

The Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Outdoor Recreation Federation Inc held on Thursday, 14th March 2019 at Sports House – 150 Caxton St, Milton QLD. The meeting commenced at 7.15pm.

1. President's welcome

Delivered by Andrew Boyle, A/President

2. Apologies

- Donna Little – Life Member
- Alana Thomson
- Ginny Mitchell
- Russel Boswell
- Denise Cox

Motion was made that the apologies be accepted.

Proxies

- Donna Thompson for Kim Harrington, Girl Guides Queensland
- Hubertien Wichers for Michael Duggan, Trail Running Association of Queensland
- Allana Bold for Fiona Coppin, Paddle Queensland
- Fiona Heizmann for John Sharpe, Riverlife Pty Ltd
- Andrew Boyle for Russell Boswell, Savannah Guides
- Andrew Boyle for Donna Little, Life Member
- Andrew Boyle for Denise Cox, Mountain Bike Australia
- Andrew Boyle for Alana Thomson, individual

Moved: Kurt Martin

Seconded: Ray Buchanan

CARRIED

Formal attendance of 19 representatives of members of QORF, including proxies, so quorum was present. [Note – quorum for AGM is double the number of members of the Management Committee plus one or 60% of membership, whichever is the lower number.]

3. Minutes of previous AGM and business arising

Motion was made that the minutes of the AGM of 9th March 2017 be accepted as a true and accurate record (with minor typographic errors to be corrected).

Moved: Ian Heath

Seconded: Mike Halliburton

CARRIED

4. President's report

Andrew Boyle advised that the full President's report had been published in the Annual Report

In summary:

2018 saw the delivery of a range of significant projects by QORF, more details of which are provided in the Annual Report. I would like to comment on a few of those projects as examples of what QORF does and why:

- Our Nature Play QLD project continued to work innovatively and collaboratively to make nature play a normal part of childhood again for children across Queensland. The Nature Play QLD why statement is "We believe that a healthy world comes from a complete and balanced childhood incorporating outdoor free play".

- In March, QORF focussed on inspiring, equipping and enabling women to participate in the outdoors through our Queensland Women's Week event titled Be Fearless, which was supported by the Queensland government and YWCA.
- In conjunction with MTBA, in April, we ran a North Queensland Mountain Bike Forum in Townsville.
- We contributed to the development of the Australian Adventure Activity Standards,
- helping to establish safe and responsible practices for outdoor activities across the country.
- The Outdoors Queensland Symposium was delivered in September in both Brisbane and Cairns, on the theme of stewardship and what that means for the outdoors.
- QORF was heavily involved in the community consultation regarding the development of the Queensland Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2019-2029. We consulted our members and others to inform QORF's written submission to that process setting out what the outdoor sector needs from the government's strategy. QORF encouraged other stakeholders to complete surveys and make their own submissions.

Motion to accept the President's report.

Moved: Ray Buchanan

Seconded: Hubertien Wichers

CARRIED

5. Executive Officer's report

Dom Courtney advised that the full Executive Officer's report had been published in the Annual Report, and outlined the following key points:

QORF showed its commitment to stewardship by taking a lead role in national outdoor issues throughout 2018, including:

- successful advocacy against the proposed imposition by Australian Maritime Safety Authority of an unwieldy / expensive system on commercial operators of paddlecraft and sailcraft;
- engagement with the Fair Work Ombudsman regarding employment conditions for workers in outdoor education;
- development of the Australian Adventure Activity Standards;
- contribution to the review of the Outdoor Recreation Training Package; and
- continuing membership of the Outdoor Council of Australia.

Throughout 2018, QORF continued to provide support to members and other stakeholders in the outdoor sector. We took a lead role in providing prompt and professional advice to our members following a critical incident in May 2018, while supporting the QORF member and their staff who were involved in the incident. QORF engaged with the Office of Industrial Relations, Workplace Health and Safety Queensland, regarding the safety alert that they issued several months after the incident.

Details of the key projects QORF undertook in 2018 are provided later in the Annual Report. I would like to thank everyone involved in each of those projects, particularly the Queensland Women's Week Be Fearless event, the Nature Play QLD project, the Cassowary Coast / Tablelands Multi Use Regional Trails project, the Outdoors Queensland symposia and the Outdoors Queensland Awards. QORF staff and Management Committee members contributed an amazing amount of energy and effort to ensure that these projects were delivered for our stakeholders.

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Motion to accept the Executive Officer's report.

Moved: Angela Wright **Seconded:** Allana Bold **CARRIED**

6. Treasurer's report and presentation of audited financial statement, statement of income and expenditure, assets, liabilities and Auditor's report

Murray Stewart presented the Treasurer's report:

I recommend that these statements and the Auditor's Report be accepted as an accurate reflection of QORF's financial position as at 31st December 2018.

Motion that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Moved: Murray Stewart **Seconded:** Ray Buchanan **CARRIED**

Motion that the Financial Accounts and Auditor's report be received.

Moved: Murray Stewart **Seconded:** Hubertien Wichers **CARRIED**

7. Election of Office Bearers for the 2018 Management Committee

Members serving second year of two year term in 2019:

- Angela Wright
- Andrew Boyle
- Ray Buchanan
- Virginia Mitchell

Three additional members can be elected. Nominations have been received from:

- Allana Bold – Paddling (Ordinary)
- Ian Heath - Scouts Qld (Ordinary)
- Denise Cox – MTBA (Ordinary)

Motion that the three candidates be elected to the Management Committee for two years.

A special vote of thanks was made to Alana Thomson, who served on the Management Committee for two years noting Alana's contribution to QORF over a long period of time and across many projects, programs and administration and governance work.

Moved: Mike Halliburton **Seconded:** Dave Batt **CARRIED**

8. Life Member Nominations (if relevant)

One nomination was received for life membership for John Wood. It was moved that John Wood be accepted as a QORF Life member for a life time commitment to outdoor recreation.

Moved: Angela Wright **Seconded:** Ian Heath **CARRIED**

9. Appointment of an Auditor

Motion to re-appoint AM Giles as the Auditor for QORF in 2018



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Moved: Donna Thomson

Seconded: Fiona Heizmann

CARRIED

10. General meeting / Other business/ Events

- Childhood Summit
- Launch The Neighbourhood Play Project
- Recent changes in staff at Nature Play Qld
- Vision the Outdoors – entries open now closing 17th May
- OQ Awards, last Friday in October, nominations to be open soon

11. Date of next meeting

Motion to hold the 2020 QORF AGM on the second Wednesday of March 2020 (Wednesday 11th March 2020).

Moved: Angela Wright

Seconded: Hubertien Wichers

CARRIED

12. Closing

Meeting closed at 8pm.