

Minutes

Queanbeyan Netball Association

AGM Meeting 08-2018

29 October 2018 – 7.00pm

Attendance List – Attachment A

Audit Report – Attachment B

Apologies – Christine Walters, Kylie Ballard, Claire Bullivant, Elaine Clift.

1. Welcome

Kelly welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting for 2019 and thanked everyone for coming.

2. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting

Minutes from the 2017 AGM were moved by Rena Spears and Deb Herekiuha.

3. Committee Reports

- President
- Treasurer (audit report tabled)
- Secretary
- Coaching Coordinator
- Umpires Convenor
- Rep Convenor
- Senior Chair
- Junior Chair
- Publicity Officer

President – Report provided by Kelly Lolesio

The third year in the role of president was again exciting, challenging and rewarding. I would like to start out by congratulating Tina and Maddy and the Div 4 team on Saturdays State League Grand final. I wasn't able to attend but understand it was a strong tough game and I'm sure Tina will update us more in her report but congratulations on an outstanding season.

This year we have seen some great new sponsors on board for QNA focusing on grassroots netball, representative netball and our courts and carnival. Athlete's foot come on board at the end of this season and are keen to get involved with Queanbeyan netball. Telstra Queanbeyan come on board and attended several events during the year including Bev Woodward Gala day and the Representative

Junior awards night. Telstra are quiet involved in TNA and are keen to continue to work with both associations. Moraschi Roofing contributed considerably to our carnival and did a lot of odd jobs and maintenance, a new step for the club house a handle at the front door to assist getting in and out the big front step . To painting, gardening, putting in bark, driving around picking up goal posts and being here on the day to make sure we had a successful carnival. Thank you to Moraschi and Tony Barbaro for all the work at the courts in the lead up to the carnival. We also had several parents who painted and cleaned to ensure we were ready again thank you and to all the volunteers, committee members and life members that came and assisted us hold the largest carnival we have had.

We were successful in receiving 3 grants this year. One from John Barilaro NSW govt to build the new canteen /BBQ area, 1 for resurfacing and updating the bottom courts and one for the Defibrillator which will be installed on the wall. With our existing and new sponsors plus the 3 grants we have remained in a good financial position this year. I would like to thank Rena Spears for her work in tracking our finances and ensuring all our accounts are in up to date ready for the annual audits.

The Junior and Senior competition was very successful with good registration numbers across both draws. QNA were one of only 2 associations in the region that had an increase in registrations this year. This is our 3rd year running with numbers increasing. The introduction of the maroon and gold divisions seemed to work well across both Cadets and Seniors and strengthened the competition. We also had the introduction of full rules in the 10 years competition and we will hopefully see in our 11s development program this year that this will have benefited these players. Bev Woodward Gala day was a great success and of course the Buy a Bale day. Thank you to all who were involved in getting the buy bale day up and running the charity match and raffle raised a lot of funds but also was a lot of fun and it was great to see John Barilaro , Nicole Overall and members of the sporting community here at the courts playing netball with our Div 1 players.

We were also lucky enough to have visits from Susan Petit and Sam Pullman this year during the junior competition. This was a great hit with players having time to chat, take photos and have autographs with the players. Thank you to all involved in coordinating these events.

Helen McDonald, Kellie Stokes and Catherine Clift did a great job of running the winter competition this year, handled every challenge thrown their way even right down to getting the netballers doing the nutbush before their games for buy a bale round. There is a lot of work behind the scenes and on game day that Helen, Kellie and Catherine do to make sure Saturdays run as smooth as possible.

The inter district competition with QNA and Tuggeranong Association was held again this year for Div 1. The competition was successful and provided good match play for Division 1 teams. There were some challenges with draws and different dates across

both associations but it enabled us to have a division 1 competition and to keep the Senior div 1 players involved in the association.

This year our participation in the ACT State League competition really showed ACT our strength and the value in us competing in this competition. SSL Div 1 had some good gains again this year. SSL Div 4 making it through to thru to the Grand Final undefeated and both Div 2 and 5 making finals. Congratulations also to Caitlin Brady and Sophie Jensen both being nominated for MVP awards in the ACT Senior State League completion.

The Junior and senior representative program was run successfully this year with coaches, managers, umpires, parent helpers and players representing Queanbeyan extremely well. Our working relationships with other associations continues to increase with players from Sapphire coast, Camden and Goulburn representing QNA in our rep program. We also had 2 QNA players join in with Sapphire Coast and play in the 15 years rep program at state age.

Thank you to Tina Phillips Head coach for all the work she is put into the representative programs this year Junior, Senior and State League.

Thank you to all our sponsors including Major Sponsor John McGrath Isuzu, Telstra, Moraschi Roofing, Queanbeyan Physio, ACTEWAGL and outgoing sponsor Sportsman's Warehouse. Your support for all girls and women in sport socially at our association is invaluable.

Lastly Thank you to all the exec committee, council members, coaches, managers, umpires and volunteers that give up so much of their time to get our players on the court week in week out.

I have enjoyed the year as president and look forward to seeing QNA continue to grow and prosper with the support of the community and sponsors.

Look forward to seeing you all in the 2019 Season.

Treasurer – Report provided by Rena Spears

Annual Audit report is tabled and back and the auditor is happy with where we are at. Majority of incoming payments were reconciled, some payments received could not be reconciled against paperwork and this needs to be improved for next year. All managers for rep programs need to ensure that they are aware of all payments coming into the account and provide the paper trail in a timely manner. All expenses were reconciled and no issues identified. Final report will be made available shortly for Kelly and Rena for signoff.

Secretary – Report provided by Tracey Kaye

Well it has been a fun 2018 in my first year as Secretary. I had no idea that so many emails would come through the QNA mailbox. I have a new appreciation for all of the background work that is done to make our netball association work and to bring it all together.

A huge thanks to Deb for the wonderful handover from last year and to Kelly and the exec for all of their support and guidance throughout the season. Apologies for my hiccups and questions along the way but I appreciate you all taking me under your wing.

Coaching Coordinator – Report provided by Tina Phillips

2018 produced 3 new Development coaches. Congratulations.

We had a very busy 2018 Representative Season. For State League we have had 3 of 4 teams make it through to the finals series which was a great outcome for QNA. Thank you to all coaches and managers.

2019 Representative Coaches and Managers have been appointed. Congratulations to all. U17's Coach yet to be filled, no nominations received as yet.

All junior representative squads have now been announced, training for all teams will commence shortly.

Thank you to everyone and good luck to all for 2019.

Umpires Convenor – Report provided by Catherine Clift

It has once again been a privilege to work with "Team White" in 2018. Whilst there have been some challenges this season, the highs definitely outweigh the lows.

Some of the team white achievements this season include:

- 4 new national C badges. Congratulations to Sophie Jensen, Jess McDonald, Eleni Lolesio and Jessie Reynolds on being awarded their National C Badges this season – many hours of hard work now formally recognized. These young ladies have umpired 2 junior games every Saturday this season and its volunteers like these young ladies who make my job so much easier. A huge thank you also to Dave Lavers and Helen McDonald for your assistance in the badging process – badging doesn't happen without your ongoing commitment to umpire development. This season I have also had two umpires identify that they are interested in moving forward in the B badge process – the facilitation of this will be further umpire development for 2019.
- 756 allocations – give or take a few! That is two umpires per game with 27 games per day over 14 weeks! There were some occasional hiccups in the junior competition but 99% of the time someone answered my call for a

volunteer. I would like to thank everyone who umpired this season – without umpire volunteers' games don't go ahead. I would like to thank all the club umpire coordinators – without your assistance and your coordination of your club umpires (especially in the senior competition) I would not be able to produce those allocations. A special mention to Stacey McInerny from Jerra Joeys, Tash Hill from Royals and Vickie Larnach from Googong – your efforts with coordinating your umpires and your communication with me made the job of allocations so much easier. I would like to thank Helen McDonald as junior chair and Kellie Stokes as senior chair for their hard work over the season – for working with me in regards to allocations, for listening when I felt that we needed to make draw changes based on umpiring availability and for always being part of the solution. A huge thank you to the umpires from my own club – who I regularly call on to help when allocations can't be filled and who rarely (thankfully!!) say no to my call for help.

- Sending two umpires to Netball NSW State Championships and three umpires to State Age Championships. Thank you to Cindy Crowe and Maddie Chynoweth for representing QNA at State and to Helen McDonald, Virginia Cater and Dave Lavers for representing QNA at State Age. We cannot enter out teams in the State and State Age competitions without our umpire volunteers.
- Supplying 4-5 umpires per carnival for around 8 representative carnivals across the representative season. This a huge task and I need to thank every umpire that helped make this happen in 2018.
- Umpire attendance at a number of Netball NSW umpire specific events including the Umpires Convenor camp, Net Ed umpire program at Illawarra and the Rookies Camp.
- Umpire mentors – a huge thank you to Helen McDonald, Helen McGregor, Dave Lavers and Brittney Reynolds for their work with our developing umpires – this work quite often goes unnoticed but I know the umpires you have worked with truly appreciate your time and effort.
- Beginners Umpire course – a brief 4-week beginner umpire course was run in the second half of the season – we had attendance from most clubs, the numbers doubled each week and the feedback I received was very positive. I think this could be run more formally next season either with its own dedicated time on a Saturday morning or on a week night and extended to one hour per session. A huge thankyou to Dave Lavers and Helen McDonald for their assistance with this course and thank you to all those who I picked on and made help me with demonstrations and show and tell of their umpire kit.
- Umpire Appreciation round – this was my favorite week of our regular competition. I think this is a must for the calendar for 2019 – I believe it was well received by players, spectators and the umpires themselves. A huge thank you to Kelly Lolesio for her passion and work with making this round happen.
- Unofficial subcommittee – I need to thank Dave, Helen, Helen, Jessie and Brittney who were my unofficial umpire subcommittee – without your help

756 allocations, and payment of the majority of those allocations, badging of umpires, mentoring and a beginner education course would not have happened.

2018 was not without its challenges. Some of these include:

- Providing the second umpire for the Div 1 game played locally. Whilst this always seemed to eventually happen it wasn't without its issues and some stressful and time-consuming days prior to the Saturday round. Whilst I believe it was a better option than trying to find umpires to travel to TNA with our teams, I think there is still some work to be done here on perfecting it and I think moving forward there needs to be discussions about how it will work with the Division 1 teams/clubs prior to commencement of the interdistrict competition next year.
- The umpiring duty imbalance in the senior competition – this was definitely a challenge each week and I thank the clubs for their participation in the solution. I think it does highlight the importance of entering your teams on time, so that things like this can be predicted and a solution sought much earlier.
- Lack of umpire volunteers for State and State Age – even though we had five of our own umpires attend these championships I still had to purchase one umpire for each event in order to enter our teams. I don't know what the solution to this is, but I raise it as a challenge that I dealt with this season and one that could potentially be an issue next year as well.
- 756 allocations – whilst I was mostly successful in filling the allocations this was not without many hours spent sending group emails and individually contacting umpires. This is a job in itself and unfortunately leaves very little time for mentoring and education. I think for 2019 a formal umpire subcommittee may help address some of the things that I struggled to get to this season. I also think the clubs need to find ways to support their beginner umpires – this is not just the job of the QNA Umpire Convenor.
- Players of all ability that felt it was ok to treat an umpire disrespectfully. I raise this because I think we have some work to do here, particularly in the senior competition, in regards to this. I do believe it has to start at club level with clubs making their players aware of the codes of conduct and what is expected of them from a behavior point of view – because umpire performance will always improve with confidence and confidence starts when umpires feel comfortable and respected.

I would like to thank my fellow exec members for their work and support this season. I would like to thank the clubs for encouraging their umpires and for supporting things like umpire appreciation round. Lastly, I would like to thank all of the umpires I have worked with this season – umpires are some of the best people I know and I am truly grateful for your hard work, dedication and support of my role. On a personal note I was extremely honoured to be made a life member in this past

year and to join this esteemed group of dedicated volunteers alongside my mum. I am look forward to cementing the umpire appreciation round in our QNA calendar permanently to recognise all our umpires that keep the competition running and to also ensure we continue to progress umpire development. I look forward to working with you all in the coming season and thank you all for your support.

Go Team White!!!!

Rep Convenor – No report

Senior Chair – Report provided by Kellie Stokes

Firstly, I would like to thank the Executive Committee and Clubs for their patience as I learnt my role this season. A very special thank you to Tracey Kaye who backed me up throughout the season and on the weekend's I was not able to be at the courts and to both Helen and Kelly who fielded and provided responses to my non-stop questions.

The 2018 Senior Competition started with:

- 2 teams in inter-district;
- 5 team in division 2;
- 5 teams in division 3; and
- 2 teams in division 4

While the inter-district competition remained constant, at the beginning of the season it was agreed to combine divisions 3 and 4 for the duration of the competition splitting them back out for finals by having the top 4 teams play in the division 3 finals, and the next 4 play in the division 4 finals. Noting this, the competition was agreed as below:

- Division one - inter-district
- Gold division (consisting of QNA division 2 teams)
- Maroon division (consisting of QNA division 3 & 4 teams)

By the end of the second week of the season, there was movement of teams between divisions and additional teams registered into the competition with the final numbers for 2018 having 17 senior teams:

- 2 teams in the inter-district completion;
- 6 teams in the gold division;
- 9 teams in the maroon division.

The competition seemed to flow well, with minimal complaints throughout the season. Those complaints received were primarily regarding player conduct and disrespect of the umpires. I would suggest a zero tolerance coupled with point deductions from offending teams for next season.

Congratulations to the winners of each division:

- Inter-district – JerraSuns
- Gold Division – Bungendore
- Maroon (pool A) – Royals Green
- Maroon (pool B) – Googong

Moving forward it would make for a smoother start to the competition if clubs were proactive in registering teams and players prior to the start of the season. This would allow for **all clubs** to be provided with an accurate draw at the beginning of the competition.

Further, there are some updates required to the current policy to ensure clubs are following the correct rules in regards to players playing in higher divisions, the amount of games played in each division to be eligible for finals and the number of teams an individual player can play in.

Overall, it was a terrific season with a fair competition throughout all divisions.

Junior Chair – Report provided by Helen McDonald

I would like to thank the Committee and everyone involved from the various Clubs in being patience with me again this year. It has been a really interesting season.

Summary of the season

Under 9's we had 9 teams which was slightly down on numbers from last year (11). Feedback was very positive throughout the season.

Under 10's we had 6 teams, same as last year. This year we introduced full rules to our Under 10's. All feedback received from Coach's, Managers, parents were very very positive.

Under 11's/12's we had 12 teams, 1 team up from last year. This year was a very trying year as the skill set between the 12 teams was quite different. After round 9 we introduced a Pool C to allow for a more competitive competition all round. This worked for some club and not so for other. Congratulations to Jerra Joey's Teal for winning Pool A, Sunrise Pink for winning Pool B and Sunrise Blue for winning Pool C.

This year due to the number of teams registered we only had Cadets Division Gold and Maroon. Cadets Gold had 7 teams in the competition and Cadet Maroon also had 7 teams, 1 team up on last year. This year for final's we split both Gold and Maroon into two division allowing everyone to experience finals. Congratulations to Jerra Joey's for winning Gold A, Waratah taking out Gold B, Googong talking out Maroon A and Sunrise talking out Maroon B.

In total we had 41 junior teams registered this year (40 last year).

The finals series went very well. All games were played in the spirit of the game with the finals always adding extra excitement.

All players who played on Grand Final day received a Premiership or Runners up medal.

A big thank you goes out to Carly Quade for running a very successful Netsetgo program this season. Thank you to the Under 14's Representative players that assisted in running the Netsetgo skills sessions, they all did a great job and were always very enthusiastic. We held a BBQ at the last session which the girls enjoyed.

Summer/ Junior Twilight Competition (17th October – 5th December)

Played on Wednesday night for 8 weeks. We have 15 teams registered. 3 teams in the Under 9's, 3 teams in the Under 10's, 5 teams in the 11's-12's and 4 teams in Cadets. This is 8 teams up on last year, great interest.

Bev Woodward Gala day was very successful with Jerra winning the Annual march pass, Clubs held stalls to fundraise for their clubs and we had the augural sprint race.

Complaints through the season for the junior comp all ranged around umpiring, dogs inside the courts and some overzealous parents on the sidelines. All items raised were addressed at the time of being raised at the courts. All in all a very successful Junior Winter competition for QNA.

Publicity Officer – No report

4. Notice of Motion

No Notice of Motion's presented.

5. Life Membership Nominations

No Life Membership nominations were received.

6. Election of Office Bearers

Position	Name	Nominated by	Seconded	Elected
President	Kelly Lolesio (accepted)	Catherine Clift	Pat Skien	Unopposed
Vice President	Deb Herekiuha (accepted)	Tina Phillips	Tracey Kaye	Unopposed
Treasurer	Rena Spears (accepted)	Deb Herekiuha	Tina Phillips	Unopposed
Secretary	Tracey Kaye (accepted)	Deb Herekiuha	Kellie Stokes	Unopposed
Coaching Coordinator	Tina Phillips (accepted)	Helen McDonald	Tash Hill	Unopposed
Umpire Convenor	Catherine Clift	Kelly Lolesio	Brittney Reynolds	Elected
	Helen McDonald	Tash Hill	Tina Phillips	
Rep Convenor	Jo Ruysenaers	Catherine Clift	Tina Phillips	Unopposed
Senior Chairperson	Kellie Stokes (accepted)	Deb Herekiuha	Catherine Clift	Unopposed
Junior Chairperson	Helen McDonald (declined)			VACANT
Publicity Officer	Helen McDonald (accepted)	Deb Herekiuha	Tash Hill	Unopposed
Registrar	Jessie Reynolds	Catherine Clift	Brittney Reynolds	Unopposed
Member Protection Officer	No Nominations received			VACANT

7. General Business

No general business

Annual General Meeting closed at 7.55pm

Attachment A

AGM Attendance 29 October 2018

Name	Position	Club
Pat Skien	Life Member	Sunrise
Brittney Reynolds	Delegate	JerraSuns
Catherine Clift	Life Member QNA Umpire Convenor	Sunrise
Danielle Booth	President	Bungendore
Terri Davis	Delegate	Royals
Tash Hill	President	Royals
Helen McDonald	QNA Junior Chair	Sunrise
Kellie Stokes	QNA Senior Chair	Jerra
Deb Herekiuha	QNA Vice President	Waratah
Tina Phillips	Life Member QNA Coaching Convenor	Waratah
Trudie Morashi	President	Sunrise
Bev Woodward	Life Member	Waratah
Kate Hanns	Senior Delegate	Sunrise
Gemma Sandlant	Senior Delegate	Bungendore
Terri Scott	Junior Delegate	Googong
Vickie Larnach	Manager	Googong
Rena Spears	Life Member QNA Treasurer	Waratah
Kelly Lolesio	QNA President	Sunrise
Tracey Kaye	QNA Secretary	Jerra
Natasha Ludwig	Senior Delegate	Jerra
Joanne Ruysenaers		Sunrise
Robyn Murphy	QNA Patron	

Attachment B

Audit Report – See separate attachment