

# **Minutes of Meeting**

# Tasmanian Fire Brigades Championships Association General Meeting

Date: Thursday, 22 September 2016
Location: Video Conference
Start Time: 19:10 hours

#### 1. Present:

Mark Dobson (President), Jess Mulcahy (Executive Officer), Ben Dick (Treasurer), Rob Atkins (Vice President), Alex Otten (Burnie), Ian Cawthorn (Executive Member), Bronwyn Rigby (Executive Member), Kim Brundle-Lawrence (Carrick)

### **Apologies:**

Tony Perry (Sassafras), James Lusted (New Norfolk), Lucas Bryan (Burnie), Scott Clarke (Burnie), Graeme Jones (Ridgley), Kellie Willits (Old Beach)

# 2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held 14 April 2016 were confirmed as a true and accurate recording of proceedings.

**Action:** Jess to upload minutes onto the Championship webpage.

#### 3. Business arising

#### 3.1 Dates for workshops

The action item was completed.

#### 4. 2015 Championships feedback

- Executive Committee reviewed the 2015 Championship feedback.
  - The Executive Committee will investigate the standpipes. The new standpipes are not as forgiving as the old standpipes.

- Event footage can be copied onto a USB drive to assist with training for brigades.
- o \$200 grant will be reviewed.
- It was agreed that it will be a first in, first serve parking behind the competitor's marquees.
- Healthier food options will be better advertised.
- Two toilets will be located in the camping area and the rest of the toilets will be located in a single block behind the team marquees.

## 5. Timing equipment update

- The timing equipment is being progressed and a bench test has occurred.
- Equipment is being modified as a result of testing.

#### 6. General Rules and Events manual

• The GRE is finalised and available on the Championships website.

# 7. Judges and Officials

 Workshop – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October to be held in Youngtown and video conference in from Cambridge.

#### 8. Divisions within the senior section

- There will be a trial of two divisions within the senior section for the next two years.
- The top 6 placed teams from 2015 Championships will be in Division A for the 2016 Championships. Should any of the top 6 placed teams not compete in 2016, teams that finished 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> etc will be elevated to Division A until 6 places are filled.
- The term "State Champion" is for the Division A winning team only
- The winning team in Division B shall earn the title of Division B Aggregate Winner.
- The top two placed senior teams in Division B and the bottom two placed senior teams in Division A will swap divisions for the 2017 Championships.
- A new trophy is being introduced for the highest overall senior point's total regardless of which Division the team is competing in.
- A document outlining the Divisions will be posted to the Championships website.

Action: Mark to upload Divisions document to the Championships website.

#### 9. Merchandise

- New TFBCA merchandise will be available to purchase this year.
- Items available will be polo tops (sample presented at meeting), caps, stubbie holders and soft shell jackets.

#### 10. Team entries

- Currently have 4 senior and 3 junior teams entered.
- Entries close 16th October 2016.

# 11. Championship start times

- Saturday will commence at 0930 hours.
- Sunday will commence at 0830 hours.

#### 12. General Business

#### Team identification

- If brigades enter two or more teams than one team will be identified by a coloured wrist band issued on the Saturday and Sunday mornings. This will be checked at regular intervals throughout the day
- **13. Next Meeting** The next general meeting will occur after the AGM sometime after 1<sup>st</sup> April and prior to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017. Date will be advised in the Newsletter and on Facebook.

Meeting closed at 19:45 PM