

CPCC 71st AGM, 7th August Collaroy Plateau Youth Hall

Apologies

Stuart Brown, Frank Huxley, Toby Horstead, Kerrie Graham, Andrew Graham

Attendees

Col Huxley (LM), Jocelyn Huxley (LM), Tom Carden, Rob Minnett (LM), Brodie Elliott, Matt Richards, Dave Quarford (LM), Ben Summers, Rob Van Dam, David Moss, Dean Storey, Will Medcalf, Dave Bennetts, John Marinovic

1. Presidents opening address

Welcome, welcome to country

Acknowledge life members

Brodie MWCA secretary

Thanks for attendance and thanks to committee

Increasingly complex to run club, particular juniors

Junior committee growing in strength, 4 new members interested in filling a role in recent junior committee meeting

Fabulous season even though GF weekend wasn't as we envisaged it, but celebrated nonetheless. Key part of what we do, doesn't always go our way but still celebrate cricket, the way we play and the people we play with.

Won an under 14s premiership and MWCA club championship for 4th consecutive year. Testament to strength of season, club and work that goes into organising.

Frogbox continues to be a highlight, added a whole new level of enjoyment, pioneering this in MWCA. Huge effort from Brodie. Associates and family members from all over the world tuning in.

Overall numbers are pretty stable across both juniors and seasons. Usually strength in early age groups which tail off, particular from 14s up. Victim of our own success, a lot of kids getting selected for higher honours.

Matt Pike and Stu Brown doing good job of bringing kids into afternoon cricket in 5th grade, Toby Horstead joining that contingent this year.

Great events this year, preso night, return to Nelson Bay for weekend away after nearly 10 years.

Another tour of England to look forward to 2027, work is well underway, huge interest, had to limit to current players, Dom, Brodie, Stu working hard to plan.

2. Adoption of 70th financial statement and Annual Report

State of Annual Reports: 24/25 and 25/26 in the works.

Financial report circulated.

Reported a loss this year just shy of \$5k. Mostly due to lots of investment in the club in particular defibrillator, 2nd frogbox, net hire (indoor nets). Great work on sponsorship, good money in from Pool Center and Sands.

Some trophy invoices and ground fees from previous season were paid late so appear in this report.

Eye on continuing to increase money coming in to continue putting money back into the club.

Dave: We should advertise the fact we have 2 frogboxes as a good selling point for playing for the club.

Mossy: Can we train up other people to be able to set frogbox up?

Brodie: Need to 100% sure the equipment is setup properly and treated carefully, its a big investment and need to protect it.

Col: Old system fairly difficult to figure out, new one is simpler. Train up a few people, another rep from seasons. Maybe one remains at Plateau Park while the other one travels.

Mossy: Open to taking on more sponsors?

Col: Yes, but it depends. Want cash primarily. Don't want to devalue existing sponsors

Brodie: Need to make sure we're always giving back to sponsors.

Col: We're not like soccer replacing shirts every year so merch is a tough sell, can't be rotating gear each year. Cuts into the money they provide if gear runs need to be done. Lots of other avenues through socials, website, frogbox, banners etc.

TC: Generally only offer merch to sponsors willing to sign up for 2 years. Ensure they're aware of the way we operate.

Cloggs: Was insurance a big increase this year?

Ben: Insurance is actually ground fees. Playhq covers insurance. Paid some from last season but also probably went up a bit.

Moved by: Matt Richards **Seconded by:** Jocelyn Huxley

Thanks Ben

Joc: second thanks, does a lot of work for juniors, payments and invoices etc.

3. Review of minutes from previous AGM

AGM minutes are posted on the Club info section of the website, will be available up there not too long after this.

Moved by: Matt Richards **Seconded by:** Ben Summers

4. Election of office bearers

All positions vacant. Dave Quarford to chair nominations.

Freddy: Thanks Col, congratulations to the club on strength, seems to be going ahead tremendously well. Great to see people like Tom and Matt here who he coached. Looking to return! Thanks for the kind welcome back in the nets and good to see a lot of old fellas still with the club.

President: Col Huxley **Nominated by:** Ben Summers **Seconded:** Brodie Elliott
Vice-President: Robert Minnett **Nominated by:** Rob Van Dam **Seconded:** Dave Moss
Secretary: Tom Carden **Nominated by:** Matt Richards **Seconded:** Jocelyn Huxley
Treasurer: Ben Summers **Nominated by:** Brodie Elliott **Seconded:** Matt Richards

Ordinary Members

After a review of the constitution, any 3 ordinary members can be voted to committee. Previously Junior Sec and 2 MWCA Delegates.
A restructure of the committee in constitution will be considered through the year.
To trial this we are changing to the ordinary members below, to add more junior representation.

Junior Vice President: Jocelyn Huxley **Nominated by:** Matt Richards **Seconded by:** Ben Summers
Junior Secretary: Kerrie Graham **Nominated by:** Joc Huxley **Seconded:** Matt Richards
MWCA Delegate: Brodie Elliott **Nominated by:** Col Huxley **Seconded by:** Matt Richards

5. General Business

Col: Welcome to season 2026/27.

Our current constitution structure is outdated and not fit for managing the way the club operates. For example the current committee is very senior heavy. Need to even out representation. Hence change to ordinary members above. And thus to break up the club so the committee operates as a board at the top, whilst the junior and senior sub committees operate below. Allows us to break up tasks into more manageable roles to better be able to sell them to people to take on. Someone doing rego, grading, girls, events, delegates etc.

Can also help with disconnect between both clubs. Flow of players from juniors into seniors.

Joc: The reason behind this is that up until now Col and Joc work closely together, with Joc having a view over juniors and Col over seniors. In future with others doing it, this natural

overlap might not happen, so in future the model needs to ensure there is consistent tie in between.

Col: Constitution is outdated, was reviewed maybe 10 years ago. Another example is that it says that to be a member you need to pay a dollar and fill out a form, whereas now it's all done through Playhq.

A fair bit of work needs to go into that, so weren't able to have ready for tonight.

Allocation of these 3 ordinary members allows us to trial this within the current constitution. And allows us time to decide on constitution changes and push out before the next AGM.

Examples from other clubs where positions from both clubs all come together to meet often.

Directive from NSW through to associates to adopt a board type approach. Board that meets less regularly with sub committees that meet more regularly and report to board. And we see the benefit that a model like this would bring to the club.

Up to 19 junior teams

Vicki did a great job back in the day, did it so well that it's hard to replicate, Joc somehow has, and has just been growing and growing ever since. Now it is impossible to throw that ball to someone else.

Freddy: Agree its a good idea, seen clubs fall apart before when the person doing everything can't manage it any more.

Rob: How does the new structure actually help facilitate juniors coming through?

Joc: need more interaction between junior and seniors, club wide events.

Col: Pre season training with everyone at the indoor nets helps. Indoor net session tomorrow 1pm at Cromer facility. Juniors turning up, important to get around them and make them welcome.

Cloggs: Need to make sure we protect them in seniors, example last year where younger kids came up to 3rds and had to deal with unpleasant behaviour from opposition. Older guys had to tell him off and reign him in (the opposition player).

Col: Yes unfortunate, player in question ended up getting suspended for an incident later in the season. Need to ensure consequences are there for those out of line.

More indoor net sessions/outdoors under lights as we get closer to season.

TC: Sands only willing to pay \$2k, unfortunate but leaning on pushing ahead whilst looking to negotiate higher later. Only about \$120 from pub+ rebates. Which meant about \$2.5k scanned purchases over about 8 weeks. (Rob disputes this). We weren't able to scan for big payments for events.

Dee: Would like to bring up purchase of new ball machine.

Col: Existing ball machine available. Can use from shed at any time.

DB: What are you spending the money on?

Mossy: Shipping container. If we get another ball machine there is nowhere to put it.

Col: Want \$25-\$30k to be liquid for a rainy day. Plan is to put the rest into a term deposit to make interest. But it's there as seed money for future projects. (Like the shelter, nets, lights

etc). At the start of projects we need to put in the money, the reason we've been able to maintain our balance is that we often then get grants to fund the projects which top the bottom line back up. We want to get a container in to get all the stuff out of the shed. Probably going to cost \$30k. We want to have our cash as financial security, so we can buy things like frog box or defib whenever we want. Need to free up the canteen to allow canteen to operate as a canteen. If someone can or knows someone who can draw up a plan it'd be a good start.

Need to elect a public officer: Rob Minnet Nominate: Tom Carden Secondary: Matt Richards