

# **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Blue Mountains Kangaroos Junior AFL Club**

13<sup>th</sup> September 2010

Held at Springwood Sports Club, Meeting Room

Meeting Opened 1905 hours

## **1. Attendance:**

Paul Watson (President), Carol Frith, Nikki Thompson, Greta Ridley, Anthony Firmer, Aisha Hodges, Tim White, Belinda & Brian Rich, Dave Tritton, Brian Burgess, Roger Cheesman, Brett Roberts AFL (NSW/ACT) and Cheryl Moore (Minutes)

## **2. Apologies:** Wendy Takle, Carolyn Watson, Joanna Egan and Roslyn Thomas

## **3. Confirmation of 2009 AGM Minutes:** Accepted by Carol Frith and second Roger Cheesman

**4. Presidents Annual Report:** PW welcomed and introduced everyone. Hard copy of report presented and summarised below. Complete version attached as Appendix 1.  
167 players registered indicating a 16% increase in membership  
Recruitment was reduced down from 3 to 2 days at the request of NSW/ACT AFL  
"Cats" players attended early in season  
Super recruiters' incentives – Nintendo DS and Ipod touch  
Gala night with a guest speaker  
Lachlan Cox has been offered a place in the East Coast Eagles.  
New sponsors for 2010- Freestyle Barbershop, Home Hardware, Branca, Majestic Cruises  
Outlined plans to develop storage facility at Tom Hunter Park and if the grant applications are successful the money we have invested will not need to be utilised.

## **5. Treasurers Report:**

- Detailed report and balance sheet tabled by Brian in readiness for Department of Fair Trading. Income up this year (increased by 26% from 2009). Complete financial report tabled as Appendix 2

## **6.0**

### **6.1: Website/Publicity:**

- PW reported for Carolyn that the club used the site extensively and that she will offer her support as needed to the new web/publicity officer.

### **6.2 Uniforms:**

- Successful year, acknowledged need to plan for a display in canteen to market range of clothing more effectively
- Caps sell well and so will be additional stock on hand for next season
- Shirts remain unchanged however, samples of different jackets will be acquired for review prior to season commencement
- Main stock will be ordered before mid November.
- Proposal from a generous sponsor (Freestyle Barbershop) to sponsor all shorts. Belinda Rich/Carol Frith to predict numbers and advise Roger

### **6.3 Canteen:**

- Canteen ran at a profit. Significant breakthrough for 2010 was the acquisition of an Espresso machine via Wendy's husband for 2011 season.

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#### **6.4 Fundraising/Sponsorship:**

- BMK was a successful applicant for Telstra grant- we received balls, tackle bag. Several submissions were made this year with the outcome of the last one pending

#### **6.5 Auskick:**

- U 8 game style will continue as it has this year. Aisha requested this group follows the U10s to enhance important to play up.

#### **6.6 Registrar:**

- Footyweb running successfully. Online payments to be discussed at next committee meeting.

### **7. Election of Committee Positions:**

Paul thanked all committee members for their efforts over the past year. He outlined role development and the linkage to the Leading Teams strategy which is fostering infrastructure and succession planning of the club with AFL NSW/ACT support. The term of office has ended for Secretary and Web/publicity positions. The following office bearing positions were declared vacant: Vice President, Publicity/Web, Canteen Assistant Co-ordinator, Sponsorship & Marketing and Grounds Manager, General Committee. The Secretary advised that no nominations had been received by mail/email. Nominations sought from the floor

- Nominations called for position of Vice President: Anthony Firmer nominated himself and Greta Ridley nominated Anthony. Seconded by Aisha Hodges. Endorsed by majority agreement. Anthony accepted.
- Nominations called for position of Secretary: PW nominated Cheryl Moore. Seconded by Carol Frith. Endorsed by majority agreement. Cheryl accepted.
- Nominations called for position of Web: Greta Ridley nominated by Anthony Firmer seconded by Brian Rich. Endorsed by majority agreement. Greta accepted.
- Nominations called for position of Publicity: Aisha Hodge nominated by Greta and seconded by PW. Endorsed by majority agreement. Aisha accepted.
- Nominations called for position of Council Liaison Officer: Dave Tritton nominated by Anthony and seconded by Brian Burgess. Endorsed by majority agreement. Dave accepted.
- Nominations called for position of Football Manager: No nominations and will be absorbed in the interim by the President/VP roles
- Nominations called for position of Volunteer Co-ordinator: No nominations. Position vacant
- Nominations called for position of Ground Manager: No nominations. Position vacant.

- i. Nominations called for position of Sponsorship: PW nominated Joanna Egan. Seconded by Carol Frith. Endorsed by majority agreement. Joanna had indicated willingness to accept position at last meeting.
- j. Nominations called for position of Social Co-ordinator: No nominations. Position vacant.
- k. Nominations called for positions of General Committee: Tim White, Brian Burgess and Nikki Thompson volunteered and endorsed by majority agreement.
- l. Signatories for 2010- 2011 will be President, Treasurer and Secretary.

#### **6. Other business:**

Anthony Firmer enquired about frequency of constitutional reviews. PW advised it was last reviewed in 2007. CM advised that two items need to be added from previous committee meetings-

1. Blue Mountains Kangaroos Medal will be awarded to departing U16 boys who had five (5) years or more service with the club and departing girls who had five (5) years or more service (U12/14 girls). The years of service with our club may be broken or unbroken. The awards are presented at the club presentation ceremony

2. BMK recognise that families who experience financial hardship may not be able to support participation in sport. This can be recognised by committee, team managers and coaches and a "scholarship/sponsorship" or varied/flexible payment schedule may then be offered or the parent could simply be advised that their child has been sponsored.

**Action:** Send out a copy of the constitution with the minutes and add this as an agenda item to 2011 AGM

Meeting closed at 2000 hrs