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| Meeting title | RVAG Meeting No. 81 | | |
| Date and time | Tuesday 20 August 2019 – 17:00pm -19:00pm | | |
| Venue | Rozelle, Conference rooms 1A & 1B | | |
| Chairperson | David Hunter (DH) Maritime | | |
| Attendees | Peter Harvey Geoff Duvall Adam Smith Chris De Jong Greg Blackburne Matt Du Plessis Malcom Poole Phil Dulhunty Shane Wilson Glenn Evans Tony Hystek Natalie McLean Hendrik Clasié Rose Ussia | PH GD AS CdJ GB MD MP PD SW GE TH NM HC RU | CMS Australian Power Boat Association ABC Boating Boat Owners Association Scuba Clubs Association Surf Life Saving NSW RFA NSW Seaplane Pilots Association Boating Industry Association Marine Rescue NSW Paddle NSW Maritime Maritime Maritime |
| Apologies | Alex Barrell Andrew Mogg Joel Cox Carl Webster Chris Doolan Murray Clarke Peter Hunter Tatiana Nasoufie Hamid Eqbal Tasha Prabhakar Patrick Tully | AB AM JC CW CD MC PH TN HE TP PT | Maritime Maritime DPI Australian Sailing Maritime NSW Rowing Association PWC Rider Representative Maritime Maritime Transport for NSW DPI |

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| 1. | Welcome and Apologies | Chair |
| | 1. DH: welcomed members, introduced Peter Harvey to members as the acting Director Centre for Maritime Safety and noted apologies. 2. David Hunter clarified to RVAG members the new GM changes within Maritime and their roles and responsibilities regarding Hendrik Clasié, Alex Barrell and Natalie McLean. | |
| 2. | Review of actions from previous meeting – 25 June 2019 Review of actions from previous meeting – 25 June 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action item 2 - Tony Hystek to coordinate stand up paddle boarding meeting with key stakeholders. Purpose: Paddle Board safety in the Harbour. Action item 8 – Peter Harvey to liaise with Marine Rescue regarding the usage of 27 MegaHurtz and report back to RVAG. General agreement | ALL Ongoing Ongoing |

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| | <p>for CMS to further investigate uptake of VHF and long-term phase out of 27 MegaHertz, including consideration of a national approach and ACMA licence requirements as a hurdle to uptake.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action item 12 – Peter Harvey to report back on lifejacket standard work and how it can be updated to better incorporate emerging technology and overseas lifejackets. Peter Harvey will replace Neil Patchett on the Standards Committee. <p>Detailed information about our problem definitions is available in the latest Boating Incidents in NSW report. https://maritimemanagement.transport.nsw.gov.au/documents/nsw-boating-incidents-report-200708-201617.pdf https://maritimemanagement.transport.nsw.gov.au/staying-safe/boating-statistics/index.html</p> <p>On the water 65 Plus - https://maritimemanagement.transport.nsw.gov.au/staying-safe/65plus/index.html</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action item 15 - Peter Hunter to work with industry to develop a paper for the next RVAG meeting on PWC licence VS Registration costs. Carry over to next meeting. • Action Item 6 – Murray Clarke - Lodgement/Permission to Lodge – Marine to follow up and advise Chris Doolan | <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> |
| 3. | RVAG accepted and approved Minutes from the previous meeting with two small editorial changes. | Noted |
| 4. | Member reports and discussion | |

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| <p>Boating Industry Association:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adam Smith elected to be NSW Council Chairman to the BIA. 2. Boat Show Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 000 people visited over 5 days. USA visitors provided positive feedback • Presentation graduation dinner – recognise members • Boat show selling products – positive indication • RVAG members were invited to the breakfast – state of the nation event CMS help set up • Brisbane Boat show is to commence this weekend (23-25 August 2019) 3. Training pathways for Apprentices – liaising with TAFE and other RTO's | Mike Jarvin |
| <p>Surf Lifesaving:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Control cameras • Visibility to the Ocean by control of cameras • Hazzard surf warning Shelly Beach & Snapper Rock beaches • Linking Modem on hill and redirect to mobile tower | Matt Du Plessis |
| <p>Marine Rescue NSW:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rescue people on board the vessel • Activities reported to be rather low this period/weather warning • Continuing the program with infrastructure • Technology has advanced and provides good services | Glenn Evans |
| <p>Seaplane Pilots Association:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advised Sea planes - every pilot must have a maritime boat licence | Phil Dulhunty |
| <p>Scuba Club Association:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incident book to see stats for sunken towing vehicles at Foreshore Drive ramp • Other members advised Port Authority is responsible for maintenance Foreshore Drive Boat ramp • Noted in previous RVAG Meetings, that some Councils have been neglectful at the ongoing maintenance of ramps once handed over to them on completion/upgrading. • Port Kembla Ramp also owned by Port Authority (I believe) has metal grates fitted at the low tide waterline mark, giving towing vehicles more traction when launching, & retrieving boats | Greg Blackburne |
| <p>Australian Power Boat Association:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertaking a review regarding safety rules • Racing season commences in one week time • Issue - inconsistencies within Maritime during events and licence applications | Geoff Duvall |

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| 5. | Maritime Reports | Maritime |
| | <p>General Manager Operational Policy & Performance:</p> <p>Swansea Speed Sign;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camera is near Pelican Mariner • Signage not big enough and will be replaced • Indicates the speed one is reaching in knots • Intending to trial the technology, receive feedback then determine if similar signage will be installed on other waterways <p>General Manager Service Delivery & Education:</p> <p>Mooring Audits:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. August auditing 49 bays and 1479 moorings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South region 3000 moorings have been audited • North Region 60% completed. • Social Justice Project; recognise link between people living on-board vessels are dealing with other challenges • Mooring Service – support Industry to resolve • There will be no fines in 2019, but will be issued in 2020 • Jervis Bay moorings under review • 140 people handing in their private mooring licence per month 2. Aboriginal Mooring Officer under training <p>General Manager Industry and Environment:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Container Incident Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 79 Containers to be removed from the seabed; decision to remove the containers • Potential hazards to marine activities • AMSA receiving tenders and closes 19 September • Process of removing the containers at the start of next year • Public consultation papers worth reading open for comment and closes in September 2. Principal Manager South area (Mike Hammond) resigned, replacement to be appointed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hawkesbury Operational manager to be appointed and status of RBAG's in Hawkesbury are to be reviewed | <p>David Hunter</p> <p>Natalie McLean</p> <p>Hendrik Clasié</p> |
| 6. | <p>CMS Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waterway fatalities – 5 fatalities this financial year compared with the same period last year • Decrease in the number of serious injuries this financial year compared with the same period last year • Boat Show valuable and productive • Maritime Safe System Forum – valued session facilitated by Kathy Jones to bring partners together to consider how we can best leverage and share our collective data. Report being finalised and will be distributed to attendees. • Australian Builders Plate Standard is being updated nationally with QLD leading. Public consultation expected in 2019 and RVAG members (along with broader boating community) encouraged commenting. | Peter Harvey |

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| 7. | <p>Other Business</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. State wide Campaigns Program for 2019-2020 under development three state campaigns and six Area Campaigns (Regional) 2. ToRs in pack – will leave unamended and for review. Discuss at the next meeting and confirm ToRs are suitable to RVAG members. 3. RVAG Minutes up until Nov 2018 are currently on TfNSW website. Minutes for Feb 2019 and June 2019 RVAG Meetings will be added. All minutes will be placed in Maritime website in future. 4. Opportunity to bring colleagues to RVAG meetings encourage diversity and equity in future RVAG membership/ participation <p>Closed at 7:15pm</p> | <p>David Hunter</p> <p>ALL</p> |

**Next Meetings: Tuesday 12 November 2019,
Tuesday 11 February 2020**

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| 4. | Peter Hunter to work with industry to develop a paper for the next RVAG meeting on PWC licence VS Registration costs. Carry over to next meeting. | | Peter Hunter |
| 5. | <p>David Hunter to pass on thanks and congratulations to Neil Patchett</p> <p>Boating Industry Association President Darren Vaux today announced the appointment of Neil Patchett to the Association's new role of General Manager Policy and Advocacy. David to provide letter of thanks, on behalf of RVAG Members, recognising the contribution of the previous chair.</p> | | David Hunter |
| 6. | <p>Life Jackets and Flares</p> <p>Maritime to align the two programs as best as practicable</p> <p>Natalie McLean to advise dates to RVAG members</p> | | Natalie McLean |
| 7. | Send Surf Lifesaving information to David Hunter regarding Control cameras – David Hunter to forward to RVAG Members | | David Hunter |

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| 8. | Visibility to the Ocean by control of cameras Hazzard surf warning Shelly Beach & Snapper Rock beaches Linking Modem on hill and redirect to mobile tower | | Matt Du Plessis |
| 9. | Rolling out Bark Canoe construction project– (Nat to provide dates) | | Natalie McLean |
| 10. | Hendrik Clasié to send link 505 Consultation to RVAG Members AMSA Consultation link: https://www.amsa.gov.au/news-community/consultations/proposed-changes-australian-near-coastal-seafarer-certificates | | Hendrik Clasié |
| 11. | Rose Ussia to amend Minutes to make for easy reading and include page numbers. Papers to be distributed in soft copy 5 days prior to meeting in future. | | Rose Ussia |