

2025 AGM Vic 9er Minutes

Held avia Google Meet – 23 July 2025

Agenda

Attendees

Andrew Conacher
David Suda
Nick Antoniou
Eva Fedyszyn
Darryn Simcox

Apologies

Bret Levenspiel
Rachel Griffiths
Dianne Mahoney
Gemma Burns
Thorsten Maertens
Leah Keh
Brendan Garner

Minutes of previous AGM held over 24 April 2024

Circulated – These were circulated and time given to review

Affirmed and Seconded by Andrew Conacher and David Suda respectively

President's Report – Andrew Conacher

Lookback on the past year

- SSCBC has 1 active 29er boat
 - SYC has 13 different 29er boats with varying participation of the spring, summer and winter (some idle, some semi active and some active boats)
 - RGYC has got 2 active 29er boats to 1 boat
 - Westernport Yacht Club has x 1 active boat
 - RBYC has their own 29er program with 3 boats occasionally getting out there
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- Winter training (May 2025) conducted at SYC and RGYC
 - 4 Vic boats attended Nationals at Lake Cootharaba at Qld
 - State title conducted with 12 boats from 4 clubs – a successful regatta
 - Australian Sailing Youth titles 13 boats with 4 states represented

Looking forward

Global issue of 2 handed dinghys having reducing numbers.

Future is younger sailors progressing sooner out from Opti, Open Skiff and Minnows and Cadets at an earlier age.

Starting in a 9er at an earlier age means an easier return to the class after Yr 12 hiatus as a base competency is likely to be already established.

Treasurer's Report – Andrew Conacher

See attachment for full Finance Report.

Balance steadily declining. Current balance is \$14582.64

TryBooking as a payment platform has been dispensed off in favour of a Stripe account – this is more economical (lower fees)

Prompt request / payment of invoices from our suppliers will be sought to ensure currency of our financial position

General Business

Brendan Garner offered to run the Vic State Title at RGYC for 2026.

All in favour of the proposal as an attractive location with favourable wind/swell conditions.

To be confirmed for March 7-9 2026

Upcoming Events

Sail Sandy 18-19 Oct 2025

Sail Melbourne at RBYC 27-30 November 2025

Sail Mordi Aug 30-31 2025

Crew pairing and Try a 9er on a Saturday (TBC) in August

Nationals Update

Nationals in 2026 in Sandy Bay, Tasmania.

Nationals in 2027 in Melbourne at SYC (proposed measurement 4 January, Racing 5-9 January 2027)

To determine if Nationals Jury will be required for the event

David Suda to speak with James Sly for organising

The association will continue to invest in training moving forward but at a higher (standard) rate to the previously subsidised rates.

The association will primarily be active for 29er events at main regattas to minimise the organisational effort required for what have often been minimally attended events.

Appointment of Officers

Andrew Conacher expressed intention to resign from the President's role. No expressions of interest to assume the President's role from the committee members present therefore Andrew Conacher to continue in the role of President.

New Committee

- President (Andrew Conacher)
- Treasurer (vacant)
- Secretary (vacant)
- General Committee (Eva Fedyszyn, Nick Antoniou and David Suda)
- Vic Rep for National Committee (Andrew Conacher)

Close of meeting: 9:25 pm