

Minutes

Queanbeyan Netball Association

AGM Meeting 08-2019

28 October 2019 – 7.00pm

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Apologies – Bev Woodward, Vickie Larnach, Helen McDonald, Robyn Murphy.

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 2018 AGM were moved by Pat Skien & Catherine Clift.

3. Committee Reports

- President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Coaching Coordinator
- Umpires Convenor
- Rep Convenor
- Senior Chair
- Junior Chair
- Publicity Officer

President – Kelly Lolesio

Another great season which has been exciting challenging and rewarding. I am extremely proud that this marked the beginning of our men's team, our very first inaugural men's state league team. Thank you to all our men that came on board and to Maddy Howard, Sophie Jensen and Jamie Lee Pedrana for working with the Men's team and ensuring we were competitive out on court. Also our division 1 state

league team that were quite successful this year and gained a great following of fans through there season. Thank you to all players' coaches and managers who represented Queanbeyan so well in all our state league teams.

This year we have seen some great work done at the courts with the remainder of our grant money from 2018. We have had new fencing around the boundary of both top and bottom courts. New hand railing running from the top courts to the bottom courts, disabled parking at the bottom courts. Extra seating on the grass hill at the top courts. Lighting around the front and back of the clubhouse. We also now have power and hot water to the new BBQ area.

We were successful in receiving 2 extra grants this year one through the Essential Energy program and also through Woolworths who will be providing 18 new post pads. John Barilaro has recently announced and opened new grants to the region which I will be applying for. We also had Priceline chemists come on board and supply all our rep teams with new first aid kits for each team for 2019 season.

I would also like to thank all our sponsors this year John McGrath Izu Ute, Telstra, Moraschi Roofing, Athletes foot, Queanbeyan Physiotherapy Centre. I encourage everyone to support these

Companies wherever possible. Whilst on the \$\$\$ topic I would like to thank Rena Spears for her work in tracking our finances and ensuring all our accounts are in up to date order 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 how many associations in the region that had an increase in registrations again this year. This is our 4th year running with our overall numbers increasing.

The Bev Woodward Gala day was a great success again this year. Thank you to Helen McDonald, Kellie Stokes and Catherine Clift for ensuring our weekend competition was run very smoothly. There is a lot of work behind the scenes and on game day. Helen, Kellie and Catherine put in a lot of hard work to make sure Saturdays run as smooth as possible. Another huge thank you to Erin Mayfield who run the Netsetgo program this year for our littlest juniors. Also to Helen McDonald who has once again got the Junior Twilight Competition up and running.

We were also lucky this year to have a visit from Giants Netball Teigan O'Shannessy who came to the courts 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.

The junior and senior representative program was successfully run 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 Eurobodalla and Goulburn representing QNA in our Representative and State league program.

Thank you to Tina Phillips Head coach for all the work she has put into the representative programs this year Junior, Senior and State League. And thank you to Jo Ruysenaers for all her hard work in her first year as rep convener.

I attended the Regional Conference in Kiama this year which was very informative and always good to hear what's happening in the other regional associations.

The Queanbeyan carnival was a great success this year, thank you to everyone involved in making it a success on the day. I was overseas on carnival day but the feedback I received was really good and again it was one of biggest carnivals we have held. Thank you also to Pat Skein for coming and managing our results for the day.

We are well underway for our 2020 representative season with Jessie Reynolds running preseason training for all juniors over the past couple of months.

Trials are also well underway and squad selections and announcements will be made in the coming weeks.

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 our sponsors.

Look forward to seeing you all in the 2020 Season.

Treasurer – Rena Spears

Profit and Loss statement for the year and for the last month was attached to the agenda. If anyone has any questions please ask. The audit report was scheduled from the Auditor last week; however, the Auditor is away on leave at the moment. Audit report will be sent with AGM minutes.

Secretary – Tracey Kaye

Thank you to everyone for their support. A special thank you to Deb for taking the minutes when I was away for work. Also, thanks to Peta Harding for the work and support with the policy updates.

Coaching Coordinator – Tina Phillips

Kelly has touched on a lot that has happened this season so thanks Kelly. This year the rep Program was highly successful from our top teams in Tier 1 Senior State League down to our Junior representative teams. It was a really great season. Thanks goes out to everyone involved, from the Coaches to Managers to parents and everyone that supported the program. None of this is possible without everyone's support. Thanks to all of the volunteers in any way throughout the season. Kelly also touched on that trials are also underway for our Junior and Senior Rep teams. They kicked off last week and will continue into this week as well. Thank you to my fellow selectors who are giving up their time to be involved. Thank you to the umpires as well that have made themselves available to help out with trials. Obviously, it is not netball season now so thanks to everyone involved.

Coaches and Managers have been selected for all 2020 Rep teams now. All things for rep 2020 are well underway. We are hoping to also have a number of development teams this year. We have a mass number of U12's this year hence the additional selection night on Thursday. This is looking really positive as we move forward and we are hopeful that we will be able to keep all of those players.

Thanks to everyone who is involved in the Saturday competition and makes the competition possible. Not just those who are just playing but those that turn up and support. Thanks to all the clubs that turn up every week and run the BBQ and provide all of the support to make it all work. Thank you.

Umpires Convenor – Catherine Clift

It has once again been a privilege to work with "Team White" in 2019. Whilst there have been some challenges this season, the highs definitely outweigh the lows.

Some of the team white achievements this season include:

- 3 new national C badges. Congratulations to Beth Bodiroza, Emily Bermingham and Kellie Stokes on being awarded their National C Badges this season – many hours of hard work now formally recognized. These ladies have umpired junior and senior games every Saturday this season and its volunteers like these ladies who make my job so much easier. A huge thank you also to Dave Lavers for his assistance in the badging process – badging doesn't happen without your ongoing commitment to umpire development.
- 784 allocations – give or take a few! That is two umpires per game with 28 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 Leanne Rasheed and Kellie Stokes from Jerra Joeys, Tash Hill from Royals Charlie Campbell from Bungendore, Rena Spears from Waratah 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 three umpires to Netball NSW Senior State titles and two umpires to Junior State Titles. Thank you to Dave Lavers, Jessie Reynolds and Brittney Reynolds for representing QNA at Senior State titles and to Helen McDonald and Sophie Jensen for representing QNA at Junior State titles. We cannot enter out teams in these competitions without our umpire volunteers.
- Merit listing of our 3 umpires at Senior State titles – Dave, Jessie and Brittney were identified by Netball NSW in a merit list as having performed extremely well at senior state titles.
- Supplying 5-6 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 2019.
- Umpire attendance at a number of Netball NSW umpire specific events including the Netball NSW Rookies Camp.
- Umpire mentors – a huge thank you to Helen McDonald, Helen McGregor, Dave Lavers, Tracey Kaye and Tash Ludwig 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.
- Unofficial subcommittee – I need to thank Dave, Helen, Helen and Jessie who were my unofficial umpire subcommittee – without your help 784 allocations, badging of umpires and mentoring would not have happened. A huge thank you to Jessie Reynolds for her help with the umpire payment spreadsheet and with the cash payment of the majority of those 784 allocations.

2019 was not without its challenges. Some of these include:

- Lack of umpire volunteers for Junior State titles – even though we had two of our own umpires attend these championships I still had to purchase two umpires for this 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.
- 784 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 would like to praise the Bungendore club for the work they did getting their umpires involved by holding a day where they could do the online courses and receive some practical experience. This

gave QNA 5 or more newbie umpires which the Bungendore club did make an effort to support.

- Players of all ability, coaches and parents/spectators that felt it was ok to treat an umpire disrespectfully. I raise this because I think we still have some work to do here, particularly in the senior competition, in regard 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 their newbie umpires. 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. I look forward to working with you all in the coming season – in this role if I am re-elected or as your co umpire if not and I thank you all for your support.

Go Team White!!!!

Rep Convenor – Jo Ruysenaers

Firstly, I would like to thank the exec committee for guidance and assistance in my first year as the Rep convenor. I have enjoyed the ride and all of the organising and coordination that comes with the role. My year started with a bang and organising the QNA rep carnival in March. Thanks to Deb for all of her help and for walking me through the process on the day. Once again it was a very successful carnival.

We had 7 QNA rep teams this year, U11's to U15's, the Opens and also an U12/13's Development teams this year as well. We attending 4 away carnivals this year, 3 local carnivals and the Opens and a combined U15's/U14's Rep team attended Regional League in Goulburn in April. The Opens team was successful and took part at the next phase this month at Netball Central in Sydney for the NSW State Cup which they did really well in. The U15's and Opens represented QNA at Senior State Titles in June and the Junior rep teams represented QNA at the Junior State Titles in July. All QNA teams had a successful rep season.

Thank you to Tina who gave up her time to assist our Coaches preparing the junior teams for the state titles. Our Rep presentation dinner was held at the Tigers Club in August with the Senior, Junior and Mens teams State League presentation dinner to be held on Friday 15 November at the East Hotel. A huge thank you to all coaches, managers, umpires, parents and volunteers for their continued help throughout the season, as without the help we would not have a successful season.

Senior Chair – Kellie Stokes

Thank you to those who supported and helped with the senior competition this year. Big thank you to all of the clubs who were very proactive in submitting their teams on

time this year. This made it a lot easier to get the draw sorted and published for everyone. As in the 2018 season, the 2019 season started with 2 divisions, Gold and Maroon. Gold had division 1 and 2 teams, Maroon had divisions 3 and 4 teams. The competition flowed smoothly and it appeared that all teams were in the appropriate divisions with a healthy competition throughout the season. The 2 divisions were split into 4 for finals. Congratulations to all the winners of each division. Division 1 Waratah, Division 2 Royals, Division 3 Jerra and Division 4 Googong Gold. There were a small number of complaints this year, primarily players speaking back to umpires, language used on the court and on the court behaviour. These issues were addressed directly with the clubs at the time and were very supportive and active in addressing the behaviour with the players involved. Overall it was a great season with fair competition throughout the divisions.

Junior Chair – Helen McDonald

Report to be attached to the minutes.

Registrar – Jessie Reynolds

No Report

Publicity Officer – No Report

4. Notice of Motion

Motion: It is moved that changes be made to a large number of clauses as per the policy review that was held on 15th September 2019. A copy of the marked-up policies is included below with track changes highlighting all proposed changes.

Rationale: It was agreed at the February 2019 Council meeting that all policies would be reviewed. Our Senior Chairperson and Secretary conducted the initial review in early 2019. A notice of motion was put forward in April with two policies being agreed to and updated in the document. Subsequent discussions were held at the Council meetings during the season however due to volunteer availability the policy review did not occur until 15th September 2019. Clubs were requested to provide a volunteer to review the policies, Peta Harding from Royals facilitated the review on behalf of the clubs. The policy document below has track changes attached with all proposed changes included.

All policy changes to the document were discussed and recorded during the meeting. Updates were agreed and adopted during the AGM meeting.

The Motion was moved by Peta Harding and 2nd adopter was Claire Bullivant

A new version of the Policy document will be attached to the. The updated version will be uploaded and available on the QNA Website.

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)	Tahleah Herekiuha	Tracey Kaye	Unopposed
Treasurer	Rena Spears (accepted)	Deb Herekiuha	Peta Harding	Unopposed
Secretary	Tracey Kaye (accepted)	Natasha Ludwig	Kelly Lolesio	Unopposed
Coaching Coordinator	Tina Phillips (accepted)	Tahleah Herekiuha	Rena Spears	Unopposed
Umpire Convenor	Catherine Clift (accepted)	Trudie Moraschi	Kelly Lolesio	Unopposed
Rep Convenor	Jo Ruysenaers (accepted)	Kelly Lolesio	Catherine Clift	Unopposed
Senior Chairperson	Kellie Stokes (accepted)	Catherine Clift	Tracey Kaye	Unopposed
Junior Chairperson	Helen McDonald (Not present to accept)	Deb Herekiuha		VACANT
Publicity Officer	No Nominations received			VACANT
Registrar	Tahleah Herekiuha	Rena Spears	Kelly Lolesio	Unopposed
Member Protection Officer	Claire Bullivant	Rena Spears	Tina Phillips	*Claire to confirm
Patron	Robyn Murphy	Rena Spears	Tracey Kaye	Unopposed

*Claire to confirm her acceptance of the position once she has had an opportunity to understand what the role entails and when the next MPO course is being held.

Claire thanked Kelly and her team for all of the great work they have done this season.

7. General Business

No general business

Annual General Meeting closed at 9.15p

Attachment A

AGM Attendance 28 October 2019

Name	Position	Club
Kelly Lolesio	QNA President	Sunrise
Tracey Kaye	QNA Secretary	Jerra
Peta Harding	Registrar	Royals
Tash Hill	President	Royals
Pat Skien	Life Member	Sunrise
Natasha Ludwig	President	Jerra
Catherine Clift	QNA Umpire Convenor/Life Member	Sunrise
Jo Ruysenaers	QNA Rep Convenor	Sunrise
Tiffany Knight	President	Bungendore
Libby Duncan	Snr Delegate	Bungendore
Claire Bullivant	Life Member	
Kellie Stokes	QNA Senior Chair	Jerra
Deb Herekiuha	QNA Vice President	Waratah
Tahleah Herekiuha	Player	Waratah
Tina Phillips	QNA Coaching Coordinator/Life Member	Waratah
Terrie Scott	Junior Delegate	Googong
Rena Spears	QNA Treasurer/Life Member	Waratah
Kathy Winchester		Googong
Trudie Moraschi	President	Sunrise

Attachment B

Audit Report – See separate attachment

Attachment C

Policy Document – See separate attachment

Attachment D

Junior Chair Report - See separate attachment