



**National Rover Council
Remote Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held Monday 22nd October 2019

1. Procedural Items

1.1 Meeting Open

Meeting opened 8.05pm AEST.

The National Rover Council acknowledges the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first inhabitants of this country and pays their respects to the Traditional Owners and Elders, past, present and emerging, of the land on which we stand today.

1.2 Attendance

Ezgi Bridger (NAT)	Elodie Prinsloo (WA)	Sean Bond (NT)
Natasha Wood (NAT)	Vicki McKinnon (VIC)	Tymon Domanko (NSW)
Andrew Hilditch (NAT)	Megan Rogers (VIC)	Angus Boxall (NSW)
Patrick McCormick (NAT)	Peter Wotherspoon (VIC)	Adam Peters (ACT)
Lucy Bain (NAT)	Genevieve Taylor (TAS)	Sara Taylor (ACT)
Clinton Smith (ERT)	Justine McKeown (TAS)	Eleanor Hewitt (ACT)
Jay Reid (ERT)	Luke Mitchell (SA)	Sam de Rota (ACT)
Malcolm Richardson (ERT)	Brendon Wilson (QLD)	Ben Muller (CBR Moot)
Rhydian Clarke (VIC)		

1.3 Apologies

Shaun Sandilands (QLD) Peter Favelle (NSW) Reece Grimshaw (NRC) Georgia Sands (QLD) Anthony Buckley (ACT) Georgia Richardson (SA)

2. Past Minutes and Matters Arising

2.1 Previous Minutes

E. Bridger presented the minutes from the remote meeting held on the 7th of August 2019 previously circulated in August for approval by those present at the remote meeting.

MOTION

That the National Rover Council confirms the minutes as a true and accurate record of the NRC remote meeting held on the 7th of August 2019.

Moved: Australian Capital Territory. Seconded: New South Wales

MOTION CARRIED

2.2 Action Items List.

The NRC Exec presented the action items list of tasks that the office bearers had been working on over the past three months and upcoming projects they intended to complete over the next couple of months.

2.3 Received Correspondence.

The NRC Exec received a complaint regarding the handling of the shoulder badge discussion at the last remote meeting, where a second paper on the same topic with similar content was received by a different Branch a week before the remote meeting. The original authoring Branch submitted an amendment to their paper the day before the remote meeting. The exec opted to keep their version 1 as well, as this is what Branches had been discussing and viewing up until this point. In future, if Branches could please submit amendments to papers, rather than a similar paper, that would be appreciated.

2.4 Non Financial Members.

Currently the total amount of the 2019 Rover Levy for Tasmania and Northern Territory Branches remains outstanding from the 5th of October. No Branch moved a motion to waiver the By Laws.

3. Standing Items

3.1 Child Safe Issues

NIL

3.2 WHS Issues

NIL

3.3 Conflicts of Interest

NIL

4. Executive Reports

4.1 Chairperson's Report.

E. Bridger presented the NRC Chairs report noting the new appointment -Deputy National Commissioner Youth Program (<30) Julia Miller of Queensland Branch. YAMG Coordinator is currently being advertised for the APR Young Adult Member Group Coordinator role will begin soon. At the first meeting of the new NEC, a decision was made that the best approach to fill the vacant Under 30 position was through an open application process. This means that the NRC no longer has a standing role on the NEC. The exec will be meeting to plan the conference program in the coming weeks. We will send an email out for ideas for workshop topics, as well as some information surrounding filling the NRC Executive roles for 2020/2021

MOTION

That the report be noted.

Moved through the Chairperson.

CARRIED

4.2 Vice Chairperson's Report.

R. Grimshaw was absent; E. Bridger spoke to the Vice Chairs report noting; NRC had received 1 Rover Challenge application so far, would like to do a coordinated marketing approach for the next 2 weeks to see if we can get more applicants. keep encouraging people to apply.

In regards to Project Officers; the NRC needs to touch base with our current project officers to provide some more information to them and also get some progress updates from them. We have had no new project officer applications since last remote meeting. Would really like someone in the social media role to run our Facebook page over the next few months.

MOTION

That the report be noted.

Moved through the Vice Chairperson.

CARRIED

4.3 Training Officer's Report

N. Wood noted that the Rover Event Management course ran well and thanked thanks to all the course participants and course helpers. NTC will be in a couple of weeks and N. Wood is currently working on ranking Moot Buddies Applications.

MOTION

That the report be noted.

Moved through the Training Officer.

CARRIED

4.4 Secretary's Report

A. Hilditch spoke to the secretary report noting the process for the organisation of the next NRC Conference in February 2020 at Camp Cottermouth ACT is underway. At the last remote meeting we distributed the Conference information pack, this will be distributed again with the registration link. This year the NRC elected to use the JOTT form that the official means of collecting registrations for National meetings.

MOTION

That the report be noted.

Moved through the Secretary.

CARRIED

4.5 NRC Adviser

P. McCormick gave a brief report on his activity since the previous meeting including providing advice to the team. The NRC Chair mid term endorsement process will take place in the next two months ahead of the conference in February.

MOTION

That the report be noted.

Moved through the Adviser

CARRIED

5. Project Officers Report**5.1 Diversity and Inclusion Report**

L. Bain noted the D&I working group held a meeting last Wednesday, following another in August. Projects we are working on include a D&I review of CBR Moot and looking into changing the Rover Prayer to fit better with the evolving values of our membership. L.Bain is heading to Sydney this weekend to attend the Scouts Australia National Sustainability Conference, which will incorporate D&I and environment.

5.2 Promotions and Marketing Report

Position currently vacant.

6. CBR Moot, 21st Aus Rover Moot Report**6.1 CBR Moot 21st Australian Rover Moot Report.**

B. Muller gave a report on the progress of organising CBR moot noting the launch of offsite activities and a promotion to encourage people to pay their moot fees. The CBR moot team would like BRC's to promote prompt payment of fees within their Branch so that they can start to confirm numbers with catering companies and other per head expenses.

7. NRC Program**7.1 NRC Project Updates**

E. Bridger noted that his was covered in the Vice Chairs report.

7.2 Rover Event Management Course Review

N. Wood presented the Rover event management course report highlighting; The Rover Event Management Course (4th- 7th October) was run in order to develop the skills and knowledge of project management (e.g. Scout events, projects, or sections of larger ones). The Course was run by David Cossart (Deputy Principal SAIT) with assistance from Joshua Smart and Andrew Hilditch (previous course participants). Thirteen participants were funded by the Rover Development fund and three participants were self-funded. Catering and course administration were run by Natasha Wood (NRC Training Officer) with assistance from Grace Bunton (Scouts Tas) and Matthew Burke (Scouts SA).

8. NRC External Review**8.1 Team Report**

M. Richardson presented the external review team's report; noting that they had now had an opportunity to commence the first stage of the review and are putting the final parts of the survey together with a view to be launching in coming weeks. We aim to have the initial survey distributed amongst the BRC's in the first instance, and aim to work with each Branch to filter it down to their members. By doing this, the BRC's can assist us with getting out to as many members as possible.

Spending beyond the \$375 for the survey monkey account (if not able to utilise the current Scouts Australia account) has not been approved. The NRC felt that the budget presented at the last remote meeting needed more comprehensive costing's before it could be voted upon. The review team promised to present a more thoroughly costed budget as an out of session paper between now and the next remote meeting.

9. National Rover Council Items

9.1 Rover Mini Mods

R. Clarke presented a project outline for the Rover Mini Mods; short modules aimed at helping to manage a rover crew e.g. bookkeeping, event organising, crew leadership and other skills. Any further ideas or suggestions can be emailed to rhyd.clarke@gmail.com

9.2 NRC Out of Session Voting.

A. Boxall presented the paper asking for the endorsement of the NRC, noting the paper had been tabled at the last remote meeting and no questions or comments had been received by NSW in that time. Several questions were raised in the meeting regarding the confusing wording of the paper and the difficulties of making a quick resolution the paper imposed;

MOTION

That the NRC out of session voting paper be adopted by the NRC (This motion requires a two thirds majority to pass).

Moved: New South Wales

Seconded: Queensland

DISSENT: ACT (2) WA (1) VIC (2) SA (1)

FOR: NSW (2) QLD (1)

NON-FINANCIAL: TAS, NT

MOTION NOT CARRIED

10. NRC By-Laws Version 2.1

A. Hilditch noted that the By-Laws had been updated to reflect relevant successful motions passed by the NRC between May 2018 and March 2019.

The Drug and Alcohol, Bullying and Harassment and Social Media policies need to be uploaded to the Rover Scouts Australia website.

MOTION

That the NRC By Laws version 2.1 and all subsequent changes be ratified and that the NRC By – Laws version 2.1 supersede all previous versions.

Moved: Australian Capital Territory.

Seconded: Western Australia.

**MOTION CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

11. Branch Reports

11.1 Training;

QLD- recently had 6 Rovers complete an event management course, some went on to complete the full diploma of leadership and management course. 3 rovers completed wood badge training

WA- had 3 rovers complete wood badge training, recently implemented Rover training policy to support rovers leading projects and crews.

11.2 Program

NIL

11.3 Governance

ACT- BRC elections held, new strategic plan.

WA- recently had BRC elections, Vice chair position currently vacant. Also updated BRC policies.

11.4 Marketing

NIL

11.5 Learning(s)

NIL

11.6 General

QLD– submitted Branch report.

ACT – submitted Branch report.

12. General Business

12.1 NRC Vice Chair coordinated meetings and panel questions;

A Branch raised a few questions and requests in regards to;

Moot Buddies; there is only 2 months to Moot and applicants are looking to know soon if they have funding for the event.

The NRC needs to provide promotional material for Crew Challenge.

How does the NRC intend to fill the Social Media Officer positions, the website currently says applications are closed.

It was asked that another program meeting be arranged soon.

12.2 Request for report from the World Moot feasibility study on the international conference.

12.3 Current Project Officer Positions;

The current positions are currently vacant;

Members for the World Moot feasibility study.

Website Content Manager.

13. Procedural Items

13.1 Next Meeting

E. Bridger proposed that an NRC Remote meeting be held sometime in early December and that a poll be distributed in the coming month to determine the date, based on members' availability.

ACTION: A. Hilditch to distribute a poll to NRC members to decide the date of December remote meeting.

13.2 Meeting Close

Meeting closed 9:18pm AEST



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NATIONAL ROVER COUNCIL
 NRC Remote Meeting
 [22 October 2019]

Item Title		NRC Chair Report
X	Information	
	Discussion	
	Decision	
Document Author		Ezgi (NRC Chair)
Strategic Alignment		Governance

KEY POINTS

Please find below updates since the previous remote meeting:

New appointment -Deputy National Commissioner Youth Program (<30)

Julia Miller of Queensland Branch has been appointed to this position. Julia is an active Cub Scout Leader, and pseudo District Cub Scout Leader while still being a Rover. She has strong connections to the Youth Program, Branch Youth Councils and has been active in Gang Show, and the Queensland Agoonoree. She holds the Wood Badge in both Cub Scouts and Rovers.

Congratulations!

VACANT ROLE – YAMG Coordinator

Advertising for the APR Young Adult Member Group Coordinator role will begin soon. The person must be Under 26 years old, so if you know any Rovers with an interest in international scouting/relations, and has a passion for youth involvement strategy, please pass this advertisement on to them.

Caitlin Wood (International) will be putting together a short snippet/caption to go with a photo that can be put into Branch/BRC newsletters and on Facebook pages. I will distribute this once it's ready.

NEC Restructure:

At the first meeting of the new NEC, a decision was made that the best approach to fill the vacant Under 30 position was through an open application process. This means that the NRC no longer has a standing role on the NEC.

However, I'd like to thank everyone for the effort that went into speaking to your Branch Chief Commissioner, Branch NEC Delegate, and others, in support of maintaining a dedicated position for Rover or NRC representation.

An advertisement for the role of 'Volunteer Non-Executive Directors' for the NEC was open for approximately two weeks with the purpose of filling the Under 30 year old position. It has not been announced if a successful candidate has been chosen.

Branch Rover Council Chairs catch-ups

BRC Chair catch-ups will be coordinated through the NRC Chair role. I'll have a poll out on the BRC Chairs Facebook Page in the next week to choose a suitable date.

Rover MiniMods

I have had a meeting with Rhydian (Vic) who is heading up this project, which will develop a set of micro-credential packs for the Rover Scout section. Rhydian will provide an update on this during this meeting.

Rover Event Management Course

A huge congratulations must be given to Natasha and the course trainers on such a fantastic weekend. The feedback from both participants and Dave has been extremely good, and a very high completion rate was achieved. I believe the NRC should consider running more of these sorts of courses in future.

Thanks to Natasha, Dave Cossart, Josh Smart, Andrew Hilditch and the catering team!

Certificate IV in Coordination of Volunteer Programs

We have had enough interest to go ahead with offering a 1-hour workshop on the above at conference. Attendees of this workshop will be able to receive the full Certificate IV once the following evidence is provided to Dave Cossart at the completion of the workshop:

1. If they have completed **Advanced training**:

- Copy of their Wood Badge;
- Copy of their Certificate of Adult Appointment (CoAA), if held;
- Position Description or equivalent;
- Branch Profile (eg. Extranet/MyScout record);
- 3rd party report from their Scouting Manager;
- Completed the World Scouting & Cultural Diversity e-Learning module; and
- Additional evidence may be required.

2. If they have only completed **Basic training**:

- Copy of their Certificate of Adult Leadership;
- Copy of their Certificate of Adult Appointment (CoAA), if held;
- Position Description or equivalent;
- Branch Profile;
- 3rd party report from their Scouting Manager
- Additional evidence against each of the seven Core UoC, demonstrating how they:
 - a. **Use communications to build relationships** (e.g. a piece of correspondence resulting from a significant team building activity at a Group, Region or Branch level etc);
 - b. **Manage and promote diversity** (e.g. an example of how you have managed and promoted diversity and completed **and** completed the World Scouting & Cultural Diversity e-Learning module);
 - c. **Work legally and ethically** (e.g. an example of how you have managed a legal or ethical issue);
 - d. **Recruit, induct and support volunteers** (e.g. an example of how you have followed your Branch policy in the recruitment of a volunteer Member);
 - e. **Manage volunteer workforce development** (e.g. a copy of an Adult Review and Development Plan, or equivalent, that you have prepared with one of your volunteer Members);
 - f. **Maintain work health and safety** (e.g. an example of how you have managed a WHS issue); and
 - g. **Lead team effectiveness** (e.g. an example of how you have effectively led your Team).
- Additional evidence may be required.

Epaulettes/knots

With a couple of busy months coming up, I propose that the specific meeting for a discussion on this issue is held in the weeks prior to conference next year, with official voting during plenary at conference.

NRC Conference planning

The exec will be meeting to plan the conference program in the coming weeks. We will send an email out for ideas for workshop topics, as well as some information surrounding filling the NRC Executive roles for 2020/2021

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the National Rover Council;

- Note this report



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
NATIONAL ROVER COUNCIL
 NRC Remote Meeting
 22nd October 2019

Item Title		Vice Chair Report
X	Information	
	Discussion	
	Decision	
Document Author		Reece Grimshaw – Vice Chair
Strategic Alignment		Governance

KEY POINTS

Since my last report here is what I have accomplished;

- Moot Buddies applications have closed, notified recipients that their applications have been received and are currently being reviewed. Aiming on finalizing the list of successful applicants this weekend and notifying applicants next week.
- Have received 1 Rover Challenge application so far, would like to do a coordinated marketing approach for the next 2 weeks to see if we can get more applicants.

Just a reminder that due to the nature of the Rover Challenge, applications never actually close, there is just a cut off date for each round of funding. So keep encouraging people to apply.

Project Officers;

- Need to touch base with our current project officers to provide some more information to them and also get some progress updates from them
- Have had no new project officer applications since last remote meeting. Would really like someone in the social media role to run our Facebook page over the next few months, specifically around CBR Moot to promote all the awesome things that Rovers will be doing during this time.

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the National Rover Council;

1. Note this report
2. BRC Chairs to ensure that their delegates details are kept up to date on the BRC contact document.

ATTACHMENTS

nil



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
NATIONAL ROVER COUNCIL

NRC Remote Meeting
 [22nd October 2019]

Item Title		Training Report
X	Information	
	Discussion	
	Decision	
Document Author		Natasha Wood- NRC Training Officer
Strategic Alignment		

KEY POINTS

- Rover Event Management course
 - Course ran well, thanks to all the course participants and course help
 - See later report
- Project Managing NRC D&I Officer and review of Rovers in high level roles
 - D&I- See separate report
 - Rovers in high level roles- questions have been prepared and feedback has been received on these. Eleanor and I will start approaching people about answering this
- Facilitated BRC Chairs online meeting
 - Thanks to the Chairs who came to this meeting
- NTC will be in a couple of weeks
 - Agenda is not currently out
 - Will report on Rover event Management Course
- Currently working on ranking Moot Buddies Applications

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the National Rover Council; note this report.

ATTACHMENTS



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
NATIONAL ROVER COUNCIL
 NRC Remote Meeting
 21 OCTOBER 2019

Item Title		NRC Secretary Report
X	Information	
	Discussion	
	Decision	
Document Author		NRC Secretary
Strategic Alignment		Governance

KEY POINTS

Since the last NRC remote meeting Rover levy Invoices were issued to BRC Chairs and Treasurers, these were due on the 5th of October. Thank you all who have paid so far.

The process for the organisation of the next NRC Conference in February 2020 at Camp Cottermouth ACT is underway. At the last remote meeting we distributed the Conference information pack, this will be distributed again with the registration link.

This year the NRC elected to use the JOTT form that the official means of collecting registrations for National meetings. We do not however have the same level of access or flexibility as we had with the "do it yourself" Google form that we have used for the last 4 years. I'm currently working with the national office to set this form up for us to use, and anticipate we will be mailing out the link by Monday at the latest.

If BRC chairs could reach out to let me know confirmed delegation sizes (the assumption is 5 unless told otherwise). Also need names and emails of the observers for NT, TAS, WA, SA, ACT as soon as available. I understand that VIC and NSW will not appoint observers until late November/ Early December.

Expected timeline for the Conference organisation at this stage (excluding agenda and papers):

28/10/19 Registrations open

9/12/19 Registrations close

Early December: Remote meeting (indicative price pph confirmed (could differ by +/- 10%))

12/12/19 Final flights booked

16/12/19 Invoices Issued

13/02/20 Payment deadline

14/02/20 Conference starts

In-between now and the next remote meeting please reach out if you have any questions or are not sure of anything.

Focus of the next quarter will be finally establishing a solution to the drop box problem and organising conference.

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the National Rover Council;

1. Note this Report.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
NATIONAL ROVER COUNCIL

NRC Remote Meeting
 22 October 2019

Item Title		Diversity & Inclusion report
X	Information	
	Discussion	
	Decision	
Document Author		Lucy Bain
Strategic Alignment		

KEY POINTS

- The D&I working group held a meeting last Wednesday, following another in August.
- Projects we are working on include a D&I review of CBR Moot and looking into changing the Rover Prayer to fit better with the evolving values of our membership.
- I'm heading to Sydney this weekend to attend the Scouts Australia National Sustainability Conference, which will incorporate D&I and environment.

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the National Rover Council;

- Note this report
- Consider the place of the Rover Prayer in contemporary Scouting and alternatives for the future

ATTACHMENTS



**SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
NATIONAL ROVER COUNCIL**

NRC Remote Meeting
[22nd October 2019]

Item Title		Rover Event Management Course Report
X	Information	
	Discussion	
	Decision	
Document Author		Natasha Wood- NRC Training Officer
Strategic Alignment		

KEY POINTS

The Rover Event Management Course (4th- 7th October) was run in order to develop the skills and knowledge of project management (e.g. Scout events, projects, or sections of larger ones). The Course was run by David Cossart (Deputy Principal SAIT) with assistance from Joshua Smart and Andrew Hilditch (previous course participants).

The course was mapped to 5 VET units of competency:

- (a) BSBPMG522 Undertake project work;
- (b) BSBLDR401 Communicate effectively as a workplace leader;
- (c) BSBMGT402 Implement an operational plan;
- (d) BSBCUS402 Address customer needs; and
- (e) BSBRSK401 Identify risks and to apply established risk management processes.

The course was run in the Hooper Bunk House, Woodhouse Activity Centre, SA over the October Long weekend (4th-7th October 2019).

The course applications were advertised via the Rover Scouts Australia Facebook Page and through BRCs. There were 24 applicants (at least one application from each branch) for the course. The most applicants came from the ACT (6). The applicants were required to answer questions as part of the application process. The applications were then assessed anonymously by the panel of selectors and ranked on merit. The successful applicants were endorsed by their BRC Chair.

Thirteen participants were funded by the Rover Development fund and three participants were self-funded.

Catering and course administration were run by Natasha Wood (NRC Training Officer) with assistance from Grace Bunton (Scouts Tas) and Matthew Burke (Scouts SA).

The course materials were provided to the participants via Dropbox and in hard copy upon request.

The feedback from the course (both the content and overall course) was positive. For more details, see the Course Report prepared by David Cossart (Course Leader and Trainer). Feedback from the

AGENDA ITEM – 4.3

Course staff and participants indicated that this course could be run in a standard weekend which would make it accessible Branches and teams that require it. It was also noted that the course could be run in order to facilitate the planning of an upcoming Rover event (e.g. Moot).

The finances from the course are as follows. Overall, we had 13% of the original approved budget left over. We were under budget in all areas except for flights which went over budget by 11%. This could have been contributed to by the course dates being on a long weekend for some states (increasing flight costs), time of booking, and the number of flights from regional airports. Overall, the course was run under budget.

Item	Budgeted	Used
Accommodation costs	\$1000	\$900
Flights for funded participants and trainers	\$6000	\$6691.17
Materials	\$500	\$0
Catering	\$1500	\$1,088.56
Transport	\$800	\$157.23
Contingency	\$500	\$0
TOTAL	\$10,300	\$8,994.19
Not used from Budget		\$1305.81

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the National Rover Council; note this report.

ATTACHMENTS

Good Afternoon NRC and BRC Members,

I would like to take this opportunity to give the group an update on our progress with the external review.

We had endeavored to be ready to launch our survey at this time, however due to unforeseen circumstances, we were unable to produce the first round of questions to meet this initial timeline.

We have now had an opportunity to commence this stage of the review and are putting the final parts of the survey together with a view to be launching in coming weeks. We aim to have the initial survey distributed amongst the BRC's in the first instance, and aim to work with each Branch to filter it down to their members. By doing this, the BRC's can assist us with getting out to as many members as possible.

The Next phase of the initial survey will be to develop additional questions or modify the survey to gain further detail and drill down on various identified aspects. This is expected to be completed in time for MOOT in Canberra, where we will have further survey questionnaires and Some workshop style interactions with attendees. Jay has put together some basic costings for some printed materials, flyers and banners to draw attendees to the stand. Chris has also put together estimates for our team to attend Moot and conference next year as well.

We have some costings around travel and expenses for two of us to be on site each day. This however could change as we get closer, and as more things are added in the final preparations. While our costings are close to what we would anticipate, I suggest the possibility of a moving budget with a ceiling set at this meeting. This would allow us to move quicker in our planning. Any additional costs would be approved at later meetings.

I suggest a ceiling of between \$3000 & \$5000 would move us through this stage and on to conference next year. This is more than our estimates to date, but with flights and expenses fluid, it is hard to have sound numbers without committing to these expenses. Of course we welcome input and suggestions around this.

Once we move through the next month, we will begin to see some feedback flow from our survey. We would be happy to present some interim data at that time, along with the opportunity to have input on changes or additions to the survey.

Thank you for your continued support and assistance as we all move forward to learning more about the NRC and plan for the future.

We would welcome further discussion and I would be happy to answer questions or take input from members. please email me at malcolm.richardson@scouts.com.au and I will do my best to help.

Thank you for your time.

Malcolm Richardson



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA

NATIONAL ROVER COUNCIL

NRC [Conference] [Remote Meeting]

[DD Month YYYY]

Item Title		Defining Out of Session Voting
	Information	
	Discussion	
x	Decision	
Document Author		NSW BRC
Strategic Alignment		Governance

KEY POINTS

- It has been recognised that there is an inconsistent approach as to how the National Rover Council handles out of session votes

ACTION REQUESTED

That the National Rover Council agree to the following:

- 1. Implement the attached policy and process for handling out of session voting*
- 2. Amend the National Rover Council By-Laws to include the addition of handling out of session items as outlined in the Attachments under "Proposed By-Law Amendments".*
- 3. The NRC Executive act in line with the Proposed By-Law Amendments until such time that they are included in the National Rover Council Bylaws.*

COMMENT

Out of Session Voting is an important process within the NRC, allowing the council to efficiently and effectively govern the Rover Scout section within Australia. However it has been identified that a formal process for conducting out of session voting does not exist. Currently these votes are conducted in an ad hoc fashion whereby the process is defined each time by the NRC Executive.

With the increased prevalence of Out of Session voting, there is a clear need for a formalised and documented process.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

nil.

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed By-Law Amendments:

1. Item 3.5 will be renumbered to Item 3.7
2. Item 3.4(2) will be renumbered to Item 3.6
3. The following will be added as Item 3.5

3.5 The NRC Chair may request action on an 'Out of Session' submission, when an urgent decision is required and notice is given more than 3 weeks before a scheduled remote meeting and 6 weeks before a scheduled AGM.

- A) Submissions will be considered as remote meetings with regards to Item 3.4(1), without the requirement to meet Items 3.4(1) A), B), and C).
- B) Notice of an Out of Session submission will be given to the primary email address held on record by the NRC Secretary at the time.
- C) Responses shall be accepted by the Returning Officer nominated in the notice by email from the primary email address of voting council members for a period of 2 weeks from notice.

4. Item 4.1 will be amended to include Item 4.1 A)

4.1 A) For Out of Session votes, a simple majority will be counted as 50% of all eligible voting members.

5. Item 4.2 will be amended to include Item 4.2 A)

4.2 A) For Out of Session votes, this will be assessed at the conclusion of the voting period.



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
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 NRC Remote Meeting
 [07 AUG 2019]

Item Title		Updates to the NRC By Laws
X	Information	
X	Discussion	
X	Decision	
Document Author		NRC Secretary on behalf of the NRC Exec
Strategic Alignment		Governance.

KEY POINTS

- That the current version of the NRC Bylaws, Version 2.0 was published in May of 2018 and is now out of date and requires to be updated.
- That the proposed version of the NRC Bylaws, Version 2.1, has;
 - Includes all changes approved by the NRC from August 2018 to March 2019
 - NRC endorsement of the updated version of the NRC Bylaws to be taken at the NRC July Remote meeting 2019.
 - Minor amendment to the flight rationalisation policy to remove specific named Branches entitlements stop over flights to include the general statement on eligibility for stop over flights.

ACTION REQUESTED

1. That the NRC approve the minor amendment to the flight rationalisation policy to remove specific named Branches entitlements stop over flights to include the general statement on eligibility for stop over flights.
2. That the NRC Bylaws Version 2.1 supersedes NRC Bylaws Version 2.0. Following a vote at the July NRC Remote Meeting.

COMMENT

That a full summary of changes between NRC Bylaws version 2.0 and NRC Bylaws version 2.1 can be viewed on page 50 of the NRC Bylaws.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No additional financial implication beyond what has previously been agreed to by the National Rover Council.

ATTACHMENTS

1. V. 2.1 NRC Bylaws Tabled 13 May 2019 (Draft)

NOTES

NIL



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Item Title		ACT Branch Rover Council Report
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KEY POINTS

Training -

ACT 4wd team established, looking at sending Rovers to the NSW advanced and basic course in November

Program –

Great attendance at the NSW v ACT blood donation challenge, sent Rovers to Qld for banana bash, and a large contingent to NSW's Groovin the moot. Looking forward to moot of rock and CBR moot

St Georges Challenge:

Still going strong, most recent challenge was a life size board games night

Governance –

AGM last Sunday and new exec!

Chair: Eleanor Hewitt (returning)

Vice chair: Shaylah McClymont

Secretary: Natalie Blick

Treasurer: Max Kelly

NRC delegate: Sam De Rota

NRC observers (2): Sara Taylor, Adam Peters

The new strategic plan for ACT Rovers was ratified and has been added to the dropbox for reference.

The development of the plan had 2 stages. The first was consultation where all ACT Rover crews participated in activities establishing the positives, negatives, threats and areas to

improve for ACT Rovers. 67% of ACT Rovers engaged in the consultation stage. Following this, all the information was disseminated, and issues categorised into the following four categories: Governance, Communication, Program and Personnel. Issues were then turned into goals, from which a survey was distributed that listed all the goals. Rovers then selected the four goals in each section that they'd like to see prioritised. The top four goals from each category became the strategic plan. 70% of ACT Rovers engaged in the survey.

There is a full report outlining the full consultation process and survey results in the dropbox.

Marketing –

Working hard to push CBR moot, working together with other states to hype up what's sure to be an amazing moot, and merch stuff.

Learning(s) –

General –

Upcoming Events:

Moot of Rock

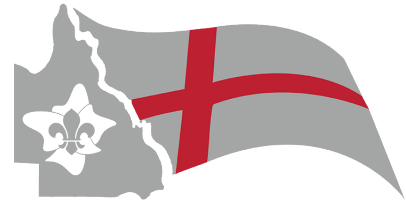
CBR moot

Numbers remain steady, continuing our work on improving Rover/ Venturer relationships through joint nights, and promoting heavily to the older venturers for CBR moot



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KEY POINTS

Training

Rover Basic Training

- 20% of QLD Rover have completed
- Expectation from new Crew Leaders from July 2021
- October in Brisbane; 5 attendees

Rover Advanced Woodbadge Training

- 3 Rovers have been awarded their Woodbadge
- 4 are working on their projects and will be completed in the near future

Event Management Course

- 6 Rovers completed modules and working on units of competency.
- 2 overs completed their Diploma of Leadership management

Program

- Adult Recognition Awards Presentation – 1 Rover Service Award and 16 BPSA
- 100 Years of Woodbadge Training Celebration Dinner
- Agoonoree; 77 QLD Rover Participants and 45 Attended on Rover Night
- Banana Bash; 18 Cars, 160 Attendees and 130 Visitors on Visitors Day
- CBR Moot – 103 Queensland Branch Applications
- Brisbane Pride March; 15 attendees were first uniformed QLD Scouts participation
- St Georges Ball - 340 attendees
- Finished the second stage (OAS) of our transition into the NYP and are now working on the SIA's as part of stage three

Governance

- 531 Queensland Rovers
- New QBRC Marketing Officer
- New QBRC Chair Elect
- New QLD Rep for WSM Australian Contingent
- QBRC Training officer vacancy

AGENDA ITEM – BRC Reports

- BYC Rover Applications Open
- Finance Subcommittee applications open
- SEQ Roventure 2020 Chair appointed

Marketing

- Weekly Facebook post 'Feature Friday' to promote crews
- Updated our website and merchandise store
- Starting back up the Qld Rovers Youtube channel starting with Roverline
- Stocktake completed

Learnings

General