



**National Rover Council
Remote Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, 26th September, 2017

1. Procedural Items

1.1 Meeting Open

Meeting opened 8.03pm 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 and present, of the land on which we stand today.

1.2 Attendance

Angus Boxall (NRC)	Jeshka McConnell (ACT)	Ben Muller (ACT)
Bek Hobbs (NRC)	Kristy Butler (QLD)	Alex Warin (SA)
Andrew Hilditch (NRC)	Ayla Jones (NSW)	Peter Favelle (NSW)
Lloyd Nurthen (NRC)	Rachael Fulton (NSW)	Johnathan Morey (NAT)
Sam Roald (ACT)	Peter Favelle (NSW)	Alex Findlater (TAS)
Owen Holloway (TAS)	Kieron Younger (VIC)	

1.3 Apologies

Gavin Brady (NRC), Liam Tibballs (NT), Steph Williams (WA)

2. Past Minutes and Matters Arising

2.1 Previous Minutes

A.Boxall mentioned the past minutes are outstanding due to World Moot. They will be in the Dropbox shortly and we will vote on them next time.

ACTION: A. Boxall to distribute the NRC Remote meeting minutes from June for consent

3. Executive Reports

3.1 Chairman's Report.

A.Boxall speaks to his report noting key areas we have a New Promise and Law, resources available on the YPR Website. Rover woggles are available on the Scout Shop, you need to log in as a Rover. NRC still haven't had someone apply for the PR and Marketing Role. NRC Exec will appoint someone till December. AB will be developing a marking plan for Conference. We have a strong focus on diversity and inclusion now. A.Boxall would like all to get in contact if you have ideas on D&I. Crew Challenge closed at the end of Nov, we need to encourage more crews to get involved. At the Youth Program Conference the idea of a World Moot was floated, A.Boxall will circulate the requirements to tender for a World Scout Moot in the coming months. .

Congratulations from the Chief Commissioner were passed on as the Rover section has grown by 274 people in this years census. 7-8% growth. The National Rover website will be updated in the coming months.

MOTION

That the report be noted.

and

That the NRC Exec be allowed to appoint a suitable rover to the NRC PR and Marketing Role until the end of January.

Moved through the Chairman.

Seconded: K.Younger (VIC)

CARRIED

3.2 Vice Chairman's Report.

R.Hobbs spoke about Crew Challenge and that we currently have one application. There is a poster in the BRC Chairs Facebook group. R.Hobbs mentioned about AJ2019 & Rover attendance, Rovers wouldn't have to apply through their Contingent. Rovers can apply direct to the Jamboree*.

MOTION

That the report be noted.

Moved through the Vice Chairman.

CARRIED

ACTION: * Following the Jamboree Contingent Leaders meeting the decision was made that rovers would not be allowed to apply directly to the Jamboree and would need to make an application to attend through their Branches contingent.

3.3 Training Officer

A.Hilditch spoke to his report noting that Victoria would be trailing the new Training of Trainers Basic course for potential ALT's and Instructors. That organisation of the NT Rover Basic was coming along with 6 participants confirm. Flights had been booked for the SA rover trainers as per the paper passed at the January conference. Both A.Hilditch and A.Boxall would be assisting on the course at own expense. The second meeting of 2017 for the NTC is on the 3rd 4th of November; key agenda items at this stage include potential framing of new training curriculum around YPR position descriptions for adult leaders. National Policy of mandatory attachments for basic had been passed by NOC in July. All rovers would be required to retest Child safe and WHS modules every three years going forwards

MOTION

That the report be noted.

Moved through the Training Officer.

CARRIED

3.4 NRC Secretary

Nothing to Report.

3.5 NRC Advisor

G.Braidy will circulate an email in the coming weeks about A.Boxall's endorsement as NRC Chair for the second part of his term.

4. BPSA Certificates

A.Hilditch spoke to the paper highlighting the need for the BPSA certificates to be fully prepared at the national office to reduce administrative burden on the Rover section.

MOTION

That the National Rover Council adopts the recommendations and that the NRC chairman confirms that the BPSA certificates can be printed at the National Office.

Moved: Andrew Hilditch (NRC) Seconded: Ayla Jones (NSW)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. NRC Funding Support

A.Hilditch spoke to the paper, which outlined the case for the National Rover Council exec to take responsibility over the financial arrangements concerning the NRC Conference, including the initial funding of conference and invoicing of Branches post conference.

A.Boxall noted that he felt that the NRC exec was not well positioned to take on this responsibility and felt that in smaller branches needed assistance financially a loan could be taken out from the development fund to float the conference.

A.Jones (NSW) noted that greater transparency concerning conference costs is required in the event of NRC development fund being used to float the NRC Conference.

K.Younger raised concerns over A.Boxall's proposal noting that a key recommendation of the paper was to remove financial obligations from the host branch.

S.Roald (ACT) noted concerns over the proposed use of the Rover Development Fund. O.Holloway commented on ACT's points that Tasmania if called upon to host an NRC conference would struggle financially without NRC assistance as conference cost can range from \$7,000 excluding flights. .

VIC does not want to proceed with this proposal if the Host branch will still be responsible for seeking remuneration.

MOTION

That NRC Conference Funding paper be held off till the NRC Conference in January

Moved through the NRC Chairman.

CARRIED

6. Proposals for World Moot in 2025

A.Boxall spoke of the interest he had received in submitting a tender to WOSM to host the World Scout moot in 2025. A.Boxall noted that New Zealand was in the process of finalizing its tender and would investigate the possibility of a joint tender with NZ.

ACTION: BRC's to push Crew Challenge activities within there branches ahead of the Nov 30 deadline

7. Crew Challenge

R.Hobbs briefly spoke to crew challenge 2017 noting the theme is spirituality and thus far one submission had been received so far from South Australia. Branches where reminded that the prizes consist of \$150 to each of the Branch winners and \$500 to the national winner. Submissions close 30th of November.

ACTION: A. Boxall to report on possibility of joint tender with NZ for WSM2025

8. 2018 National Rover Conference

K.Butler noted that the 1st information pack for conference would be available soon. A registration form via google would be used to collect attendee's data. It is important to book flights to conference as soon as delegation members are confirmed, Flight rationalization will be in place for state delegation attendees, observers are self-funded or Branch supported.

9. Centenary of Rovers

C.Houston spoke to her report noting that states had now appointed a project officer. C.Houston mentioned that it is very important that we speak to our Branch Reps and we have 2 way conversation and if you are not getting enough information speak to your Branch Reps. C.Houston will be sending monthly updates over the coming months and also a bit about how to get involved in the Program for 2018. The pack will be ready for sharing by early December.

10. Roverscope 2018

A.Boxall will ask K.Reid to circulate a report on Roverscope 2018 and current rover numbers attending AV2018.

10. CBR Moot

B.Muller spoke to the CBR moot report highlight included having put forward an application to also hold the 13th APR Moot as well as the 21st Australian Moot.

B.Muller stated that the CBR Moot would like Contingent Leaders appointed by March 2017. K.Buttler (QLD) asked that CRB MOC send out something to the Branches (Position Description and Questions for interview) so they can get applications. B.Muller will distribute this via the Distribution List

10. Branch Reports

10.1 Australian Capital Territory.

S.Roald spoke to the report previously circulated in dropbox noting success. Summary includes; Getting a new BRA and ABRA, 1 new BPSA, ACT Moot on track to be awesome No courses but 1 cert of adult leadership. BPS being held mid Jan 2018. 7 ish new rovers No BRA until next BRC, elections also next month.

10.2 New South Wales

R.Fulton spoke the report previously circulated in dropbox noting success. Key points include; Stan Bales Awards- Clair Udy, Wal Waerner, Hugh Mooney, Robert Zamora Basic September Course held, and advance course scheduled for October, some cert 3's completed from Maysic course. 800 Rovers stable, removed 20 rovers at end of August due to non completion of eLearning. Recently had chairman turn 26, leaning on constitution for direction. Ayla is currently acting chairman. Congrats to Pete Favelle on being appointed State Rover advisor.

10.3 Northern Territory

Nothing to Report from NT, as no one was present.

10.4 Queensland

No report provided. K.Butler spoke about the following 3-4 Branch Run Events in the next Month. QLD is facing challenges with Paper work and also finding enough people to run activities next year.

10.5 South Australia

No report provided. A.Warin spoke about the following; They have their biggest event Sand Blast Racing Weekend and they have turned this into a moot. They also have their SA Awards Ceremony coming up for the State. They are also gearing up more so for the Jamboree making sure all Rovers are involved.

10.6 Tasmania

O.Holloway spoke the report previously circulated in drop box noting winter moot and further work by the Moot 2023 committee in preparing an EOI.

10.7 Victoria:

K.Younger noted their successes, they are finishing off their Blood Challenge with over 100 donations, they recently finished MARB, 250 attendees. Challenges ahead include a change over of their Commissioners, congratulated Peter Wotherspoon on being appointed as the new State Commissioner Rover Support

10.8 Western Australia

Nothing to Report from NT, as no one was present.

11. General Business

11.1 – TAS had questions re Moot 2023 Tender and what the NRC would like to see included in their tender. B.Muller said they are more than welcome to contact ACT for support.

11.2 – J.Morey mentioned there is a Youth Program Meeting next Wednesday Night (4th October, 2017).

11.3 – A.Boxall brought forward the idea of a NRC Annual Report. He mentioned that reports would be due early Dec, if we were to go ahead with it. A.Boxall will draft an email to everyone with the scaffold for the report.

12. Work Health and Safety

No items are raised for discussion

13. Procedural Items

13.1 Next Meeting

A. Boxall proposed that a remote meeting be held sometime prior to early December.

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

13.2 Meeting Close

Meeting closed 9.20pm AEST