

# 2018 Annual General Meeting Minutes



- Date:** 7:30pm, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018
- Venue:** Multi Purpose Room, Aquahub. 11 Civic Square, Croydon
- Attendance:** Andy Allen (Stoogers)  
Sammi Cunningham (Spikezone)  
Amelia Dell (Committee)  
David Fuller (Treasurer, Spikological Warfare, Sorting Hatters)  
Catherine Gordon (Secretary, Total Eclipse, Net Results)  
Chris Gordon (President, Total Eclipse)  
Heikki Harli (Vice-President, Manhatters)  
David Hill (Total Eclipse)  
Kim Howes (Mad Scramble 1, Mad Scramble 2, Stunts)  
Lisa Janssen (Balrogs)  
Travis Johnson (Serv-ivors, Stunts)  
Pricilla Mung (Chin Star)  
Andrew Pocock (Pars, Storm)  
Jeremy Shannon (Spikological Warfare)  
Adara Thomson (Crack It, Sorting Hatters)  
Grant Young (Nomads)
- Visitors:** Nil
- Apologies:** Nil Members.  
Invited Visitors: Tim Cocks (MCC) and Geoff Rietschel (VV)

## 1. Welcome

Welcome to all members and guests to the 41st AGM.

The start of the meeting was delayed awaiting a quorum. Informal discussions were had on how the AGM could be structured or scheduled so that attendance was improved.

Once quorum was achieved, the meeting was declared open by the President, Chris Gordon at 7:53 pm

Chris introduced himself, and the rest of the committee present: Heikki Harli (Vice President), Catherine Gordon (Secretary), David Fuller (Treasurer) and Amelia Dell (Committee).

## 2. Minutes from the Previous AGM

Minutes from previous AGM (copy provided at meeting)

Business Arising (previous AGM minutes only) – Nil

Moved: D Fuller

Seconded: K Howes

### **3. President's Report**

*Chris Gordon presented the Presidents Report (copy within the Annual Report)*

The hard work over the last few years is now coming together, helped by a dedicated and stable committee from the last Annual General Meeting and many members outside the committee that jump in and help without being asked time and time again.

All our programs of State League, Spikezone, Sporting Schools and the Local League continued from strength to strength, many of their achievements are highlighted later in this report.

We continued to get out in the community through the Maroondah Festival and the Volleyball Family Day.

Our very successful tournament was again run in September and is now a favourite in the Volleyball calendar in Victoria.

Much of the year outside the association has been spent working with the Maroondah City Council on the HE Parker Multi Sports Stadium Development. This exciting project commence construction in early 2018 and will see us moving our base from Croydon to Heathmont in 2019.

Our rebranding to Maroondah Volleyball continues throughout 2018 and much of the hard work has already been done, and I thank both Geoff Moss and Hekki Harli for their input and work to produce a logo for Maroondah Volleyball which acknowledges the history of CDVA being established in 1977.

A very important milestone was celebrated in September 2017, with our 40th anniversary dinner and trivia night. Peter Bigham, Tom Manallack, Kim Howes, Lisa Janssen and Greg McConnell received a Service Award for their service to the association over a number of years above and beyond. Amelia Dell, Catherine Gordon and Chris Gordon were awarded a Distinguished Service Award for service to the association in an official capacity over a number of years, above and beyond leaving a lasting different to the association.

Life Memberships were awarded to David Hill and Chris Janssen, for their service to the association over 10 years in an official and unofficial capacity.

The final award was the President's Award, a personal award from the president to a member of the association for their dedication and service. This award was given to Geoff Moss, who for the 40 years of the association continue to be involved, is a great mentor and supporter of the current committee.

I would like to thank all members of the committee, the referees, coaches, members, parents and friends of the association. Without such a wonderful group of people the many of our plans, and our current programs we run just wouldn't be possible.

## 4. Treasurer's Report

*David Fuller presented the Financial Reports (copy within the Annual Report).*

Our financial position remains quite strong, even though the profit figure fell from \$14k in the 2016/17 FY to just over 3k in the 2017/2018 FY.

Some key points to take out of the Financial Reports are as follows

1. Even though our cash flow is still quite good and the local league has made nearly a 20k profit, we will need the extra reserves when we move to HE Parker as there will be a big price increase in hire fees. With this in mind, hopefully we don't have to increase game fees immediately.
2. Even though State League made a profit for the 2017/2018 FY, when it is averaged out over the last 4 years it works out to be pretty close to break even. State League is hard to report accurately due to the fact that some 2017 years fees were paid in 2018, which tends to skew the numbers a bit.
3. The Maroondah Tournament made a loss in the 2018 FY after making a profit the previous year. This is mainly due to the fact that the profit from 2017 and then some extra reserves were used to buy 3-5 years' worth of medals.
4. Overheads are up over 5K from the previous financial year. This could be attributed to the fact we paid more for items that were needed for necessary jobs. Going forward, as we have more people contributing, we should be able to do things a bit cheaper, particular in certain people's areas of expertise.
5. Development Programs income has had a significant increase in the 2017/2018 FY increasing from 8K in 2016/2017 to over 17K in the 2017/2018 FY. This is an 106% from the previous year and is mainly due to the fact in the increase of our participation in the Sporting Schools Program. It also proves that our current Spikezone program is well managed, well-co-ordinated and still remains popular which is a great sign moving towards our move to HE Parker.
6. Development made a loss in the 2017/2018 FY due to the purchase of extra equipment. An example of this was all of the Mikasa 200 and 300 balls just recently purchased.
7. The Actual Income & Expense figures were a bit higher than our budgeted figures but seeing that we had no previous budgets to work of, overall, I don't think the result is too bad.

With our move to HE Parker forthcoming in the next 12 months our main financial goal will be to remain financially sustainable as an organisation. It also opens up so many more exciting opportunities, as well which will be explored down the track.

## 5. Secretary's Report – Including Child Protection

*Catherine Gordon presented the Secretary's Report (copy within the Annual Report).*

As part of our strategic plan, Maroondah Volleyball has been proactively working towards meeting its compliance obligations with the new child safe standards.

Following the introduction of the Child Safe Standards form part of the Victorian Government's response to the Betrayal of Trust Inquiry (the 2013 Parliamentary Inquiry into the Handling of Child Abuse by Religious and Other Non-Government Organisations) and is overseen by the Commission for Children and Young People. We have continued to work hard at Maroondah Volleyball to meet all the requirements.

We have provided our volunteers with education around these Child Safe Standards, through offering of courses and seminars specifically focused around Child Safety, Mandatory Reporting and Positive Coaching.

The child safe standards are very comprehensive and in depth. There are seven standards and each standard has several components that need to be met. As part of the child safe policies all our committee, referees, coaches, volunteers, parent helpers and the like need are required to have a working with children's check (WWCC) before commencing any volunteer work within Maroondah Volleyball.

At Maroondah Volleyball we pride ourselves on being an inclusive organisation, providing volleyball activities in a positive and safe environment for all our members, especially children and young people.

This year we have continued to work on our relationships with Volleyball Victoria and Volleyball Australia. We were lucky enough to be invited to run the Spikezone part of the Activation Zone at the Volleyball Nations League games in Melbourne. Over the three days we had 6 of our coaches run that activation zone with 100s of children and adults passing through. As well as members volunteering in other areas such as merchandise, support rolls and even staying back to help VA with bump out.

Our work in the community continued with the Volleyball Family Fun day in the park, and the Maroondah Festival. Both are a great way for us to provide Volleyball to the community and for the community to get to know us.

## 6. Association Activities Report

Chris Gordon presented the Associations Activities Reports, all of which are contained within the Annual Report. The topics discussed were:

- Maroondah Volleyball League
- Croydon 36's State League Club
- Spikezone
- Sporting Schools
- Volleyball Victoria Awards
- Maroondah Volleyball Tournament

## 7. Constitution and Bylaw Changes

No Constitution or By-Laws Changes were tabled.

## 8. Committee Election

With the exception of the President and Secretary, all other positions were declared vacant. We have received the following nominations:

Vice President – Heikki Harli (2 years)

Treasurer – Dave Fuller (2 years)

As there are no other nominations, I declare all those positions elected.

General Committee – Received a nomination for Amelia Dell and Travis Johnson. As the number of vacant positions is 5, and there no other nominations, then both Amelia and Travis declared elected.

Travis Johnson was asked by David Hill what he intends to bring to committee and the reason for his nomination. Travis outlined his previous involvement with the committee and being a member of Maroondah Volleyball for a number of years.

## 9. General Business

- Question on the New Stadium and if match fees would be increased. Committee advised the current plan is for match fees to remain unchanged, noting that the Women's competition had been previously approved to be slowly increased to match the Open competition fees.
- David Hill wanted to extend his thanks and acknowledge Chris, Catherine, Heikki, David and Amelia for all their hard work.

**The President thanks everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8:26 pm**