



**National Rover Council
Remote Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held Thursday 27 October 2016

1. Procedural Items

1.1 Meeting Open

Meeting opened 8.03pm AEST.

1.2 Attendance

Rebekah Hobbs (SA)
Leah Bach (ACT)
Ezgi Bridger (VIC)
Blake Bath (QLD)
Angus Boxall (NAT)
Bec Collins (WA)
Liam Painter (NSW)

Alex Findlater (TAS)
Rose Windley (QLD)
Andrew Hilditch (VIC)
Ayla Jones (NSW)
Carey Lee (TAS)
Jesse Coppin (ACT)

Simon Frederick (SA)
Sam Roald (ACT)
Steven Raymond (ACT)
Liam Tibballs (NT)
Natasha Wood (SA)
Catriona Houston (VIC)

1.3 Apologies

Elizabeth Affleck (ACT & NAT), Gavin Brady (NAT).

2. Past Minutes and Matters Arising

2.1 Previous Minutes

It is noted that there has been some difficulties with procuring the minutes from previous NRC remote meetings this year. M. Ford has produced minutes from the NRC remote meeting held on the 7th of April for the council's confirmation. In the absence of minutes from the remote meeting held on the 21st of July, A. Boxall has drafted a record of the meeting also for councils confirmation as outlined in paper #5 addressing un-minuted council meetings.

RESOLUTION

That the National Rover Council confirms the minutes as a true and accurate record of the remote meeting held 7th of April 2016.

Moved: Rose Windley (QLD) **Seconded:** Leah Bach (ACT)

CARRIED

RESOLUTION

That the National Rover Council accept the record of the meeting prepared by Angus Boxall as a true and accurate record of the remote meeting held 21st of July 2016.

Moved: Rose Windley (QLD) **Seconded:** Liam Painter (NSW)

CARRIED

2.2 Past Businesses

2.2.1 Nomination form for NRC executive roles.

L. Painter enquired if the NRC executive had produced a nomination form for rovers wishing to be nominated for NRC executive roles that required their branches approval of applicants, as per the paper that was carried at the July remote meeting. A. Boxall committed to producing such nomination form before the 7th of December immediately prior to nominations opening for the 2017 year.

ACTION: A. Boxall to produce NRC executive nomination form by the 7th of December 2016.

3. Executive Reports

3.1 Acting Chairman/ Vice Chairman Report.

A. Boxall speaks to the report previously circulated. He highlights the recent resignation of the NRC chairman and process undertaken to swap over communication tools. He thanks the council for their swift response to the out of council decision in regards to leaving the chairs position vacant until the AGM in January. A. Boxall informed to council that the previous chair is still the owner of the NRC general folder and would continue his efforts to see that swapped over.

Eight Moot Buddy applications for the upcoming national rover Moot are being sponsored. Currently seeking feedback on samples of the new design for the “I want to a Rover” woggles before branch orders are placed.

A. Boxall has attended the following meetings in the past month on behalf of the NRC; NRC Conference planning meeting, National Adults in Scouting meeting and National Youth Programing team meeting. Key items form these meetings were; how the organization intends to handle youth members turning 26 and some Branches still need to nominate a person to attend the National Youth Programing meeting coordinated by Jonathan Morey.

A. Boxall will be attending the National Operations Committee, National Executive Committee and Risk management meeting in November.

MOTION

That the report be noted.

Moved through the Acting Chair.

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

3.2 Training and Development Officer

No report submitted.

3.3 NRC Advisor

No report submitted.

4. Ratify Decision on NRC Casual Vacancy.

A. Boxall spoke to the motion that was moved and carried between remote meetings following the resignation of the former NRC Chairman. The motion was, that the National Rover Council forgo the election of the Chair position prior to the 30th of September and have it remain as a casual vacancy until the next Annual General Meeting of the Council.

Moved: A. Boxall

Seconded: E. Affleck

Motion was carried with six branches for and two abstaining.

ENDORSEMENT

That the council ratify that the out of meeting motion was carried.

Moved: Rose Windley (QLD)

Seconded: Ezgi Bridger (VIC)

RATIFIED

5. Addressing Un-minuted Council Meetings

This was addressed in Item 2. Past Minutes and Matters Arising.

6. National Rover Training Review Update

A. Hilditch informed the council that the Face to Face meeting of the National Rover Training Review would be held in Victoria on the weekend of the 25th -27th of November. 12 members of the review team will be in attendance.

7. 2017 National Rover Council Conference

E. Bridger & A. Hilditch presented the 2nd information pack for the 2017 National Rover Council Conference. Minor changes from the previous version where that; everyone is now required to be at the

campsite by 1pm on Saturday the 7th of January and that participants have the option of staying at the campsite on the Monday night after the conference has closed before driving home the following day.

ACTION: All participants are required to complete the conference registration form prior to the 1st of December. <http://goo.gl/forms/g2M1kqDuBPnKPQZ32>

8. Centenary of Rovering

C. Houston spoke to the report, highlights where that there have been two productive remote meetings that have seen the formulation of initial plans for major activities and promotion during the centennial year. C. Houston has requested for feedback from the council on proposed welcome letters to crews and centennial moot.

9. 20th Australian Rover Moot – The Moot Report

Council members had several questions and queries regarding the moot that are minuted below.

Contingent teams require assistance of Moot Administration and I.T. to get contingent participant information so that Branches can assist with follow up to get fee's paid in a timely manor.

Can the Moot Organising Team add copies of the minutes of their meetings to the dropbox so that contingent leaders and Branch Rover Council Chairs can be kept up to date.

Can the Moot Human Resources directorate give a report on what welfare structures will be in place for The Moot?

In regards to selling Merch on site, branches voiced concerns over the tender process including the requirement that 10% of the acquired profits be retained by the Moot Organising Team.

The medical release recent updated requires participants sign off to several medical procedures in case of an emergency including blood transfusions, which could be discriminatory to persons of certain religious practices.

ACTION: A. Boxall to discuss questions and queries of Branches with Moot Chair and present information of outcomes to Branch Rover Council Chairs.

10. 15th World Scout Moot

It was discussed that applicants waiting on passport details were to submit their applications before the deadline of the 31st of October. As updating passport details on the application system can be done after the deadline.

11. Roverscope 2018

R. Windley spoke on behalf of K. Reid that the Roverscope paper would be tabled for discussion in January.

12. NRC Social at Moot

A. Boxall spoke to the paper "NRC Social at the Moot", discussing the benefits of holding a social gathering of National Rover Council members whilst on site at The Moot in preparation for the Annual General meeting the following weekend.

MOTION

That a social function be held for the National Rover Council at The Moot, where funds for \$100 for snacks and non-alcoholic drinks along with venue hire (if any) be drawn from the National Rover Council operations budget.

Moved: Sam Roald (ACT)

Seconded: Liam Painter (NSW)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

13. Photo and Video Competition – January 2017

A. Boxall spoke to the paper "Photo and Video Competition - January 2017". The highlighted benefits of the proposal included the collecting photos and videos of The Moot via a competition to promote the Rover section in the future.

Branches raised concerns over previous attempts at competitions and PR exercise involving prizes.

Paper was not moved and was withdrawn

WITHDRAWN

14. Branch Reports

14.1 Australian Capital Territory

S. Roald spoke to the ACT report, raised the challenges they face with participation within the branch and brainstorming ideas to get Rovers more involved. Also had issues at census this year with members' paperwork. As a result of this they ran workshops and produced welcome packs to inform members how to avoid these issues in the future. Achievements include 5 recipients of the BPSA, running a basic course and appointment of a Branch Rover Advisor and Assistant Branch Rover Advisor.

14.2 New South Wales

L. Painter spoke to the NSW report detailing the presentation of the National Rover Service Awards and the new NSW Rover recognition awards. NSW Branch Moot occurred since the last remote meeting and over 100 rovers have submitted applications to attend world moot next year. Challenges included a small decline in membership due to large number of Boots recently. Rover Basic Practical Supplement scheduled for this weekend. NSW looking for welfare support ideas from other Branches.

14.3 Northern Territory

L. Tibballs discussed the recent growth of NT rovers and the benefits the Branch had seen through Rover training with both National and South Australia. NTBRC is now an established meeting, only current challenges are membership numbers and gaining commitments of rovers to take on branch roles.

14.4 Queensland

B. Bath spoke to the QLD report, noting success in starting new events at both ends of the state, so that more members can participate in Rover run activities. QLD faces challenges with getting training course to occur due to numbers and interest.

14.5 South Australia

R. Hobbs discussed the achievements of membership growth through new crews starting up. Sandblast and a new event, Rover Retreat where a great success. Seven BP's and Seven National Rover Service Awards being presented on the weekend. BPS had 10 participants last weekend and SA rovers heading up to NT to run a basic course. SA enquired about how to go about getting the agreed funding for this.

14.6 Tasmania

A. Findlater spoke to the report, highlight success with Winter Moot. Challenged with ensuring new rovers meet membership requirements by completing Childsafe and WHS ELearning modules. TBRC was unable to go ahead at the rafting weekend due to lack of quorum, however the first BRC go to meeting was held successfully.

14.7 Victoria:

E. Bridger informed the council of the events Victorian Rovers had run since the last remote meeting including; C.A.R.B, M.A.R.B. and Rover Dinner. 25 Rovers were presented with their BPSA this year at Government House. The November BPS has 25 enrolled and is the third basic course being run for the year. Current challenges include getting enough interest to run an Advanced course as only one has run in the last 18 months.

14.8 Western Australia

R. Collins spoke to the WA report noting success with the Royal show and getting a few membership inquirers through a visible presence at the show. Motorsport event held recently was all successful given the poor weather. The New WARC Exec has been elected and take office in December, Steph Williams is the incoming WARC Chair.

15. General Business

15.1 Moot 2020: APR Recognition

The National International Commissioner requested that A.Boxall co-author an paper to present to the National Executive Committee in order to approach WOSM to grant APR recognition to the National Rover Moot Being held in 2020, hosted by ACT. Rational behind this was that the acting NRC would be in attendance at NEC were the paper would be discussed.

ACT raised that it would like the opportunity to discuss the APR as the branch responsible for organising the Moot in 2020. ACT also felt that it would be appropriate for Ben Muller be a co-author to the paper on behalf of both the Moot 2020 organising committee and ACT.

ACTION: A. Boxall to discuss with A. Cooper about circulating the APR paper to ACT branch for further discussion.

16. Work Health and Safety

No items are raised for discussion

17. Procedural Items

17.1 Next Meeting

A. Boxall proposed that a remote meeting be held to discuss conference papers, the date of which would be decided poll of the availability of the members in the first half of December.

ACTION: A. Boxall to distribute a poll to NRC members to decide the date of remote meeting to discuss conference papers.

National Rover Council Conference and AGM is on the 7th to the 9th of January, Rowallan Scout Camp, Riddles Creek VIC.

17.2 Meeting Close

Meeting closed 9.24pm AEST