



NOTES FROM AUS 9ERS  
AGM  
Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron  
3 Jan 2020

1. Welcome- Chris Manton
2. Present/Apologies Angus Sprott, Richard Fisher, Christine Bridge
3. President's Report - see attached Notes

Proposer David Brown

Seconder Michael Giffney

Passed

4. Financial Report - see attached report

Proposer Peter Alexander

Seconder Simon Tedstone

Passed

5. State Reports -

- Vic- Simon to send notes
- Tasmania- Liza Fallon-

Tas9er Association State Report

for the Australian 9er Association AGM Friday, 3 January 2020 at 4:00 pm

For the last 12 months, the Tasmanian 9er fleet has included 10 active 29er crews. All our current Tas9er members sail out of the Sandy Bay Sailing Club in Hobart and feeder classes continue to be from the Cadet and Optimist fleets.

This year, eight Tasmanian 29er crews will be competing at the 2020 Australian 29er Championships and Australian Youth Championships, and this is a similar number of 29er crews that competed in the national events last year.



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The 29er class continues to be an active class in Tasmania and parents continue to provide substantial volunteer support.

It is noted that the Tasmanian 9er Association receives no direct funding from yacht clubs, the State Government or industry sponsorships and it is reliant on its member base.

Travel to interstate regattas and training camps continues to be a significant barrier for our sailors given the substantial travel costs transporting dinghies, support vessels and sailors over Bass Strait.

29ers, 49FXs and 49ers were all represented at the previous national 9er events that were held in Hobart during January 2019.

- **In the 29er class**, William Wallis and Fynn Sprott came second (2<sup>nd</sup>) overall at the 2019 National 29er Championships, and Alice Buchanan and Dervla Duggan were the first placed females.
- **In the 49erFX class**, Jasmin Galbraith and Chloe Fisher came second (2<sup>nd</sup>) overall and were the first placed females at the 2019 National 49erFX Championships.
- **In the 49er class**, Hugo Hamilton and Hugh Hickling came fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) at the 2019 National 49er Championships.  
Along with William Wallis – Jasmin, Chloe and Hugo all left the Tasmanian 9er fleet last year to study at mainland universities. This has left us with no active 49erFX or 49er crews.  
The uptake of tertiary studies on the mainland by these sailors highlights an ongoing issue for our Tasmanian 9er fleet (and the relocation of young people and our sailors generally from Tasmania is a common problem faced by island communities across the world). I hope that our mainland yacht clubs will welcome our sailors into their 9er and other classes over the coming years.  
Tasmania has also been represented in the 29er class at the last three Australian Youth Sailing World Championships with Alice Buchanan and Dervla Duggan competing at the 2019 Youth Sailing World Championships that was held in Poland in July last year.



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On behalf of our Tasmanian 29er sailors, I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank the Victorian 9er Association for facilitating joint training opportunities between our Victorian and Tasmanian 29er fleets last year, and the efforts of Victoria has been very much appreciated.

Liza Fallon

President, Tas9er Association

- NSW- Michael Giffney- will send through report
- QLD- Darren Rogers- to send through report
- WA- Brien Hennessy

WA 9er Report January 2020  
37 paid up sailor members

Parents involvement on State committee with club reps from five clubs

18 boats at last States in March, 19 boats at Youth States in September  
Fleet training supported by Clubs  
1 boat in WAIS squad and 8 WASS squad.  
12 boats travelled to Nationals

Financially secure 15K in term deposit, 12 K in bank, fees amount to 3.5 K and annual turnover about 7K. Main expense each year is nationals which costs about 19K to ship boats and pay for ribs and coaching support. We do get support from WAIS and WASS and RTYF as well as club support.

Next Nationals/Youths at SoPYC Starting 3/1/21

Sailing in Melville Water East

Windsurfer Worlds are on that water up until day of starting.

Accommodation - search in surrounding suburbs on the South side of the Swan River.



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## 6. Voting for Office Bearers:

No nomination forms received for any of the open positions on the committee. Therefore, nominations were called for from the floor.

- President: Chris Manton
- Vice President: Brien Hennessy, David Brown
- Secretary: Felicia Brown- to continue until new secretary is found
- Treasurer: open - Peter Alexander- transition treasurer
- General Committee
- Martyn Sly,
- Michael Giffney

Class Measurer: David Brown

- Nominated State reps to be ratified
  - Tasmania- Liza Fallon
  - Victoria- Simon Tedstone
  - Western Australia- Andrew Rose
  - New South Wales and ACT -Mark McLeay
  - Queensland - Christine Bridge

Proposer Steve Tapsall

Seconder: Rob Sloman

## 7. Other Business

Potential for 2023 worlds- RQ very interested in 2023 Worlds- as yet no further information from the International 29er Association.

Regattas for older sailors in the 29er proposed?



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BH mentioned that China is building and purchasing many boats and looking towards the Oceania regattas

BH confirmed that 2021 Nationals to be held at South of Perth YC for all 9er classes. (Note that Lesley Fasala (Australian Sailing) has offered her assistance in the organisation of this regatta)

8. Meeting Close 5:33