

Combined Australian Netball Association Inc

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MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT BEENLEIGH NETBALL ASSOCIATION CLUBHOUSE ON TUESDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2017

1. Welcome and Opening

Chairman Donna Terry welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them all for attending. Meeting was opened at 4pm.

2. Attendance

As per attendance sheet

| NAME | ASSOCIATION | DELEGATE/OBSERVER |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Marilyn Hindmarch | CPNAI | Board Member |
| Marilyn Tregilgas | Marleston League | Board Member |
| Bruce Turner | Saucna | Board Member |
| Maree Robbins | Beenleigh | Delegate |
| Catherine Poppleton | Beenleigh | Delegate |
| Glen Woolley | Life Member | Board Member |
| Julie Smith | Beenleigh | Observer |
| Karin Irwin | Marleston League | Delegate |
| Leeanne Cramond | Marleston League | Delegate |
| Helen Rosser | Saucna | Delegate |
| Deb Stacey | Vic Blaze | Observer |
| Jason Miller | Vic Blaze | Observer |
| Rochana Gordon | Huon | Delegate |
| Ellie Doyle | Huon | Delegate |
| Kevin Ryan | CPNAI | Delegate |
| Shelley Humphrys | CPNAI | Delegate |
| Yvette Donner | Beenleigh | Observer |
| Yvonne Jackson | AYC | Delegate |
| Lynne Sayer | AYC | Delegate |
| Joyce Cosgrove | Tonga | Observer |
| Ahmba-Leigh Fisher | Northern Elements | Observer |
| Jo | Northern Elements | Observer |
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Members present: AYC, Beenleigh, Marleston League SA Inc, SA United Church Netball Association, HUON and Corcoran Park Netball.

Guests – Vic Blaze, Tonga Netball, Northern Elements.

3. Apologies

Tamara Hall, National Coaching Director. Mrs. Michelle Blom (Life Member)

4. Conflict of Interest

No conflict was advised.

5. Special business: (addition to Agenda)

An informal complaint has been made to the Board from a Member that the time of the AGM was never advised as per Constitutional Law.

In previous years the time of the AGM has been altered to work around the games being played on the day, which in turn has led to confusion on the day of the AGM. This year it was decided not to advise the time to avoid this confusion.

All members present at the Meeting were asked by the Chairman if they had been disadvantaged by the absence of the time on the notification of the Annual General Meeting that appeared in the Newsletter dated 27th August. No members said they had been disadvantaged and the meeting continued.

6. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting Held at Adelaide, SA, on Wednesday 5th October 2016

The Minutes were distributed by email and post to all members following the meeting.

Motion: that the minutes as tabled be accepted as a true and correct record. Moved Kevin Ryan (CPNAI) Seconded Helen Rosser (SAUCNA) Motion was carried.

7. Business arising from the Minutes Nil

8. Correspondence 8.1 Inwards

| 20-Aug 20-Aug | Email Email | Margaret Johnson Tamara Hall | Acceptance of Position of Public Officer NCD Nomination |
|------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| 20-Aug | Email | Bruce Turner | Board Member Nomination form |
| 30-Aug | Email | Vic Blaze | Social Membership applications |
| 5-Sep | Email | Maree Robbins | Beenleigh Annual Report |
| 7-Sep | Email | Marilyn Tregilgas | Financial Accounts for 2016/2017 |
| 7-Sep | Email | Glen Woolley | Annual Report NUD |
| 12-Sep | Email | Margaret Johnson | SAUCNA Annual Report |
| 13-Sep | Email | Marilyn Tregilgas | Signed Financial Reports |
| 17-Sep | Email | Karen McGuire | CPNAI Annual Report |
| 19-Sep | Email | Michelle Blom | Apology for AGM |
| 20-Sep | Email | Margaret Johnson | Re time of the AGM |

8.2 Outwards

| 19-Aug | Email | Margaret Johnson | Position of Public officer |
|--------|-------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 30-Aug | Email | Vic Blaze | Re payment of social membership fees |
| 20-Sep | Email | Margaret Johnson | Re time of the AGM |

8.3 Business arising from correspondence:

20-Aug – Margaret Johnson – According to the CANA Constitution, the Public Officer of CANA must reside in South Australia. Margaret has been our Public Officer for a number of years and is happy to continue in this position.

Motion: that the Inwards Correspondence be accepted and the Outwards Correspondence be adopted. Moved Maree Robbins (Beenleigh) and Seconded Ellie Doyle (HUON). Motion was carried.

9. Consideration and Adoption of Annual Report

Annual Report was tabled and members were given some time to look through it. Motion: that the Annual Report be adopted as tabled. Moved Karen Irwin (Marleston League SA Inc) and Seconded Helen Rosser (SAUCNA). Motion was carried.

10. Consideration and Adoption of Audited Financial Statement

Financial Report is included in the Annual Report.Members were given some time to look through the financial statements.Motion: that the Financial Report be adopted as tabled.Moved Karen Irwin (Marleston League SA Inc.) Seconded Helen Rosser (SAUCNA)Motion was carried.

11. Appointment of Two Scrutineers and a Returning Officer

As there was no voting to be carried out, these appointments were not necessary.

12. Election of Board of Directors and their Installation

12.1 Secretary

At close of nominations only one nomination had been received from Marilyn Hindmarch, Corcoran Park Netball Association Inc. Marilyn was duly elected.

12.2 Board Member Communication & Marketing

At close of nominations only one nomination had been received from Bruce Turner, SA United Church Netball Association Inc. Bruce was duly elected

12.3 National Coaching Director

At close of nominations only one nomination had been received from Tamara Hall, Corcoran Park Netball Association Inc. Tamara was duly elected

13. Election of –

- **13.1** Touring Team Coaches nil received
- **13.2** Touring Team Managers nil received
- **13.3** Touring Team Umpires nil received
- **13.4** Players from AYC, Beenleigh and St Michaels have nominated to tour. Delegates were asked to contact their club for any interested Coaches, Managers or Umpires.
- **13.5** There has been interest in a Masters touring team. Delegates were asked to contact their teams for any further interest.

14. Announcement of the Appointment of Group Tour Manager for 2018

14.1 Only one nomination was received from Marilyn Tregilgas, Marleston League SA Inc. and Marilyn was duly appointed by the Board.

15. Ratification of Auditor for 2017 and Ensuing Year

ASF Audits have been auditing our books for the past few years and the Board recommends that they continue for 2017/2018.

Motion: that ASF Audits be appointed as Auditors for 2017/2018. Moved MarilynTregilgas Seconded Cathy Poppleton (Beenleigh Netball). Motion was carried.

16. Special Business

- **16.1** Affiliation Fees for 2017/18
 - The Board's Recommendation is that
 - the fees remain at \$4.50 per player for Member Associations
 - the fees remain at \$300 for Associate Membership
 - the fees remain at \$25 for Social Membership

Maree Robbins (Beenleigh) – does this fee cover the cost of operations for CANA. Marilyn Tregilgas (Treasurer) advised that as membership is down at the moment, these fees are not covering our cost and the Board is working to increase our membership. The Chairman asked the Members to please spread the CANA word so our Association can grow.

Motion: that the membership fees be ratified as recommended by the Board. Moved Ellie Doyle (Huon) Seconded Yvonne Carter (AYC). Motion was carried

- **16.2** Members were reminded that fees were due prior to the commencement of the National Championships for
 - Member Associations
 - Associate Associations

16.3 Acceptance of Social Members

Members from Vic Blaze Mixed and Open teams, ADF Open and Northern Elements 13/U and 15/U have applied to be social members.

Yvonne Carter (AYC) questioned how many applicants there were. Forms were not to hand but an approximate figure was 45.

Motion: that the Social Members be accepted. Moved Yvonne Carter (AYC) Seconded Rochelle Gordon (Huon) Motion was carried.

Chairman suggested to the members of Vic Blaze and Northern Elements that they may consider becoming full members of CANA in order to receive the full benefits.

16.4 Host Association, Venue and Dates of 2018 National Championships

No Nominations have been received to date and the Chairman called for nominations from the members present to host the Championships.

Chairman addressed the meeting and stated at the 2016 Annual General Meeting CPNAI Rep Kevin Ryan suggested the Board look for an alternative venue to host the Championships. The Board considered various options and in April two Board Members (Donna and Marilyn H) travelled to Sydney after Donna shortlisted various venues where our Championships could be hosted. Sydney was considered a neutral city, only a short distance from all members. After visiting several venues in and around Sydney, one venue stood out to be the best for our needs. The John Fisher Courts at North Curl Curl are 26 hard surface courts and 10 grass courts. There is a large grandstand with a community room and lots of parking. The courts are close to the beach and there is plenty of accommodation both caravan park and unit accommodation.

We were met on site by a representative of the Manly Warringah Council who is very happy for us to use the facilities although we could not make a booking until October this year. We could not estimate how many courts we would need but were advised to book all the courts and cancel as we need. We have had stumbling blocks with Netball Australia but the Board has been assured by a representative of Netball Australia that our Championships will be sanctioned which will make the hosting of these Championships more successful.

The Board has estimated that it may cost \$15,000 to host these Championships and we need our Members to approve for us to do this. Along with hosting the Championships the Board considers this may be a chance to trial new options that have been suggested by our members over the years, i.e. midweek to midweek (Wednesday to Wednesday) - air fares would be cheaper, accommodation would be cheaper.

Motion: that the Board host the 2018 National Championships in Sydney from 4^{th} October to 9^{th} October.

Moved Kevin Ryan (CPNAI), Seconded Cathy Poppleton (Beenleigh Netball).

Discussion on the motion followed.

Yvonne Carter (AYC) – can CANA afford to pay for these Championships? Treasurer advised the funds are in the bank. Meeting was made aware that our Association needs to grow or we will collapse. The Board has been collectively discussing ideas on how to increase our membership but our members need to help as well by informing other netball clubs about our Championships to help us grow. If every Member could bring another club to Sydney that would be a great start. Members can assist with keeping the costs to a minimum by each bringing their own game ball, timers and clipboards.

Maree Robbins (Beenleigh Netball) suggested the Board ask Gilbert Netballs for sponsorship of the carnival.

Motion: that the Board host the 2018 Championships in Sydney from 4^{th} October to 9^{th} October and trial various options.

Moved Kevin Ryan (CPNAI) Seconded Cathy Poppleton (Beenleigh Netball). Motion was carried.

16.5 Interest to Host the 2019 National Championships

CPNAI have indicated their interest to host these Championships but will confirm once their 2018 netball season has commenced. Their membership numbers were down this year.

16.6 2018 International Tour

The tour will be to Los Angeles, USA, in April and will be for 6 nights and 7 days. Cost will be approximately \$4000 which includes airfares, accommodation, meals and land transport.

17. Indication of Continuing Membership

Corcoran Park Netball Association Inc., Beenleigh, SA United Church Netball Association, Huon, AYC, Marleston League SA Inc. all indicated their intention to continue as Members.

18. General Business:

18.1 Forfeit Points

A comment was written in the Reflection Book at the 2017 Championships that perhaps the forfeit score of 20 goals to zero was not a big enough deterrent for teams to forfeit games during the Championships and maybe it should be increased as it would affect the opponent's percentages. Members were advised during the year to discuss this matter with their committee members with the aim of taking a vote on a change to the Rules of the Championships.

Matter was discussed in general and the members were advised the matter would be on the Agenda at the 2018 Annual General Meeting for voting.

18.2 James Dixon Medal

James was a member of the Beenleigh Mixed Team when the Championships were hosted by Beenleigh in 2013. He was the Dean Lawrance Medal winner and a member of the Championship team. Unfortunately, James passed away recently and in his honor Beenleigh Netball members would like to present a Medallion to the Player of the Tournament in the Mixed Division, to be called the James Dixon Medal. This medal will only be presented when Beenleigh Netball host the CANA National Championships. The presentation of the medal will take place when the Player of the Tournament trophy is presented at the Closing Ceremony.

18.3 Number of teams in a division

Prior to these Championships commencing, the Board was faced with a difficult decision of having a cut off in the number of teams playing in a division or splitting the teams into pools for ease of playing the required 8 games during the Championships. In one division there were too many teams and it was not possible for every team to play 8 games during the 10 days. The Board made the decision to play a split round.

Members were asked their opinion on what should happen if this scenario presented itself again. The members agreed the Board made the right decision.

19. Any Other Business

19.1 Prior to the Championships there was mention made by a member that the time of the Annual General Meeting had not been advertised and that perhaps the Annual General Meeting had not been called correctly in accordance with the CANA Constitution? The date of the AGM was advertised in the Newsletter according to the Constitution. When the Annual General Meeting is held depends on the times of the games during that day and because the roster is not finalized until the week before the Championships, it is not possible to guarantee what time it is going to be.

Members were asked if they were happy for the time of the Annual General Meeting to be kept back until the rostering has been completed. Members were in agreeance with this.

19.2 21/Under Division.

Yvonne Carter, AYC, mentioned that AYC would like to see the 21/Under competition again in the Championships. AYC have two 21/Under teams and asked other members to please try and get some teams for Sydney.

19.3 Joyce Cosgrove from Tonga Netball Association asked how clubs can become members of CANA. Chairman invited Joyce to see her after the meeting when she would provide that information.

19.4 Game times

Kevin Ryan, CPNAI delegate, asked the Board why it changed the draw for the Mixed division with game times that were not in accordance with the CANA Constitution as the teams were not being given the 3-hour break.

Chairman advised the changes were made to enable the teams to play. Some teams could not play during the day so games had to be rescheduled and played at night with shorter breaks in between games. The Board has the right according to the Constitution to make these changes if it deems necessary and the Board considered this to be the best option rather than teams having forfeits.

Joyce Cosgrove, Tonga Netball, stated that her teams had advised the Beenleigh Carnival Committee that they could not play during the day prior to the Championships, however Maree Robbins said no mention had been made in that regard.

To avoid this happening at future Championships, the Chairman asked the members to please advise the Host when submitting their nominations if they required certain game times.

- **19.5** Yvette Donner (Carnival Umpiring Convenor) mentioned she was attempting to have the Queensland Suns (State Netball Teams) play an exhibition game with our mixed teams during the Championships. Both Vic Blaze and CPNAI delegates were happy for this to occur.
- **19.6** Maree Robbins (Beenleigh President) invited all delegates to share in afternoon tea under the marquee following the closing of the meeting.
- **20.** Chairman thanked everyone for coming and invited them all to join us at Manly in 2018.
- **21.** With no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 5.40pm.

.....CHAIRMAN

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