

Draft Minutes of Australopers Meeting

Thursday 17 September

13 Meath Ave, Tarooma

Meeting Opened At: 7:40

Attendance: Bert Elson, Jan Hardy, Mike Calder, Jane Calder, Rosie Rutledge, Sandi Powell, Geoff Powell, Kate Lucas, Klaas Hartmann, Sophie Hartmann

Apologies: Ali Stubbs, Liana Stubbs, Ian Rathbone, Julian Roscoe, Robyn Chapman

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Correspondence:

8 September. Sophie Hartmann, in her role as co-captain of Tasmanian Schools Team, asked Australopers to consider financial support for the Australopers members in the team.

Action List from Previous Meeting:

EPIRB now in metal cupboard in the shed

Inventory of Equipment. Bert to liaise with Martin

Financial Report:

Treasurer an apology. Note from Julian that there was virtually no financial activity since last meeting

OT Report:

Service Awards to be seen as a priority for awards evening.

Annual Awards Dinner discussed. Australopers supports this occurring at the St Helens weekend in early 2027. Note to be sent to OT regarding this preference.

Discussion around grants.

Junior Report:

Schools team in final preparations for the Oceania Carnival. Training camp at Launceston. 17 Australopers juniors in the team with support from Australopers members Ali Stubbs, Imogen Pearce and Klaas Hartmann. The meeting wished the team good luck for the events.

Technical And Equipment:

No significant activity at this time. No contact from HCC re future of shed.

Past Events:

20 Sept Seven Mile Creek (Ainsley and James Scott) 73

11 Oct Randalls Bay (Kate Lucas, Brenard Walker) 67

Future Events:

28 Oct Sandown Park (Clausons)

4 Nov Tarooma (Marcants)

11 Nov Queens Domain (No Setter/Controller)

18 Nov Gordons Hill (Wards)

22 Nov Risdon Brook (Paul E, Peter C)

Other Business:

Registration Form: An updated and user-friendly registration form from Ian Rathbone was presented. It was enthusiastically supported with one addition of "Transfer Ownership" to be added. Geoff to communicate with Ian.

Reward Scheme For Volunteers: Mike C presented an update on work for the reward scheme. Designs for a club cap for volunteer rewards were endorsed as was an alternate club cap that could be purchased. Geoff raised the question around a club bucket hat for more sun protection. Mike will circulate points system for rewards for further review and discussion.

Mike also raised the matter of mesh tops which some juniors were requesting. Need to assess the numbers interested and sizing.

Volunteer Coordinator: Sally Wayte has informed the club that she will be stepping down from the role of volunteer coordinator. The club acknowledges the wonderful job Sally has done in this crucial role within the club and thanks her for her time and patience in this challenging role. Discussion around potential replacements.

Map Updates: OT had requested a list of maps that may require updates. A number of members had replied to a request for maps that may need review/update. A copy of comments was circulated at the meeting.

The need for accurate up to date maps for our twilight/local events was noted as these are important introductions into the sport.

Comment was also made around areas that are mapped but have not been used for some years. Are the maps still usable and is the landholder information still accurate? A review of this would be helpful in planning calendars going forward. The club acknowledges that this may take time to make these areas available for planning the calendar. The areas around Buckland (Wild Dog Creek and Bluff River) were highlighted in this regard.

Geoff to forward document to OT.

Calendar 2027: Mike and Bert have been working on the calendar on behalf of Australopers and presented a draft calendar for comment.

Tasmanian Schools Team Support: In response to Sophie Hartmann's email (see above) the meeting decided to support each team member the sum of \$250 to assist with the cost of the event. Julian to liaise with OT. Geoff to notify parents of junior athletes.

Defib: OT has agreed to finance the purchase of a new updated defib for the club. Two defibs were presented with the decision to purchase the St Johns AED.

Volunteers for Twilights: Geoff to email club members re need for assistance with admin roles at twilights series and the need for setter/controller for Domain Event.

Next meeting: Thurs 22 Oct 2026, 13 Newlands Ave, Lenah Valley (NB since moved to Thus 29 Oct)