

South Australian Sharpie Sailing Association Annual Reports



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President's Report 2010-11 Season

The 2010 / 2011 season has been another strong year for the South Australian Sharpie association, with participation at a club level at its strongest in years. Brighton led the way, with at times 16 or so Sharpies on the water. Adelaide and Largs had strong fleets, and Port Lincoln is starting to see activity again. There is still some good representation at the country clubs, with some of the Port Vincent Lads, looking for some cheap Sharpies to get involved.

State Title numbers have remained strong, but it would be nice to see some more participation, particularly from Largs, which had no boats participate in the series. Is the current format, now in about its fourth year still relevant? Or are we happy with the participation rate, there is no doubt we can stand proud in the strength of our fleet, still the premier senior dinghy fleet in this state.

By now we should have our first carbon spinnaker poles and booms, these carbon spars are cheaper than their aluminium counterparts and are only on test, but if proven successful, should be allowed for use after the current ban period ends in 2012. This change in my point of view will be a good one, in the fact that it will not in any way make old spars obsolete, be cheaper and will add some attractive "bling" to our class.

The West Lakes regatta, in its second year, was once again a great success, with plenty of spectators really enjoying the spectacle. We will try to expand on this event again.

Financially, we have consolidated the classes' position, and have shifted some funds into a term deposit to maximize returns. I would like to thank Jenny for ensuring we had her great reports throughout the year, and for her uncanny ability to wrangle raffle prizes out of unsuspecting sponsors.

The Brighton Nationals are now only a year and a half off, and while plans are underway, plenty of things will need doing, please consider putting your hand up to help, you really won't be lumbered with a lot to do, as many hands make light work. The organizing committee only meets every two or three months, and could do with a couple more bodies, as your state committee is doing both jobs and could use a hand.

I would like to thank the committee members once again for their great work; I have to once again single out Sally, who even after having a baby did not shirk her responsibilities as secretary. Sal's ability and skill in performing this important role for us is inspirational. Thankyou Sal, on behalf of every member of the association.

It has been a very busy year for me personally, and the time I have had to put into the job has been less than I would like, but even so I would like to see the job through until at least after the Brighton Nationals and offer myself for re-election.

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David Snoad

President SASSA

2010 - 2011 Season Secretary Report:

Welcome to all who have made the effort to attend this years AGM of the SA Sharpie Association 10/11 season.

Once again, secretary's report is brief.

- 1) Minutes & Agendas, used as a form of communication to show what the committee is up to each month, I email out to both the Sharpie Email list and Veterans Email list
- 2) Correspondence via postal and email is received – we receive National information and YSA to keep us in the sailing information loop.
- 3) Email list is still working and growing
- 4) Website – I am in touch via email with Mary Tulip , National Website administrator, who is keeping the SA information up to date

I now declare the position of 'Secretary' vacant.

Sally Linke

Secretary SASSA

2010/2011 Season Treasurers Report

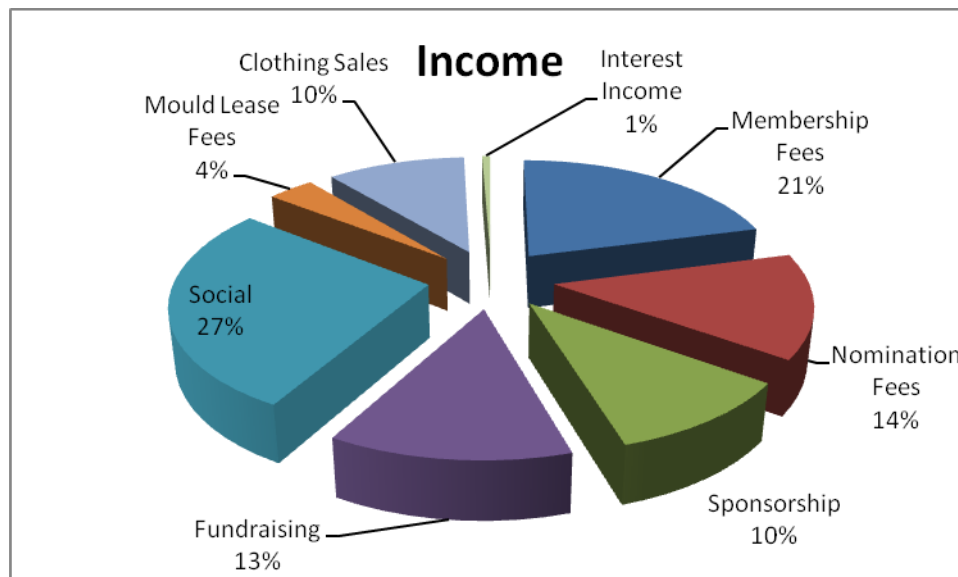
Firstly I would like to thank my fellow committee members for their support and guidance during this season. Last season highlighted a few problem areas in handling the Association funds so I have focused on solving these problems and presenting an accurate financial picture to the committee each month.

We have initiated an Internet Banking facility. This has enabled us to access on demand bank statements and have transaction history available for each meeting. This has also given us the option to pay bills by EFT, which has eliminated difficulties associated with managing the cheque book.

We also looked into the option of having a merchant banking facility but it was decided that it was too expensive to operate for the small number of transactions that we would have annually. So it was decided that in the short term the Association would continue to utilize the facility provided by Pinz Pty Ltd. This facility has certainly proved its worth.

Season 2009-10 Presentation Night held in June which was a huge success, and also managed to cover costs due to careful planning, a great turn up on the night and a well supported raffle.

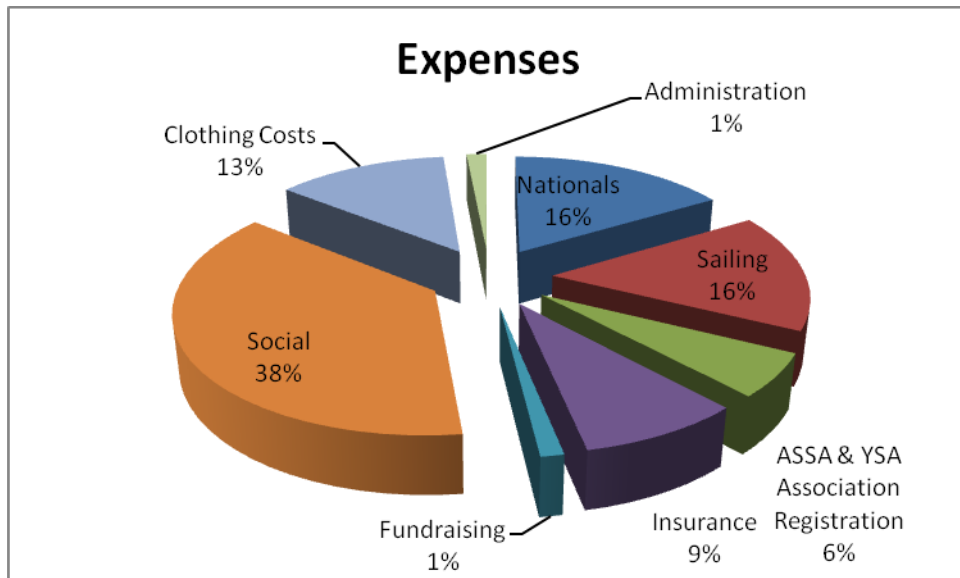
Membership and sailing nominations for this season were slightly down on last year so we are looking to boost this especially given that the Nationals will be held in Adelaide in 2012-13.



The Sailing/Racing expenses have continued to be covered with the Nomination fees.

The Committee worked hard this year to continue to gather race sponsors and to run successful fundraising raffles. It was decided to offer \$100 incentive for each boat travelling to the Nationals at Black Rock in Melbourne.

State Team Shirts were also provided at no cost to State Team members. We managed to almost cover costs with these due to the sale of clothing from previous years. It was also great to see all members and friends support the Association by purchasing their own Sharpie Shirt.



It can be noted that as at the end of Season 2010-11 the Association had an operating surplus of \$3,149.11.

The closing bank balance at 30/4/11 is \$6,414.01

And an amount of \$8,096.52 is being held in a Term Deposit.

The Committee sees no reason to increase the fee structure. Membership fees are one of the major contributors to our cash flow and as such, we need to encourage people to join and remain members of our Association.

Motion: That the SA Sharpie Association membership fee for the Season 2011-12 season be set at \$50.00.

I have enjoyed my season as Treasurer and wishing to continue I offer myself for re-election.

Regards,

Jenny Fisher

Treasurer SASSA

SA SHARPIE ASSOCIATION			
<i>Financial Report 1/5/10-30/4/11</i>			
Opening Bank Balance	1/05/2010		\$ 11,258.90
Outstanding deposits from 1/5/10			\$ 500.00
Unpaid current payments			
Unpaid current deposits			
Income			
Membership Fees		\$ 2,990.00	
Nomination Fees		\$ 2,000.00	
Sponsorship		\$ 1,500.00	
Fundraising		\$ 1,833.20	
Social		\$ 3,912.00	
Mould Lease Fees		\$ 500.00	
Clothing Sales		\$ 1,490.00	
Sundry Income			
Interest Income		\$ 86.74	
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 14,311.94
Expenses			
Nationals		\$ 1,833.00	
Sailing		\$ 1,773.01	
ASSA & YSA Association Registration		\$ 640.00	
Insurance		\$ 976.97	
Fundraising		\$ 139.45	
Social		\$ 4,196.30	
Clothing Costs		\$ 1,435.50	
Mould Repairs & Maintenance			
Administration		\$ 168.60	
Sundry Expenses			
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$ 11,162.83
OPERATING SURPLUS			\$ 3,149.11
Unpaid Current Payments (-)			
Unbanked Current Deposits (+)			\$ (494.00)
Current Term Deposit			\$ 8,000.00
Current Term Deposit Interest			\$ 96.52
Closing Bank Balance	30/04/2011		\$ 6,414.01
<i>Total Funds available</i>			<i>\$ 14,510.53</i>

2010-11 Season Measurers Report

There are 2 items that I would like to report on for the past season

Firstly the association sharpie mould. We have had 2 new boats produced, one for Peter Kirk and one for Phil Kelly in Port Lincoln which is yet to be measured. A further new boat for Sam McLeod is currently in production and likely to be completed over winter. Tim Haselgrove reports no further firm orders and unfortunately little in the way of enquiries. The end product appears to be of very high quality and should be very durable.

Current pricing from Tim Haselgrove

New hull	\$14,500 of which ~ \$2500 is material cost
Association fee	\$500 – \$1000
Carbon centreboard	\$2000
Carbon rudder	\$600
Carbon stock	\$600

This would give a likely cost of over 30,000 for a completed boat with spars, sails and trailer.

Clearly future growth of the class will be dependant on continued production of new boats. At this cost unfortunately I can see only small numbers of orders.

Of interest the “Fremantle 5o5” mould was moved to Xtreme Sailing Products (XSP) in Indonesia a few years ago. They are producing polyester 505s, fully rigged excluding sails for under \$20,000. This may be an idea to be considered for our association mould.

The second item of interest is the carbon poles and booms proposal. With carbon spars now at a competitive pricing with alloy the national association has obtained a demo carbon pole and boom to trial.

Malcolm Higgins

Measurer SASSA

Publicity Report

The almost monthly “On the Fly” has continued to be received well, and has been a pretty easy way to communicate issues of relevance to our members in a timely manner. Having an email only newsletter has enabled us to increase our circulation for free, but this may be a problem for some old timers. There is no doubt that good publicity leads to good numbers. I really need someone to take on this newsletter, my time is under increasing pressure, this newsletter takes no more than an hour an issue to produce. I would be willing to help teach someone how to put this sort of thing together if you are not sure how to do it but are interested in learning.

Cheers

David Snoad

Social Report

No report tabled.

Race Officials Report

No report tabled.