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# The BILGE

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## Committee

### President

Bruce Taylor 0418882138

### Vice President

Narina Donnelly 0448 496 249

### Treasurer

Martin Smith 0435 035 537

### Secretary

Barbara Davies A/H 6624 4103

### Ordinary Members

Jenny Thompson 0402 735 364  
Philip Rowe 0407 758 994  
Geoff Stewart 0416 217 737  
Chris Allen 0457 777 066  
Cathy Donnelly 0408 951 490

## Brisbane Marathon Series

*Story Stuart Thomson*

## PADDLING TIMES AT LISMORE BOATSHED

**Saturday 8am**

**Sunday 4pm**

**Tuesday 5pm**

**Thursday 5pm**

Sunday 27 July saw a respectable contingent from FNCCC gain maximum travel points by traveling to Brisbane for the inaugural Brisbane kayak club race. The location was excellent and the day was perfect for racing with clear blue skies and mild temperatures.

Conditions on the water were testing with a decent wind chop and plenty of powered craft to contend with, not to mention the passing of the 10.30 am Queen Mary which proved the undoing of a number of K1's. In all there were about 100 paddlers on the water ranging from the very young to very young at heart. Once again the FNCCC made a very good account of its self with all five competitors claiming places in their respective events. Vince & Colin paddled strongly to win the 12k vintage vets and are in a good position to win the overall honours in that category. In the 18 km race distance Chris Mason claimed 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the hotly contested unrestricted young vets paddling a very strong race and showing that he is a worthy leader in that particular division. Mr consistent Peter Jacobson claimed 4th position in the unrestricted vintage vets (18K) and remains second overall in that division and lastly Stuart Thomson winning the unrestricted vintage vets 18k category. Well done to all of our competitors and good luck with the remaining two races of the season. A point that does need to be mentioned is just how well the FNCCC competitors are paddling with all paddlers not only doing well in their respective age categories but also each of them finishing in the top ten overall.

The next race just happens to be the Lismore race and it would be great to see more FNCCC members on the water. A special mention must be given to Tim Stenlak of the Brisbane Brothers Club who although disqualified from the race for missing a turning buoy waited for the Queen Mary pleasure craft to pass and then rode its wash up the river claiming to have reached speeds of 18kph. All this in a very unstable K1, nice if you can do it.



## Club Events 'Boxing Day in July'





# Lismore Marathon Series

Sunday the 17th of August saw the Lismore round of the Northern Marathon series held in Lismore. This morning revealed ideal conditions. Water quality was great despite previous rains, the sun was shining and the tide was on the way out.

By 7am numbers started to swell and the interest in this event was clear. All our members who were allocated jobs were hard at it to ensure a seamless start to the day. Tents were going up, BBQ were cooking, entries collated and markers placed in the river.



It was then that I noticed the clouds coming over. This is despite BOM site promising clear skies. Still, all good and all systems go. A total of 57 boats of all categories and entrants of all age groups registered. 10am was looming so it was time for the safety briefing. That out of the way it was then time to launch the boats.

First wave away were the 22.5km entrants. Three club members on the list. Next were three categories of 15km entrants following by the 7.5 kms

entrants. All good starts. I understand clean racing with appropriate lines given for the corners.

There were two tip outs and I am pleased to say others entrants were on hand to help. Two entrants were given altered times as a result. I would also like to indicate that two of the entrants on the day were in a Para' class. Both did well on the day. Good on you guys.

The results will be published soon, so we all know who came where. I would like to make mention of one though and that is Stuart Thompson. Stuey has been putting in the miles and that was evident on the day. Outright winner in the 22.5km and never looked to be beaten during the race. Well done mate, a massive effort!

I would like to take this moment to thank each and every helper on the day. Every one clearly demonstrated that a happy professional team can achieve anything. Well done team it was a pleasure working with you all.

Article by Andrew Gordon  
Photos by Martin Smith





## Lismore Marathon Series





# Lismore Marathon Series



# FNCCC Minutes of Meeting

## 5 August 2014

**Meeting opened:** 7.10 pm

**Present:** Bruce Taylor, Barbara Davies, Jenny Thompson, Martin Smith

**Apologies:**

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** Bruce proposed and Martin seconded the motion that the minutes of the July meeting be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

### Business Arising:

- Bruce advised that club keys now fit all five doors, including the roller door and two safety exit doors, on the shed.
- Bruce advised that he has not made a submission to the LCC for a grant for the proposed ramp construction due to time constraints and the intensive nature of the task.

### Correspondence In:

- Aquatic Licence for the NMS race 17 August has been received.
- Email from Peter Luckett PFL requesting publicizing of the PFL event 13 and 14 September 2014.
- Various emails between Colin, Bruce, Andrew, Jenny and Cathy relating to race certificates and boat numbering and race procedures.

### Correspondence Out:

- Letter to J Gamble and Sons authorizing that Martin can order club keys and padlocks as needed.

### Treasurer's report July 2014

#### Income

Membership	1,220.00
Tea Fund	159.00
Extra Boat Storage	90.00
Triallist fees	40.00
Boat Hire	40.00

**Total Income** **\$1,549.00**

#### Expenditure

Insurance	834.79
Race Certificates	34.16
Keys	120.00

**Total Expenditure** **\$ 988.94**

**Surplus to Accumulated Funds** **\$ 560.00**

#### Account Balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> May 2014

22219058 Community First	\$ 2,303.32
22290165 I-save (Interest \$37.33)	\$ 2,661.31
Term Deposit Interest \$376.38 +Deposit \$12000.00	<u>\$ 34,061.79</u>

**Total Funds** **\$ 39,026.42**

I move that my reports be accepted by the meeting. Accepted.

Martin Smith Treasurer FNCCC



# FNCCC Minutes of Meeting

## 5th August 2014

### General Business:-

- The late fee for renewing members is now in place. Bruce reported that the introduction of this late fee had motivated many members to renew on time. Members renewing annual membership after 31 July are now required to pay \$50. New members pay \$40/yr.
- An unusual membership request was discussed and existing club procedures endorsed. New and renewing members are required to join PNSW first and then join FNCCC to access club facilities.
- Bruce reported that he has serviced the Good Time boat No 54 which was donated to the club. It does not leak as feared and now has new rudder cables. The footrests are adjustable.
- Bruce advised that he has 'enlisted' volunteers for the many jobs associated with the running of the NMS. Andrew will coordinate the event on the day. Jenny discussed some of her new procedures for allocating boat numbers and taking race fees. Jenny is to buy small prizes to add to the donated and fruit prizes for the race. Bruce will endeavor to borrow a stop watch with print out facility. Jenny proposes a clubhouse hose out and general clean-up on a Sat morning before the race. Barbara has mowed the lawn and pressure cleaned the ramp.
- Martin discussed the recent financial year's figures related to the income from current membership fees and reported that expenses exceeded income from membership for the year by \$900. Bruce proposed that we further analyze the fees and costs in the coming year with the proposal in mind to increase fees to \$50/yr. for 2014-2015.
- The AGM will be held on Saturday 27 September 2014 after paddling. Please attend and consider nominating for vacant executive positions on the Committee. Bruce and Barbara, President and Secretary will stand down after serving ten years in executive positions.

Meeting closed 9 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend Committee meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at the Workers Club. Next meeting is at 7pm 2 September.





# FNCCC

## September 2014 Meeting

Meeting opened: 7pm  
Present: Martin Smith, Phillip Rowe, Narina Donnelly  
Apologies: Barbara Davies, Bruce Taylor

### **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

As there was not a quorum at the previous meeting attendees the minutes will have to be addressed at the October meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

I move that my report be accepted by the meeting. Accepted.  
Martin Smith, Treasurer FNCCC.

### **General Business:**

- The Northern Marathon Series was a resounding success. The weather was particularly kind to us and with the excellent efforts of club members the day's activities ran without a hitch.

The Club raised \$710 from entries and \$226 from the cake stall. A special thanks to our cake cooks who secured for us a full till and very satisfied customers.

It was a wonderful day of kayaking, good fun and socialising.

Thank you to all who participated, worked or donated. It was wonderful way to show off our Club and our paddlers.

A special note should be made of Stuart's magnificent paddle. He was the envy of many on the day!

- The recent rain event also provided an opportunity for many club members to display there commitment to the Club and well being of our members. There is a mighty thanks to all who assisted in the clean up of the flood debris and the package of the items near the front doors.

Fortunately there was only minimal incursion of water at 4.8 metres.

We need to follow up getting the key from Lismore City Council to regain access to the upstairs area.

- Reminder about the Annual General Meeting on 27th September 2014.  
Nomination Forms are available.

Meeting closed 7.20pm. Everyone is welcome to attend committee meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at the Workers Club.

**Next meeting 7th October 2014 at 7pm.**





# FNCCC

## September 2014 Meeting

### Treasurer's Report August 2014

#### Income

Membership	200.00
Extra boat storage	40.00
Boat Hire	45.00
Catering Marathon Series	226.00
Northern Rivers Marathon	810.00

**Total Income** **1,321.00**

#### Expenditure

Float for Marathon Race Day	100.00
Repairs Bruce Taylor	18.48

**Total Expenditure** **118.48**

**Surplus to Accumulated Funds** **\$ 1,202.52**

### Account Balance as at 31st August 2014

22219058 Community First	\$ 3,524.32
22290165 I-Save Interest \$5.65	\$ 2,661.31
Term Deposit Interest	<u>\$34,061.79</u>

**Total Funds** **\$40,253.07**

I move that my report be accepted by the meeting

Martin Smith, FNCCC Treasurer

