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LAKE DENEYS YACHT CLUB
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# MINUTES OF THE 60th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

# OF LAKE DENEYS YACHT CLUB HELD AT THE

# LDYC CLUBHOUSE AT 11:00 ON SUNDAY 27th MAY 2018

**PRESENT:** See attached attendance register.

**1. Notice convening the meeting.**

1.1. Commodore Luke Quinn declared the meeting open and welcomed all present.

1.2. A quorum being present, he declared the meeting duly constituted.

1.3. Luke opened the meeting by saying how much he has enjoyed his first year at the helm as Commodore and owed much thanks and accolades to the Mancom; they have been a pleasure to work with and wished to thank them for their hard work and dedication throughout the past year. They have served tirelessly, with passion, patience and integrity.

**2. Apologies**

2.1. Luke, read through the list of people who sent through their apologies to the secretary.

2.2. Luke, asked if Aunty Daphne Kasselman was present and asked her to stand up, Aunty Daphne Kasselman is the oldest serving honorary life member of LDYC and comes through to the AGM and annual club prize giving every year. LDYC would like to thank Daphne and recognize her for her support, to the club and the sport, throughout the many years.

**3. Approve minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and any subsequent Special General Meetings.**

3.1. The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting, having been distributed, were proposed by Archie Watts and with Johnny Smit as a seconder, were accepted by the Chairman as an accurate and true reflection of the meeting.

**4. To consider and approve the balance sheet and income and expenditure statement.**

4.1. Luke, asked Barend van der Walt the club Treasurer to present the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018.

4.2. Luke thanked Barend for his tireless efforts this past year to keep the finances in good order; the Club is in good hands and has a positive balance sheet. Barend dedicates many hours a week of his time to keep the clubs' administration current and accurate.

4.3. **Treasurers Report**

4.3.1. Barend, presented the audited financial statements.

4.3.2. Barend gave an overview of the Audited Financial Statements (copies are on file for reference purposes). The Treasurers report is also available on file for record purposes.

4.3.3. Total number of member's year on year are as follows:

4.3.3.1. Total members for the 2016 – 2017 period until 31 March was 344.

4.3.3.2. Total members for the 2017 – 2018 period until 31 March is 365.

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4.4. **To consider the Auditors report.**

4.4.1. With a majority show of hands by all present the audited financial statements were accepted.

**5. To receive and consider the Commodore's Report.**

5.1. Luke Quinn presented his report. Attached for ease of reference.

5.2. Luke, also extended his thanks to the members who continue to support the Club, and to the people that continually give so much of their time and energy to the Club and to sailing.

5.3. Luke also thanked Mr. Arnold Spies for the tremendous amount of work and modernization of the clubs website. It is really awesome, relevant, modern and continually up to date.

5.4. In closing Luke wished to reiterate that the club is not run by individuals, but by the members and volunteers who relentlessly give up their spare time, energy and commitment to make the club such a success.

5.5. He thanked all for making LDYC the friendly, open and welcoming club it is.

**6. To consider and confirm the election of Honorary Life Members.**

6.1. There were no proposals received for Honorary Life Commodores, or members this year.

**7. To consider any proposed amendments to the Constitution.**

7.1. Due notice was given to all members and voting on the proposals, which were attached to the notice of meeting, commenced.

7.2. Luke asked those present to raise their hands to vote on the proposed amendments being adopted, by a show of hands, no objections were received.

7.3. The first proposed amendment to the Constitution is to align the LDYC Constitution with that of the national sports federation of South Africa; SA Sailing spent two and a half years redesigning the national sailing constitution. We would like to amend point 5.2 and 5.6. With a show of hands in favour, at least a two thirds majority voted in favour of the changes and these were accepted.

7.4. The second proposal is to update the club uniforms, the three flag officers were sporting the new uniform last night, and the change is from navy trousers to stone coloured trousers. (With a show of hands two thirds majority voted in favor) and this proposed change was accepted.

7.5. The third proposal was adding an additional word to the application for membership form, to now read "within the 5-week waiting / scrutiny period". By show of hands a minimum of two thirds majority voted in favour and these changes were accepted.

7.6. The forth proposal is that where pensioners used to get 50% discount on membership fees and subscriptions for 5 years and more now a member of 5 years membership will be eligible for a 20% discount and members that exceed 15 years are eligible to a 50% discount on membership fees and subscriptions. By a show of hands a minimum of two thirds majority voted in favour and the amendments were accepted.

7.7. The fifth proposal is for the club to include a transformation officer portfolio to the club management committee. A minimum of two thirds majority voted in favour of this amendment.

7.8. Luke thanked everyone for their support and for accepting the proposed amendments.

**8. To elect Office Bearers, Committee Members and Two Trustees for the ensuing year.**

8.1. By show of hands there was a majority vote from the members in favour of the nominated Management Committee (Mancom)

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| **Commodore** | **Luke Quinn** |
| **Club Manager** | **Simon Fisher** (Club employee) |
| | Annetjie Groenewald (Club employee) |
| | Ann Giles (Club employee) |
| **Vice Commodore** | **Warren Nel** |
| **Rear Commodore** | **Anthony Engelbrecht** |
| **Treasurer** | **Barend van der Walt** |
| **Public Relations and Marketing** | **HLM Vanessa Remmington** |
| **Secretary** | **Melanie van der Westhuizen** |
| **Transformation Officer** | **Vishnu Pillay** |
| **Trustee** | **HLM Mark Malherbe** |
| **Trustee** | **Colin Hales** |
| **Alternate Trustee** | **Arnold Spies** |
| **Alternate Trustee** | **Rodney Beresford** |

8.2 The flag officers committees and other sub-committees will be appointed in terms of the rules of the club.

**9. To Consider any matters, of which due notice shall/has be given.**

9.1. To consider and vote for the special levy and/or mandate, for the possible infrastructure developments. As follows and were approved by a unanimous show of hands in favour of the special levy.

9.1.1. the installation of a fibre-optic network for access control, security cameras, and wi-fi for the kids training area for videos and training material. Cost approved in the amount of R100 000.

9.1.2. the erection of a perimeter fence of the adjacent property, to improve security and secure the property. Cost approved in the amount of R 180 000.

9.1.3. the erection of the entrance canopy, outside the main office past the ablutions to the car park. Cost approved in the amount of R 100 000.

9.1.4. the walk on mooring development, will not be presented today as the proposals are not yet ready, much work and costs need to be received before a final draft can be presented.

9.1.5. A waste water treatment plant to be environmentally responsible. The commissioning and installation of a certified and approved, waste water treatment system. Cost approved in the amount of R350 000.

9.1.6. The existing kid's playroom to be extended with a glass and aluminum panels along the under roof side of the veranda. This space will also allow us to use this area for offices and first aid during events like RTIR. Costs approved in the amount of R50 000.

9.1.7. The installation and commission of the conversion of the current bulk bar storeroom to a cold storage room, reducing electricity consumption and improving shelf life of stocks and service from the bar. Costs approved in the amount of R55 000.

9.1.8. The purchase of an additional tractor, the request is to purchase a second hand four-wheel-drive tractor for slipping and launching sailing and larger power vessels. Cost approved in the amount of R100 000

9.1.9. To complete the additional trophy cabinet to complete the wall below the honour's boards – Costs approved in the amount of R55 000.

9.2. A total of R990 000 was proposed for approval by means of a special levy, the costs per family with or without a site, single members, pensioners and members shall be communicated to all.

9.3. The estimated calculation for a family membership, with a site, is in the region of R5,800 and around R3,850 for a single membership with a site.

9.4. Luke also confirmed that should a caravan site wish to connect to the new wastewater system they can do so, at an annual cost of approximately R1 000 per year. The site will also incur the cost to connect to the nearest inlet to the system.

9.5. Members are to please make a once off payment or alternatively make arrangements for a payment plan. Work on the projects will commence as soon as possible. The plan is to have most projects completed by September to welcome the spring.

**10. To appoint the Auditors and approve fees**

10.1. Bruce Morrison and Associates Chartered Accountants (SA) were appointed as the auditors.

**11. By permission of the Chairman and matter which may be discussed at the Annual General Meeting**

11.1. Mr. Mark Malherbe (club trustee) shared news about the Lake Deneys Development, Lakeview property.

11.2. Mark, when we first purchased the land it was to have a buffer property between LDYC and the surrounding areas. We have now been made aware that the property developer is in financial difficulty and the possibility of liquidation exists. The concern for the club and the members is that we have no control over what happens to the property next door, potentially placing the club at some risk. The property could go up for auction or be sold off.

11.3. An open ended request for a mandate from the members for the three trustees of the club, who are Colin Hales, Mark Malherbe and Luke Quinn the commodore, to bid on the property of Lake Deneys Developments, Lakeview at auction, should such event occur.

11.4. It was agreed and approved, by unanimous show of hands that the trustees could offer, at auction, but not exceed an amount of R 1.5 million rand.

**12. To set a date for the next Annual General Meeting**

12.1. The next Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 26 May 2019 at 11:00

12.2. Caravan Owners Meeting will be held on Saturday 25 May 2019 at 14h00

12.3. Boat Owners Meeting will be held on Saturday 25 May 2019 at 15h30

There being no further matters to discuss, the Chairman adjourned the meeting, with thanks to the members, at 11h48.

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**Commodores report AGM May 2018**

The first order is to extend a warm welcome to all the members that have made the effort to attend this 60th Annual General Meeting of Lake Deneys Yacht Club.

I have very much enjoyed my first year as Commodore and I owe much thanks and accolades to the Mancom, they have been a pleasure to work with and I thank them for their hard work and dedication throughout the last year.
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With Mr. Anthony Engelbrecht as Rear Commodore we have managed to make some good progress with youth sailing and SAS. Club sailing and several extremely successful national and provincial sailing events have been hosted by LDYC over the past year. Each and every event has received compliments on the professional and enjoyable manner in which they have been managed. Here; much thanks, respect and congratulations must go to Anthony, his wife and family. And as much thanks, respect and appreciation to Vice Commodore Warren Nel for his perpetual energy, passion and commitment to the club. None of the events would have been as successful without you

I would also like to extend gratitude and appreciation to the members who continue to support the Club, and to the people that continually give so much of their time and energy to the Club and to sailing.

On behalf of all the members, I would like to extend special recognition, appreciation and gratitude to Arnold Spies for the tremendous amount of work and modernisation of the club website. It is really awesome, relevant, modern and continually up to date.

As highlighted in the Treasurers' report, the Club has made good improvements to surplus, controls, accuracy of records and reporting standards. The Club remains in good financial health, notwithstanding the extraordinarily difficult conditions in which to raise and allocate funds for certain infrastructural and critical equipment, like a new tractor.

Through some remarkable fundraising, serious negotiations, wonderful donations and some thirsty members; we have managed to achieve the following improvements over the last year: the installation of the trophy cabinet, purchased an additional ferry boat, an additional limit boat and a replacement outboard for the mark-layer, as well as branding and naming of all the vessels, we were donated a jet-ski for safety and youth sailing support. We purchased a new ice-making machine as well as the donated draught-beer machine, we have two new lawnmowers an additional club garage as well as a new bathroom at the main gate for security, new kids room furniture. The total value is R234,462.

The new committee will have to keep committed to conservative, prudent and disciplined spending. The collection of arrears fees remains a challenge, however; this is a Club for lovers of water sports and a balance between accepting arrangements for subs and fees and making demands must be

maintained. I would like to remind those individuals that have opted for monthly payment plans to please honour their commitments and make payments on-time and monthly.

What a welcome impact The Wharf, Sharon, Dean and the rest of the merry galley have made to the club. We trust that this relationship is long lasting and continues to be a great success.

Our membership numbers have grown by 21 members year-on-year, this is a positive sign and there are plans to run a sailing and LDYC promotion campaign over the next year. The future of the club remains; maintaining a low barrier to entry, the promotion of safe watersports and a lifestyle that we have available as members of this wonderful club.

The 60th Diamond Jubilee Round the Island this year was a resounding success. We again wish to sincerely thank Sharon Lambie-Wepener and The Wharf, the sponsors and all the hard-working volunteers. We continue to look for new ideas to improve and attract more sailors to this event.

A special mention about our Lipton Cup Team which went to Cape Town last year and came away with a tied third place.

I arranged a self-paid family visit to coincide with the Lipton Cup challenge over the same week, last year. I am now an avid supporter of the Lipton Cup team. The rear-commodore flew directly from New York to Cape Town of his own accord, to attend the closing ceremony with the team, and we extend our thanks to him for the support shown. The respect, passion and tenacious attitude of the Lipton sailors is palatable and contagious, to say the least. Extremely long races, no discards, in winds from 3 to 30 knots, ice cold three-meter sea swell and local conditions to contend with. The team have made some changes, improvements and some serious commitments for this year; which will be held in Durban. I have again, already bought my plain tickets and will be there supporting the team, it is a spectacle and I would like to encourage all members to come and support this institution of competitive sailing. They are already training very hard for this event and we wish them fair winds and following seas! Again, LDYC will sponsor the Lipton Team in the amount of R35,000. Twenty-six thousand of this has already been raised through fundraising and proceeds from the L26 nationals hosted by LDYC in April.

SA Sailing has made some good progress in modernising some aspects of sailing administration and related watersports, at a national level, however we still require presence and participation from club and class members for the Northern Region. It remains a priority for LDYC to be active on regional SA Sailing structures. As such, Anthony has continued to serve NR committee as Youth Development Officer.

The issues of security, wastewater, aging vehicles, infrastructure development are never-ending. We have proposed many possible considerations for the members to vote on.

As a watersport destination, a prestigious sailing club and lifestyle option the club needs to remain attractive, relevant and growing in membership, in order to maintain the economies of scale required to fund the club.

I would again like to thank the wonderful committee our club has; for their hard work and the time they volunteer; away from their families, to make sure you can go out and enjoy your sailing or just enjoying your club. I thank the flag officers; Warren and Anthony. The treasurer Barend, Annetjie

and Ann on the accounts side. The ever smiling and helpful Club Manager, Simon and his team of merry engineers. We have many sub committees, some formal; some not-so-much, and your time that you give to the club is also appreciated. A huge thank you to our Social Committee, Race and bridge Officers. The trustees, Mark and Colin and Club secretary Melanie. Also, special thanks to Vanessa as PRO and general "Go-To-Gal" and last but not least the massive number of volunteers it takes to keep the club running. Thank you all and God bless you.

It is, on occasions such as this, that we realize our common passion for sailing, the good friendships we make and we remember the paths that our predecessors have forged … for which, we, now reap the benefits.

The goal of Lake Deneys Yacht Club has always been to bring the pleasure of sailing, watersports and the wonderful friendship this club offers, to as many people, as possible.

The coming year will be no different with the club leaders planning exciting things for both our sailing and social activities. We don't always get it right, however what we try to do; is always with the best interest of the club at heart. We are all volunteers and our job is to make sure **you** have an inclusive family friendly club - your job is to go sailing, enjoy the water and have fun!

The world is changing and as a successful club we need to change with it. I personally look forward to working closely with everyone, the staff and of course our tireless volunteers to achieve our goals.

In closing, I wish to reiterate that the club is not run by individuals, but by the members and volunteers who relentlessly give up their spare time, energy and commitment to make the club such a success. I thank you all for making LDYC the friendly, open and welcoming club that it is. May we continue to do what we do right and keep growing from strength to strength.

Luke Quinn
Commodore
Lake Deneys Yacht Club – 27 May 2018

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Minutes of the Annual Caravan Owners Meeting

of Lake Deneys Yacht Club held at the

Training Room at 14:00 on Saturday 26th May 2018.

**Opening and Welcome.**

Warren Nel, welcomed all present to this year's annual caravan owners meeting, and read the notice convening this meeting.

**Apologies / Absent / Quorum:**

Apologies: Received from the following members:

Teagan Bruyns, Linda Bruyns, Gary Bruyns.

Quorum: Fully constituted, a total of 48 members present at the meeting.

**1. Adoption of Agenda**

No changes or additions to the Agenda.

**2. Minutes of previous Meeting.**

2.1. Matters arising from previous minutes – None

Minutes proposed by Danny Adams and Seconded by Melissa Nel, both being present at last year's meeting and accepted by the chairperson as an accurate record of the proceedings.

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**3. Points for Discussion at today's meeting as per the Agenda**

3.1 Renovations, building at sites without plans or approval

Warren Nel, explained the current rules and bylaws with regards to building and renovations at caravan sites. These included the lodging of plans and a request to Mancom for approval. All and any improvements and renovations at sites, have to have prior approval before any work can commence. There are too many incidents and complaints of members building at sites without approval, some of you are transgressing the bylaws and this is not acceptable.

Once plans have been approved by Mancom, Simon Fisher (Club Manager) will do a site inspection and once the buildings have been completed Simon Fisher will conduct another inspection to ensure that the improvements have indeed been concluded in terms of the plans submitted.

John Marsden has been a member for 18 years and had a sit as long. He is concerned about the sites which are being built up and look like mansions. Bylaws are being broken and for the past 10 years there seems to be different rules for different people.
Luke Quinn asked all too please keep in mind that LDYC is a members club, if the members do not submit written complaints for the disciplinary committee to address then very little can be done to rectify such transgressions. Simon Fisher the club manager nor Mancom are policemen and can't go around to all sites checking who is compliant and who is not. The onus is on all members to abide by the rules and if they are not happy then they need to lodge a complaint in writing.

Warren Nel, once a complaint has been received Mancom will acknowledge the complaint within 7 days and the matter is discussed at Mancom, should Mancom not be able to find a resolution and the transgression is material, it is then referred to the disciplinary committee and the parties are called to attend. Members are not following process.

Acton Plunkett, agreed that what has been done has been done. Certain sites have been turned into real estate if you look at what has been built and upgraded. Some of the sites are outrageous and wants to know how it has been possible for these members to get away with these upgrades and contravention of the rules and bylaws.

Jonathan Crawford, asked about the rules regarding charges where a member has two caravans on a site, also referring to sites where members have mobile home, Jonathan wanted to know if it's fair that sites with larger sleeping areas should be billed less than sites with two small caravans.

LQ, responded by saying that the current rules state that if you have two caravans on your site you shall be charged for two caravans. The current rules do not apply variable costs based on sleeping space on a site, each site has an area of 100 square meters, which may be covered, and sleeping areas are limited to the extent that they must be trailable abodes. The charge for additional caravans was introduced to discourage families from sharing sites.

Alex Bogner, suggested that a committee be formed to work on and change the current bylaws. The club has changed over the past few years and many changes have taken place and our bylaws need to be re-written carefully, They need to make sense and we need to look at charging members for their living area.

A proposal was made to have an ad-hoc committee and give them 3 months to bring about suggested changes. The volunteers for this committee shall be: John and/or Joey Lee, Richard Taylor, Jonathan Crawford, Clive Bruyns and Natasha Franklin. These shall be written according to what the people want and what shall bring people down to the club.

Acton Plunkett, re iterated that this is a family club, where families come down to enjoy themselves over weekend, let's change the rules and laws within reason so as to keep everyone happy and make LDYC a friendly family orientated club.

3.2. External builders, labourers at sites – not permanent staff of LDYC

WN, this was mentioned at last year's meeting, members who have approved plans for site improvements must present while work is being done.

Richard Taylor, mentioned that this is not always possible or practical, and used an example of a break in at a site, he as the member may not be able to physically come to the club and may need urgent repairs done, what happens then?

Simon, agreed that if the member sends all the info to him these contractors will be allowed to enter the property, it is the improvements and renovations at sites which take weeks and days to complete which are the problem as these contractors enter and exit the property numerous times a day, Simon cannot be a policeman and check the security every time they drive in and out the gate. We need to be responsible as this places all members at risk.

3.3. Guests with Pets

WN, there have been an increasing amount of visitors to the club where members guests bring their dogs/pets to the club. This is causing problems and Mancom has had to deal with a number of complaints these last few months. Visitors do not always know of the rules of the club and this causes problems.

It was agreed by all present that the rule is only members may bring pets. Members' guests are not permitted to bring pets onto the premises. Members are responsible for their guests and they are to ensure that their guests comply with club rules. Any complaints received from any incidents shall result in the member being sanctioned.

3.4. Music in the Clubhouse

WN, the general rule is that the music in the clubhouse will stop on at midnight. No music, be it from a car or elsewhere is allowed after midnight. At sites the allowed accepted time is 22h00 (ten o clock), members present were asked to please abide by this and comply. Members are asked to direct all complains in writing to the secretary where these complaints can be dealt with.

3.5. Quad Bikes on Premises

WN, it was agreed by the members present that no quad bikes are allowed onto the premises; the only persons who may have a quad bike are members with written permission for example Danny Adams. Any other member found riding around on a quad bike will be asked to remove the quad. This does not include any other recreational vehicles that are brought to the club to be used outside of the club.

3.6. Cleanliness and safety at Sites

WN, asked everyone to please keep the area around their sites manicured when it came to bushes, trees and grass. The club cuts the grass in the common ground (green area). There are many sites with overgrown bushes where one can't even gain access to the entrance, this is not safe and a kind request is made for members to keep their sites neat and tidy.

Should members not comply or are not willing to do this, Simon and his team will cut back trees, bushes, etc. and the member will be charged a cleaning fee.

## 4. General.

### 4.1. Lights around the caravan sites

A request was received from Richard Taylor to please improve lights between the sites that are not working, it's really dark and the ladies don't like going to the bathroom in the dark. Warren Nel responded that this be addressed by Simon.

**4.2.** Jonathan Crawford raised the problem with speeding on the premises and asked if something can be done. The only solution is to name and shame these transgressors. It was agreed that the guys who continuously speed be brought to book, written complaints should be directed to the club manager or secretary and these complaints shall be addressed through the correct channels.

The following points were covered under general, these will be presented at the AGM tomorrow and form part of the proposed special levy.

### 4.3. Entrance Canopy

Alex Schon, presented an overview of the proposed costs to erect the canopy which will run from the front door outside the main office along the pathway past the ablutions towards the car park. About four years ago LDYC purchased the material when the main veranda was done. There is enough cover at the warehouse ready to be used, so there is no cost for the canopy material, the only cost shall be the steelwork, beams, poles, labour etc. The cost to do this will not exceed R100 000 (one hundred thousand rand).

### 4.4. Security fence on unsecured property

Warren Nel gave an overview of where the LDYC property runs adjacent to the Lake Deneys Developments Lake View property. LDYC owns the property from the main gate all the way along the western border to the corner of Lake View. The proposal is to secure and protect the perimeter as this is not currently fenced. The idea is to put up barbed wire (roll) fence, of about 6 foot tall, on the inside of this dig a trench of 1.5 meter deep and then secure additional rolls of razor wire. LQ and WN would like to purchase a few ostriches and keep them in this area, they are great guards. The cost for the fencing and digging of the trench will not exceed R180 000 (one hundred and eighty thousand rand). Both WN and LQ wish to put on record that the

purchasing and upkeep of the initial batch of ostriches is for their own account and not that of LDYC.

### 4.5. Trophy Cabinet

Warren Nel, everyone has seen the nice new and amazing trophy cabinet along the wall in the clubhouse. We would like to extend the cabinets all along the wall and close off the door leading into the offices. Quotes have been received to extend the cabinet and the costs to complete this will not exceed R55 000 (fifty five thousand rand).

### 4.6. Kids room extension and office / medical 1st aid room

Warren Nel, the proposal is to extend the current kids room to the end of the underroof section of the veranda with aluminium and glass. It will provide additional space to put a table tennis table and games for the kids, and also serve as an office or first aid room during large events like the annual RTIR. The cost to complete will not exceed R50 000 (fifty thousand rand).

### 4.7. Waste water treatment plant

Brandon from a company called Calcamite sanitary solutions, who specialize in water treatment systems and septic tanks gave the members present a rundown of how the system works and how our wastewater can be harvested and treated and turned into nearly potable water good for irrigation. The sewage goes through a series of treatments killing off any bad bacteria resulting in better water quality, which has no smell or colour once it's gone through the process. The water has no value and thus can be used for irrigation. It's a complete system but not enough time to explain the details.

Large tanks of 43 000 litres will be placed underground which will be enough to accommodate the ±1500 people per day during the annual RTIR. Most municipalities prevented the installation of french drains with soakaway and are insisting that only septic tanks or municipal facilities are used. There are different pumping chambers which constantly take the waste water through the system. It's a waste water treatment plant, part underground and some above the ground and a highly economical solution that the club desperately needs considering that the current wastewater system has not seen substantial upgrade for many years.

Luke Quinn, the clubs spends an average of between six and eight thousand rand a month for the honey-sucker to pump sewage from the tanks. With the new plant in place a saving over a few years will pay for the new system. There might be a slight odour on occasion but not a nasty sewage smell which hangs while pumping the sewage.

Brandon responded by given the running costs which is a fraction of the current costs, it is less than R2,000 a month. LQ, this system will potentially allow the sites to connect up to the system and allow for sanitation at sites, these costs however will be for each sites' account. The estimated costs for the complete system is R350 000 (three hundred and fifty thousand rand)

### 4.8. Fibre Optic Network

Luke Quinn, the bio metric fingerprint reader at the main gate has now been hit by lightning so often that the insurance company will no longer take claims for repairs; every time there is a lightning storm it fries the system at additional cost to the club. If the network connectivity at LDYC is upgraded to fibre this will provide increased protection against lightning and allows for additional networks, cameras, readers, etc. The cost to complete to not exceed R100 000 (one hundred thousand rand)

### 4.9. Conversion of bulk store to cold storage room

Luke Quinn, by converting the store room at the bar into a cold room, reduces further energy costs to chill drinks, provides longer shelf life for product and improves the quality service from the bar. The costs for the conversion to not exceed R55 000 (fifty five thousand rand).

Luke Quinn, asked everyone to please visit the LDYC web site, where they will find all the relevant Mancom members e-mail addresses, and asked that any communication is directed to them for action.

Warren Nel, thanked everyone for attending today, with no more points for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 15:10.

The next meeting shall be held on Saturday 25 May 2019 starting at 14:00.

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LAKE DENEYS YACHT CLUB
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Minutes of the Annual Boat Owners Meeting

of Lake Deneys Yacht Club held at the

Training Room at 15:00 on Saturday 26 May 2018.

**Opening and Welcome**

Anthony Engelbrecht, welcomed all present to this year's annual Boat owners meeting, and read the notice convening this meeting.

**Apologies / Absent / Quorum:**

Apologies: none received.

Quorum: Fully constituted

**1. Adoption of Agenda**

No changes or additions to the Agenda.

**2. Minutes of previous Meeting**

**2.1. Matters arising from previous minutes – None**

Minutes proposed by Barend vd Walt and seconded by Steve Mc Donald both being present at last year's meeting and accepted by the chairperson as an accurate record of the proceedings.

**3.** Anthony, kicked off the meeting by giving an overview of what happened at LDYC this past year, what SAS events were held and how we faired. There was the Spring series, we hosted the L26 Nationals as well as the Hobi 14, over and above these events we also hosted the annual RTIR, this year being our 60th, which was a spectacular event put together this year.

*Commodore:* Luke Quinn, *Vice Commodore:* Warren Nel, *Rear Commodore:* Anthony Engelbrecht, *Treasurer:* Barend van der Walt, *Secretary:* Melanie van der Westhuizen, *PRO:* Vanessa Remmington, *Club Manager:* Simon Fisher, *Past Commodore:* James Peyper, *Trustees:* Mark Malherbe, Colin Hales *Alt. Trustee*: Geoff Teasdale

3.1. Round the Clubs, where 15 boats entered, we also had the LDYC night race with 8 boats starting but only one finished which was Deon Viljoen. Some boats limped home, one or two had to be rescued by the NSRI, safe to say it was a very eventful night. We also had our team which participated at the Lipton Cup at Royal Cape Yacht club, our team did very well and finished tied in third place.

3.2. We also had the 100 miler, with 10 boats staring and 6 finishing on the day. Deon Viljoen being the first to retire with a broken rudder. We also had the RTIR single handed race, 30 starters and 28 finishers. Charles Girard finished first, well done to him. Unfortunately, the ladies RTIR was scrapped due to zero wind or very little wind. The Bart's Bash was linked to the Spring series, and also was well supported.

We have an average of about 36 club boats which compete and take part at the club series through the year. Some of them sail one series and others try and do all of them. Our guys don't race to win prizes we go for "Gold" our participation is strong at these races and we want to grow the numbers out on the water.

Anthony wished to thank all the sponsors, namely, Texwise, Stuart Giles (The author) and also wished to give a special thanks to Luke Quinn and Warren Nel, Anthony's fellow flag officers for sponsoring the FLOSS Summer series.

3.3. This year we hosted the 60th RTIR, as mentioned it was a well run, well planned event with very little problems on the Sunday which was when the main RTIR took place. We had 16 more finishers than the previous year which was encouraging. We had a de briefing after the event and noted some small challenges to work through for next year's RTIR.

Youth RTIR hosted a field of 14 boats which was less than last year, all the kids thoroughly enjoyed the weekend and much experience was gained. Anthony thanked the sponsors of the youth RTIR, these were Tembaka (Abdullah Ismail) who gave an amount of R30 000 towards prizes, and looking at what some of the kids walked away with will bring them back next year.

Anthony, we are planning an "Ultra Class RTIR" which will take place from 13 – 14 th October, all the keelboats with a handicap of one and above are encouraged to take part, but the event is open to ALL classes.

3.4. Peter Pace, alerted Anthony to the fact that the Hobbies also have their nationals in October and block off two weekends for this event. Typically, the wind does not blow for one of the weekends hence the two weekends. More information shall be circulated to all clubs around the country closer to the time.

Just a note which is that at next year's the 61st RTIR; the Commodores Cup shall no longer form part of the regatta.

3.5. Kids Sailing Area – Anthony wished to thank everyone who has been involved with the Youth Compound as it is known, and who has and will be offering their time to complete the area. Some sponsors are being carried over from last year, and work has started to be carried out, more though needs to be done so if anyone can donate much needed funds, time and labour to assist us in completing the compound it shall be greatly welcome and appreciated.

3.6. Youth Nationals 2018, unfortunately after a lot of effort, hard work and a very well put together document as our submission to SAS for LDYC to host the event LDYC came up a little short and the event has been awarded to Stilbaai. LDYC shall be better prepared for the next bid and hope to host it in 2022. LDYC had sponsorship lined up to the amount of R160 000, should the event be hosted here, these came from private members.

3.7. Lipton Cup, Greg Plunkett and the team did very well and ended up tied third; they are all going down to Durban next month to better their position and hope to end up in the top two. This team shall be an LDYC team and they guys are training hard, let's support our team. Anthony asked everyone present who could make it down to Durban to do so and cheer the team on. Luke Quinn, our Commodore responded that it's a very exciting and thrilling event and really gets everyone behind their teams.

3.8. International Yacht Club Challenge in Manhattan, the event took place on the Hudson River. LDYC was the only club from South Africa to be invited to the event, and after much deliberation LDYC sent a team to take part. Everyone who went paid for themselves; there was no funding from LDYC. Luke Quinn wished to extend the clubs thanks and appreciation to Anthony who flew back from New York to attend the closing ceremony at the Lipton. This just again shows the passion Anthony has for sailing and his commitment to LDYC.

3.9. Vaal Sailing School, Anthony, unfortunately the Vaal Sailing School is going through some changes, there is a lot of discussions going on with Austin Daly as to how best utilize the centre and get regular camps running again. There are still a lot of youth out there who are interested in sailing, we need to instil that passion we all have for the sport in them, its Anthony's goal to grow the numbers.

3.10. Anthony, wished to also thank everyone who served on Sailcom this past year, a lot of great ideas came out from the meetings and some good work was done and shall continue to be done. These members are: Vishnu, Cornelius, Warren Toward, Daniel, Thomas, Douglas, Austin, and a big thank you in particular must go out to our secretary Melanie vd Westhuizen for always rallying the troops together and ensuring the meetings took place. Without Melanie, Sailcom would not have achieved the results they did this past year.

3.11. Anthony could not share much around the harbour and the planned developments as there are ongoing talks around the proposed plans for the harbour and walk-ons etc.

3.12. Recent Survey, Anthony shared the outcome and results of the percentages of the recent survey which was sent to everyone to complete. The outcome was that there is a lack of youth sailors.
Jonathan Crawford added that the problem today is that the kids at school are too busy with sports on weekends, it was different 20 years ago when one of the few sports was to go sailing, unfortunately now days this is no longer the case. The kids and parents are just too busy and do not have time to spend at the Vaal Dam. The question was asked why sailing does not form part of the school extra activities like at VLC or at Emmarentia. Anthony had contacted a few schools in Johannesburg namely Bryanston High, and Randburg High; the principles were just not interested.

Both Greg Plunkett and Jonathan Crawford agreed that if we get our kids out on lasers and on faster boats it will peak their interest, the kids want to go fast and it must be exciting, they don't want to cruise around the bay, this is not fun for them. We need to change the format, to make it exciting.

Peter Pace, once again mentioned that the kid's races should be held in front of the clubhouse in the bay where parents and visitors can sit and watch them out on the water. Get

them out onto the water; we have a vast area to use. Acton plunked reiterated that we need coaches and trainers to pique the interest and make it fun for them.

Richard Weiderhold, having come through the different classes growing up and looking at his own kid, we need to have a feeder system in place, get some Optimists and make them available. Luke Quinn agreed with the Vaal Sailing School we need to come up with a charter which can sustain itself for a period of 10 – 20 and even 30 years. This will ensure that there is no beak every time the committee changes and each committee have new ideas. Youth sailing will only be successful if we give the youth what they want, not what we want them to do or sail.

3.13. Greg Plunkett, as everyone knows LDYC hosted the L26 Nationals recently, there were only 10 boats which took part, most of which were from our own club. What Greg saw and realized was that there are still a good few of the "Old Salts" who enjoy sailing and who had fun. It's something that LDYC must take note, and not be quick to scrap the old big boats, yes, they are slow but they are still an enjoyment to sail, he saw a renewed spark amongst the guys and would like us to hold an annual L 26 competition even if it's amongst our own club members.

**4. Safety Boats**

Anthony, we want to get more training done so that there are alternate safety boat operators on weekends. If there are any members who are interested please put your hand up.

**5. The LDYC Sailing Calendar**

The updated sailing calendar is up on our web site, this gets updated regularly.
myldyc@gmail.com

Peter Pace, also just wanted to add that it's the first time in years with club sailing that the safety boat followed the boats around the course. It was really comforting to know that should a boat capsize or someone needed assistance the safety boat was close by, so a huge "well done".

Anthony, asked everyone present to please send an e-mail with their suggestions as to how LDYC could get the numbers out on the water. Mario Vilela mentioned that at the previous weekends club racing there were 90 boats out on the water. Please send any suggestions or ideas to

ldyc@telkomsa.co.za we need volunteers to come down and get involved and see if we can get the youth down to the club, come down and put some programs together.

**6. Harbour, and walk on jetties**

Anthony, spoke briefly around the proposed plans for the harbour and walk on jetties, as mentioned this is work in progress and will take a while to finalize.

With regards to the Ferry Boat, please keep in mind that the ferry boat is not a must but a service we offer our club members, please keep this in mind when you are out on the water and come back late, don't expect the guys to be waiting for you. Make sure you carry your own tender with you or make arrangements before you go out, especially if you know you are going to be returning late.

Luke, it's about getting staff that are qualified to want to stay late, their working hours are till 16:30. We can't leave the ferry boat out on the water overnight; if we do then Simon has to struggle to get it out in the dark. We are developing the area at the harbour and are in the process of putting up garages for our safety boats and ferry boats. These will be locked up at night and will be run, maintained and managed properly.

**7. Rules on the water and in the harbour.**

This is not a problem with our own members, but if there are any of our members, we kindly ask that anyone with a power boat to please NOT tie your power boat on the end of the long walk on jetty, this causes problems. More and more visitors come to our club to support the bar and kitchen and they tie up their boats anywhere.
Warren Toward is busy with a project to get the old red walk on jetty back into the water. It needs a lot of work, and asked anyone who can assist to please come forward.

This also applies to any club members who sees anyone coming into the bay at a high speed, disobeying the "No Wake Zone" to please approach them and address the matter, we all know what the rules are, these are also indicated on the notice boards on the foreshore.

With no further matters the meeting closed at 16:20.

The next meeting shall be held on the 25 May 2019 at 15:00