

Sydney Women's Baseball League



2023 AGM Minutes

Held at Campsie South Bowling Club, 6:30pm Saturday September 9, 2023.

1. Acknowledgement of country: we acknowledged we were all meeting on the land of the Bidjigal people and that sovereignty has never been ceded.

2. Attendance, proxies, and apologies

Attendance:

Shammies: Hayley Lockett, Trish, Jude Harnett, Kier Velini, Jo Sperring, Aimee Ibister, Tatiana, Jane Tsai, Kristin Magill, Loretta Cosgrove, Leigh Wood, Mary Brewer, Jacqui, Stacey Warren, Jacqui Brooks, Rose, Nicole

Sliders: Holly Creenaune, Randi Irwin, Marsha White, Naomi Munro, Julie Kalceff, Ally Ray, Annaliese Constable, Thy Anh, Chloe Mulheron, Rochelle Peen, Jamie Lee, Maryam, Nicole Skyllas Vosta.

Saints: Harley Robinson, Jess Stagg, Emma Harris, Katie, Heather, Charlie Rose, Gretel Friend, Hannah, Hetty, Evan, Charlie

Cubs: Ashley Martin; Shae McLean, Jorja Brymer, Danielle Castle, Simone Howarth, Kate Malbury, Laura Barbat, Bec Crick, Leike, Stephanie Falk, Laura Eddie Edwards, Loz James, Laura Barbat

Stealers: Adele, Paulette, Anna Needs, Charlotte Price, Spike, Allen, Ruth, Bridgette Lumiere, Kel, Cass, Annie, Steph Greaney, Jen

Lions: Caroline Bugeja, Mel Werner, Chandler, Lily Petrovic, Peta Wallace, Anne Sequiera, Maureen, Bec

Devils: Asma Ahmed, Kylie Whittam, Kirby, Vanessa Braddon, Beth Wren, Marina, Olivia Liu, Sam Wellman, Sunny, Lucinda Brown, KG, Suzi Francis

Angels: Emma Shirt, Bec B, Kellie Stromborg, Amy Pisani, Jenni Chase, Stef Mellon, Nat, Beni, Mel A, Liz Gulson, Jenenne McKenzie, Evangeline, Lydie.

Proxies: None.

Apologies: Claire Gorman, Amy Ryan, Lyn Doherty..

3. Confirmation of minutes from the 2022 Annual General Meeting

Moved by Lauren James, seconded by Jacqui Brooks, unanimous decision.

4. Presentation of Annual Report by Holly Creenaune

In 2023, we welcomed a new team - The Cubs - who brought energy, enthusiasm, and immediate competition, coached by Loz James and coordinated by Laura Barbat.

In addition to great baseball, this season was about community. Players across teams connected at the Golden Barley on Sundays. The Stealers boasted the League's youngest and oldest player, with almost 50 years between them. We baked up a storm to fundraise for surgeries for our fellow players who needed our support. It's this that made the SWBL community great this year. Thank you.

A heartfelt thanks to the 2023 Committee, and particularly to Loz for doing a lot of field coordination, Jo and Laura who did the bulk of BBQ purchasing all season, and Jess who led SWBL's social media and newsletter. A special thank you to Claire Gorman for taking photos for many games, and Jacqui Brooks for doing the statistics for the season.

Finally, a huge thanks to coaches and coordinators who keep teams together and organised, welcome and support new players, and make the games and team duties happen. Every single player truly contributes to making SWBL happen, and is stronger than ever after 28 awesome years.

Acceptance of the Annual Report: moved by Rochelle Peen, seconded by Randi Irwin, unanimous decision.

5. Presentation of Financial Report by Treasurer Lauren James.

Acceptance of the Financial Report moved by Randi Irwin, seconded by Natalie Krikowa, unanimous decision.

6. Thank you outgoing 2023 Committee

- President: Holly Creenaune
- Vice Presidents: Jacqui Brooks and Collie Patterson

- Secretary: Lisa
- Treasurer: Loz James
- Grounds & Equipment: Kylie Whittam and Janna Richert
- Publicity: Jess Stagg, Marsha White
- Social: Asma Ahmed
- General members: Nicole Skyllas-Vosta, Brenda DeWit, Charlie Rose, Ruth Lindsay, Amy Ryan, Jo Sperring, and Laura Barbat

7. Election of Office Bearers and General Committee Members

Nominations received one week prior to the AGM supported by two SWBL members:

- President: Ruth Lindsay (Stealers)
- Vice President Laura Barbat (Cubs)
- Secretary: Lisa O'Sullivan (Shammies)
- Treasurer: Antonella Schulte (Stealers)
- Social events: Charlie Rose (Angels) and Amy Ryan (Sliders)
- Publicity: Jess Stagg (Saints) and Elle (Cubs) and Renay (Cubs) and Harley (Saints)
- Grounds and Equipment: Kylie Whittam (Devils) and Janna Richert (Shammies)
- General Member:
 - Holly Creenaune (Sliders)
 - Ally Ray (Sliders)
 - Naomi Munro (Sliders)
 - Jo Sperring (Shammies)
 - Kellie Stromberg (Angels)
 - Nicole Skyllas-Vosta (Sliders)
 - Jude Harnett (Shammies)

All nominations accepted unanimously and all positions declared filled.

8. Bank Account

Add incoming Treasurer Antonella Schulte and incoming President Ruth Lindsay as authorised on the business accounts with Commonwealth Bank and keep General Member Holly Creenaune as authorised on the accounts. Remove 2023 Treasurer Lauren James from the accounts.

BTA BSB: 062258 ACCT:10037646 and BOS BSB: 062258 ACCT: 10945169

Any one signature required to operate accounts.

Moved by Jacqui Brooks, seconded by Kelly Stromberg, unanimous decision.

9. General Business: There was no general business.

10. Award of Life Memberships

The following members were put forward for Life Membership of SWBL and were accepted unanimously.

- Olivia Liu - Devils
- Holly Creenaune - Sliders
- Randi Irwin - Sliders
- Shae McLean - Cubs
- Alice Lindeman - Sliders
- Jane Tsai - Shamrock Players

We also celebrated Kel Griffiths 25 years playing with SWBL.

11. Presentation of 2023 season awards.

- Rookie of the Year Kate Malbury. Runner up Sunny Cunningham.
- Players' Player Jo Sperring.
- President's Award Jess Stagg
- Most Improved Charlie Rose. Runner up Ngoc Thy-Anh Le.
- Slugger Jennene McKenzie
- Most Valuable Player Chandler and Randi Irwin (jointly)
- Minor Premiers - The Angels
- Runners Up - The Shamrock Players
- Premiers - The Angels