

Minutes of Annual General Meeting

3 August 2018

South Mandurah Club Rooms

Present:

Nick Schoeffer, Christine Mirchef, Jane Watson, Kevan Waters, Mel Clements, Sharyn Rush, Mandy O'Donnell, Tinet Tuck, Renee O'Callaghan, Blanche McCulloch, Shantel King, David Griffin, Donna Clarke, Cynthia Graham, Rohan Axford, Jade Boaler, Sophie Petty, Steven, Petty, Christine Flegg, Keely Rutherford, John Barker, Shannon Carroll, Glenn McCreary, Mark Penkala, Stuart Mearns, Kathryn Smith, James Paynter, Nikki Hannakampf, Troy Beauchamp

Apologies: Karissa Phin, Matthew Edwards and Tracey Phillips

Meeting opened at 5.40pm

Previous Minutes

Motion for 2017 AGM Minutes to be agreed as a true and correct record of events.

Moved: Kevan Waters
Seconded: Sharyn Rush
Motion carried unanimously

Business Arising from Previous Minutes

No business arising from last year

President's Report

- The club has had an extremely successful year with registrations. Increase in numbers has meant most teams were closed-off well prior to season due to maximum playing list numbers. 523 playing members.
- For a number of teams next season, we will need to offer positions to 2017 players first, then opening up the team on a first come-first served basis. This will require parents to register and pay early. It is a problem, but can be seen as a nice problem to have.
- Finals are looking good for nearly all of our youth teams.
- **Jumpers**
Club supplier SportsPower Mandurah arranged jumpers for us this year. Sizing was an issue even though we gave them our old jumpers. It is more of a design fault and they have asked if we could use them again next season and they will have the jumper redesigned to our requirements. The Committee will consider the matter further.

- **Good Sports Level 3**

Level 3 Good Sports maintained this year. Good Sports accreditation is about creating a safe and family-friendly environment and being mindful of alcohol and smoking at junior sport. We want to be THE club of choice in the Peel, and continue to work towards providing the best game day environment for the kids.

- Look to install “No Smoking” signs around verandah as we should be a smoke-free ground during Juniors.

Ocean Rd and Northport Oval

- Northport to be developed for junior games. Cost \$120K and we have committed \$10k. Green space for training remains a factor in carefully managing the growth of team numbers – more Friday training.
- Next season we will again look at a no pay-no play policy from round 1 to avoid the extra work in chasing money. It worked well this season.
- Major financial sponsors thanked Will look to renew these sponsorships and seek new/additional sponsors this year.
- Even Team Policy - Junior Club Manual states that “In the event that a club enters more than one team in the same age group division, players must be allocated to the team so that they are evenly matched”. This is checked by the JCC at games. Auskick to year 3 process is to grade players so they are evenly matched in year 3 teams. Other teams in the one division should be evenly matched. Club and Coaches need to work together to ensure this happens.
- Finals – Majority of youth team to play finals. Finals meeting to be announced.
- Next year Coaches and Managers - If you have already agreed to volunteer as a Manager or Coach next season, the Club thanks you once again for your invaluable support and for supporting our community youth. If you are unable to do so, then thank you for your past support and hopefully your continued support as a general member. If you aren’t continuing, we would also like to ask you to please advise your team tomorrow at your end of game presentation, and perhaps ask the parent group to please volunteer for next season. You could follow this up at the wind-up trophy presentations. Gives them an opportunity to ask questions.

Treasurers Report

- The current financial statement was tabled and discussed
- The club started the season with approximately \$35,000 in the bank, and with an expected profit this year of around \$16,000 we forecast that we should have \$51,000 in our account by season end. We are still expecting \$26,000 of expenses before season end, with \$6,000 still due in from windups. Budget spreadsheet tabled at meeting.
- Major expenditure - \$10k for SMFNC, \$10k Short term loan to SMFNC (has been repaid), \$4.5 for Blue Shed
- 2019 Northport – we will contribute financially to the development of this ground
- We will investigate investment toward an electronic Scoreboard to the value of around \$20,000.

Election of Office Bearers

Firstly, thank you to all of our Committee for the excellent work they have done over the season. I hear what happens within other Clubs and some of the internal politics and our Club is very lucky to have such good people who demonstrate such great ethics toward the running of the Club.

Special thanks to Tinet for her fantastic work as Auskick Coordinator in her second year. Auskick 2.0 introduced and Corey Wilson has done a great job with it. Tinet has been very organised and embraced the role and our Auskick program has run really well this season.

Chrissy and Mandy taking on the Registrar role and reviewing and redeveloping the Managers Packs etc. Will make the position a lot easier for incoming Registrars.

Kevan – Thanked for his work as VP. Setting up Team App for all teams and for involvement in other more confidential matters.

Mel – for taking over Merchandise with an income of \$4.5k, and to Sharyn taking over Kidsport Voucher coordination which amounts to \$17,000 for 108 kids.

Before we seek nominations for positions, it was mentioned that given the need to work online, and communicate via email, any prospective Committee Members will find their role much easier if they have access to email and be an average level user of a PC/Laptop. The Club has a lot of emails and lists bouncing around, especially at the start of the season, so having appropriate computer skills really helps.

Executive committee positions up for election

Executive Committee Positions are as follows for 2019

President - Nick Schoeffer will complete his second two-year stint in 2019, but he will be then taking a break from the role after that, so 2019 will be his last year.

Vice President – Mandy O'Donnell

Nominated by Kathryn Smith

Seconded by Kevan Waters. Nomination accepted.

Treasurer – Christine Mirchef, but 2019 will be her last year in this role

Nominated by Nick Schoeffer.

Seconded by Mandy O'Donnell. Nomination accepted.

Secretary – to be advised

Registrar – to be advised

Junior Registrar – Tinet Tuck

Nominated Mandy O'Donnell

Seconded by Sharyn Rush. Nomination accepted

Auskick Co-ordinator – Sophie Petty

Nominated by Nick Schoeffer

Seconded by Jane Watson. Nomination accepted

Coaching Co-ordinator – position vacant. Nick Schoeffer will run with this role and it may be formally allocated in 2019 if necessary.

Events and Fundraising Co-ordinator – Mandy O'Donnell

Nominated by Nick Schoeffer

Seconded by Jane Watson. Nomination accepted

Merchandise Manager – Mel Clements

Nominated by Mandy O'Donnell

Seconded by Jade Boaler. Nomination accepted.

Kidsport Coordinator – Sharyn Rush

Nominated by Chrissy Mirchef

Seconded by Jane Watson. Nomination accepted

Team App Manager – Kevan Waters

Nominated by Nick Schoeffer

Seconded by Chrissy Mirchef

General Business

- Raffle tickets – Most teams sold their books but quite a few weren't sold. Darelle at Year 1 (Auskick) sold 19 Books – congratulations! We don't go overboard with our fundraising so to the teams that have helped our club thank you so much - it is really appreciated We raised \$3100 – Special thanks to Mandy for organising this.
- As a result of our fundraising, there will be no membership fee increase next season due to sound financial position.

Close

Nick thanked the meeting and the Club volunteers as follows:

Thank you to all our Volunteers this season, especially our Committee Members and Managers and Coaches

Everyone is time poor nowadays, but it is usually always the busy people who still put their hands up and do such a great job. It can be frustrating with the demands that are put on us sometimes, and a lot of people maybe think we are paid for what we do and don't realise it is all just volunteer work.

Thank you again for a great season.

Each year there seems to be more requirements on our Volunteers, and this year Nick has been campaigning our JCC hard to streamline processes to make it less of an impost on those of us who don't get paid a cent for their time in helping our community clubs.

Meeting closed at 6.09pm

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Notes from general meeting with Coaches and Managers

- **Game day Behaviour**
Lots of yellows this year and e-points (across all teams). Not looking good for a club award. Please educate the players about onfield niggles etc. You can speak to umps before game. Discussion was had, and Jade Boaler brought up that the umpire decisions were not consistent. Others thought that umpires were issuing yellow cards for rough play rather than for valid reasons. Especially in the younger years umpires were not experienced enough. What are the team officials thoughts? Stricter or not? Good or bad? Discussion ensued.
- **Coach AFL Platform.** 6 points to automatically reaccredit. (5 points to be on coach.afl, and completing a coaching module will give an extra 2 points). 4 points for the face to face at our club. Modules to be added soon.
- **Playing in one team.** Not permitted to play in any other team. We have been fined.
- **50% game time in finals – Forfeit if not abided by.**
- **Even-up, not down.** If teams don't even-up let Nick know.
- **Wind-ups.** They clash with hols but are on at the traditional time. Please attend the club wind-ups but also feel free to organise your own if you want.
- **Match day complaints.** In an email to Nick please, not verbally.
- **Coaches area.** Coaches responsible for runners, water carriers, managers and assistant coaches. Anything goes wrong it is the Coaches responsibility.
- **Finals meeting week of finals**
- **Return of Team Gear**
This year we would like all playing gear and Managers Packs, left over umpire money, to be returned as one package per team.
It may be an opportune time to let players know to bring a top to put on after their game and return their jumper.
Please do not return bags with missing jumpers etc. All jumpers need to be returned and washed and packed in kit bags and marked off on the jumper inventory before they are returned .
Please return to Nick's house by arrangement or to the Club on Thursday between 4.30pm and 5.30pm. NOT to wind-ups or the Club as we are too busy. Don't be offended if we tell you to take them back.
- **Medallions and Trophies**
Please check all medallions against your lists to make sure the names are correct and everyone is receiving one. Please let us know asap of any problems.
- **Team Officials – Lock away Coaches and Managers early – remind parents**
- **Coach Appointment Policy** was discussed amongst attendees

- Team numbers – Year 8 – 15 a-side (20 threshold)
- Look to merge 3 x Year 6 teams into only two teams for Year 7
- Get teams locked away early so register early – keep reminding parents.