent identity across owners clubs

Increased the liaison between the interstate clubs. For example, members can attend trips and events run by other clubs, e.g., Lake Macquarie. Their calendars will be made available on the web site!

The advisory committee has negotiated a National Insurance scheme for the club's insurance.

We are working on offering member benefits at various suppliers etc. for example:

- Whittley have now applied a discount of 15% OFF for Club Members using the code: WHITTLEYCLUB upon checkout at our online store:  
<https://whittleyboatingaccessories.com.au>
- Southern Fish are offering 10% off labour components of servicing etc.

Make sure you have your membership stickers (I have some if you don't have one).

Jon advised the 3 state commodores met at the rally and agreed to share calendars, welcome interstate boats on weekend trips and continue to share an insurance policy.



## **7. Training Courses:**

- We have not run any formal training courses this year because of our focus on the Rally
- However, we plan on running some informal training at our drinks and nibbles sessions (knot tying; first aid; docking; rope throwing, etc.). We are looking for trainers!!!
- Let us know if there are any courses we should be running (First Aid, Radio Operator's, Safety Requirements, Navigational Briefings from MRQ, etc).
- We are also including some training segments in Whitbits.
- The defibrillator and first aid kit continue to be carried on our trips.
- The trip coordinator is the usual custodian.
- Just to let you know, the trip coordinator will advise if it is on another boat!
- Life Membership
- There are no new nominations for Life Membership.

## **8. Proposal for Life Membership Nominees: Nil**

## **9. 2025 National Rally – Report and Post-Rally trips – Tim**

As per trip presentation above

## **10. Call for any further general business for the existing committee (from the floor by the Commodore)**

Nil further business.

## **11. Election of Officers and Members of the Management Committee**

- A. Call for Nominations to renew the Management Committee
- Kim Pullen (absent) has nominated via email for treasurer and general member management
  - Tony Pullen (absent) has nominated via email for general committee
  - Michael Magrath (absent) has nominated for position of Vice Commodore, Vanessa as proxy.
- Julian took calls for nominations and coordinated vote count.
- Jon nominated Kelvin for commodore, all moved to accept. Jon was thanked for his tenure.
- VC: Jon nominated Michael M, all moved to accept.
- Secretary: Jon nominated Vanessa M, all moved to accept
- Treasurer: Julie nominated Kim P, all moved to accept.
- Editor: Julie nominated Jon, all moved to accept

General committee: Kevin nominated and accepted, Tony P nominated by Julie( as per email confirmation) and accepted, Jason nominated and accepted,

### **B. Election of Officers**

- i. Commodore: Kelvin Deasy
- ii. Vice Commodore: Michael Magrath
- iii. Secretary: Vanessa Magrath
- iv. Treasurer: Kim Pullen



vi. General Committee Members (No less than 4)

1. Jon (editor)
2. Jason
3. Kevin
4. Tony P.

**12. Elected Committee takes over the Chair** Jon spoke on behalf of Kelvin as per slide

**13. General Business** - nil

**14. Close of Meeting** 11:07am

**ADDIT: Other business for new committee:**

**Incoming executive committee members to be added as signatories to the Suncorp bank account:**

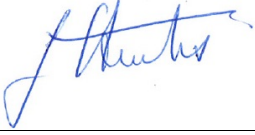
- Michael Magrath
- Vanessa Magrath
- Kelvin Deasy

**Outgoing committee members to be removed as signatories from Suncorp bank account:**

- Darryl Ayson
- Julie Bosgra
- Jon Heales

**Suncorp bank account mailing address to be changed to Kelvin Deasy**

**Signed by:**

<b>Jon Heales</b> <b>Outgoing Commodore</b>	
<b>Julie Bosgra</b> <b>Outgoing Secretary</b>	