

Lake Ginninderra Sea Scouts (LGSS)



Water Activities Assets Strategic Plan

Introduction:

The Sailing boat fleet and ancillary support equipment (Water Activities Assets) forms a core asset of Lake Ginninderra Sea Scouts. As Sea Scouts, water activities form an integral part of the differentiator between LGSS and the traditional land based scouting groups.

LGSS's aim is to provide safe, varied and fit for purpose water activities to the members of our group, other scout groups and where relevant, the wider community. We fulfil this aim through providing our stakeholders with an opportunity to experience sailing and participate in sail training and associated water activities.

This Plan covers the management, maintenance and acquisition of LGSS Water Activities Assets which includes:

- Sail Training Boats,
- Canoes, Kayaks & Rafts
- Trailers
- Safety Boats
- Safety Equipment
- Water Activities training equipment
- Ancillary Equipment
 - Maintenance tools
 - Spare parts

Aim & Operation of this Plan

The aim of this plan is to:

- provide an outline of the agreed strategy for developing and maintaining a fit for purpose fleet of water activity assets,
- identify the status of the current fleet and outline core principles of the plan for transition to a desired state
- provide detailed justification as to the desired composition of the fleet on which future acquisition and disposal decisions can be based
- Provide a coherent and manageable regime for the maintenance of the fleet and ancillary assets such as trailers, safety equipment and maintenance support tools.

In operation this Plan provides the overarching structure, procedures and policies for ongoing management of the LGSS Fleet as well as process for continual update and management of relevant Plans.

Artefact	Object	Update cycle	Responsibility's
Strategic Plan	To provide overarching governance of boat fleet and maintenance regime	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reviewed every 2 years• Updated as required	Boat maintenance committee: Seek comments - Draft

			Group support Committee: - Resource /Approve
Annual Water Activities Assets Maintenance Plan	To provide details of specific maintenance activities required on individual boats and other assets.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update every 12 months 	Boat maintenance committee: - Update Group support Committee: - Resource /Approve
Future Asset Procurement Plan	To provide guidance on the boats and other assets/activities for which LGSS has set a priority on expending funds on in any given year (other than maintenance).	Update every 12 months	Boat maintenance committee: – Draft Group support Committee: - Approve

Water Activities Asset Management Committee (Boat Committee)

The LGSS Group Leader and the Group Support Committee delegate to the Water Activities Asset Management Committee the role of active management of the development and maintenance of the Water Activities Assets. The “Boat Committee” shall be made up of a mix of older youth members, leaders, adult helpers and committee members with an active interest in water activities.

Water Activities Development Strategy:

LGSS Group Water Activities Asset Needs – by section

As with other Scouting groups the LGSS group consist of several age dependant sections from Joeys to Rovers each with their own needs in respect to access to and use of water activities assets. As a general rule the youth members of the group will become more engaged in water activities as they join older groups. Broadly the perceived needs of each section are provided for in the table below.

Section	Age group	Level of engagement in Water Activities
Joeys	6-8	Minimal Sailing, Minimal Canoeing
Cubs	8-11	Minimal Sailing, Primary Canoeing
Scouts	11-14	Primary Sailing, Primary Canoeing
Venturers	14-18	Primary Sailing, Minimal Canoeing
Rovers	18-24	Primary Sailing, Minimal Canoeing

Sail Boat Fleet and Support Equipment:

LGSS seeks to align its sail boat fleet over time with the needs of the Group as a whole and with the sail training curriculum. This will mean that over time more fit for purpose assets are acquired and

older less applicable, or more expensive/ difficult to maintain assets are disposed of. The principals for development of the LGSS Boat fleet are:

- Provision of safe, fit for purpose assets to support water activities.
- Incremental development of fit for purpose fleet with all relevant support and safety equipment
- All new Asset acquisitions to be assessed on the following basis:
 - Condition of boat/asset
 - Alignment of boat/asset to LGSS group/section needs
 - Estimated effort/cost associated with ongoing maintenance of boat/asset
 - Compatibility of boat to existing fleet
 - Condition of supporting equipment – (trailer, rigging, safety equipment, etc)
- Engagement of youth members in fleet development and maintenance.

As a community based organisation LGSS will continue to accept donations of equipment where the equipment meets the organisations needs

Canoe & and Other Craft Fleet:

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Current Water Activities Assets:

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As of 2015, LGSS's water activities assets are:

Type	Number	Comments
Sail training boats	22	In various states of repair with several marked for disposal. Some trailers and ancillary equipment are also in dis repair.
Safety Boat	1	Good condition – requires modifications to meet safety standards/ Trailer and ancillary equipment in good condition
Canoes- PVC	6	In good condition – trailer fit for purpose and in good condition
Canoes - other	8	In various states of repair
Kayaks	nill	
Surf Skis /Windsurfers /Rafts	3	

Sail training fleet:

The existing boat fleet is made up of a number of different makes and classes, constructed from a number of different materials and obtained through donation and ad hoc purchases. In addition many of the current boats are old and have been poorly maintained. As such the present fleet is expensive and time consuming to maintain correctly. Further the utility of some boats is not aligned with the needs of the group. The table below identifies the relevant sail training needs and the level of craft required to meet that need.

Sailing Skill Level	Description of Competence	Level of craft required
Introductory	Sit on the boat, get feel for being on the water	
Beginner	Be able to help sail, under direction of skipper eg. Pull sheets, ballast,	
Sailing Skills 1	Crewing position, learning to tune and run the boat, GISB's 1	
Sailing Skills 2	Start taking on skipper role, finer tuning, gaining confidence sailing and starting getting GISB's 2	
Better Sailing	Be at level where they can skipper confidently, take and explain to crew what's happening, and be able to sail at a Tri-Lakes Racing level	
Regatta Level	Sail at a higher level that will compete confidently at all regatta's and Be able to take new participants upon the water and safely promote and encourage sailing to new-comers	

It is recognised that many classes of boats can fulfil multiple sail training roles. However there are certain roles that would be best filled by a common class of boat to reduce maintenance overheads and cost of ownership.

Current Fleet

The current LGSS sailing fleet meet a number of different levels of sail training, below is an outline of the current fleet and which training level each boat meets.

<i>Class</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Sail Number</i>
Corsair	Muloka	153
Corsair	Tru Blu	615
NS14	Non-Sequador	2575
NS14	Rusty	995
NS14	Tit 4 Tat	1203
NS14	Boston Royal	1378
Laser II	Terminator	1050
Laser II		435
Swinger	Old Yella	649
Swinger	Almost Perfect	224
Swinger	Mystic Lightning	67
Comet		109
Gwen 12	Quacking Mad	1896
Springbank	Late for Dinner	57
Laser	Flipp	137568
Mirror	Huey	1594
Mirror	Duey	5001
Mirror	Luey	
Mirror	Tui	

The 2016 Water Activities Asset Audit at Attachment 1 - provides a list of the boats and supporting equipment that makes the existing fleet.

Asset Maintenance Program:

Water activities asset maintenance is an ongoing activity throughout the scouting year and provides LGSS leaders an opportunity to incorporate water activities into more of the scouting program while teaching youth member's new skills. At present water activities are generally conducted from late September to April (late spring to end autumn). This leaves the period May to mid-September as a period where deeper level asset maintenance can be conducted.

Planned Maintenance: By end of April each year the Boat Committee, with the engagement of section leaders and older youth members shall complete an audit of the state of repair of the Water Activities Assets – including ancillary assets such as trailers and safety equipment. The audit shall identify the major maintenance needs for the next 12 month period and be used to update the Water Activities Asset Maintenance Plan (the annual Maintenance Plan). The annual Maintenance Plan shall identify the asset, its state of repair and recommended maintenance actions for the coming 12 months. Where there is a significant associated expenditure of group funds recommended for a maintenance activity then the estimate of funds required will be identified as well.

The annual Maintenance Plan will define all assets as follows:

Good: Only minor ongoing planned maintenance and upkeep tasks required/ fit for use/ no urgency/no additional expenditure of group funds required.

Fair: Minor unplanned repairs or medium planned maintenance and upkeep tasks required/ some degradation of utility/medium urgency/some possible additional minor expenditure of funds.

Requiring major repair/maintenance work: Major unplanned repair work or significant planned maintenance required/ not currently fit for use/requires immediate action within maintenance period/ medium additional expenditure of funds

Assess for disposal: Asset significantly degraded & not fit to use in current state/asset not safe / asset no longer meets needs / significant additional expenditure of required/ initial assessment that investment not warranted /Recommended for disposal.

The draft annual Maintenance Plan will be submitted to the Support Committee for approval and allocation of appropriated funds at the next Committee meeting after completion. In assessing the annual Maintenance Plan for approval the Support Committee shall have reference to the strategic principles set out in this Plan.

Asset Procurement Strategy:

See *Boat Committee Fleet Plan* for details.

The assets to be upgraded or purchased will be organised, recommended and scheduled by the Boat committee in accordance with the Fleet Plan. It shall be the role of the group support committee to provide assistance and enable this to be carried out. The fleet plan outlays way to improve the current fleet as well as upgrading to more suitable and user friendly craft whilst moving sail training to a more regulated and structured system.

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