

Winter Swimming Association of Australia 2022 AGM Minutes

April 9, 2022

I. Call to order

President Lyn Chapman (LC) called to order the 2022 AGM of the Winter Swimming Association of Australia at 12:08pm on the April 9, 2022, at the Maroubra Seals Sports and Community Club Ltd.

II. Welcome

LC welcomed all attendees to the 2022 AGM and conducted a roll call and called for apologies. The following club delegates were present, and apologies listed: refer to attendance book held by the Secretary.

III. Minute silence

LC called for a minute silence as a mark of respect for winter swimmers that had passed since the 2021 AGM.

IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

LC reconfirmed that the 2021 AGM minutes were accessible on the WSAA website and that member clubs had had the opportunity to review.

Jacqui Wilson (JBW) put a motion was put to accept the minutes as is. Peter Cullen (GBGS) seconded the motion Motion carried

V. Correspondence

Secretary Paul Damkjaer (PD) confirmed to the meeting there had been limited correspondence in and out since the last AGM. Items of note were:

IN

- a) Letter from Wagga Crows offering to host the 2022 Winter Swimming Australian Championships. Letter was read to the meeting and noted for discussion under item 10.
- b) Letter from Jervis Bay Wobbegongs in relation to the inclusion of an Ladies over 80's 50m individual race. Letter was read to the meeting and noted for discussion under item 13.



- c) Multiple club contact updates.
- d) General email messages

OUT

- a) Notifications relating to cancelling of the 2021 Winter Swimming Australian Championships.
- b) Notifications relating to the running of the 2022 AGMs.
- c) Emails relating to the 2021 Winter Swimming Australian Championships in Orange.

Moved: Jacqui Wilson (JBW). Seconded: Neville Barker (CC)

Motion carried

VI. Financial Report

Treasurer Anne Cullen (AC) presented the accounts for financial year 2021/22, highlighting the following:

- a) The bank balance aa at 31/3/22 was \$27,423.51
- b) A total of 37 clubs had affiliated for the 2021-2020 year giving a total of \$3,900 in affiliation fees for the year.
- c) Outgoings for the 2021-22 year were \$5044.67 made up of computer purchase, department of fair trading, medals and engraving, catering costs associated with the 2021 AGM and website fees.
- d) The A12 Form for Fair Trading was completed and resubmitted.

Moved: Peter Cullen (GBGS). Seconded: Dennis Morgan (CP)

Motion carried

VII. President's Report

President (LC) presented her report, the main points being:

 Reminding all clubs to update their contact details to ensure information is sent to the correct people, and clubs can be contacted by potential new members.

At this stage of the meeting President (LC) then declared all committee seats vacant.



VIII. Election of Office Bearers for the 2022 / 23 season

LC confirmed only one (1) nomination for the position of Patron was received. This being John Sharpe (JS). With this being the case JS was deemed elected to the role of Patron.

The election of office bearers was duly conducted in line with the constitution. The duly elected WSAA committee for 2022 - 2023 is:

President	Lyn Chapman (CE)
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Vice-President	Neville Barker (CC)
Secretary	Paul Damkjaer (CPB)
Treasurer	Anne Cullen (GBGS)
Carnival Director	Michael Ryan (TH&C)
Committee Person 1	Peter Cullen (GBGS)
Committee Person 2	Brett Rugless (MS)
Deputy Referee 1	Don Gain (HFF)
Deputy Referee 2	Vacant
Registrar	Peter Cullen (GBGS)
Assistant Registrar	Anne Cullen (GBGS)
Chief Judge	Vacant
Chief Marshall	Vacant
Chief Timekeeper	Vacant
Announcer	Vacant
Publicity Officer	Vacant
Host Club/Association	Michael Ryan (WSAA)
Representative	
Honorary Auditor	Geoff Thoroughgood

IX. Discussion and voting on proposed fee structure for the 2022 & 2023 seasons

Peter Cullen (GBGS) put forward a motion to reduce the fees for the 2022/23 season by 50% due to the cancellation of the Australian titles due to Covid. This was discussed and agreed the affiliation fee structure for the 2022/23 season would be:

- 0-25 members = \$25
- 26-50 members = \$50
- 51-100 members = \$75
- 100 + members = \$100

It was also discussed and agreed that the affiliation fee structure for the 2023/24 season would return to normal and as such would be:

• 0-25 members =\$50



• 26-50 members =\$100

• 51-100 members =\$150

• 100+ members =\$200

Moved: Anthony Paul (WC) Seconded: John Strapp (WWSC)

Motion carried

X. Update on the 2022 Winter Swimming Championships to be held in Wagga Wagga

Anthony Paul (President of the Wagga Crows) provided the following update on the 2022 Championships to be held in Wagga:

- 16/09/22 a Friday night catch up will be held at the Romano's Hotel
- 17/09/22 the pool will be open from 8.00-11.00 specifically for WSAA training at a cost of \$7.00 per person. The pool will be open to the public at 11:00.
- There will no dash-for-cash held on the Saturday
- 18/09/22 the pool will open at 7:00 am
- Captain's meeting will be held at 7:30 on the pool deck
- Race day pool entry will be \$10 which includes program.
- Presentation after the championships will be held at Romano's Hotel
- The cost of presentation dinner tickets will be \$30 meal only. (Beer will need to be purchased at the individual's expense)
- Payment for Pool Entry and Dinner tickets are to be made directly to the Wagga Crows with details to be sent to all clubs shortly.
- Payment for Swim entries are to be paid direct to the WSAA. Payment details will be provided with the Nomination forms
- All Championship Nomination forms must be submitted to the WSAA Race Secretary no later than COB on the 20/8/22.

XI. Selection of Host Club for the 2023 Australian Winter Swimming Championships

Currently no nominations to host the 2023 Australian Winter Swimming Championships have been received. As a result, the WSAA will be the host club for the 2023 Australian Winter Swimming.

Discussion was conducted with the represented delegates putting forward that Orange be considered as the location for the 2023 championships.



XII. Selection of venues and dates for the 2022 Council Meetings

Throughout the 2022/23 season three (3) delegate meetings are to take place (June/August/Oct).

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Delegate Meeting 1 - 18 June 2022, hosted by Cronulla Pola Bears.

Delegate Meeting 2 - 20 August 2022 hosted by WSAA

Delegate Meeting 3 - October date and venue to be confirmed. Clubs to be notified.

XIII. General Business

Jacqui Wilson (JBW) addressed the meeting to discuss the letter submitted to the Association in relation to the proposal for the inclusion of a ladies over 80's individual race at this year's championships.

The proposal had been discussed at the Swim Committee held prior to the AGM and it was agreed to include an Over 80's 50m individual race as part of the 2022 Australian Championships. For this event to be considered a Championship Point Scoring event the following conditions must be met (standard conditions for any event):

- Four (4) nominations must be received by COB 20/8/22 (the cutoff date for Championship nominations).
- Three (3) competitors must be on the blocks ready to compete on race day.

Should the event fail to meet these conditions, the race will still be run, and medals presented however championship points will not be awarded

General discussion amongst delegates agreed with the decision of the Swim Committee and supported the inclusion of this event.

Martin Palfry (BS) advised that the Bronte Splasher celebrate their 100 year anniversary this year. To help mark this milestone they have offered to sponsor a one of trophy to the value of \$200 at this year's championships. It was agreed that the Swimming Committee would discuss and get back to the Splashers with potential options.

Coogee Penguins advised that the club will be celebrating their 75-year anniversary on June 17, 2022. LC offer congratulations on behalf of the Association.

Ballina Kool Kats announced that they will be celebrating their 50-year anniversary this year. LC offer congratulations on behalf of the Association.



Close of Meeting

President Lyn Chapman thanked all attendees for coming to the meeting today and advised that light refreshments would be provided shortly. The WSAA 2022 AGM was closed at 13.11 Hours

Minutes submitted by: Paul Damkjaer - Secretary

Minutes approved by: Lyn Chapman - President