



TWEED COAST OUTRIGGERS Inc.

Presidents Report

for 2019 Annual General Meeting

Coaching at TCO was at the cross roads in May 2019 with the resignation of our head coach and no one willing to stand up and be counted.

Your management committee decided to call a "Crisis meeting" which had positive results.

The 2 major outcomes were;

1. The appointment of Dan Carroll as head coach with the support of a coaching panel made up of Karyn O'Reilly, Annie Ford-Rose and Evan Poa. This panel has worked in a cohesive manner to appoint session leaders and develop a new coaching schedule for the 12 months which is focused on each racing season – OC1's, Oc6's and the offseason for June and July.
2. The second resolve was the formation of a Mission and Vision statement which following input from members resolved to be:

"To create a respectful and inclusive culture in the outrigger community that allows individuals to achieve their goals, whilst embracing the Tweed Community to ensure the sport and the traditions of outrigger canoe racing are maintained"

The inputs to achieve our mission are we show respect for:

- **The outrigger community**
- **The sport and its values**
- **The ocean and environment that allows us to achieve our mission**

The outcomes of our actions mean

- **It is good for the sport**
- **It is good for the community**
- **It is good for the individual**

Our Club has come together to have an inclusive culture, with each member supporting each other.

Membership and Finances

- a. During 2019 our membership numbers have consolidated at 68 with annual revenues being stable at \$16,314 and annual Shed storage fees stable at \$3,300
- b. The total revenues collected from Membership and Storage fees are \$19,614.
- c. Our fixed costs of operations are Insurance, Water Rates, Aocra fees and web fees all of which total approximately \$9,000 pa leaving the committee a discretionary spent of \$10,600 before fund raising or grants.
- d. This is a strong position to allow the club to maintain equipment at a high standard and to keep cash reserves at a level that allow for a rainy day.

Insurance Claims:

TCO had 3 insurance claims during the 12 months

1. Trailer damaged on destination Sydney - claim \$4,000



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| 2. OC6 's damaged at Training in a collision | - claim \$3,350 |
| 3. Shed break in and burglary | - claim \$3,900 (not settled at time of annual accounts) |

Grants and Shed Construction:

In 2018 year the Club was advised of a successful grant application with NSW government totalling \$70,000.

After researching construction of specific facilities and preparing for a development application the Department of Lands advised our Lease/ Licence did not allow us to build on the Leased land.

The Club has now advised the State Government of this fact and TCO has withdrawn the grant receipt application.

This is naturally very disappointing and distressing for all the committee who had worked so hard to achieve what seem the be a good result – only to have it taken away.

Canoe repairs and restoration:

Following the disappointing grant outcome the committee resolved to refurbish all OC6 canoes to a high standard.

This has now been achieved and done out of Club cashflow.

Continued problems with maintenance of OC2 canoes requires serious consideration as to whether the existing canoes should be sold and replaced with new OC2 canoes (naturally funding needs consideration). This is a decision for the new committee.

Tree Removal

TCO lodged a formal request to the Tweed Shire to remove 5 trees and replace them with 8 trees along the boundary. We received a rejection and our only option is to employ a level 5 Arborist to review our case and hopefully get it overturned.

Thanks

I would like to personally thank all Committee members who I have worked with over the past 4 years (as Treasurer and President) and in particular the Treasurer Christine Gilpin for her dedication and astute work in keeping the finances of our club under close scrutiny. I look forward to supporting the new President and the new committee who will now take a turn to guide the club into the future.

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