

Willunga Football Club Inc.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2022

Held at Willunga Sports and Social Club – 6.37 pm, 3/11/22

Quorum (15) achieved

Present: Julie Clifton, Brenton McDonald, Ben Baxter, Brad Steele, Wayne Deacon, Meredith Archdall, Ro Hoeck, Lauren Clifton, Kelly Steele, Todd Steele, Wade Philips, Steve Roberts, Terry Thompson, Jeremy Hayes, Cam Turner, Katrice Turner, Luke White, Paul Cameron, Paul Giles, Des McGowan, Marcus Burdett, Serge Minot, Heath Deboo, Chelsea Cameron

Apologies: Michael Cross, Gerry Loots, Mitch Portlock, Sam McGowan, Mel Hansen, Neil Lang,

Minutes of Previous 2021 AGM Meeting:

The motion is to accept the minutes of the 2021 AGM as correct

Moved by: Ben Baxter Seconded by: Kelly Steele

President's Report: Julie Clifton

I just want to say a huge thank you to those who have supported teams through coaching, team managers, goal umpires, timers, boundary umpires and water runners and trainers. Without you our teams simply couldn't take the field. To the many volunteer's canteen, BBQ shed etc thank you so very much.

A big shout out to our sponsors, this year with Mike Cross stepping back we will have a subcommittee working on the sponsorship and a team of people keeping up with the many sponsors that we have. Welcome Sportsmed aboard as a sponsor this year. Some changes in this space with them offering some great members and family benefits.

Congratulations to our women's group for winning back to back premierships in u/17 and A Grade Women's teams. Well done to all involved! What a great way to finish the season 2 from 2 flags so far! So many wonderful young ladies ready to build on this success in future years with great numbers in our u/14's girls who are eager to learn and play footy.

Congratulations to our Mini Colts for winning their premiership also this season what a great bunch of young lads just chomping at the bit ready to tackle back-to-back in 2023! Great work to all those involved in getting the boys through to be Premiers!

Success in the GSFL has been something that we have as a club become accustomed to but it is something we should never take for granted. Being thankful for the many opportunities of all our teams making it to finals this year, including Grand Final spots with our A Grade Men, Reserves. Unfortunately not getting across the line on the day was disappointing for everyone involved but we still need to be grateful for the opportunities we are given as many clubs don't get the opportunities that we have been fortunate to have.

WFC have had enormous success over the years and yet again this year to be crowned 'Most Successful Pathway Club' three years in a row is an exceptional effort. Being acknowledged as the club that provides the largest representation of players to the SAFC League, Reserves, U/18 and U/16 teams through the course of a season is exceptional and something we should all be very proud of. We take the lead with the most wins of this award since its inception in 2012! 15 out of 23 years we have won this award!! We are doing something right at Willunga...success like this isn't just year to year!

As a club we will continue to acknowledge our pathway programs, Association, District, SANFL, SANFLW as this is a direct result of the amount of work that goes on behind the scenes. As I mentioned in my recent speech at the Mail Medal night and presentation night many of our coaches who are club legends spend their time coaching, some even coach two teams. Running a club with this much success doesn't come from one person it reflects the effort **everyone** puts in daily.

Our club has had some development in working towards becoming a little more sustainable in the future with our Green Demons, this can only grow with players, members and community coming together to support a more environmentally sustainable footy club. A work in progress and some grants that we are looking at to support this. We have the support of the McLaren Vale Biodiversity Group moving into this space and to work with them more in the future.

Thanks to the junior players who have signed up for Duke of Edinburgh Award, getting skills and points to go towards their SACE we have 15 in total and a great opportunity for our juniors to gain recognition for what they do around the club. Breeding a new generation of volunteers is so very important to our club.

Keep an eye out for some changes to our Junior Policy as well as our Volunteer policy in 2023. The committee have made changes to the duties that the volunteer levy will cover and game day support will not be part of the volunteer levy.

We look forward to season 2023 with majority of our coaches staying on in 2023.

Women's Football Report – Kelly Steele

2022 Women's Footy Wrap Up

Season 2022 proved to be another strong year for our U17 and A Grade Women's teams with both teams going through as undefeated Premiers in what were dominant performances on Grand Final day way back in August. To be back-to-back premiers in both grades is truly remarkable and something that has not been done before in the GSFLW.

We welcomed some talented and experienced players into the squad at the start of the season, and they provided great leadership and mentoring to our girls all year. We were able to pick up some very talented U17 players also and the improvement and development they have shown is amazing in just one season. We welcomed 3 brand new players to footy in the A Grade women, and 2 brand new players to footy in our U17 group.

This year the winner of the U17 girls GSFLW medal was again won by a Willunga player in Bella Rigby, and the League A Grade goalkicking award was won by Courtney Gum.

We had 4 girls from our junior program play League football with South Adelaide in 2022, and as many as 10 more play Development League for South Adelaide and North Adelaide.

We had our first home grown player play in a SANFLW Premiership in Kristen Rothwell with North Adelaide. Once again, we are leading the way with developing and encouraging our female players to pursue football at a higher level, with a few more set to have a crack this coming season as well.

Our U14 girls had a team of 25 players, with at least 8 brand new players to footy. There was a good mix of age and experience which in the team. They won all games except 2, which were only losses by 1 point. We

had 11 girls represent Willunga in the U14 GSFLW exhibition game on Grand Final Day had 6 girls during the season step up and play in U17 games.

All this success would not be possible without the amazing dedication of all the coaching and support staff. WFC are the leaders in the GSFLW for whole club unity and the fantastic support from the club, committee, and volunteers.

Planning is well underway for Season 2023 already with Pre Christmas skills development sessions for all grades in December and Senior Squad Pre-Season to start in Mid-January. Recruiting is pretty much completed as we only need to replace a couple of retirements and player losses. We have some very talented U17 girls moving up to Seniors next year also.

I believe we now need to work even harder than previous years to continue to maintain our position as the benchmark of women's football in the GSFLW. This starts with both the continued development of our existing senior squad, and the ongoing fantastic work of Heath and Casey at Under 14 level to make sure our program remains strong for many years to come.

Treasurer's Report: Ben Baxter

Accepted as correct moved by: Steve Roberts seconded by Lauren Clifton

Overview

Bar Income up 15%

Kitchen Income up 7%

Canteen Income up 7%

BBQ shed Sales steady

Gate Takings steady

Sponsorship up 20%

Merchandise Sales up 10%

Investment in Assets

Video Scoreboards

Goal Posts

Gym Equipment

Square point of sale equipment

Bar Fridge compressor

Outdoor Blinds for BBQ shed extension

New Range hood for kitchen (Demons Club)

AGENDA ITEMS

Proposed Subscriptions for Season 2023

MEMBERSHIPS	2021	2022	2023
SA Gov Sports Voucher (claimed by Primary School students towards subs)	\$100	\$100	TBA
Senior Player	\$240	\$240	\$270
Colts Player U14/U17, Mini & Micro Player	\$165	\$165	\$185
Female Open Player	\$120	\$150	\$170
Female U14 & U17	\$100	\$120	\$135
Social Membership	\$30	\$35	\$50
"100 CLUB" includes Social Membership			\$100
GSFLW 14 Minor Rounds (u14/u17 \$9.64 - Snr \$12.14 per game)			
GSFL 18 Minor Rounds (Colts \$10.27 - Seniors \$15.00 per game)			

The proposed increase in 2023 WFC registration fees has been ratified by 2022 Committee.

The motion is to adopt the proposed 2023 subscriptions fee structure

Moved by **Ben Baxter**

Seconded by **Serge Minot**

Passed by: unanimous quorum vote

Constitution Amendments

The 2022 committee has ratified the constitution amendments contained below,

We need to change the "his" to "theirs" to be inclusive of the WFC women's program

5.2 Life Membership

a) Life Membership shall be granted to any member who plays 200 senior games or who plays senior football for 12 years provided that a minimum of 3 games are played each year and that a minimum of 150 games is achieved. Games played in Local League, Zone or State Representative teams, while a member of Willunga Football Club, and Senior and Reserves games in the SANFL and the AFL, count as games toward life membership, provided that the player returns directly to WFC and stays for at least one season as a player, or an official, when "his"(change to their) higher level career is complete. This amendment is retrospective.

The motion to accept the constitutional amendment changing wording from his to theirs to reflect Women in football

Moved by : Katrice Turner seconded by Paul Cameron

All those in favour – unanimously carried

Election of Officers

Vice President –

2 Year Term Luke White – current 2 year term has been completed

Many thanks to Luke White for his great service

Treasurer –

2 Year Term Ben Baxter – Ben has agreed to stay on

All those in favour -Unanimously carried

Secretary –

2 Year Term Brenton McDonald has one year of his term to run

President –

2 Year Term Julie Clifton has one year of her term to run

Vacant Positions

Vice President position is declared open

Heath DeBoo has nominated

All those in favour – Unanimously carried

Welcome Heath DeBoo as the incoming Vice President

Committee Positions

Group Committee Nomination

Melanie Hansen, Ro Hoeck, Meredith Archdall, Kelly Steele, Lauren Clifton, Heath Deboo,

Jeremy Hayes, Cameron Turner, Tom Messenger,

All those in favour - Unanimously carried

General Business:

Question from the floor

Terry Thompson: Is there any plans to change the Men's playing jumpers by adding navy blue? Answered by President Julie Clifton: no! there are no plans, while the current Executive is involved, although as we approach our 150th year we do pay homage to the "navy blue cap" that our early teams played in which is reflected in our Women's teams jumpers and merchandise

Shopping Website available to members soon

The " **we make a difference** " website fundraiser is ready to rollout

The club gets a cut of all sales through this site with no effort

Sports foundation Australia

Through this site WFC Fundraising for projects gets tax deduction status for members and supporters who buy in or donate **eg: picket fence project**

Meeting Closed_ 7.22pm