



## **Rover Scouts** National Rover Council

### **National Rover Council November Remote Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Chair: Shaylah McClymont

#### **1. Procedural Items**

##### **1.1 Meeting Open**

Meeting opened 8:01 AEST.

As Scouts of Australia, we acknowledge Australia's First Nations Peoples, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, as the Traditional Custodians of this land. We pay our respects to Elders past, present, and emerging.

We're grateful to do our Scouting in this country; we commit to use its resources wisely and develop our understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

We also acknowledge any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scouts who are part of our movement today.

##### **1.2 Attendance**

Shaylah McClymont	NRC	Isabella Mairou	NT	Calista Beck	ACT
Max Manson	NRC	Samantha Loh	NT	Thomas Whitehead	VIC
Brad Thompson	NRC	Lexie Brake	NT	Stephen Carter	VIC
Luke Brydon	NRC	Amanda Brown	QLD	Sherie Ball	TAS
James Warren	NRC	Charlie Fairbairn	QLD	Luke Bosworth	TAS
Zac Geddes	NRC/VIC	Seth Graham	QLD	Ben Deer	TAS
Ben Brice	NRC	Nick Kammin	QLD	Phillippa McMurtrie	SA
Emma Groeneweg	NRC	Mackenzie Pearce	NSW	Tomas Schmied	SA
Patrick McCormick	NRC	Patrick Dunstan	NSW	Claire Henthorn	WA
Damon Love	APR-YR	Alison Maynard	NSW	Max Vinning	WA
Liam Brown	NAT	Emma Rahman	ACT	Delshard Mozhedehnia	WA
Nick Molnar	NAT	Casey Magnussen	ACT		
Micheal Thomas	NAT	Maddi Nash Slattery	ACT		

##### **1.3 Apologies**

#### **2. Past Minutes and Matters Arising**

##### **2.1 September Remote Minutes**

**MOTION**

That the report be noted.

**Moved by: NRC Exec**

**Seconded by: NSW**

**CARRIED**

**3. Standing Items****3.1 Child Safe Issues**

NIL

**3.2 WHS Issues**

NIL

**3.3 Conflicts of Interest**

NIL

**4. Urgent Papers****4.1 Tasmanian Branch Rover Council request to waive training requirements for Tasmanian nominees**

S.Ball spoke to the paper with further contributions from L.Brydon & B.Thompson

S. McClymont firstly invited L. Brown (Deputy National Commissioner Adult Training & Development) to provide some background information on the limitations on the smaller branches. Both L. Brown & Dougal (National Commissioner Adult Training & Development) endorse the paper & happy to work with the candidates (if elected) to ensure they complete their training either in Tas or another state.

P. McMurtrie requested clarification on which course they had to complete, S. McClymont confirmed that the course was Scouting Management

Z. Geddes asked to clarify if the leader of Youth stream was investigated as a possible option

B. Thompson confirmed that there was a possible course in March but due to other factors this was not possible.

L. Brydon further clarified that Scouting Management & Adventure were run on the same weekend and with the course being cancelled so soon to the date we were unable to enroll in time. Further both Brad & Luke sit better in the LoA stream rather than LoY.

**MOTION**

That the training requirements for Luke Brydon & Brad Thompson be waived.

**Moved by: Sherie Ball**

**Seconded by: QLD**

**PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5. Declaration of NRC Candidates****P. McCormick declared the nominations for item 8.1**

Max Manson from Queensland nominated for Chairperson

Brad Thompson, from Tasmania nominated for Chairperson

Max Manson from Queensland nominated for Deputy Chairperson

Brent Rush from Western Australia nominated for Deputy Chairperson

Isabella Mairou from Northern Territory nominated for Deputy Chairperson

Luke Brydon from Tasmania nominated for Treasurer

Matthew Vella from Queensland nominated for Leadership & Development Officer

Emma Groeneweg from Western Australia nominated for Events & Initiatives Officer

Lily Canalese from Queensland nominated for Events & Initiatives Officer

## **6. National Team Report**

### **6.1 National Commissioner Youth Program**

M.Thomas was recently appointed as NCYP and provided an introduction & plans for the NYPT over the next 12 months including Outside in 25 & Key Move 1 from the Scouts Aus Strat Plan.

### **6.2 Deputy Commissioner Adult Training & Development**

L.Brown spoke to the recently developed OAS to Scouting Adventure Framework/Workbook.

## **7. Branch Reports**

### **7.1 Australian Capital Territory**

**7.1.1 - Whoo Hoo:** ACT has held their AGM recently electing a new team with such a diverse team

**7.1.2 - Boo Hoo:** A lot of our older Rovers with experience of Program & Event management are aging out during the 2025 year.

**7.1.3 - Conference idea:** Exempt from providing a topic as they have offered a workshop already.

### **7.2 New South Wales**

**7.2.1 - Whoo Hoo:** One of our regions won the plasma challenge  
Recently ran our harbour cruise with a big turnout of 130 rovers all dressing up for a pyjama party

**7.2.2 - Boo Hoo:** Recently had to cancel two of our state moots

**7.2.3 - Conference idea:** Nil

### **7.3 Northern Territory**

**7.3.1 - Whoo Hoo:** working with our BC ATD and looking at mapping over our OAS & Leader Training

**7.3.2 - Boo Hoo:** Having trouble completing other stages of the OAS streams (Example Alpine)

**7.3.3 - Conference idea:** Would like to have some discussion on OAS stages

### **7.4 Queensland**

**7.4.1 - Whoo Hoo:** Our training calendar is now accessible to rovers without a leader log in

**7.4.2 - Boo Hoo:** Getting rovers up to AJ site to help get the challenge valley ready for the Scouts in January

**7.1.3 - Conference idea:** Discuss the Rover Scout leadership course

## **7.5 South Australia**

**7.5.1 - Whoo Hoo:** Scouts SA recently ran a Wilderness First Aid Course which allowed Rovers to start ticking off some of the higher stages.

**7.5.2 - Boo Hoo:** Lots of our units are having difficulty with the program and not putting the OUT in Scouts

**7.1.3 - Conference idea:** Exempt as they are assisting with the running of conference

## **7.6 Tasmania**

**7.6.1 - Whoo Hoo:** Had some recent involvement into the recent Venturer leadership course which allowed us an opportunity to promote who we are and discuss barriers to joining

**7.6.2 - Boo Hoo:** Having lots of issues with getting our Rovers through both leader training & AA training.

**7.1.3 - Conference idea:** Will email Shaylah a topic

## **7.7 Victoria**

**7.7.1 - Whoo Hoo:** Alot of our asset committees have held AGM's

**7.7.2 - Boo Hoo:** Alot of our Balls (Melbourne & Country) are struggling but are starting to bounce back

**7.1.3 - Conference idea:** Engagements in AA

## **7.8 Western Australia**

**7.8.1 - Whoo Hoo:** Recently ran a Rover Personal Development Course & got a second Scouting Leadership Course.

**7.8.2 - Boo Hoo:** Struggling with getting people to come to Rover events

**7.1.3 - Conference idea:** Nil

## **8. Voting Items**

### **8.1 Elections**

The following candidates were elected to the NRC for 2025 (2025/26 for Chairperson):

#### **8.1.1: Chairperson**

Nomination for Max Manson from Queensland

Nomination for Brad Thompson from Tasmania

Brad Thompson was Elected to the role of Chairperson

#### **8.1.2 Deputy Chairperson**

Nomination for Max Manson from Queensland

Nomination for Brent Rush from Western Australia

Nomination for Isabella Mairou from Northern Territory

Isabella Mairou was elected to the role of Deputy Chairperson

#### **8.1.3 Treasurer**

Nomination for Luke Brydon from Tasmania

Luke Brydon was elected to the role of Treasurer

#### **8.1.4 Leadership & Development Officer**

Nomination for Matthew Vella from Queensland

Matthew Vella was elected to the role of Leadership & Development Officer

#### 8.1.5 Events & Initiatives Officer

Nomination from Emma Groeneweg from Western Australia

Nomination from Lily Canalese from Queensland

Lily Canalese was elected to the role of Events & Initiatives Officer

The following positions remain unfilled

- Secretary
- Advocacy Officer
- Marketing & Engagements Officer

### 9. NRC Team Report

#### 9.1 NRC Team Report.

The NRC Team spoke to the tabled report

#### MOTION

That the report be noted.

**Moved by: NRC Exec**

**Seconded by: NSW**

**CARRIED**

### 10. APR Regional Youth Rep

The Regional Youth Reps have been running forums throughout their terms and the next one is looking to be held in the Pacific & ask us to host it. So, look out for that.

### 11. Way Out West Report

Due to the time, Report that was tabled in advance was taken as read

### 12. Information & Late Papers

#### 12.1 - Environmental Challenge Cards

Paper withdrawn and included in B. Bryce's report.

#### 12.2 - NRC Rover Adviser Recruitment

Paper Withdrawn and included in S. McClymont's Report

### 13. General Business

Z. Geddes provided some Information regarding the recent training course held in Victoria & clarified some questions that some BRCs had.

### 14. Procedural Items

#### 14.1 Next Meeting: 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February – NRC Conference, Glenelg, South Australia

#### 14.2 Meeting Close: 11:50PM