



2016



## *Our Mission Statement*

Netball NSW will provide to the NSW community sporting leadership and partnership through netball education and training programs, an extensive range of competitions and national success. It will be achieved through professional management and support to all administrative levels involved with the game so that these entities are financially viable.



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# President's Report



Netball NSW is dedicated to growing at the grassroots level

What an amazing year of achievement 2016 was for so many of our members and, indeed, for Netball NSW as an organisation.

As you read through this Annual Report you will again see a very strong performance throughout athlete and team performance, bench, coaching and umpiring, as well as an outstanding financial result and continued strength in our administration and governance. The Board is extremely pleased and proud of the achievements across all facets of our organisation and game.

High Performance has again demonstrated the continued reach of NSW athletes into the National and trans-Tasman arenas, and onto the international stage. As a small snapshot of achievement: six players selected in the Australian Diamonds Squad; four players for the Australian Diamonds Quad Series Team; Susan Pettitt named as Captain of the Australian Fast 5 Flyers; our 21/U State Team are National Champions, as are our Marie Little OAM Shield Team; and we have multiple players in underage Australian squads. We provided umpires to the trans-Tasman Netball League and Australian Netball League pools, and gained national bench accreditations and High Performance Coaching awards along the way.

Many, many people have been very busy doing, mentoring, teaching and achieving at all levels. The introduction of the Samsung Premier League will surely add to the opportunities that are available to all members to assist in realising their potential.

2016 saw the end of the trans-Tasman Netball League and it would be remiss of me not to mention our mighty NSW Swifts, led by Captain Kimberlee Green, who played out an epic Grand Final against the Queensland Firebirds in double extra time. It was an amazing spectacle but what shone through for me was the respect and grace shown by our players in those minutes at the conclusion of the game. It reminded me of our values – We are Passionate, We are Team, Our Integrity Defines Us, We Will Excel, We are Connected. It is also reminded me that the Waratah under which we all sit is represented with great passion and pride and it is clearly understood what the traditions of the Netball NSW Waratah mean to our sport.

A personal highlight at the Netball NSW State Dinner is acknowledgement of those very special individuals from our Associations through the Anne Clark Service Awards. In 2016 Stephanie Bortkevich (Newcastle), Ken Eberbach (Ku-ring-gai), June Haynes (Northern Suburbs), Ann O'Mara (Sutherland Shire) and Leslie Smith (Charlestown) all received this prestigious accolade.

Our Hall of Fame inductee, Marcia Ella-Duncan OAM, was received with great warmth and respect whilst the new category of Hall of Fame – Heritage was introduced to acknowledge historical icons. The Association's first Minute Book and the 1969 Touring Team to the Pesta Sukan Tournament were acknowledged as being significant to the history of the sport in New South Wales.

Everything I have mentioned could not have happened without the continued strong support of our Associations and our members. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I sincerely thank you all.

A special note of acknowledgement to Maureen Stephenson OAM who received the Waratah Service Award for amazing service to NSW. And, on a personal note, I sincerely thank the membership for awarding me the most prestigious honour of Life Membership.

As we all look forward to 2017 and beyond, I am excited by what lies ahead for us – a new elite competition with two Netball NSW teams, an almost fully booked Genea Netball Centre, many more opportunities for members from the grassroots up, amazing volunteers who just keep giving and professional staff who keep resetting the benchmark of excellence. I look forward to being on the journey with you.

**Wendy Archer AM**  
President

# CEO's Report

What a year 2016 turned out to be; it marked the end of an era and it contained all the groundwork for a new and exciting 2017.

The NSW Swifts nail-biting Grand Final loss against the Queensland Firebirds signalled the end of the Trans-Tasman Netball League competition. For nine years, our elite players went head to head week after week with the world's best netballers from both sides of the Tasman. While it would have been great to finish the competition as we began it – as the Champions – there is no doubt that the Grand Final was some of the best netball ever played. Our players walked from the court proud of the phenomenal effort they put in. Cheering from the sidelines and at home, we were certainly proud of them.

It was an incredibly busy year for everyone at Netball NSW – while we all went about business as usual – promoting netball, running numerous elite competitions and growing our connection to the grassroots community, we also saw the opportunity Suncorp Super Netball presented to have another NSW team compete in the 2017 national competition.

It was a big ask of the staff at Netball NSW, but they stepped up admirably and following the announcement of the new team, GIANTS Netball, in May, we built a club in just six months. By the time we all went on our very well-deserved Christmas break, the GIANTS had a strong commercial structure, coaches, contracted players, branding and an implemented membership strategy. To achieve so much in such a short period of time, all while still doing their "day jobs", merits a special mention for our amazing, dedicated staff at Netball NSW.

After three long years of preparation, the Samsung Premier League launched to great acclaim in 2016. The competition exceeded all expectations, not only showcasing some outstanding netball, but also drawing larger than expected crowds.

Genea Netball Centre (formally Netball Central) continued to grow in usage and popularity in 2016. The centre was not only the host of the Samsung Premier League, but 2016 saw a change in the way the centre operated. We branched out into areas other than netball – and the hiring of the centre exceeded all benchmarks for both internal and external hiring. This success was evident in the financial reporting for 2016.

Key to our success for the centre was securing Genea Fertility Group as a naming partner. Genea prides itself on its family-centred business model, and the company's values aligned very well with Netball NSW's dedication to family and community. It is an excellent partnership that will reflect positively on both organisations for years to come.



**Carolyn Campbell**  
Chief Executive Officer, Netball NSW

## Board of Directors



**Wendy Archer AM**  
President



**Janet Drakos**  
Board Member



**John Hahn**  
Board Member



**Ruth Havrlant**  
Board Member



**Louise Sullivan**  
Board Member



**Carol Murphy**  
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**Rodney Watson OAM**  
Board Member

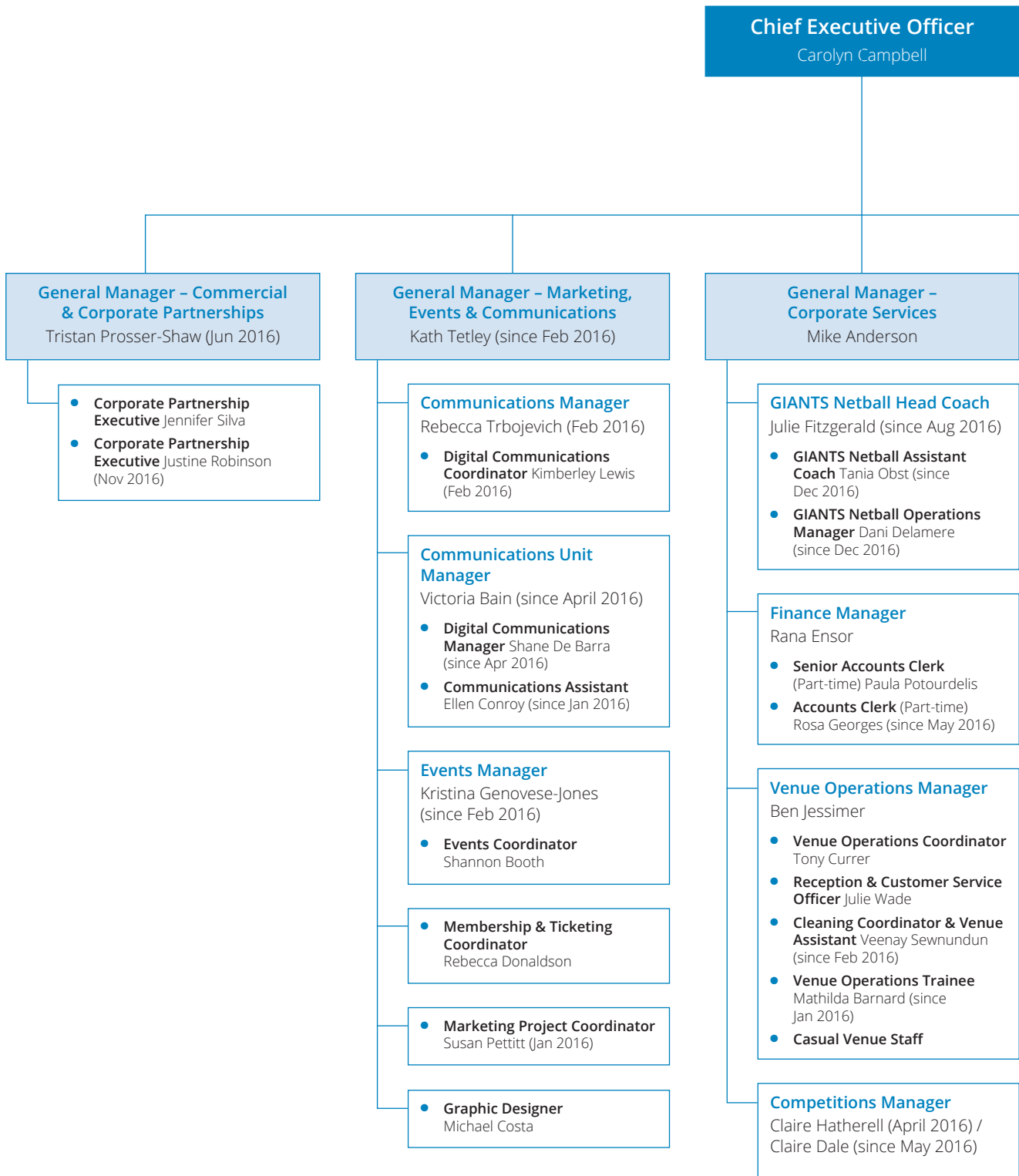


**Christine Feldmanis**  
Board Member



**Carolyn Campbell**  
Chief Executive Officer

# Organisation Chart



- **Project Manager** Kate Gillies (since Aug 2016)

- **Executive Assistant** Kelly Walton

**General Manager – High Performance** (Part-time 0.8)  
Anna Longman

**NSW Swifts Head Coach**  
Rob Wright

- **NSW Swifts Assistant Coach** (Part-time) Anita Keelan
- **NSW Swifts Assistant Coach** (Part-time) Megan Anderson

**High Performance Operations Manager**  
Gail Eckert (since Jan 2016)

- **High Performance Coordinator** Jenna Harrod (Feb 2016) (re-joined Sept 2016)

- **Athlete Development Coordinator** Susan Pettitt (Oct 2016)

**High Performance Pathways & Facilities Administration Manager**  
Scott Barker (Jul 2016)

**Deputy CEO / General Manager – Strategy & Governance**  
Megan Simpson

**Association Development Manager**

Sonia Gouveia (Jul 2016) / Kristian Whitaker (since Jul 2016)

- **Association, Membership & Database Administrator** Karen Szczerbanik (nee Beal)

- **Policy Coordinator** (Part-time) Renee Jensen

**General Manager – Sport Development**  
Nikki Horton

**Regional Development Manager**

Nicole Bowles (Nov 2016) / Mardi Aplin (since Nov 2016)

- **Regional Development Officer – West/Central West** Mardi Aplin (Dec 2016)
- **Regional Development Officer – South Coast/Riverina** Emma Milharcic
- **Regional Coordinator – Hunter/Northern Inland** Monique Smith (Jan 2016) / Sarah Winn (Jan-Nov 2016)
- **Regional Coordinator – North Coast/Far North Coast** Gill Cotter
- **Regional Development Officer – Northern Inland** Elizabeth Johnsen (May 2016)

**Volunteer Workforce Manager**

Dianne Brown (Nov 2016) / Sophie Tindle (since Nov 2016)

- **Umpire & Officials Coordinator** Chris Hall (since Jan 2016)
- **Coach Development Coordinator** Kezia Ockulicz (May 2016) / Jodi Rosenthal (since Jun 2016)
- **NSW Umpire Coach** (Part-Time) Sharon Kelly

**Community Engagement – Manager**

Amy Quirk (Apr 2016) / Sonia Gouveia (since May 2016)

- **Schools Program Coordinator** Carolyn Waite (Apr 2016) / Emily Ross (since May 2016)
- **NetSetGO Coordinator** Ella Durheim
- **Community Engagement Officer** (Part-Time) Laura Abrahams
- **Community Engagement Administrator** (Part-Time) Nathan Keys
- **Community Engagement Development Officer** Caitlin Thwaites (Aug 2016)
- **Development Officers**

# 2020 Vision Update



State Championship action at Charlestown Netball Association

In 2015 Netball NSW developed a strategic vision and set of goals as part of a five-year plan to help the organisation grow and flourish.

The past 12 months have been central to this 2020 Vision, which is supported by our four strategic pillars; **Community, Business, Pathways** and **Brand**.

Grassroots netball remains the life blood of our sport and 2016 was a fantastic year to showcase its place in the **Community** with over 9,000 children taking part in the Netball NSW Schools Cup; more than 10,000 students participating in the first year of Sporting Schools, and; over 1,000 young netballers attending School Holiday Clinics hosted across the State.

In addition, our **Pathways** continue to prove strong with our annual State and State Age Championships showing sustained growth; so much so, that the competitions are beginning to logistically outgrow the traditional venues which have hosted them so well throughout the years.

This, however, gives our **Business** good leverage when it comes to securing vital funding available from both government and commercial sectors – as seen with our 2016 State and State Age Championships Naming Rights Partner, Samsung.

The DOOLEYS Metro League, Regional Leagues and Court Craft Night Interdistrict competitions continued to raise the profile of netball throughout 2016, while the introduction of the Samsung Premier League has delivered a new High Performance Pathway for players, coaches and officials alike to make the leap to the elite level.

The role in which Netball NSW competitions play in the State's success on the National stage is paramount, with our NSW representative teams flying the flag for the Waratahs in 2016. All six NSW Teams – the NSW Swifts, Netball NSW Waratahs, NSW 21/U Team, NSW 19/U Team, NSW 17/U Team, and Netball NSW Marie Little OAM Shield Team – all featured in their respective Grand Finals; an unheralded achievement which no other Member Organisation achieved in 2016.

With this in mind, and with Netball Australia announcing a new Australian-only competition – Suncorp Super Netball – from 2017, Netball NSW decided to launch a second elite team – GIANTS Netball.

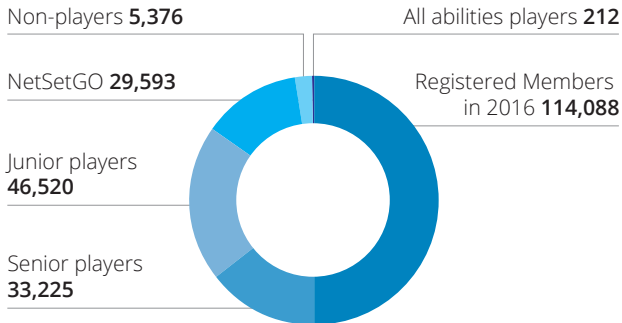
The organisation felt it was its responsibility to grasp the opportunity on behalf of its 114,000 registered members, and is also vital towards our goal of delivering programs to secure high performing athletes, coaches and officials.

The NSW Swifts' 2016 Trans-Tasman Netball League campaign will have inspired a generation of young people to take up netball. Now, young NSW netballers have the opportunity of two NSW teams they can aspire to join.

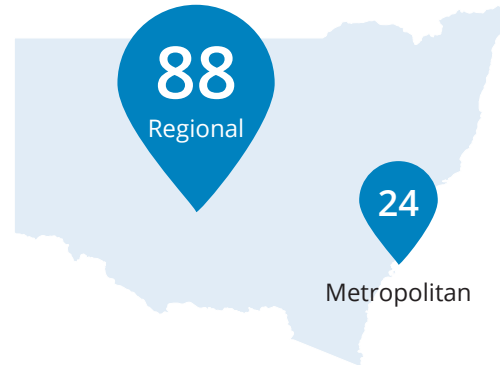
With more free-to-air media coverage and publicity than ever before, netball's **Brand** has never been stronger. Our job in 2017 is to maximise its potential for the benefit of all.

# 2016 Association Developments

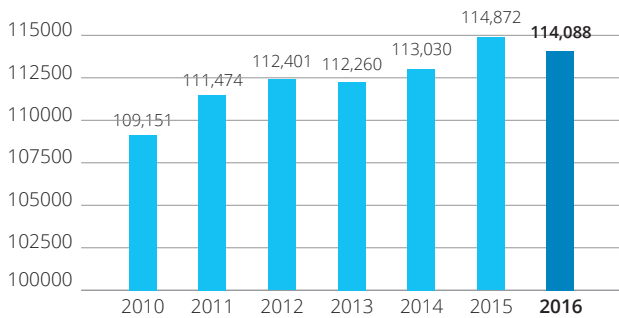
## Registered Members in 2016



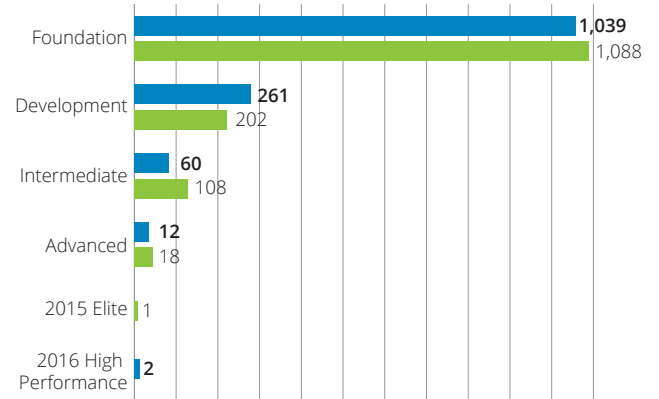
## Number of Affiliated Associations



## Registered Members



## Coaching Accreditations

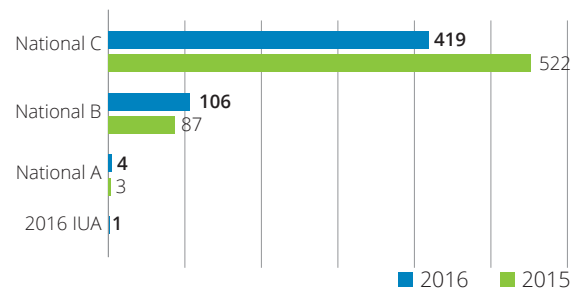


## Schools Cup

913 Teams participated in 2016  
20% increase on 2015



## Umpiring Badges



71

Teams participated in the Koori Games



55,688

Participants in NetSetGo, Schools, Community Clinics or Events



354

Train Like a Swift Participants

# Membership Figures

	Senior		Junior		NetSetGo		All Abilities		Non Player		Total		Diff
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	
AFL Riverina	501	480	525	480	316	258	0	-	46	59	1,388	1,277	111
Armidale District	173	159	348	306	94	97	1	1	11	16	627	579	48
Ballina	211	141	257	224	100	122	8	7	20	29	596	523	73
Bankstown City	411	453	635	711	476	453	1	1	104	106	1,627	1,724	(97)
Barellan & District	-	-	10	14	-	-	0	-	13	6	23	20	3
Bathurst	366	337	508	523	273	293	0	-	57	43	1,204	1,196	8
Baulkham Hills Shire	1,316	1,300	2,207	2,204	1,361	1,398	10	10	231	254	5,125	5,166	(41)
Bellingen	19	-	19	19	8	8	0	-	3	-	49	27	22
Bermagui	29	24	16	22	21	17	0	-	3	3	69	66	3
Blacktown City	846	826	1,131	1,070	611	638	2	3	201	159	2,791	2,696	95
Blayney	10	28	55	62	24	45	0	-	10	2	99	137	(38)
Blue Mountains	313	376	369	405	272	279	10	7	89	112	1,053	1,179	(126)
Bourke	118	90	14	9	-	-	0	1	2	2	134	102	32
Broken Hill	191	163	160	177	132	111	0	-	6	6	489	457	32
Brunswick Byron	46	39	197	171	102	90	0	-	39	29	384	329	55
Camden & District	744	675	907	899	533	497	0	-	155	185	2,339	2,256	83
Campbelltown	932	856	923	848	560	515	0	-	181	189	2,596	2,408	188
Casino	101	109	144	123	76	94	0	-	4	7	325	333	(8)
Cessnock	183	159	120	110	169	166	0	-	15	25	487	460	27
Charlestown	218	194	368	356	295	260	0	1	44	46	925	857	68
City Of Sydney	588	692	69	48	32	19	0	-	20	35	709	794	(85)
Cobar	140	97	39	37	53	58	0	-	5	4	237	196	41
Coffs Harbour	194	184	243	201	136	149	0	1	20	16	593	551	42
Condoblin	36	59	36	44	19	22	0	-	1	1	92	126	(34)
Coolamon Comets	38	30	16	26	30	27	0	-	3	3	87	86	1
Cooma	31	23	18	18	10	6	0	-	5	1	64	48	16
Coonabarabran	6	1	35	40	37	28	1	-	5	9	84	78	6
Coonamble	139	143	65	65	58	63	0	-	1	2	263	273	(10)
Cootamundra	-	29	10	10	26	31	0	-	5	2	41	72	(31)
Cowra	79	66	89	94	87	64	1	1	13	12	269	237	32
Dubbo	304	267	564	536	334	293	0	-	65	67	1,267	1,163	104
Dungog	19	15	43	40	35	28	0	-	11	7	108	90	18
Eastwood Ryde	1,143	1,118	1,870	1,867	1,102	1,107	9	8	317	362	4,441	4,462	(21)
Eurobodalla	106	121	248	240	178	140	0	-	29	20	561	521	40
Fairfield City District	56	73	52	106	71	117	0	-	21	33	200	329	(129)
Forbes	119	171	86	135	59	44	0	-	8	15	272	365	(93)
Gilgandra	-	-	41	39	49	46	2	-	-	7	92	92	0
Glen Innes	23	16	43	34	31	16	0	-	3	-	100	66	34
Gloucester	48	46	73	62	23	48	0	-	3	3	147	159	(12)
Gosford	692	699	989	1,025	678	639	6	10	136	141	2,501	2,514	(13)
Goulburn & District	118	110	136	136	26	44	0	-	11	18	291	308	(17)
Grafton	116	117	194	215	130	119	1	-	25	22	466	473	(7)
Great Lakes	168	141	266	248	164	164	1	-	27	11	626	564	62
Griffith	146	118	181	181	121	130	0	-	14	14	462	443	19
Group 14	-	5	111	86	112	71	1	-	18	19	242	181	61
Gunnedah	107	131	108	142	61	45	1	1	35	28	312	347	(35)
Hastings Valley	282	335	573	588	300	330	1	1	61	44	1,217	1,298	(81)
Hawkesbury City	349	391	489	486	330	306	0	-	54	72	1,222	1,255	(33)
Hills District	782	903	1,360	1,376	672	672	2	-	206	186	3,022	3,137	(115)
Hume	429	444	387	417	245	245	3	3	57	63	1,121	1,172	(51)
Illawarra District	621	722	1,277	1,276	801	844	19	-	149	131	2,867	2,973	(106)
Inner Western Suburbs	771	733	1,562	1,505	980	847	0	-	75	63	3,388	3,148	240
Inverell	44	49	84	78	75	77	0	-	10	3	213	207	6
Jindabyne	46	77	39	51	17	21	0	-	-	-	102	149	(47)
Kiama	131	195	320	306	255	281	0	-	80	77	786	859	(73)
Ku-ring-gai	1,007	1,033	1,414	1,415	1,209	1,180	20	20	224	226	3,874	3,874	0
Kurri Kurri	12	26	32	13	49	83	0	-	4	4	97	126	(29)

	Senior		Junior		NetSetGo		All Abilities		Non Player		Total		Diff
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	
Kyogle	27	35	27	24	22	40	0	-	-	-	76	99	(23)
Lake Cargelligo	14	22	-	3	-	-	0	-	-	-	14	25	(11)
Lakeside	317	325	593	564	426	387	0	-	33	53	1,369	1,329	40
Leeton	4	24	95	129	84	106	0	-	1	2	184	261	(77)
Lismore	368	370	341	387	134	121	0	-	48	48	891	926	(35)
Lithgow	72	86	120	96	53	57	0	-	13	9	258	248	10
Liverpool City	397	427	899	905	377	472	1	-	102	93	1,776	1,897	(121)
Lower Clarence	61	58	144	150	122	95	1	-	34	31	362	334	28
Macleay	224	152	198	218	149	117	1	1	17	16	589	504	85
Maitland	575	577	925	879	589	572	0	-	132	111	2,221	2,139	82
Manly-Warringah	839	921	2,306	2,310	1,783	1,933	15	13	253	253	5,196	5,430	(234)
Mens	110	27	15	1	-	-	0	-	13	1	138	29	109
Moree & District	61	47	50	50	75	62	0	1	2	-	188	160	28
Mount Druitt	215	185	281	289	215	189	0	-	31	35	742	698	44
Mudgee District	148	222	258	270	169	158	0	-	9	9	584	659	(75)
Muswellbrook	65	146	161	194	133	116	0	-	22	19	381	475	(94)
Nambucca Valley	54	15	118	119	95	91	0	-	11	19	278	244	34
Narrabri	98	164	102	132	88	82	0	-	11	16	299	394	(95)
Narrandera	30	37	4	10	46	43	0	-	2	2	82	92	(10)
Nelson Bay	71	50	176	185	131	145	0	-	18	12	396	392	4
Newcastle	1,192	1,302	1,584	1,631	876	928	43	40	203	201	3,898	4,102	(204)
Northern Riverina	142	155	86	88	80	92	0	-	14	8	322	343	(21)
Northern Suburbs	1,338	1,652	2,860	2,805	1,390	1,411	0	-	163	137	5,751	6,005	(254)
Nyngan	66	38	48	45	11	2	0	-	5	3	130	88	42
Orange	654	620	730	748	414	360	1	-	62	40	1,861	1,768	93
Parkes District	176	153	112	137	56	59	0	-	13	14	357	363	(6)
Parramatta Auburn	130	163	189	257	138	130	0	-	31	40	488	590	(102)
Penrith District	1,390	1,340	1,311	1,334	954	899	3	2	191	167	3,849	3,742	107
Port Stephens	230	236	263	290	141	153	0	-	45	44	679	723	(44)
Queanbeyan	142	125	236	265	179	171	0	-	56	74	613	635	(22)
Quirindi	58	77	9	33	27	18	0	-	3	3	97	131	(34)
Randwick	653	586	1,684	1,594	912	886	0	-	152	124	3,401	3,190	211
Sapphire Coast	180	238	163	180	97	98	0	-	15	24	455	540	(85)
Scone	168	203	138	159	103	114	0	1	5	7	414	484	(70)
Shoalhaven	487	393	371	378	213	214	0	-	55	49	1,126	1,034	92
Singleton	185	91	282	269	167	148	0	-	31	31	665	539	126
Southern Highlands	125	136	182	206	166	168	0	-	29	23	502	533	(31)
St George District	363	321	777	751	368	372	0	1	99	93	1,607	1,538	69
Sutherland Shire	2,513	2,575	2,117	2,188	1,106	1,201	27	33	360	348	6,123	6,345	(222)
Tamworth	566	686	555	621	281	254	8	10	47	43	1,457	1,614	(157)
Taree & District	150	191	290	286	146	135	3	3	64	39	653	654	(1)
Temora	-	58	44	37	69	79	0	-	13	16	126	190	(64)
Tenterfield	-	-	20	8	19	14	0	-	3	-	42	22	20
Tumut	190	211	189	200	133	152	0	-	9	7	521	570	(49)
Ulladulla & Districts	55	27	119	118	55	61	0	-	36	22	265	228	37
Wagga Wagga	763	741	823	829	427	458	1	1	49	58	2,063	2,087	(24)
Warren Junior	63	67	33	32	37	50	0	-	3	3	136	152	(16)
Wellington	16	78	26	44	-	33	0	4	9	3	51	162	(111)
West Wyalong	90	83	57	68	65	44	0	-	13	8	225	203	22
Westlakes	175	153	350	347	158	176	0	-	51	43	734	719	15
Wollondilly	226	201	272	267	159	180	3	3	28	42	688	693	(5)
Woolgoolga District	56	83	110	104	70	35	1	-	12	10	249	232	17
Woy Woy Peninsula	136	167	321	330	187	205	0	-	45	58	689	760	(71)
Wyong District	745	735	1,132	1,083	773	711	4	6	41	72	2,695	2,607	88
Yass	55	23	99	68	69	82	0	-	5	7	228	180	48
Young & District	77	113	50	90	-	32	0	-	11	8	138	243	(105)
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,422</b>	<b>33,700</b>	<b>46,520</b>	<b>46,724</b>	<b>28,755</b>	<b>28,656</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>5,632</b>	<b>5,597</b>	<b>114,088</b>	<b>114,872</b>	<b>(784)</b>

# Sport Development



Australia Post One Netball winners Arncliffe Scots Netball Club received a special visit from Kimberlee Green

With netball front and centre of the Australian sporting scene for much of 2016, community engagement was again a priority for Netball NSW with some very pleasing results delivered.

It was another highly successful year with 114,088 members registered, including 33,225 senior players, 46,520 junior players, 28,755 NetSetGO, 5,375 non-player members and 212 players registered with a disability. There were also 24 Metropolitan and 88 Regional Affiliated Associations in 2016.

Of the many highlights over the past 12 months, there were some notable standouts, namely the significant successes of the Netball NSW Schools Cup, Sporting Schools, NetSetGO and our inclusion programs.

## One Netball Award Winners

Netball Australia received over 100 nominations for the 2016 Australia Post One Netball Awards, with 47 from NSW.

One Netball celebrates Clubs, Associations and individuals who are actively making a difference in the community. Netball NSW would like to acknowledge the 2016 NSW award winners – local inclusion champions who go above and beyond to create and support inclusive netball environments.

### **Mandy Townsend, Canowindra, NSW – Individual Award**

For the creation of a netball program to provide opportunities for 40 young girls in a remote area of Central West NSW, generating community connections for participants and their families.

### **Karen Taylor, Merimbula, NSW – Individual Award**

For the development of an inclusive All Abilities netball program for players with intellectual disabilities on NSW's South Coast.

### **Arncliffe Scots Netball Club, Arncliffe, NSW – Club Award**

For the development of a safe and inclusive environment for Muslim women and girls to participate in netball, resulting in increased participation and engagement from the community.

## Sporting Schools & School Ambassadors

Sporting Schools is Australia's largest school-based sports participation program and launched in 2015 by the Australian Sports Commission to replace the Active After-School Communities Program.

After good success last year – in which over 5,000 school kids took part in NetSetGO Sporting Schools Programs – 2016 saw a record number of primary school children taking part in netball programs with over 11,843 registered and 144 programs delivered across NSW.

The Netball NSW Schools Ambassador Program, meanwhile, has been designed to ensure that netball has a continued presence at schools and becomes the sport of choice for students, in particular young girls.

The program aims to recognise and reward teachers who encourage the growth of netball within the school environment. It also hopes to create a positive and valuable relationship between Netball NSW and teachers in the NSW education system. In 2016, 423 teachers across Primary and Secondary schools signed up to be Ambassadors, helping keep netball well engaged with the next generation.

## Train like a Swift

Netball NSW had 354 aspiring netballers attend our Train like a Swift clinics across six days at Genea Netball Centre, while a clinic was also taken to the regional town of Orange.

The participants advanced their netball skills with a range of attacking, defending and midcourt drills run by the NSW Swifts, however, the clinics also taught the girls how to take a holistic approach to their lives.

The Swifts' support staff were on hand to teach participants about nutrition, rest and recovery, sports psychology, mental health and Head Coach Rob Wright gave a specialised coaching session.

2016 NSW Swifts Captain Kim Green spoke to the girls about Mind, Body and Soul, former Swift Sonia Mkoloma spoke about self-confidence, while Sharni Layton presented a session on personal excellence.

## Indigenous – Koori Netball Games and Nations of Origin

Netball NSW supported a number of Indigenous tournaments in 2016 including the Koori Games Netball Tournament and Nations of Origin Netball Tournament.

The Koori Games was coordinated and managed by the NSW Government's Department of Sport and Recreation, hosted and delivered by Charlestown Netball Association and supported by Netball NSW.

On Friday and Saturday, 28–29 October, a record number of 71 teams participated across five divisions. There were a mix of winners across the divisions with Netball NSW providing a limited edition, Indigenous-themed ball featuring the artwork 'Gather As One' by renowned Aboriginal artist and netballer Sarrita King.

Nations of Origin, meanwhile, is a multifaceted sport, cultural, education and leadership program which culminates annually during NAIDOC week.

It is also the largest Aboriginal youth sporting event in NSW with more than 3,500 participants taking part since its inception. 2016 saw the inaugural Netball Competition delivered alongside Rugby League Sevens and Football Fives.

All competitions were conducted in conjunction with sporting bodies, ensuring athletes had development pathways in their chosen sport. Every Aboriginal player must identify with, and have connection to, the Nation for which they are competing. In the netball competition, 12 teams of 14/U girls registered and play took place on 12–13 July at Port Stephens Netball Association.

## Muslim Women's Association SAYIT Program & Disability Netball

The SAYIT initiative was a skills program delivered to 16 female participants 5-14 year olds at the Muslim Women's Association in Bass Hill.

As part of the inclusion program the participants attended the NSW Swifts v QLD Firebirds trans-Tasman Netball League clash at Qudos Bank Arena on 29 May, while Netball NSW were invited to a Ramadan Iftar Dinner on 18 June when the program ended.

Other guests in attendance were One Netball Ambassador Bec Bulley, Bankstown Netball Association, parents and MWA CEO Maha Abdo. The participants were introduced to Bankstown Netball Association and Club contacts, with six of the group going on to take part in a Summer Skills Session run by the Association. Surveys of the participants and parents revealed all were considering continuing to play netball.

Netball NSW was also very involved in disability inclusion in 2016, delivering a number of Disability Gala days and combining with other sports to deliver Multisport Disability days.

## Netball NSW Schools Cup

Having started out in its inaugural year with 3,000 participants, four seasons on the 2016 Netball NSW Schools Cup welcomed over 9,000 children on to the netball court to take part in one of the most exciting sporting competitions the organisation has to offer.

The Schools Cup is an initiative by Netball NSW to provide the State's primary and secondary school students with the opportunity to enjoy the game in a fun and safe environment. It is available to both male and female students from Public, Independent and Catholic systems in Years Five, Six, Seven and Eight.

In 2016 the Schools Cup started in March with Local Days in regional and metro areas with 913 teams from all over New South Wales competing.

In the Years 5/6 Mixed Division St Patricks Primary School Albury, appearing in their fourth consecutive finals, were crowned State Champions after a 13-12 win over Kellyville Public School in the Grand Final. The Hills Sports High School took out the Years 7/8 Girls State title after beating BWSC Umina 18-11 in their decider while, after a long trip to Sydney, Cape Byron Steiner School beat Narara Valley High School 18-13 to take the Boys Years 7/8 title up north.

## NetSetGO

Netball NSW experienced another record breaking year for the NetSetGO program, the junior entry netball program for 5 to 10 year olds with a total of 55,688 participants in NetSetGo schools, community clinics or events in 2016.

The entry-level program is an important grassroots initiative that creates an early dedication and passion for our sport. We saw excellent gains in the number of participants in 2016, including:

- 29,593 participants registered for NetSetGO programs with Clubs and Associations
- 2,714 participants through the NetSetGO Indigenous Inclusion Program
- 1,813 participants through the NetSetGO Disability Inclusion Program
- 3,885 participants through the NetSetGO CaLD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) Inclusion Program

As the main program delivered within primary schools, NetSetGo also saw excellent participation numbers with:

- 3,045 participants through School Clinics (excludes Sporting Schools)
- 1,166 participants registered for School Holiday Programs
- 1,818 participants took part in NetSetGO Community Clinics

# Genea Netball Centre



New Genea signage on Netball NSW headquarters; Genea Netball Centre

While the teams of Netball NSW flourished and achieved great successes in 2016, the Genea Netball Centre continued to become a valued venue not only for netball but also for a range of sporting events throughout the year.

## Genea secured as naming rights partner

Netball NSW confirmed in October 2016 that Genea had joined the netball family, with the Australian fertility group confirmed as the naming partner of the organisation's headquarters, Netball Central; now officially to be known as the **Genea Netball Centre** for the term of the partnership.

The two-year agreement includes official naming rights and other partnership benefits, which will see the Genea brand prominent inside and outside the Sydney Olympic Park-based building.

"We're thrilled to welcome Genea to our netball family, and excited to team up with an Australian company who values the importance of family and the community as we do," Netball NSW CEO Carolyn Campbell said.

"There are plenty of similarities between our two brands. Genea are highly respected in their field; they bring a wealth of knowledge and experience that spans more than 30 years.

"At Netball NSW, we also pride ourselves for being an inclusive organisation and put great value in our community. We feel a great responsibility to our 114,000 registered members, and are excited about the potential this partnership will bring with Genea."

As a keen follower of women's sport, Genea is pleased to take the step to support such a successful and inclusive organisation.

"At Genea, a large part of our mission is empowering people to achieve their dream of a healthy family. We're delighted to partner with Netball NSW to help women achieve their dreams in another area of their lives," Genea General Manager Kathleen Waite said.

"Obviously, we're also pleased to be associated with champions like Netball NSW who have proven time and again to be leaders in their field. We pride ourselves on being leaders in the field of fertility so this partnership is a perfect match."

## A centre of excellence for more than just netball

While the Genea Netball Centre saw a lot of netball in 2016, the year also saw the venue diversify greatly.

"Netball takes priority," said Ben Jessimer, Venue Operations Manager, "however since the venue opened two years ago we have increased the user groups and user types. We host the Soccer Joeys, Volleyball NSW has made us their home, Basketball NSW runs an academy with us now, we have a basketball team that plays out of the centre on the weekends, the Inner West Bulls. The Centre is diverse and busy but netball is being looked after."

The Genea Netball Centre continued to draw great crowds for netball events. The DOOLEYS Metro League drew over 24,000 players and spectators, with the Samsung Premier League also attracting crowds of over 8,000.

However great netball events weren't the only successes this year. Other great events held at the centre included:

- Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation (January)
- Boxing event (May)
- Australian College of Physical Education Graduation Ceremony (June)
- Wheelchair Rugby National Championships (July)
- Australian Dance Festival (September)
- Schools Spectacular Rehearsals (September to November)
- Table Tennis International Masters Series (October)
- Physical Culture Event (October)
- Sydney International Badminton Masters (November)

The revenue generated in 2016 exceed budgetary expectations.

However, the growth has not been without it's challenges, says Jessimer. "The challenges are how quickly it has grown and managing that, it has turned into a really busy multi-use venue across a range of sports and events, and we have met that challenge in 2016."

# Schools Cup



Years 7/8 State Champions Cape Byron Steiner School were all about team spirit on Finals day

The Netball NSW Schools Cup once again proved popular amongst primary and secondary schools across New South Wales, with a record number of students participating this year – its fourth year after being introduced in 2013.

The Schools Cup initiative provides the State's primary and secondary school students with an opportunity to enjoy the game in a fun and safe environment. It is available to both female and male students from Public, Independent and Catholic systems in Years 5, 6, 7 and 8; and has grown an incredible 200% in participation rates in four years.

More than 9,000 students representing schools from all across the State participated in the 2016 competition, which concluded on Tuesday, 20 September at Netball NSW's centre of excellence, the Genea Netball Centre.

The 2016 Schools Cup got underway in March with all eight regions – Sydney Metropolitan, Hunter, West/Central West, Far North Coast, South Coast, Northern Inland, North Coast, and Riverina – holding Local Days in their area.

Students contested three age divisions – Years 5/6 Mixed, Years 7/8 Girls and Years 7/8 Boys. It is the latter that saw the most significant growth this season, with 840 young men participating in the 2016 competition.

A total 913 teams took part in 31 Local Days across NSW this year, which saw winners advance to their local Regional Final to determine who would represent their region at the State Final.

## Those representatives were:

### Year 5/6 Mixed

- Sydney Metro: Kellyville Public School
- Hunter: St Mary's Primary School – Toukley
- West/Central West: Cathedral Catholic Primary School – Bathurst
- Far North Coast: St Mary's Primary School – Casino
- South Coast: Callala Public School
- Northern Inland: Manilla Central School
- North Coast: Hastings Public School
- Riverina: St Patricks Primary School – Albury

### Years 7/8 Girls

- Sydney Metro: The Hills Sports High School
- Hunter: Brisbane Water Secondary College – Umina Campus
- West/Central West: All Saints College – Bathurst
- Far North Coast: St John's College – Woodlawn

- South Coast: Shellharbour Anglican College
- Northern Inland: Tamworth High School
- North Coast: Mackillop College – Port Macquarie
- Riverina: Wade High School

### Years 7/8 Boys

- Sydney Metro: De la Salle College – Revesby Heights
- Hunter: Narara Valley High School
- West/Central West: All Saints College – Bathurst
- Far North Coast: Cape Byron Steiner School
- South Coast: Shellharbour Anglican College
- Northern Inland: Manilla Central School
- North Coast: Taree High School
- Riverina: Murray High School

With school pride on the line, and the opportunity to call themselves State Champions, all 23 teams gathered in Sydney Olympic Park for a big day of competition. The matches were exciting, and fairly contested, with plenty of entertaining netball on display.

Appearing in their fourth consecutive Schools Cup State Final – a feat unmatched by any other participant – St Patricks Primary School – Albury finally had a breakthrough by claiming the Years 5/6 Mixed title after thrilling 13-12 win over Kellyville Public School in the Grand Final.

St Patricks – Albury has shown great passion and dedication for the School Cup competition, not only by contesting every year since its inception, but by also committing to the nine-hour round trip by bus from their home town. Incredible!

Joining St Patrick's – Albury on the winners list was The Hills Sports High School who were crowned the Years 7/8 Girls State Champions following their seven goal win over BWSC Umina in the title decider.

Rounding out the trio of State Champions was Cape Byron Steiner School who defeated Narara Valley High School, 18-13, to take out the Years 7/8 Boys Champions title.

Netball NSW would like to thank Major Partners First National Real Estate for their support of the 2016 Schools Cup.

# Marie Little OAM Shield



The undefeated 2016 Marie Little OAM Shield Champions, Netball NSW

2016 was a successful year for Netball NSW with all our representative teams featuring in their respective Grand Finals, which included our Marie Little OAM Shield Team who claimed back-to-back titles in front of a hometown crowd at Genea Netball Centre in August.

It was a dominant campaign by the hosts, with NSW going through the two-day tournament undefeated to be crowned the 2016 Champions. The feat is even more impressive considering the side also went through the 2015 competition undefeated – NSW has not been defeated at the Marie Little OAM Shield since 2014.

This year also saw the competition grow to include representatives from Netball WA and Netball QLD compete for the first time alongside inaugural participants Netball VIC, Netball SA and Netball NSW.

After winning all eight of their regular round games, the NSW side put in a fine performance to beat our northern rivals, QLD, to advance to a Grand Final showdown with SA – to the delight of their hometown fans who had come out to Genea Netball Centre to cheer them on.

NSW showed their class again in the Grand Final, playing sharp, free-flowing netball to take an early five-goal lead into the half-time break. That form continued into the second half, despite strong fightback from their committed opposition, to run out 16-6 victors.

For Head Coach Jenny O’Keeffe – who has been at the helm of the side since they were first introduced in 2013 – the tournament was a success because of the hard work, dedication and passion showed by the athletes.

“I’m really proud of the players for their performances this weekend, but also for the commitment they’ve shown throughout our campaign,” O’Keeffe said.

“For many of us we’ve been together for a few years now, so we’ve grown and improved throughout our time together. But we also welcomed some new faces this year and the players have been really great at encouraging and welcoming them as well.

“I think it’s terrific that the Marie Little OAM Shield has also grown this year to include WA and QLD – netball is proving that it’s an inclusive sport no matter what your background or ability is, and I feel very privileged to be involved.

“We’re so proud to represent NSW – to wear the Waratah with pride and do our best each and every time we take the court. That’s all I can ask from the players, and they’re a delight to work with.”

The Marie Little OAM Shield provides an opportunity for netball players with an intellectual disability from across Australia to compete at a national tournament.

Netball NSW would like to thank the umpires, bench officials and Netball Australia’s National Inclusion and Diversity Partner, Australia Post, who played a significant role in making the 2016 Marie Little OAM Shield a success.

# Volunteer Workforce

It was another fantastic year for NSW Coaches, Umpires and Bench Officials in 2016 with a number of high-profile appointments putting our home-grown talent front and centre on both national and international stages.

In the coaching stakes NSW Swifts Head Coach Rob Wright again led his side to the Trans-Tasman Netball League (TTNL) Grand Final for the second consecutive year, and while the result went against the team after a nail-biting, double extra-time thriller against the Queensland Firebirds, the game captured the imagination of the Australian sporting public and was a wonderful advertisement for netball.

Wright was assisted in his role by Anita Keelan and Megan Anderson, and was also named Head Coach of the 2016 TTNL All-Star Team.

On the international stage Anne Sargeant OAM was once again among the selectors for the Quad Series-winning Australian Diamonds, while Maria Lynch and Lenore Blades were named as selectors for the Australian 17/U and 19/U squads respectively. Meanwhile, eight NSW representatives were named Australian Underage Specialist coaches; Megan Anderson, Mo'onia Gerrard, Bec Bulley, Sonia Mkoloma, Briony Akle, Nerida Stewart and Susan Pettitt.

Umpires in NSW enjoyed a bumper year of success with six representing the State in the final edition of the TTNL. Michelle Phippard umpired in all 17 rounds of the 2016 tournament, including the Grand Final, and was named Umpire of the Year. Also representing NSW on the trans-Tasman stage was Helen George, Tara Warner, Clare McCabe, Bronwen Adams and Emma Davey (reserve).

At Australian Netball League level, Sharon Kelly was appointed Mentor Coach, while Adams, Davey, Warner and McCabe all officiated.

Representing NSW on the world stage in 2016 were some of our fantastic bench officials with Ruth Havrlant the Bench Manager for the Constellation Cup Test Match along with Helen Andrews, Yvonne Richardson and Lyn Bonnett. Havrlant was joined by Lyn Bonnett, Yvonne Richardson, Patricia Mann, Helen Andrews, Sam Dawes and Karen Wilson in officiating during the TTNL season. Havrlant was also named Bench Manager for the Grand Final in Brisbane.

## Biennial Conference

Over 240 coaches, umpires, technical officials and administrators from across the NSW netball community converged on the Genea Netball Centre in February to further their knowledge, skills and understanding of netball at the 2016 Biennial Conference.

Australian Diamonds Head Coach Lisa Alexander was the keynote speaker for the event and she also delivered a two-hour High Performance coaching session alongside Rob Wright.

INF rule discussions with expert panellists, dietetics sessions, community engagement and inclusion programs discussions, MyNetball learning, social media sessions, ethics and values exploration were other elements of a fantastic weekend of learning.

## Workshops and training

Sixteen Coach and Umpire NetEd workshops were conducted across the State in 2016, with over 500 Members attending the sessions.

The Insiders Series was very well received with 100 coaches and teacher ambassadors invited to hear from Swifts Assistant Coach Anita Keelan. Attendees also participated in the KNEE Program workshop which was facilitated by program creator Alanna Antcliffe and Australian Diamonds Team Doctor Sophie Armstrong.

On top of this the introduction of the Online Foundation Coach Accreditation course allowed grassroots members easy access to world-class coaching methods at a time that suits them. The results were fantastic with over 1000 people completing the course and attaining their Foundation Accreditation.

## National Volunteer Week

Without our treasured volunteers, netball in NSW would not be able to flourish like it does. People who give up their spare time to volunteer at their local Clubs and Associations are the lifeblood of our game and we were delighted to host functions in their honour at the Genea Netball Centre from 9–12 May.

Flowers, chocolates, drinks and nibbles were supplied to the 400-plus volunteers from the fields of coaching, umpiring and bench officiating, who were able to attend.



Samsung Premier League Grand Final Umpires



All smiles at the score bench during Samsung Premier League



2016 ANL Most Valuable Player  
Vanessa Mullampy

# High Performance



The NSW Swifts line-up ahead of the epic 2016 trans-Tasman Netball League Grand Final

2016 was an exciting and successful year for Netball NSW. All five of our representative teams – the NSW Swifts, Netball NSW Waratahs, NSW 21/U, NSW 19/U and NSW 17/U – featured in their respective Grand Finals; an achievement unparalleled by any other Member Organisation this year.

Along with our NSW 21/U Team being crowned National Champions, Netball NSW also had two representatives named Most Valuable Player for their respective competitions – NSW Swift Maddy Turner was named 21/U National MVP for the second consecutive year (the first athlete since former NSW junior April Brandley claimed back-to-back MVP nods in 2010 and 2011), while Netball NSW Waratah Goal Attack Vanessa Mullampy earned herself MVP after a breakthrough Australian Netball League season.

This year's successes haven't come about by chance – it's been a work in progress across many years, where Netball NSW has dedicated great resources into continuing to provide development opportunities for the athletes, coaches and officials in our High Performance Pathways. This dedication is now paying dividends and will continue to spur us on in our future ambitions.

## Players

This year, a total of 23 NSW athletes were named in National teams, providing further proof that the NSW netball community is a great source for talented athletes.

## Australian Diamonds

### 2016 Quad Series:

April Brandley, Kim Ravaillion, Gabi Simpson.

### 2016 Constellation Cup:

April Brandley, Paige Hadley, Kim Ravaillion, Gabi Simpson.

### 2016 Fast5 Netball World Series:

Erin Bell, Paige Hadley, Susan Pettitt,

### 2017 Quad Series:

April Brandley, Kristina Brice (Training Partner), Paige Hadley, Susan Pettitt, Kim Ravaillion, Gabi Simpson.

## Australian World Youth Cup Squad

Toni Anderson  
Kiera Austin  
Rudi Ellis  
Claire O'Brien

## Australian 20/U squad

Toni Anderson  
Kiera Austin  
Rudi Ellis  
Lauren Moore  
Claire O'Brien

## Australian 19/U Squad

Alison Miller  
Amy Parmenter  
Laura Towell

## Australian 17/U Squad

Olivia Coleman  
Lucinda Drinan  
Maddy Eaton  
Demi Evans  
Tayla Fraser  
Lili Gorman-Brown  
Shelby Mallon  
Teigan O'Shannassy

## Coaches

In 2016 Netball NSW coaches Briony Akle and Moira Gaha were awarded their High Performance Coach Accreditation, the pinnacle of Australia's coaching accreditation pathway.

Netball Australia accredited the two coaches after completion of assessment tasks for the intensive and rigorous course. Coaches who are awarded the High Performance Coach Accreditation have coached at State and/or National level as well as demonstrated competency in all the high performance coaching technical and tactical skills, which are vital to the continued success of athletes at national level.

In 2016, Akle held the position of NSWIS Head Coach as well as Head Coach of the Netball NSW Waratahs in the Australian Netball League, while Gaha led New South Wales' 19/U State team to a Runners-up finish.

# High Performance Shone in 2016



Netball NSW Waratahs stare down their Grand Final opponents in the Australian Netball League

It was great year of High Performance excellence in 2016 with all NSW representative teams reaching the Grand Finals in their respective competitions: The 21/U team excelled winning the National Netball Championships gold medal with all other programs (NSW Swifts, Waratahs, 19/U and 17/U) coming away from their Grand Final with the silver medal.

There were outstanding performances all round, notably from the NSW Swifts who played a huge role in the most thrilling Trans-Tasman Netball League Grand Final in history. The historic match went into double extra time; however the NSW Swifts found themselves on the wrong side of the result against the Queensland Firebirds at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre on Sunday 31 July.

The netball fans recognised the talent and dedication of the players and coaching staff when they voted NSW Swifts players Kim Green (WA), Susan Pettitt (GA), Laura Langman (WD) and Sharni Layton (GK) in the All-Star starting seven, while head honcho Rob Wright was named coach of the 2016 side. The All-Star Team, in its sixth year, recognises the most outstanding players in their respective positions and a coach over the course of a season.

In recognition of their outstanding performances within the pathway programs, Championship MVPs were awarded to two NSW representatives Vanessa Mullumpy (ANL) and, for the second year in a row, Maddy Turner (21/U National Netball Championships).

Netball NSW, in partnership with the NSW Institute of Sport (NSWIS), appointed Briony Akle as NSWIS Head Coach. Akle is responsible for delivering the high performance program for NSWIS scholarship athletes as well as supporting the development of identified coaches through ongoing mentoring.

In 2016 the NSWIS program, welcomed 16 athletes to scholarship who were nationally identified at the National Netball Championships. In addition to her NSWIS role, Akle was appointed Head Coach of the Netball NSW Waratahs in the revamped Australian Netball League (ANL) competition and gained her High Performance coaching accreditation



Elation from the NSW 21/U Team after the final whistle of the 2016 National Netball Championships Grand Final



A record crowd of 13,314 fans attend the NSW Swifts Round 9 home game at Qudos Bank Arena in 2016

# NSW Swifts

The NSW Swifts 2016 season was one of celebrating incredible people, heroic moments, history-making feats and record-breaking achievements.

For their second consecutive season the Club sold-out 2016 RED ZONE Memberships – 2,739 fans signed up for 2016, we reached capacity for all five Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre (SOPSC) games and set the record for the largest crowd attendance in the history of the Trans-Tasman Netball League (TTNL) with 13,314 fans at Qudos Bank Arena in Round 9.

With the remarkable support of their Swifts Family behind them, the playing group produced some quality netball for fans to enjoy. New records were broken, with the Swifts posting their highest ever score (79 goals) as well as their largest winning margin (38 goals) in Round 6, when they hosted the Central Pulse at SOPSC.

Under the direction of Head Coach Rob Wright, the Swifts maintained an undefeated record at Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre which contributed to their 10 wins, two losses and one unbelievably exciting draw to close out the regular season.

And while the Australian sporting community thought they'd seen one of the best title deciders in 2015, they could not be prepared for what the Swifts and QLD Firebirds had in store for the rematch.

Having spent three weeks' on the road – while the Firebirds had not left their Brisbane base since Round 13 – the Swifts returned to the scene of 2015's Grand Final heartbreak.

It was a game that lived up to the hype; 76-plus minutes of intense, pulsating and quality netball that had all of Australia talking. Unfortunately the Swifts were unable to reverse their fortunes, falling the wrong side of the 69-67 final score.

In what was the tightest Grand Final in history, which went into nail-biting Double Extra Time, it was a fitting end to the TTNL.

The Swifts' efforts won them many admirers, with Susan Pettitt (GA), Kimberlee Green (WA), Laura Langman (WD) and Sharni Layton (GK) being voted by the fans in the 2016 TTNL All-Stars Team – the most players from any one Club.

International accolades also followed; Hadley, Layton, Pettitt, Caitlin Thwaites and Stephanie Wood all selected in the Australian Diamonds squad – Wood making her Green & Gold debut during the 2016 Netball Quad Series against South Africa. Langman was also named Vice-Captain of the New Zealand Silver Ferns.

The future looks bright with Abbey McCulloch, Amy Sommerville and Maddy Turner all recognised in the Diamonds' Emerging Talent Squad.

## 2016 NSW Swifts

Kimberlee Green (Captain), Laura Langman (Vice-Captain), Kaitlyn Bryce, Paige Hadley, Sharni Layton, Abbey McCulloch, Lauren Moore, Susan Pettitt, Amy Sommerville, Caitlin Thwaites, Maddy Turner, Stephanie Wood.

## Coaching & Support Staff

**Head Coach:** Rob Wright

**Assistant Coaches:** Megan Anderson & Anita Keelan

**Team Manager:** Gail Eckert

**Physiotherapists:** Paula Peralta & Daniel Vukovic

**Strength & Conditioning:** Jason Howell & Lukas Cannan

**Performance Analyst:** Bjorn Maddern

**Team Doctor:** Dr Grace Bryant OAM

**Sport Psychologist:** Dr Michael Martin

**Dietician:** Caitlin Reid

Round	Opponent	Results (Swifts first)	Win-Loss- Draw
1	Melbourne Vixens	57-42	1-0-0
2	Waikato Bay of Plenty Magic	78-50	2-0-0
3	Adelaide Thunderbirds	68-44	3-0-0
4	West Coast Fever	63-52	4-0-0
5	QLD Firebirds	51-61	4-1-0
6	Central Pulse	79-41	5-1-0
7	Melbourne Vixens	59-51	6-1-0
8	Mainland Tactix	73-52	7-1-0
9	QLD Firebirds	58-54	8-1-0
10	BYE		
11	West Coast Fever	57-58	8-2-0
12	Adelaide Thunderbirds	67-53	9-2-0
13	Northern Mystics	59-53	10-2-0
14	Southern Steel	59-59	10-2-1
Elim. Final	Melbourne Vixens	67-53	11-2-1
Conf. Final	QLD Firebirds	52-63	11-3-1
Semi Final	Waikato Bay of Plenty Magic	64-45	12-3-1
Grand Final	QLD Firebirds	67-69 (Double ET)	12-4-1

# Netball NSW Waratahs



2016 Netball NSW Waratahs

The Netball NSW (NNSW) Waratahs produced some stunning netball this season on their way to finishing 2016 Runners-Up, with the Australian Netball League (ANL) season played in conjunction with the Trans-Tasman Netball League for the first time.

Along with playing an attractive brand of netball led by their leaders, Taylah Davies (Captain) and Maddie Hay (Vice-Captain), the NNSW Waratahs also took a big scalp during the regular season – delivering eventual Premiers VIC Fury their first loss in 35 games.

Finishing the regular season with six wins, three losses and a thrilling 51-all draw, NNSW Waratahs went into the Finals Series – hosted at Genea Netball Centre – with confidence. Meeting for the third consecutive game, NSW were able to overcome a spirited Southern Force outfit to win their place in the title decider.

Despite ending their record winning streak during the regular season, the NNSW Waratahs were unable to repeat against a strong and determined Fury outfit. While able to recover from a seven-goal deficit at half-time, NSW were unable to chase down old foes Victoria to finish Runners-Up.

A silver lining for NSW was the announcement that Goal Attack Vanessa Mullampy was named 2016 ANL Most Valuable Player after a breakout season.

## 2016 Netball NSW Waratahs

**Taylah Davies (Captain)** – Eastwood Ryde  
**Maddie Hay (Vice-Captain)** – Sutherland Shire  
**Kiera Austin** – Eastwood Ryde  
**Jessica Calderara** – Eastwood Ryde  
**Sophie Halpin** – Eastwood Ryde  
**Georgia Marshall** – Manly Warringah  
**Alison Miller** – Ku-ring-gai  
**Vanessa Mullampy** – Penrith District  
**Claire O'Brien** – St George District  
**Teigan O'Shannassy** – Manly Warringah  
**Kara Styles** – St George District  
**Ashley Valeni** – Sutherland Shire

## Coaching & Support Staff

**Head Coach:** Briony Akle  
**Assistant Coach:** Sonia Mkoloma  
**Team Manager:** Mardi Aplin  
**Physiotherapists:** Yves Silveira & Gemma Vale  
**Performance Analyst:** Madaleine Owen

Round	Opponent	Results (NSW first)	Win-Loss-Draw
1	QLD Fusion	68-46	1-0-0
2	QLD Fusion	51-51	1-0-1
3	Canberra Darters	52-37	2-0-1
4	Canberra Darters	65-46	3-0-1
5	VIC Fury	44-60	3-1-1
6	VIC Fury	50-41	4-1-1
7	Western Sting	63-60	5-1-1
8	Western Sting	50-59	5-2-1
9	Southern Force	48-50	5-3-1
10	Southern Force	66-54	6-3-1
Semi Final	Southern Force	58-56	7-3-1
Grand Final	VIC Fury	46-53	7-4-1

# NSW 21/U



2016 NSW 21/U Team

It was a near-perfect National Netball Championships campaign for the NSW 21/U Team, who dropped just one game on their way to being crowned 2016 Premiers.

Led by Captain Kaitlyn Bryce and Vice-Captain Maddie Hay, NSW were dominant during the week-long campaign to finish equal first with Victoria at the end of the regular rounds; who would later turn out to be their Grand Final foe.

Heading into the Finals off the back of a Bye, NSW came out firing against QLD in the Semi Final. A flawless shooting performance from Goal Attack Kiera Austin – who finished with 28 goals from as many attempts – helped NSW to a 19-goal victory, booking themselves a place in the title decider.

With confidence high, NSW reversed a two-goal deficit at the first break to lead by a goal at half-time. Circle defenders and NSW Swifts' teammates Lauren Moore (GK) and Maddy Turner (GD) did a stellar job to keep VIC's prolific shooters from having much influence, while the Blues' midcourt worked in tandem.

The result saw NSW reverse their one-goal loss to the VICs in Round 6 to post a 49-46 Championship-winning performance, with Turner named 21/U Tournament MVP for the second consecutive year; the first player since former NSW junior April Brandley (nee Letton) achieved the same feat in 2010-11.

## 2016 NSW 21/U Team

**Kaitlyn Bryce (Captain)** – St George District  
**Maddie Hay (Vice-Captain)** – Sutherland Shire  
**Toni Anderson** – Sutherland Shire  
**Kiera Austin** – Eastwood Ryde  
**Natalie Eldridge** – St George District  
**Georgia Marshall** – Manly Warringah  
**Alison Miller** – Ku-ring-gai  
**Lauren Moore** – Wyong District  
**Claire O'Brien** – St George District  
**Kara Styles** – St George District  
**Maddy Turner** – Ku-ring-gai  
**Madeline Woods** – Baulkham Hills Shire

## Coaching & Support Staff

**Head Coach:** Maria Lynch  
**Assistant Coach:** Pate Cooper  
**Team Manager:** Deborah Kassing  
**Physiotherapists:** Lauren Gradwell & Ryan Fraser  
**Performance Analyst:** Alexandria Diakos

Round	Opponent	Results (NSW first)	Win-Loss-Draw
1	TAS	57-29	1-0-0
2	SA	51-41	2-0-0
3	WA	66-46	3-0-0
4	QLD	55-43	4-0-0
5	ACT	65-35	5-0-0
6	VIC	49-50	5-1-0
Semi Final	QLD	60-41	6-1-0
Grand Final	VIC	49-46	7-1-0

## 2016 Tournament MVP

Maddy Turner

## Australian 20/U World Netball Youth Cup squad

Toni Anderson  
 Kiera Austin  
 Rudi Ellis (NSW 19/U Team)  
 Claire O'Brien

## Australian 20/U squad

Toni Anderson  
 Kiera Austin  
 Rudi Ellis (NSW 19/U Team)  
 Lauren Moore  
 Claire O'Brien

# NSW 19/U



2016 NSW 19/U Team

The NSW 19/U Team finished Runners-Up at the 2016 National Netball Championships held in Perth, WA. They finished the tournament with six wins, two losses and a draw, with the Moira Gaha-led side featuring a mixture of experienced athletes alongside first time State representatives.

The age old rivalry between NSW and Victoria remains strong, with the Navy Blues proving to be a thorn in the NSW 19/U Team's side during competition. After finishing the regular rounds in second place, NSW came out firing against South Australia in their Semi Final; hitting the lead early only to extend their advantage at every break to post a 15-goal victory and book their place in the title decider.

However there they met the undefeated Victorians, who had claimed their earlier Round 4 match-up by four goals. Early nerves saw NSW trailing by the same margin at half-time; but a stunning turnaround during the third quarter put the Blues into the lead as the match progressed to the final 10 minutes.

But their efforts could not be sustained with the Victorians recovering; a match proving to be a thrilling and fitting finale to 19/U Championships.

Round	Opponent	Results (NSW first)	Win-Loss-Draw
1	QLD	33-18	1-0-0
2	WA	33-33	1-0-1
3	NT	48-14	2-0-1
4	VIC	24-29	2-1-1
5	ACT	35-31	3-1-1
6	SA	35-32	4-1-1
7	TAS	36-13	5-1-1
Semi Final	SA	39-24	6-1-1
Grand Final	VIC	27-31	6-2-1

## 2016 NSW 19/U Team

**Amy Parmenter (Captain)** – St George District  
**Kristen Kessler (co-Vice-Captain)** – Wyong District  
**Laura Towell (co-Vice-Captain)** – St George District  
**Rudi Ellis** – Blacktown City  
**Rachel Herne** – Lismore & District  
**Veronika Jukic** – Eastwood Ryde  
**Abbey McFadden** – Penrith  
**Emily Moore** – Ku-ring-gai  
**Braeden Quince** – Sutherland Shire  
**Cassandra Radford** – Sutherland Shire  
**Olivia Rowntree** – St George District  
**Ashley Valeni** – Sutherland Shire

## Australian 19/U representatives

Alison Miller (NSW 21/U Team)  
 Amy Parmenter  
 Laura Towell

## Coaching & Support Staff

**Head Coach:** Moira Gaha  
**Assistant Coach:** Jaqua Heddle  
**Team Manager:** Maureen Stephenson OAM  
**Physiotherapists:** Jessica Harrison & Alice Brown  
**Performance Analyst:** Mat Knight

# NSW 17/U



The NSW 17/U Team returned from the 2016 National Netball Championships in Perth, WA as Runners-Up after a successful campaign. It was a terrific effort from the young Blues side.

Finishing the regular rounds with a respectable four wins and three losses, NSW turned their attentions to the Semi Finals, where they met old foes Victoria – as yet undefeated.

Trailing by five goals at half-time, NSW produced a stunning second half performance to surge back. It wasn't until the final quarter that the Blues were able to take the lead, which they didn't surrender to progress through to the 2016 Grand Final.

In the Grand Final they met South Australia, who were also undefeated – coincidentally sharing a draw with Victoria in Round 4 earlier in the competition. Both teams put out a thrilling performance; NSW clawing back from a three-goal deficit at half-time to even the scoreboard at 20 goals apiece ahead of the final quarter.

However South Australia was able to find more – the Blues unable to maintain their resurgence. At the final whistle, South Australia was 29-24 Champions, but NSW held their heads high.

## 2016 NSW 17/U Team

**Ebony Burnard** – Eastwood Ryde  
**Olivia Coleman** – St George District  
**Laura Davenport** – Sutherland Shire  
**Lucinda Drinan** – Manly Warringah  
**Madeline Eaton** – St George District  
**Demi Evans** – Wyong District  
**Tayla Fraser** – Baulkham Hills Shire  
**Lili Gorman-Brown** – Sutherland Shire – replacement player for Riley Quinn  
**Chelsea Loughry** – Eastwood Ryde  
**Shelby Mallon** – Sutherland Shire  
**Matilda McDonell** – Manly Warringah  
**Teigan O'Shannassy** – Manly Warringah  
**Riley Quinn** – Eastwood Ryde – withdrew with injury prior to tournament

## Coaching & Support Staff

**Head Coach:** Jo Macdermid  
**Assistant Coach:** Colleen Mitchell  
**Team Manager:** Nikki Welsford  
**Physiotherapists:** Pascal Wallace & Gabrielle Calavassy  
**Performance Analyst:** Mat Knight

Round	Opponent	Results (NSW first)	Win-Loss-Draw
1	WA	28-24	1-0-0
2	VIC	24-28	1-1-0
3	ACT	32-21	2-1-0
4	QLD	29-31	2-2-0
5	NT	44-11	3-2-0
6	SA	22-31	3-3-0
7	TAS	49-12	4-3-0
Semi Final	VIC	26-24	5-3-0
Grand Final	SA	24-29	5-4-0

## Australian 17/U representatives

Olivia Coleman      Lucinda Drinan      Maddy Eaton  
 Demi Evans      Tayla Fraser      Lili Gorman-Brown  
 Shelby Mallon      Teigan O'Shannassy

## 2016 NSW 17/U Development squad

**Alexandra Bolton** – Sutherland Shire  
**Angela Cloeraine** – Manly Warringah  
**Madison Hilton** – Gosford  
**Claire Hudson** – Camden & District  
**Carly Leembruggen** – Gosford  
**Ricki McCray** – Sutherland Shire  
**Leigh Myers** – Ku-ring-gai  
**Kayla Nakhoul** – Manly Warringah  
**Eve Parker** – Manly Warringah  
**Isabella Pickup** – Randwick  
**Charlotte Raleigh** – Armidale District  
**Tara Rigney** – Northern Suburbs  
**Angela Williams** – Newcastle

## NSW 17/U Development Squad Coaching and Support Staff

**Head Coach:** Leonie Stewart-Weeks  
**Assistant Coach:** Kirstie Fuller  
**Team Manager:** Lisa McCrohon

# Regional Academies



Rob Wright enjoying the local Academy competition

The Regional Academies of Sport (RAS) are an important step in the Netball NSW Athlete Pathway, focusing on athletic development, acquisition of elite skills and the broader concepts of injury prevention, recovery, lifestyle management and education.

Delivered by 10 Regional Academies across the State, as well as the Sydney Netball Academy (SNA) and South East Region Netball Academy (SERNA), the RAS netball program continues to be a priority for the Netball NSW High Performance program.

It is an elite, holistic program that focuses on the development of the individual athlete and their ability to contribute to a team environment. The aim is to deliver a best practice training program based on the Netball Australia 'Develop a Diamond' Academy Curriculum, which is designed to maximise the potential for elite performance outcomes while providing a clear, well communicated development pathway for athletes.

Along with training and development, players selected into Academy netball squads are also involved in two round robin competitions to put their skills into practice; the ClubsNSW Academy Games – held in April – and the Greater Bank Netball Tournament (as part of the Australia Youth Games Invitational) held in July.

## Regional Academies of Sport

Central Coast Academy of Sport  
Far West Academy of Sport  
Hunter Academy of Sport  
Illawarra Academy of Sport  
North Coast Academy of Sport  
Northern Inland Academy of Sport  
Southern Sports Academy  
South East Region Netball academy  
South West Sydney Academy of Sport  
Sydney Netball Academy  
Western Sydney Academy of Sport  
Western Region Academy of Sport

## RAS Program: More than the athletes

Netball NSW believes that while the RAS program forms an important part of a young athletes' development pathway, it also recognises the opportunity it can provide to coaches, umpires and officials.

As such, Netball NSW has focussed on ways to combine learning opportunities to Academy coaching staff, regional umpires and bench officials to ensure individuals were continuing to upskill their knowledge and experience; in turn, creating a more professional environment for athletes to prosper.

Netball NSW used events such as the Greater Bank Netball Tournament to provide real-time mentoring to the 12 Academy coaches, umpires and manager involved. A total of 23 teams were involved in the tournament, with individuals receiving coaching from some of netball's most experienced such as Marion van Munste and Kate Thornborough.

A Managers Workshop was also held at the event with a focus on the roles and responsibilities of a RAS Manager, including how to best enable them to give holistic support to their Academy coaches and athletes.

Netball NSW Volunteer Workforce Manager Di Brown (who retired in November, 2016) said that by hosting all 12 Academies in one place meant the organisation could optimise the occasion to provide more upskilling opportunities to all involved.

"Holding coaching, umpiring and managers,' courses in conjunction with the Greater Bank Netball Tournament allowed us a wonderful opportunity to take our expertise out to the regional volunteers and areas," Brown said.

"Not only did this exposure allow them to continue on their own development pathways, but it also gave them valuable insight from some of the best in the business which will only help our game grow.

"We are very proud that we can offer a holistic learning opportunity to our Academy coaches, umpires, managers and athletes, and will continue to seek them out when and where we can. It's important to us that we continue to offer ways in which individuals can upskill their experience and knowledge."

## Sydney Netball Academy

In October 2015, 23 athletes were selected for the 2016 Sydney Netball Academy squad, with an additional 10 shadow players also named to participate in squad training sessions.

It was a successful season for SNA who were crowned Division 2 Champions at the Greater Bank Netball Tournament in Maitland.



## 2016 Sydney Netball Academy squad

Katalina Amosa – Sutherland Shire  
 Abbey Baker – St George District  
 Alexandra Bolton – Bankstown City  
 Elise Bond – Baulkham Hills Shire  
 Olivia Coleman – St George District  
 Georgia Cottle – Randwick  
 Georgia Dean – Ku-ring-gai  
 Jessica Laga'aia – Inner Western Suburbs  
 Leigh Myers – Ku-ring-gai  
 Brooke Paterson – Randwick  
 Annabelle Perferment – Sutherland Shire  
 Isabella Pickup – Randwick  
 Georgina Ralphs – Ku-ring-gai  
 Ella Robinson – Sutherland Shire  
 Celan Rush – Liverpool City  
 Emma Seamons – Hills District  
 Charlotte Silk – Inner Western Suburbs  
 Kirralee Smith – Sutherland Shire  
 Tahlee Smith – Eastwood Ryde  
 Talani Tombs – Manly Warringah  
 Madison Ward – Northern Suburbs  
 Isabella Ward – Northern Suburbs  
 Jaida White – Sutherland Shire

### Shadow Players

Olivia Bysouth – Hills District  
 Brooklyn Coots – St George District/Sutherland Shire  
 Sophie Dwyer – Eastwood Ryde  
 Lili Harris – Inner Western Suburbs  
 Clare Longi – Inner Western Suburbs  
 Sophie MacLennan-Pike – Ku-ring-gai  
 Isobelle Pamp – Manly Warringah  
 Brianna Tier – Randwick  
 Sofia Metaxouli – Hills District  
 Brigette Vanderham – Inner Western Suburbs

### Coaching & Support Staff

**Head Coach:** Jennie Webster  
**Assistant Coach:** Therri Ellison & Craig Marsh  
**Team Manager:** Lisa McCrohan

## South East Region Netball Academy

Established in 2014, South East Region Netball Academy (SERNA) named 16 athletes to participate in the program's third year under the guidance of Head Coach Adele Marie Cesar.

While SERNA returned from the Greater Bank Netball Tournament empty handed, it was a successful tournament for the Academy with athlete Jazmin Newman named the Most Valuable Player in Division 2.

## 2016 South East Region Netball Academy squad

Bronty Trease – Sapphire Coast  
 Charlotte Walker – Eurobodalla  
 Natalie Cooper – Sapphire Coast  
 Bella Kiely – Sapphire Coast  
 Ellen Hosking – Eurobodalla  
 Jessie Hart – Sapphire Coast  
 Megan Rutherford – Eurobodalla  
 Jazmin Newman – Queanbeyan  
 Emily Brady – Queanbeyan  
 Malia Harrison – Queanbeyan  
 Caitlin Brady – Queanbeyan  
 Abby Crampton – Queanbeyan  
 Jaynaya Shepherd – Queanbeyan  
 Alyssa McInerney – Queanbeyan  
 Erin Mayfield – Queanbeyan  
 Zoe Lee-Archer – Queanbeyan

### Coaching & Support Staff

**Head Coach:** Adele Marie Cesar  
**Assistant Coach:** Lauren Dodd  
**Team Manager:** Kirryn Crossman



Samsung Premier League U20s Champions, Panthers

# Competitions

2016 marked new changes in the Netball NSW Competitions structure with the introduction of the three new tournaments; Samsung Premier League, DOOLEYS Metro League and State Cup.

The re-structure is further proof of Netball NSW's dedication at continuing to grow our sport, to increase the professionalism of netball, and to provide more development opportunities to our players, coaches, umpires and officials.

From State Age Championships right through to the Australian Netball League and Suncorp Super Netball, our organisation is determined to set benchmarks and – importantly – see as many people across the State enjoying our beloved game.

## Samsung Premier League

Announced in July 2015, the Samsung Premier League competition has been designed to attract the best current and emerging talent within NSW. Its purpose, to offer a local, elite platform for players, coaches, officials and administrators, and provide bridging opportunities in to the Australian Netball League (ANL) and subsequent Suncorp Super Netball.

The eight initial teams offered a two year-licence are: **Central Coast Heart, ERNA Hawks, GWS Fury, Manly Warringah Sapphires, North Shore United, Panthers, Sutherland Stingrays and UTS St George Sparks.**

The Premier League competition provided a training ground for our bench officials in preparation for national and international events and tournaments. Expert coaching and development was provided to our bench officials throughout the season that enabled more to step into the National arena.

Netball NSW also selected 21 Umpires in the Tier One program to officiate the Premier League Competition on a weekly basis. The competition provided a high standard platform for our elite group of umpires to receive coaching on a weekly basis from renowned individuals, such as 11 time Australian Umpire of the Year Sharon Kelly.

The Premier League also provided the arena to successfully test four National A badges, as well as two National A badge endorsements, along with providing the opportunity for identified umpires to be given insight in what it takes to take their careers to the next level.

There was an average attendance of over 500 spectators each week ending in a full house for Grand Final evening. Our Partnership with BarTV Sports ensured family, friends and all supporters who could not make it to the venue were also able to view live stream games been played on the Show Court each week.

At the end of the season, BarTV Sports reported more than 40,000 people from more than 25 countries tuned in to catch Premier League action live on the Show Court. Just over half the audience were aged between 18 and 34 years old, with a whopping 75% being females. These numbers prove just how popular the new elite competition was in its debut year.

## DOOLEYS Metro League

With the introduction of Samsung Premier League, DOOLEYS State League underwent a review ahead of the 2016 season and is now known as the DOOLEYS Metro League.

While the name might be different, the product remains the same – a premier netball competition for NSW, offering weekly competition for the State's most talented netballers, coaches, umpires and administrators.

Sixty teams contested DOOLEYS Metro League in its inaugural year, divided into six divisions of 10 teams each, which contested matches three nights a week at Genea Netball Centre.

With the changes to the competition, it was decided the Status Point System which was conducted under DOOLEYS State League would be abolished, with teams subject to Promotion/Regulation System from 2016 – meaning the two teams who finish atop the ladder will be promoted to the division above in 2017, while the bottom two will be regulated to the lower division.

## State Cup

The inaugural Netball NSW State Cup took place at Genea Netball Centre, over the weekend of 24-25 September.

While competition for the title of State champions was the main event, the tournament also crowned the Inter-Regional Champions with the highest ranked Regional Association at the conclusion of the weekend declared the winner.

Teams from the 2016 DOOLEYS Metro League and Regional League Competitions were invited. In all, 11 teams, 118 athletes and 24 umpires took part in what was an action-packed weekend at the home of Netball NSW.

Although fewer teams than anticipated were available for the 2016 State Cup, the inaugural event was an exciting weekend of netball with all teams enjoying the standard of competition. The format was revised to allow for a competitive competition amongst the teams in attendance.

Teams enjoyed the Finals Series format, providing some great game action on the final day of Competition, in difference to the usual 'first past the post' offered in most tournaments of this nature.

# State Championships

**SAMSUNG**  
STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Westlakes Netball Association were full of cheer during the State Championships Parade of Districts in Newcastle

The 48th instalment of the Netball NSW State Championships saw 117 teams representing 72 Associations travel from near and far across the State to participate in back-to-back netball from 11-13 June.

The 2016 tournament saw six age-divisions in action; Newcastle Netball Association hosted four Divisions – Open Championship, 21/U Championship, 17/U Championship and Division Two – while Open Division Two and 17/U Division Three took place at Charlestown Netball Association.

More than 1,000 athletes took the courts to contest over 1,200 games across the three days, with more than 4,100 goals scored across the weekend.

Along with the 2016 Champions and Runners-Up, hosts Newcastle also claimed the Pat Weston OAM Country Championship Trophy; awarded to the highest placed regional Association in the Open Championship division.

## Open Championship

**Winner:** Manly Warringah

**Runners-Up:** Randwick

## Open Division Two

**Winner:** Blue Mountains

**Runners-Up:** Mudgee District

## 21/U Championship

**Winner:** Newcastle

**Runners-Up:** Penrith District

## 17/U Championship

**Winner:** Manly Warringah

**Runners-Up:** Newcastle

## 17/U Division Two

**Winner:** Lismore & District

**Runners-Up:** Great Lakes

## 17/U Division Three

**Winner:** Tamworth

**Runners-Up:** Macleay

Netball NSW would like to thank Samsung for being the naming rights partner of the 2016 Netball NSW State Championships, as well as Major Partners Coast 2 Coast, The Athletes' Foot, The Australian College of Physical Education (ACPE) and The Kids' Cancer Project.

## Participating Teams

Bankstown City 1	Macleay 2
Barellan & Districts 1	Maitland 2
Bathurst 3	Manly Warringah 2
Baulkham Hills Shire 2	Mount Druitt 1
Blayney 1	Mudgee District 1
Blue Mountains 2	Muswellbrook 1
Brunswick Byron 1	Narrabri 1
Campbelltown & District 2	Nambucca Valley 2
Casino 1	Nelsons Bay 2
Charlestown 2	Newcastle 3
City of Sydney 1	Northern Suburbs 2
Cobar 1	Orange 1
Coffs Harbour 2	Parkes District 1
Coonabarabran 1	Penrith District 1
Cowra 1	Port Stephens 2
Dubbo 3	Queanbeyan 2
Eastwood Ryde 1	Randwick 2
Eurobodalla 2	Sapphire Coast 2
Gosford 1	Scone 2
Goulburn & Districts 1	Shoalhaven 2
Glen Innes 2	Singleton 2
Grafton 1	Southern Fusion (VIC) 1
Great Lakes 2	Southern Highlands 1
Griffith 2	Sutherland Shire 1
Gunnedah 2	Tamworth 2
Hastings Valley 2	Taree & Districts 2
Hills District 1	Tumut 1
Illawarra District 2	Ulladulla & Districts 2
Inner Western Suburbs 2	Wagga Wagga 2
Ku-ring-gai 2	Westlakes 2
Kurri Kurri 2	West Wyalong 1
Lakeside 1	Woolgoolga District 2
Leeton 1	Wollondilly 2
Lismore & District 3	Woy Woy Peninsula 1
Lithgow 1	Wyong District 3
Lower Clarence 1	Young & District 1

# State Championships Masters



Baulkham Hills Shire only had eyes for the goal post in their match against Hills Districts during the 2016 State Championships – Masters

Traditionally held over the June long weekend as part of the Netball NSW State Championships, in 2016 the State Championships Masters Divisions were moved to a stand-alone weekend for the first time.

In previous years, the Masters Divisions (Over 35 and Over 40) have played alongside the other six divisions; however in 2016 the State Championships broke from tradition with the Masters being contested at Genea Netball Centre (formerly Netball Central) on 21 and 22 May, 2016.

More than 150 athletes took the court in the state-of-the-art facilities, supported by dozens of umpires, coaches, officials and organisers, to make the first-time standalone tournament a resounding success.

Netball NSW would like to thank Major Partner ProBuild for their support of the 2016 Netball NSW State Championships – Masters.

## Over 35s

**Winner:** Manly Warringah

**Runners-Up:** Baulkham Hills Shire

## Over 40s

**Winner:** Gosford

**Runners-Up:** Wyong District

## Participating Teams

Bankstown City 1  
Baulkham Hills Shire 2  
Blue Mountains 1  
Gosford 1  
Hastings Valley 2  
Hills District 2

Macleay 1  
Manly Warringah 1  
Penrith District 1  
Port Stephens 1  
Wollondilly 1  
Wyong District 1



Memories to last a lifetime  
are made during the 2016  
State Age Championships

# State Age

The 48th instalment of the Netball NSW State Age Championships was held on 2-4 July at three venues – Campbelltown District (Championship Division), Bankstown City (Division 2), and Illawarra District Netball Association (Divisions 3 and 4).

More than 3,300 athletes took the courts, with 309 teams representing 87 Associations from across NSW – marking the tournament as the largest female sporting event in the southern hemisphere!

Along with the athletes taking part, more than 300 Coaches, 500 Umpires and 40,000 spectators were present at the courts to offer support and guidance from the sidelines, with in excess of 83,000 goals scored across the three days.

More than 129,600 minutes of netball was played – more than 2,160 hours or 90 days or nearly 13 weeks or just shy of three months. And remarkably, out of all that netball just 116 drawn results were posted.

Netball NSW would like to thank Samsung for being the naming rights partner of the 2016 Netball NSW State Age Championships, as well as Major Partners BBX, Coast 2 Coast, The Athletes' Foot, The Australian College of Physical Education (ACPE) and The Kids' Cancer Project.

## 15U Championship

**Winner:** Liverpool City  
**Runners-Up:** Sutherland Shire

## 15U Division 2

**Winner:** Blacktown City  
**Runners-Up:** Lismore & District

## 15U Division 3

**Winner:** Ballina  
**Runners-Up:** Gunnedah

## 15U Division 4

**Winner:** Kiama  
**Runners-Up:** Wollondilly

## 14U Championship

**Winner:** Baulkham Hills Shire  
**Runners-Up:** Wyong District

## 14U Division 2

**Winner:** Gosford  
**Runners-Up:** Orange

## 14U Division 3

**Winner:** Nambucca Valley  
**Runners-Up:** Woy Woy Peninsula\*

## 14U Division 4

**Winner:** Casino  
**Runners-Up:** Blayney

\*South Canberra finished in second place in 14U Division 3; however, as an invitational side could not take home a title.

^South Canberra finished in first place in 13U Division 3; however, as an invitational side could not take home a title.

## Participating Teams

Armidale 3  
Bankstown City 4  
Ballina 4  
Barellan & Districts 4  
Baulkham Hills Shire 4  
Blacktown City 4  
Blayney & District 4  
Blue Mountains 4  
Brunswick Byron 3  
Camden & District 4  
Campbelltown District 4  
Casino 4  
Cessnock 1  
Charlestown 4  
City of Sydney 4  
Cobar 1  
Coffs Harbour 4  
Condobolin 1  
Cowra 4  
Dubbo 4  
Eastwood Ryde 4  
Eurobodalla 4  
Forbes 2  
Gosford 4  
Goulburn & District 1  
Glenn Innes 2  
Grafton 4  
Great Lakes 4  
Griffith 4  
Gunnedah 4  
Hastings Valley 4  
Hawkesbury City 4  
Hills District 3  
Illawarra District 4  
Inner Western Suburbs 4  
Inverell 3  
Kiama 4  
Ku-ring-gai 4  
Kurri Kurri 3  
Lakeside 4  
Leeton 4  
Lismore 4  
Liverpool City 4  
Lower Clarence 4  
Macleay 4  
Maitland 4  
Manly Warringah 4  
Mount Druitt 3  
Mudgee District 4  
Muswellbrook 4  
Narrabri 4  
Nambucca Valley 4  
Nelson Bay 3  
Newcastle 4  
Northern Suburbs 4  
Orange 4  
Parkes & District 3  
Parramatta Auburn 4  
Penrith District 4  
Port Stephens 4  
Queanbeyan 4  
Randwick 4  
Sapphire Coast 4  
Scone 4  
Shoalhaven 4  
Singleton 4  
Southern Highlands 3  
St George District 4  
Sutherland Shire 4  
Tamworth 4  
Taree & District 4  
Temora 4  
Tumut 4  
Ulladulla & Districts 3  
Wagga Wagga 4  
Westlakes 4  
West Wyalong 2  
Woolgoolga 2  
Wollondilly 4  
Woy Woy Peninsula 4  
Wyong District 4  
Yass 1  
Young & District 3



Panthers defender showing great aerial ability against GWS Fury during the Samsung Premier League

Netball NSW successfully hosted the inaugural season of the Samsung Premier League in 2016, which saw some of the best NSW netball talent in action week in, week out at Genea Netball Centre.

Unveiled in July 2015, the Netball NSW Premier League (NNSWPL) is a new competition which aims to attract the best current and emerging talent, and offer a local, elite platform for players, coaches, officials and administrators.

The competition provides additional bridging opportunities into the Australian Netball League (ANL) and Suncorp Super Netball.

Through a robust application process, overseen by the NNSWPL Commission, the eight successful inaugural Franchises were **Central Coast Heart, ERNA Hawks, GWS Fury, Manly Warringah Sapphires, North Shore United, Panthers, Sutherland Stingrays** and **UTS St George Sparks** – all of which will be back in 2017 under their two-year licenses.

The NNSWPL was contested in two age divisions – Opens and Under 20s – and included a pre-season tournament ahead of a 14-week round robin season, followed by three weeks of hotly contested Finals Series.

More than 9,000 spectators visited Genea Netball Centre throughout the season to catch the netball action live, with Round 1 drawing the biggest crowd of the season; proof the community was excited about the introduction of a new, elite competition.

More than 40,000 netball fans also tuned in at home, thanks to our friends at BarTV Sports who brought Premier League action from the Show Court straight to fans watching on their laptops or mobile devices every Wednesday evening.

So popular was Premier League, fans were tuning in from all over the world! From New Zealand to England, South Africa to India, netball fans enjoyed the showcase of incredible talent in Netball NSW.

Netball NSW would like to thank naming rights partner Samsung for their continued support of the Netball NSW Premier League competition, as well as netball across NSW.

## Opens Division

Sutherland Stingrays were crowned inaugural Opens Champions after an exciting 50-49 victory over early season favourites, Manly Warringah Sapphires.

As the score line suggested, it was an intense game with little to separate the teams but in the end it was the Minor Premiers who had that little bit extra in the tank to claim the title.

“It feels incredible,” co-Captain Leah Price said post their Grand Final win. “Because it was such a close game, and in those dying seconds we were just trying to hold on. It’s surreal, but it’s incredible.”

Fans were treated to a classic Sutherland vs Manly contest, with momentum ebbing and flowing between the long-time rivals along with the lead. While the Sapphires had the wood early, taking a two-goal advantage into half-time, they were never able to shift their determined opponents.

The Stingrays powered through the second half to claim the one-goal victory, led by Centre Maddie Hay who took home the inaugural President’s Medal for her courageous efforts.

## 2016 Samsung Premier League – Opens

### Final placings

1. Sutherland Stingrays
2. Manly Warringah Sapphires
3. North Shore United
4. UTS St George Sparks
5. Central Coast Heart
6. GWS Fury
7. ERNA Hawks
8. Panthers

## Under 20s Division

The Panthers came from finishing third at the conclusion of the regular season to inaugural Champions after powering to a 13-goal win over UTS St George Sparks in the Grand Final.

Dominant second and third quarters, in which they outscored their opponents 33-21, was key to the Panthers’ triumph in an amazing display of high intensity Finals netball.

“We didn’t have a very good opening quarter where the Sparks were able to get on top of us,” Panthers Captain Abbey McFadden said post the title-decider.

“But I’m really proud of the way our team were able to put the foot on the pedal and turn that performance around – particularly in the second and third quarters – to fight back and get the win.”

After losing the opening quarter by three goals, the Panthers put on a sensational display to turn their fortunes around for the remaining 45 minutes. While the Sparks continued to throw everything into the contest, the Panthers would not let them get close.

## 2016 Samsung Premier League – Opens

### Final placings

1. Panthers
2. UTS St George Sparks
3. Sutherland Stingrays
4. North Shore United
5. GWS Fury
6. Central Coast Heart
7. Manly Warringah Sapphires
8. ERNA Hawks

# DOOLEYS Metro League



Division 6 Champions – Inner Western Suburbs

With the introduction of the Netball NSW Premier League for season 2016, DOOLEYS State League underwent a review and is now known as the **DOOLEYS Metro League**.

While the name might be different, the product remains the same – a premier netball competition for NSW, offering weekly competition for the State's most talented netballers, coaches, umpires and administrators.

Sixty teams contested DOOLEYS Metro League in its inaugural year, divided into six divisions of 10 teams each, which contested matches three nights a week at Genea Netball Centre.

With the changes to the competition, it was decided the Status Point System which was conducted under DOOLEYS State League would be abolished, with teams subject to a Promotion/Regulation System from 2016 – meaning the two teams who finish atop the ladder will be promoted to the division above in 2017, while the bottom two will be regulated to the lower division.

## Division 1

After finishing the regular season in fourth place, Ku-ring-gai stormed home during the Finals Series to be crowned 2016 Champions after posting a 37-31 win over Eastwood Ryde in the Grand Final. It was a game that was full of grit, effort and commitment from both sides, and while there weren't many goals scored every member of the vocal crowd in attendance was treated to a thrilling spectacle.

### Final placings

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|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Ku-ring-gai          | 6. Manly Warringah  |
| 2. Eastwood Ryde        | 7. Penrith District |
| 3. St George District   | 8. Bankstown City   |
| 4. Northern Suburbs     | 9. Sutherland Shire |
| 5. Baulkham Hills Shire | 10. City of Sydney  |

## Division 2

Hunter United were crowned the 2016 Champions after strong second and third quarter performances helped set up their 11-goal victory over Minor Premiers Illawarra District. Combined with a rejuvenated showing in the middle of the game, Hunter's superior shooting accuracy – 93 percent for the game – formed the backbone of the win, eventually overcoming a committed and talented Illawarra outfit in the final 15 minutes.

## Final placings

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Hunter United        | 6. Northern Suburbs   |
| 2. Illawarra District   | 7. Blacktown City     |
| 3. Randwick             | 8. St George District |
| 4. Hills District       | 9. Eastwood Ryde      |
| 5. Baulkham Hills Shire | 10. Sutherland Shire  |

## Division 3

Blue Mountains bounced back from a 17-goal defeat to Campbelltown in the Semi Finals, to be crowned 2016 Champions after posting a 43-40 win; a stunning 20-goal turnaround against the same opponents in the Grand Final. Leading for the entire game, their three-goal victory did not come easy after meeting a plucky Campbelltown outfit in the second half; their 10-goal lead narrowed down to just one goal late in the contest.

### Final placings

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Blue Mountains        | 6. Camden & District  |
| 2. Campbelltown District | 7. Parramatta Auburn  |
| 3. Central Coast         | 8. Penrith & District |
| 4. Ku-ring-gai           | 9. Blacktown City     |
| 5. Bankstown City        | 10. City of Sydney    |

## Division 4

Manly Warringah were able to overcome Minor Premiers Randwick to be crowned 2016 Champions, posting a hard-fought 39-38 victory to claim the Division 4 title. The contest was an extremely intense affair, with the result coming right down to the wire in what was a stunning match in front of a raucous crowd.

### Final placings

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Manly Warringah      | 6. Liverpool City     |
| 2. Randwick             | 7. Eastwood Ryde      |
| 3. Northern Suburbs     | 8. St George District |
| 4. Baulkham Hills shire | 9. Sutherland Shire   |
| 5. Central Coast        | 10. City of Sydney    |



Celebrations were at an all-time high for Ku-ring-gai after their Division 1 Grand Final win



Campbelltown's bench looked pleased with what they saw on court during their Division 3 Grand Final

### Division 5

A dominant first half performance set up Inner Western Suburbs to be crowned 2016 Champions, who went on to post a 15-goal victory over Hills District to claim the title. While Hills couldn't have hoped for a better start by opening with the first three goals, their efforts couldn't be sustained as Inner West recovered from a shaky start to control the remainder of the game.

#### Final placings

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Inner Western Suburbs | 6. Illawarra District    |
| 2. Hills District        | 7. Campbelltown District |
| 3. Blacktown City        | 8. Bankstown City        |
| 4. Ku-ring-gai           | 9. Parramatta Auburn     |
| 5. Penrith District      | 10. Kurri Kurri          |

### Division 6

Inner Western Suburbs were also successful in Division 6, claiming the 2016 Champions title after defeating Hawkesbury City 48-41 in the title decider. They were the only team to be able to claim the double after finishing Minor Premiers at the conclusion of the regular season; displaying a maturity far beyond their young years to survive a hard-fought contest with their Grand Final opponents.

#### Final placings

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|--------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Inner Western Suburbs | 6. Hills District    |
| 2. Hawkesbury City       | 7. Camden & District |
| 3. Mount Druitt District | 8. Liverpool City    |
| 4. Blue Mountains        | 9. Kurri Kurri       |
| 5. Wollondilly           | 10. Kiama            |

# Regional State League

Regional League is the premier netball competition contested across Regions 2-8 of NSW, where the area's most talented netballers, coaches and officials showcase their skills. Winners are then invited to participate in the Netball NSW State Cup, vying for State Cup and Inter-Regional Champions titles.

## Hunter (Region 2)

**Division 1:** Newcastle 21s 54 d Newcastle 17s 31

Maintaining a near-perfect record throughout the season, Newcastle 21s overcame their younger counterparts to claim Division 1 at Port Stephens Netball Association. The team tasted success again, claiming the Inter-Regional Champions title for the third consecutive year.

**Division 2:** Woy Woy Opens 63 d Port Stephens Opens 50

**Division 3:** Newcastle 15s 42 d Charlestown 17s 18

**Division 4:** Charlestown 15s 60 d Wyong 17s 40

**Division 5:** Lakeside 14s 49 d Woy Woy 15s 38

**Division 6:** Charlestown 14s 45 d Muswellbrook 14s 24

## West/Central West (Region 3)

**Division 1:** Orange 60 d Nyngan 49  
On their home courts Orange put on a terrific netball display for the locals, overcoming neighbouring Nyngan to claim their 21st consecutive Regional title.

**Division 2:** Bathurst 39 d Dubbo 35

**Division 3:** Orange 36 d Dubbo 33

## Far North Coast (Region 4)

**Division 1:** Grafton 56 d Ballina 38  
Maintaining a perfect winning record, Grafton Opens went through the competition with six consecutive wins, including the 2016 title-decider where they overcame a spirited Ballina Opens by 18 goals at Casino Sports Stadium.

## South Coast (Region 5)

**Division 1:** Illawarra 45 d Goulburn 27  
In front of their home fans at Fred Finch Park netball courts, Illawarra emerged triumphant to be crowned the 2016 Champions. The side had remained undefeated throughout the competition, and were met by an equally successful Goulburn – who's only loss came at the hands of Illawarra during the regular rounds.

**Division 2:** Illawarra 73 d Shoalhaven 36

**Division 3:** Sapphire Coast 37 d Eurobodalla 30

## Northern Inland (Region 6)

**Division 1:** Quirindi 65 d Armidale District 46

Proving front-runners throughout the regular rounds, Quirindi stormed home in the Grand Final to claim the 2016 Champions title by 19 goals at Tamworth Sports Dome.

**Division 2:** Gunnedah 56 d Group 14 39

## North Coast (Region 7)

**Division 1:** Hastings Valley 60 d Woolgoolga District 33

Taking the court in enemy territory, Hastings Valley emerged triumphant over home-town heroes Woolgoolga District to claim back-to-back North Coast Champions titles. To add to their achievement, Hastings were able to navigate the competition undefeated with eight straight wins.

**Division 2:** Nambucca Valley 35s (Valley Vipers) 53 d Macleay 50

**Division 3:** Great Lakes 17s 50 d Woolgoolga 17s 32

## Riverina (Region 8)

**Division 1:** Wagga Wagga 17s 49 d Wagga Wagga 21s 44

It was a win-win scenario for Wagga Wagga as their 21s and 17s teams faced off against each other in the 2016 title-decider; their younger counterparts finishing on top in a tight contest at Young PCYC.

**Division 2:** Griffith 15s 36 d West Wyalong 17s 15

## Far North Coast

Division 1 Runners Up Ballina  
Division 1 Winners Grafton

## Hunter

Division 1 Runners Up Newcastle 17s  
Division 1 Winners Newcastle 21s

Division 2 Runners Up Port Stephens Opens  
Division 2 Winners Woy Woy Opens

Division 3 Runners Up Charlestown 17s  
Division 3 Winners Newcastle 15s

Division 4 Runners Up Wyong 17s  
Division 4 Winners Charlestown 15s

Division 5 Runners Up Woy Woy 15s  
Division 5 Winners Lakeside 14s

Division 6 Runners Up Muswellbrook 14s  
Division 6 Winners Charlestown 14s

## North Coast

Division 1 Runners Up Woolgoolga  
Division 1 Winners Hastings Valley

Division 2 Runners Up Macleay  
Division 2 Winners Nambucca Valley 35s (Valley Vipers)

Division 3 Runners Up Woolgoolga 17s  
Division 3 Winners Great Lakes 17s

## Northern Inland

Division 1 Runners Up Armidale  
Division 1 Winners Quirindi

Division 2 Runners Up Group 14  
Division 2 Winners Gunnedah

## Riverina

Division 1 Runners Up Wagga 21s  
Division 1 Winners Wagga 17s

Division 2 Runners Up West Wyalong 17s  
Division 2 Winners Griffith 15s

## South Coast

Division 1 Runners Up Goulburn  
Division 1 Winners Illawarra

Division 2 Runners Up Shoalhaven  
Division 2 Winners Illawarra

Division 3 Runners Up Eurobodalla  
Division 3 Winners Sapphire Coast

## West Central West

Division 1 Runners Up Nyngan  
Division 1 Winners Orange

Division 2 Runners Up Dubbo  
Division 2 Winners Bathurst

Division 3 Runners Up Dubbo  
Division 3 Winners Orange

Division 4 Runners Up Condobolin  
Division 4 Winners Blayney

# 2016 State Cup



Grafton had eyes on the ball under pressure from Inner Western Suburbs defence

The inaugural State Cup was held at Genea Netball Centre on Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 September, featuring action from some of the best and brightest netball talent from across the State.

The State Cup, which brings the best Metro and Regional teams in New South Wales together, was set up to determine the State's best Association in the Opens age category.

Teams from the 2016 DOOLEYS Metro League and Regional League Competitions were invited to compete, with 118 athletes and 24 umpires taking part in an action-packed weekend at the home of Netball NSW.

**Northern Suburbs** took out the inaugural Netball NSW State Cup title after a 25-10 win over Manly Warringah in the Grand Final at Genea Netball Centre; however that wasn't the only title on offer over the weekend.

Following minor rounds, teams were split into two Divisions – State Cup and Plate – with **Inner Western Suburbs** emerging the inaugural winners of the latter.

It was determined the highest ranked Regional Association at the conclusion of the weekend would be declared the Inter-Regional Champion and, after some fine play, **Newcastle** took home the title for the third consecutive season.

## Final placings

1. Northern Suburbs (State Cup Champions)
2. Manly Warringah
3. Baulkham Hills Shire
5. Newcastle (Inter-Regional Champions)
4. Sutherland Shire
6. Orange
8. Inner Western Suburbs (Plate Division winners)
7. Quirindi
9. Hastings Valley
10. Grafton
11. City of Sydney

# Social Masters



The weekend started with some rain but by the end the sun was shining brightly and little could dampen the spirits of the competitors at the 2016 ACPE Social Masters in Wyong.

Forty-four teams from across NSW converged on the Central Coast on Saturday and Sunday, 22-23 October to take part in a wonderful weekend of fun, friends and netball.

Over the course of the two days 220 games were played as the Wyong District Netball Association put on a fine show to host one of the most popular events on the Netball NSW calendar.

This year was the seventh edition of the competition, which is all about getting together with friends for some good times and our favourite sport.

The social function on Saturday night was, as ever, one of the event highlights and there was action a-plenty on the dance floor as well as some fine skills displayed on court.

Players competed in two categories – Over 35s and a combined Over 40/45s – and after the success of the 2016 competition, Netball NSW will be hoping for the same excitement and more in Illawarra in 2017.

“To all our amazing athletes, team managers, umpires, volunteers and staff, congratulations on what was a fantastic 2016 ACPE Social Masters,” General Manager – Marketing, Events & Communications Kath Tetley said.

“We had a wonderful two days on the Central Coast and I would like to congratulate the 2016 winners and everyone for taking part in what has become an integral event for our organisation.”

Netball NSW would like to thank Wyong District Netball Association for their assistance in hosting the 2016 event, as well as naming rights sponsor the Australian Centre of Physical Education (ACPE) for their support.

# Court Craft Night Interdistrict



Baulkham Hills Shire and St George District contest for a high ball during NID

With 2016 proving to be another stellar 12 months for netball in NSW, it was only fitting that one of the State's most popular competitions – the Court Craft Night Interdistrict – brought the curtain down on the season.

Coming to a close on Friday 16 December, the 2016 edition saw 600 athletes from 60 teams take to the court for 11 weeks of intense competition, with more than 18,000 goals scored, 26 draws and around 6,600 minutes of netball played.

After a hard fought 10 weeks it was St George District who proved themselves to be the best team in the competition after they beat Sutherland Shire in Division 1.

Netball NSW Competitions Manager Claire Dale was very impressed with the results and the quality of competition on display for the duration of the tournament.

“The NID competition has stepped up again in 2016 and, we had a record number of participants and teams compete in a variety of events, and that is an incredible thing for our sport,” she said.

“At Netball NSW we are confident that will increase again in 2017 and the results show that netball remains front and centre of the NSW sporting public's minds and Court Craft Night Interdistrict is a great way to finish the year.”

Netball NSW would like to thank long-standing sponsors Court Craft for their continued support of the Night Interdistrict Competition.

## 2016 Court Craft Night Interdistrict – Results

	Winner	Runners-up
Division 1	St George District	Sutherland Shire
Division 2	Randwick City	Hills District
Division 3	Sutherland Shire	Baulkham Hills
Division 4	Inner Western Suburbs	Parramatta Auburn
Division 5	Liverpool City	Hills District
Division 6	Inner Western Suburbs	St George District
Division 7	Campbelltown District	Liverpool City
Division 8	Camden & District	Northern Suburbs
Division 9	Ku-ring-gai	Blacktown City
Division 10	Camden & District	Hill District

# 2016 Award Winners



## Netball NSW Award Winners

### Hall of Fame – Athlete:

Marcia Ella-Duncan OAM

### Hall of Fame – Heritage:

The NSW Women's Basketball Association Minute Book  
1969 NSW Netball Association Touring Singapore Team

### Anne Clark BEM Service Awards:

Stephanie Bortkevich – Newcastle Netball Association  
Ken Eberbach – Ku-ring-gai Netball Association  
June Haynes – Northern Suburbs Netball Association  
Ann O'Mara – Sutherland Shire Netball Association  
Leslie Smith – Charlestown Netball Association

### Marilyn Melhuish OAM NSW Swifts Player of the Year:

Laura Langman

### Marj Groves AM Scholarship:

Claire O'Brien – St George District Netball Association

### Nance Kenny OAM Medal – Premier League Player of the Year:

Kristen Kessler – Wyong District Netball Association

### Lynn Quinn OAM Bench Official Award:

Karen Wilson – Baulkham Hills Shire Netball Association  
Patricia Mann – Penrith District Netball Association

### Neita Matthews OAM Umpires Award:

Laura Hay – St George District Netball Association  
Shauna Winchester – Ku-ring-gai Netball Association

### Margaret Corbett OAM Coaches Award:

Jaqua Heddle – Penrith District Netball Association

### Judy Dunbar Media Awards:

Community Media Excellence – Central Western Daily  
Best Feature – Duncan Huntsdale, ABC Grandstand  
Best Photograph – Mark Evans, Newscorp Australia

## NSW Swifts Awards

### QBE NSW Swifts' Most Valued Player:

Laura Langman

### NSW Swifts Members' Player of the Year:

Sharni Layton

### NSW Swifts Players' Player of the Year:

Amy Sommerville

### NSW Swifts Club Person of the Year:

Lukas Cannan (Strength & Conditioning Coach)

### NSW Swifts Coaches' Award:

Paige Hadley  
Stephanie Wood

## NSW Sports Federation Awards

### Distinguished Long Service Award

Noeline Boyce



Nance Kenny OAM Medal – Premier League Player of the Year Kristen Kessler



Co-recipients of the Neita Matthews OAM Umpires Award, Laura Hay and Shauna Winchester



Claire O'Brien is presented with the Marj Groves AM Scholarship by Netball NSW Board Member Carol Murphy



2016 QBE NSW Swifts' Most Valued Player, Laura Langman also received the Marilyn Melhuish OAM NSW Swifts Player of the Year



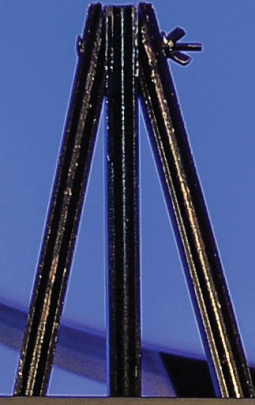
Patricia Mann is presented with the Lynn Quinn OAM Bench Official Award by the namesake herself






Margaret Corbett OAM presents the Coaches Award – named in her honour – to Jaqua Heddle



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**2016**  
**HALL OF FAME**

**MARCIA ELLA-DUNCAN**

**MARCIA ELLA-DUNCAN OAM**  
 A pioneer in Australian sport, Marcia Ella-Duncan represented New South Wales in both the Opens (1984-1987) and 21/U (1981-1983) State Teams, claiming four Championship titles during that period.

The talented midcourter went on to play 18 Tests for Australia after making her international debut against New Zealand in Christchurch in May 1986. Her career included winning a silver medal at the 1987 Netball World Cup in Glasgow, Scotland. Ella-Duncan was also the first Indigenous athlete to receive a scholarship to the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra. Born and raised in Sydney, Ella-Duncan – a descendant of the Yuin nation on the NSW far south coast – began her netball career as a nine-year-old at the La Perouse Netball Club, playing in a team of girls five years older than her.

She has received numerous awards over her career, on and off the court, including an Order of Australia Medal for services to netball in 1988, and in 2015 was inducted into the Netball Australia Hall of Fame. Ella-Duncan continues to combine her loves of sport and championing issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

She is the coaching co-ordinator for the Randwick Netball Association (RNA) in Sydney, coaches the RNA's State League team and founded the Pearlers Netball Club, which provides an inclusive, diverse and supportive netball environment for all its members.

She is also a member of Netball Australia's Working Group to develop a Reconciliation Action Plan, and has been outspoken about her desire to see more Indigenous people – particularly girls – to be involved in netball and lead happy, healthy lives.

Marcia Ella-Duncan OAM accepts her induction into the Netball NSW Hall of Fame

# Hall of Fame



The 2016 State Dinner saw netball legend Marcia Ella-Duncan OAM join hallowed company in the NSW Hall of Fame, as well as the introduction of the Heritage Category to the Hall of Fame.

Former Australian international Marcia Ella-Duncan OAM was inducted into the Netball NSW Hall of Fame, becoming the 35th individual to be entered into prestigious company following her great service to the sport.

The 53-year-old was recognised at the Netball NSW State Dinner on Saturday 5 November at Bankstown Sports Club, and joins the likes of NSW Netball legends such as Maureen Boyle OAM, Anne Clark BEM and former teammate Anne Sargeant OAM.

A pioneer of the sport, Ella-Duncan became Australia's first Indigenous netball representative after making her international debut against the New Zealand Silver Ferns in 1986. The creative midcourter went on to play 18 tests for Australia, which included winning a silver medal at the 1987 Netball World Cup in Glasgow, Scotland.

A descendant of the Yuin nation on the NSW far south coast, Ella-Duncan began her netball career as a nine-year-old at the La Perouse Netball Club before going on to represent NSW throughout the 1980s. She was an early participant in the coveted 'Golden Boot' era for NSW Netball, taking home four Championship titles for both the NSW 21/U and NSW Opens Teams (1983-85, 1987).

Netball has continued to play a major role in Ella-Duncan's post-playing career and she remains involved with Randwick Netball Association as a coach, this year helping steer their DOOLEYS Metro League Division 4 side to a Runners-Up finish.

However Ella-Duncan's passion lies with her heritage. As an active member of the Indigenous community, she encourages young women to lead happy, healthy lifestyles. An active member of Netball Australia's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Working Group, the program outlines a course of action that specifically addresses the needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in order to increase participation from grassroots level right through to the Australian Diamonds.

Netball NSW President Wendy Archer AM paid homage to Ella-Duncan for being an inspiration, not only for young Indigenous girls and boys, but for the wider netball community.

"It is my great pleasure to welcome Marcia into the Netball NSW Hall of Fame – an individual who has shown so much commitment, devotion and creativity in promoting our wonderful sport," Archer said.

"Not only is Marcia a leader on the court, more importantly she is a true leader off the court. The work she does within the community is outstanding, particularly working with Indigenous groups in encouraging young people to get involved in sport and lead positive, healthy lifestyles.

"For many former athletes you hear the phrase 'I want to leave the game better than I found it'. This is the epitome of Marcia's ethos – she is leaving her mark on the sport, helping it to grow and evolve and we are so proud of her efforts.

"On behalf of Netball NSW I would like to congratulate Marcia, as well as the other Hall of Fame inductees and Award Winners, for their wonderful recognition at tonight's State Dinner."

Along with Ella-Duncan, two historical artefacts of memorabilia were inducted into a new category introduced in 2016; the Netball NSW Hall of Fame – Heritage category:

The category has been framed to acknowledge significant historical icons, teams and pieces of history; things and collectives as it were, not individual athletes who are covered by Athlete and General Divisions.

A team of historical significance was inducted under the Heritage Category - **the 1969 Touring Team to the Pesta Sukan Tournament**.

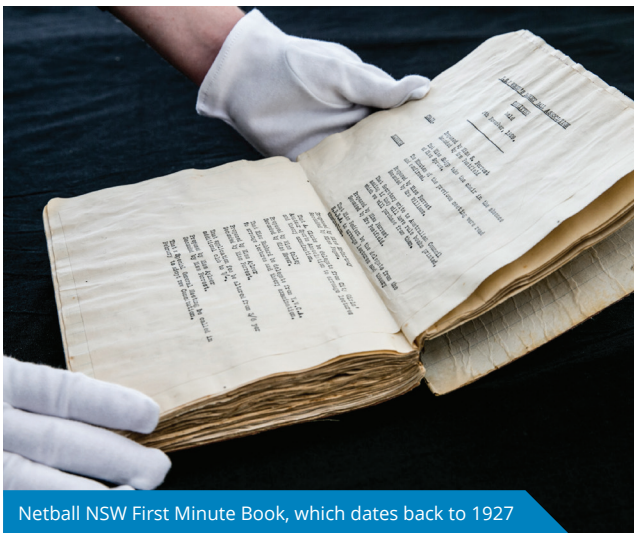
The team, selected from the NSW Netball Association, represented Australia at the Tournament in Singapore to mark its 150th anniversary. The Tournament was played over five days from 11-15 August 1969 at the Singapore Netball courts.

There were 15 other countries competing in a range of sports at the tournament, but there was great interest in netball with Army, Navy and Airforce teams also participating. Despite the high level of competition the NSW team went through the tournament undefeated.

# Hall of Fame continued



Marcia Ella-Duncan OAM with her family members at the Netball NSW State Dinner



Netball NSW First Minute Book, which dates back to 1927



State Dinner attendees, swathed in blue hue, enjoyed a night of celebration at Bankstown Sports Club

At the Closing Ceremony team manager Nance Kenny was presented with a 150th year Anniversary Memento Of The Pesta Sukan (Festival of Sport).

**The team was:** Captain/Coach – Nola Green (Hall of Fame inductee), Vice-Captain – Carole Sykes (Hall of Fame inductee), Frances Hayes, Nancy Atterton, Carol Trimble, Laraine Burton, Eileen Jones, Kaye Thomas, Jan Meades, Vicki Kerr (nee Poat, Hall of Fame inductee).

**Manager** – Nance Kenny OAM

**Umpire** – Neita Matthews OAM

## 1927 Minute Book

In the Heritage category the first Minute Book of the Association was also inducted.

The book dates back to 1927 and is in a very delicate condition. It is significant in that it was the start of Women’s Basketball which became Netball in NSW, therefore is invaluable in terms of historical significance.

An excerpt from the Minute book reads:

NSW Women’s Basket Ball Association  
Held July 4th, 1929  
11 Rowe Street

**Note:** Minutes in this book go up to 18 September 1935 and include a Constitution. The Annual Membership fee to be 1:1:0 Pds per group or association. There were 41 teams.

**Quote:** “Proposed by E. Wallace, seconded by A. Toovey that the CGASA (City Girls’ Amateur Sports Association) register as the NSW Women’s Basket Ball Association. Carried.”

“Both the 1927 Minute Book and 1969 NSW Netball Association Touring Singapore Team carrying great historical significance for Netball in NSW; and as such are deserved inductees into our newly created Netball NSW Hall of Fame – Heritage category,” Archer said.

“The Minute Book marks the introduction of Netball in NSW, therefore laying the foundations of our organisation that I am very proud to represent.

“The 1969 Touring Team was also the first NSW side to compete internationally to represent Australia, which is an incredible achievement considering the limited resources available to our sport at the time. Not only did they represent their State and country with pride, but were able to return home undefeated – a wonderful accomplishment.”



Anne Clark BEM\* (2004)



Amy Dobbie\* (2004)



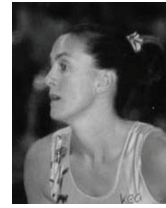
Sue Kenny OAM (2004)



Anne Sargeant OAM (2004)



Keeley Devery OAM (2005)



Carissa Tombs OAM (2005)



Margaret Corbett OAM (2006)



Terese Kennedy (2006)



Maureen Boyle OAM (2007)



Nicole Cusack (2007)



Nola Green\* (2008)



Carole Sykes\* (2008)



Margaret Morris\* (2009)



Lois Green (2009)



Dorothy McHugh (2010)



Catriona Wagg (2010)



Marie Dunn OAM\* (2011)



Marjorie Groves AM\* (2011)



Nance Kenny OAM\* (2011)



Neita Matthews OAM (2011)



Edna Ross\* (2012)



Karan Smith (2012)



Lisa Beehag (2011)



Sharon Finnan OAM (2011)



Elizabeth Ellis AM (2013)



Barbara Long OAM (2013)



Edna Pritchard\* (2014)



Helen Mann\* (2014)



Marilyn Melhuish OAM (2014)



Vicki Kerr (2014)



Alison Broadbent (2015)



Evie Carpenter\* (2015)



Selina Gilsenan (2015)



Moira McGuinness MBE\* (2015)



Marcia Ella-Duncan OAM (2016)

## Netball NSW Life Members

- |      |                    |      |                       |
|------|--------------------|------|-----------------------|
| 1950 | Mary Matheson*     | 1974 | Mary Hackett MBE*     |
| 1952 | Edna Ross*         | 1975 | Moria McGuinness MBE* |
| 1964 | Margaret Morris*   | 1978 | Pat Weston OAM*       |
| 1966 | Nance Kenny OAM*   | 1980 | Neita Matthews OAM    |
| 1967 | Marie Dundon*      | 1981 | Marj Groves AM*       |
| 1968 | Anne Clark BEM*    | 1982 | Margaret Corbett OAM  |
| 1970 | Amy Dobbie*        |      | Barbara Long OAM      |
| 1970 | Dorothy McHugh OAM | 1985 | Audrey Davis OAM*     |
| 1972 | Eileen Percy*      | 1989 | Marie Dunn OAM*       |

- |      |                      |
|------|----------------------|
| 2000 | Lynn Quinn OAM       |
| 2001 | Anne Doring OAM      |
| 2004 | Marilyn Melhuish OAM |
| 2007 | Kath Fullagar OAM    |
| 2008 | Maureen Boyle OAM    |
| 2010 | Anne Sargeant OAM    |
| 2012 | Yvonne Richardson    |
| 2016 | Wendy Archer AM      |

## Current Patron

Neita Matthews OAM

## Former Patrons

Irene Booth\*  
Anne Clark BEM\*  
Fay LoPo' AM  
Lady Susan Martin

\* Deceased

# Anne Clark BEM Service Award



2016 Anne Clark BEM Service Award recipients

## 1976

Margaret Corbett OAM – Sutherland Shire  
Jean Gee OAM\* – Manly Warringah  
Moira McGuinness MBE\* – Sutherland Shire  
Irene Pychtin – Eastwood-Ryde

## 1977

Val Curran\* – Illawarra & District  
Marj Groves AM\* – Sutherland Shire  
Pam Hall\* – Manly Warringah  
Gai O'Sullivan – Eastwood-Ryde  
Joy White (Lister) – Manly Warringah

## 1978

Edna Jenkin\* – Illawarra & District  
Barbara Long OAM – Liverpool City  
Neita Matthews OAM – Eastwood-Ryde  
Betty Moore – Bankstown City  
Jean Peare OAM\* – Hawkesbury City  
Mavis Shipway\* – Sutherland Shire  
Gladys Waugh\* – St George

## 1979

Evelyn Bywater – Western Suburbs  
Agnes Ellis\* – Sutherland Shire  
Molly Smith\* – Lakeside

## 1980

Val Oliver\* – Illawarra & District  
Kath Whiteley – Liverpool City

## 1981

Clare Lear\* – Illawarra & District

## 1982

Pat Craig – Gosford  
Margaret Elder – Baulkham Hills  
Evelyn Langbein OAM – Manly Warringah

## 1983

Beatrice Bessell – Hawkesbury City  
Myra Bradley – Illawarra & District  
Maureen Greentree – Sutherland Shire  
Robyn Kenny – Forbes  
Beryl Mooney\* – Tamworth

## 1984

Adele Saunders OAM – Newcastle

## 1986

Dot Lockwood – Tamworth  
June Roby – Westlakes

## 1987

Joan Buttriss\* – Penrith District  
Marie Dunn OAM\* – Parramatta-Auburn  
Betty McGirr – Illawarra  
Gai Urquhart – Newcastle

## 1988

Carol Baiton – Young/Shoalhaven

## 1990

Lorna Allen – Newcastle  
Val Lalor\* – Eastwood-Ryde  
Peggy Moore – Singleton  
Cath Penning – Liverpool City

## 1991

Jeanette Wright – Ku-ring-gai

## 1992

Nance Dwyer – Newcastle  
Sheila Eather\* – Hawkesbury City

## 1993

Clare Loughland – Manly Warringah

## 1994

Jill Beckhaus – Penrith District  
Anne Marie Osborne – Lithgow  
Frances Smith – Tamworth  
Myrtle Williams\* – Sutherland Shire

## 1996

Ivy Haughey\* – St George  
Margaret McGrath\* – Lakeside  
Sue Mitchell – Shoalhaven

## 1997

Madeleine Allen – Westlakes  
Noeline Boyce – Maitland  
Joy Charles – Illawarra & District  
Maureen Long – Liverpool City  
Irene Murray – Charlestown

## 1998

Eulalie Hayes – Grafton  
Kath Fullagar OAM – Bankstown City

## 1999

Pat Bishop – Sutherland Shire  
Joan Burge\* – Northern Suburbs  
Margaret Smith – Penrith District

## 2000

Maureen Boyle OAM – Manly Warringah  
Shirley Connolly – Campbelltown  
Shirley Fitzgerald\* – Lakeside  
Joan Marscham\* – Eastwood-Ryde  
Brenda Williams – Ku-ring-gai

## 2001

Barbara Bird – Maitland  
Joan Brook – Gosford  
Christine Byng\* – Bankstown City  
Maureen Goetze\* – Blue Mountains  
Coralie Newman – Manly Warringah

## 2002 March

Pam Guyer OAM – Macleay  
June Jarman – Westlakes  
Yvonne Keegan – Orange  
Lesley Quinn\* – Northern Suburbs  
Gwen Winsor – Manly Warringah

## 2002 November

Margaret Burke – Sutherland Shire  
Valda Hampson – Woy Woy  
Carmel Higgins – Blue Mountains  
Estelle Lawler – Liverpool City  
Vera Wiltshire OAM – Manly Warringah

## 2003

Robyn Bates – Eastwood-Ryde  
Laurie Bissaker – Inner Western Suburbs  
Roslyn De Luca OAM – Manly Warringah  
Colleen Kime – Blue Mountains  
Diane Pascoe – Charlestown

## 2004

Helen Andrews – St George  
Len Burgess – Hills District  
Betty Greenaway – Fairfield City  
Rena Spears – Queanbeyan  
Patricia Yeomans – Parramatta-Auburn

## 2005

Helen Cane – Baulkham Hills  
Helene Herbert – St George  
Kay Hodge – Ulladulla  
Lynne Middleton – Orange  
Lesley Morgan\* – Sutherland Shire

## 2006

Cathy Aird – Baulkham Hills  
Val Bruncker – Kiama  
Beverley Dew OAM – Manly Warringah  
Kay Smith – Lower Clarence  
Rhonda Swindale – Ulladulla

## 2007

Margaret Cliff – Manly Warringah  
Berwyn Collings – Ku-ring-gai  
Lesley Milner – Hills District  
Aileen Shutt – Newcastle  
Beverleen Woodward – Queanbeyan

## 2008

Cheryl Cairns – Kurri Kurri  
Cheryl Hamilton – Inner Western Suburbs  
Norma Lowe – Ulladulla  
Sandra Marks – Blacktown City  
Myra Zacher – Coffs Harbour

## 2009

Robyn Butler – Ulladulla  
Noni Greentree\* – Manly Warringah  
Joy Grogan – Westlakes  
June & Norm\* Rogers – Illawarra & District  
Kevin Smith – Newcastle

## 2010

June Backshall – Ballina  
Ellen Monaghan – Newcastle  
Margaret Nolan – Westlakes  
Shirley O'Brien – Ballina  
Kate Thornborough – Coffs Harbour

## 2011

Robyn Aitkin – Sutherland Shire  
Pamela Burt – Westlakes  
Lorraine Everitt – Baulkham Hills  
Toni Field – Northern Suburbs  
Anne Tait – Inner Western Suburbs

## 2012

Vivienne Bertenshaw – Hawkesbury City  
Marie Caddies – Charlestown  
Helen Dean – Manly Warringah  
Sue Denman – Port Stephens  
Ernita McGrath\* – Dubbo

## 2013

Marian Chilvers – Westlakes  
Julie Gates – Armidale  
Janice Jackson – Penrith District

## 2014

Marilyn Latham – Eastwood Ryde  
Annette Rowe – Baulkham Hills  
Betty Spillane – Inner Western Suburbs  
Margaret West – Charlestown

## 2015

Laurel Cunico – Baulkham Hills Shire  
Linda Free – St George District  
Margaret Spackman – Forbes  
Margaret Thoms – Woy Woy Peninsula  
Beverley Thorpe – Shoalhaven

## 2016

Stephanie Bortkevich – Newcastle  
Ken Eberbach – Ku-ring-gai  
June Haynes – Northern Suburbs  
Ann O'Mara – Sutherland Shire  
Leslie Smith – Charlestown

\* Deceased

# Marketing, Events & Communications



Australian Diamonds Head Coach Lisa Alexander holds court at the 2016 Netball NSW Biennial Conference

## Marketing, Events & Communications Overview

With the support of the netball community and stakeholders, the marketing, events and communications team performed well in 2016. The year saw more netball, more engagement and more records smashed as we drew to a close and prepared for the monumental 2017 ahead of us.

## Memberships and Ticketing

Membership and ticketing numbers for the NSW Swifts continued to grow in 2016. We saw a significant memberships remain at sold out levels from 2015 to 2016.

We also launched the 2017 membership campaigns for the NSW Swifts and GIANTS Netball. At the conclusion of 2016, the membership drives exceeded expectations – a substantial achievement with double the memberships now on offer to the public.

We broke another Trans-Tasman Netball League (TTNL) attendance record in 2016 with 13,341 avid netball supporters attending the NSW Swifts v QLD Firebirds game at Qudos Bank Arena. We broke the 2015 record of 10,370 for the NSW Swifts v Adelaide Thunderbirds game.

Attendance at other elite competitions continued to grow in 2016, notably the Stage Championship which was a two-venue event again in 2016, with additional supporter attendance and opportunities for the sport to showcase its performances at local levels.

The Metro League saw in excess of 24,000 attendees and the inaugural season of the Samsung Premier League was attended by more than 8,000 spectators.

## Social and Digital Media

Throughout 2016, we continued to build our social and digital media profile. We saw growth on all platforms, improving again on our excellent engagement numbers.

With the announcement of the addition of GIANTS Netball to the Netball NSW family, the second half of the year saw the addition of new websites, social channels and content as the Marketing and Communications team created a social and digital media presence for a second NSW elite netball team.

A new website and digital platforms were also created for the inaugural season of the Samsung Premier League, with the aim of creating excitement and momentum for the new elite pathway competition.

## Events

### Biennial Conference

At the Biennial Conference held on 20 and 21 February at Genea Netball Centre, 240 coaches, umpires, technical officials and administrators invested time, energy and passion in their own netball pre-season education by attending the 2016 Netball NSW Biennial Conference.

The 2016 edition was the sixth Biennial Conference, which offered the NSW netball community the opportunity to further their knowledge, skills and understanding of all aspects of the sport.

The weekend opened with a keynote address from Australian Diamonds Head Coach Lisa Alexander, who shared with the participants the Diamonds' journey to gold at Netball World Cup SYDNEY 2015 and the work undertaken behind the scenes to provide the athletes with the best possible environment in which to perform as the host team, on a global stage.

The Commonwealth and World Cup gold medallist coach shared one of the keys to keep her driving and improving is always "being humble enough to know that you don't know it all".

After opening the conference with her keynote presentation, Alexander held a High Performance coaching session alongside NSW Swifts Head Coach Rob Wright and TTNL umpire Clare McCabe, as they led the NSW 19/U Team through training while wearing microphones for the participants to follow along.



The stage is set at Doltone House for the 2016 NSW Swifts Gala Dinner



The State Dinner at Bankstown Sports Club was a great success

Participants also had the opportunity to take part in three education sessions, including a discussion of INF rules with expert panelists, dietetics sessions, community engagement and inclusion programs discussions, MyNetball learning, social media sessions, ethics and values exploration, or more court sessions featuring the NSW Swifts athletes and coaches with New Zealand Silver Ferns former head coach Yvonne Willering.

It was a great weekend of learning and fun for all involved.

#### Swifts Gala Dinner 2016

The 2016 NSW Swifts team was recognised and celebrated with a Gala Dinner held on 4 August, 2016 at Doltone House, Jones Bay Wharf, Pyrmont. The event was the perfect way to conclude the 2016 TTNL season, with players and supporters winding down after the conclusion to the thrilling trans-Tasman netball competition. It was a wonderful night of celebrating both team and individual accolades.

#### State Dinner 2016

The Netball NSW 2016 State Dinner was held at Bankstown Sports Club on Saturday, 5 November, 2016.

The State Dinner celebrated individual, team, Club and Association successes from throughout the 2016 season. The NSW netball community also welcomed new inductees into our revered Netball NSW Hall of Fame, as well as acknowledge the amazing, dedicated volunteers who help make this sport so great.

Amongst the numerous awards and successes celebrated, a new category was introduced to our Hall of Fame – the Heritage Category. The category was framed to acknowledge significant historical icons, teams and pieces of history.

# Suncorp Super Netball



The inaugural Suncorp Super Netball Captains are all smiles at the League Launch at Circular Quay, NSW

In February 2017 Suncorp Super Netball competition has commenced, replacing the Trans-Tasman Netball League.

The exciting new competition features the five existing Australian sides – NSW Swifts, Adelaide Thunderbirds, Melbourne Vixens, Queensland Firebirds and West Coast Fever – and three new additions – Collingwood Magpies Netball Club, Sunshine Coast Lightning and GIANTS Netball.

Following Netball Australia's announcement in May 2016 of a new Australian only, eight-team national league Netball NSW successfully bid to enter the NSW Swifts and apply for a second new team into the competition. Netball NSW was successful and the new entity of GIANTS Netball was born, including a strategic alliance with GIANTS AFL in order to bring to life the new NSW-based team.

Netball NSW felt it was important to grasp the opportunity to launch a second national team for our 114,000 registered members.

In NSW, interest in netball is at an all-time high, with Netball NSW seeing record registration numbers at grassroots level, and we have strong, healthy representation at an elite level.

When you pair all of this with the popularity of the NSW Swifts, who have celebrated sell-out Memberships and crowds in 2016, it paints a clear picture of the amazing interest netball has in NSW right now.

Netball is the premier female sport in Australia and Netball NSW is delighted to be part of a significant growth period of the game, and with 25 percent of the new competition based in NSW (two out of eight competing teams), Netball NSW is very proud to play a big role in the next evolution of Australian netball.



2016



**New South Wales Netball Association Limited**

**ABN: 19 001 685 007**

**Annual report**

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## Directors' report

### For the year ended 31 December 2016

The directors present their report together with the financial report of the New South Wales Netball Association Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2016 and the auditor's report therein.

#### 1. Directors

The directors of the Company at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

<b>Name and qualifications</b>	<b>Other directorships</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Appointed/ Resigned</b>
W Archer AM	Australian Rescue Management Pty Ltd InteRisk P/L	President	Director since 20 March 1999
J Drakos	Keats Street Services Keats Street Property & Events	Director	Director since 25 March 2012
C Campbell	Cartridge World NSW Cartridge World Parramatta Complete Event Management Cartridge World Raymond Terrace	Chief Executive Officer and Director	Director since 9 May 2006
C Feldmanis	Delta Electricity Perpetual Equity Investment Company Ltd Uniting Financial Services Limited Feldmanis & Associates Pty Ltd Bell Asset Management Ltd Crown Holiday Parks Trust Hunter Water Corporation	Director	Appointed since 29 March 2014
J Hahn	Nil	Director	Director since 26 March 2000
R Havrlant	Havrlant Family Trust Hava Investa Pty Ltd Polava P/L	Director	Director since 3 March 2007
C Murphy	Proqual Property Services P/L Proqual Super Fund	Director	Director since 7 March 2009
L Sullivan	Nil	Director	Director since 5 May 2015
R Watson OAM	Nil	Director	Director since 29 March 2003

## Directors' report (continued)

### For the year ended 31 December 2016

#### 2. Directors' meetings

The number of directors' meetings held and attended by each of the directors of the Company during the financial year are:

Director	BOARD MEETINGS	
	Number of Meetings Attended	Number of Meetings Held *
W Archer AM	15	15
C Campbell	15	15
J Drakos	15	15
C Feldmanis	15	15
J Hahn	12	15
R Havrlant	10	15
C Murphy	12	15
L Sullivan	14	15
R Watson OAM	14	15

\* Reflects the number of meetings held during the time the director held office during the year.

#### 3. Company Secretary

Mr Michael Anderson was appointed to the position of Company Secretary on 1 April 2014, and Mr Anderson is currently the Company's General Manager Corporate Services and a Justice of the Peace for NSW.

#### 4. Principal activities

The principal activities of the Company during the course of the financial year were to administer the sport of netball throughout New South Wales.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the Company during the year.

Company performance is regularly measured against:

- Demographic analysis of participation numbers, potential players, and lost players;
- Reporting against funded projects from external stakeholders;
- Delivery of programs to enhance retention and recruitment of players and volunteers throughout regional and metropolitan NSW;
- Feedback from member associations and other key stakeholders;
- Financial forecasts and budgets approved by the Directors;
- Commercial and sponsorship targets set;
- Performance and development of NSW teams in elite competitions; and
- Court usage levels at Genea Netball Centre for netball competitions, training and development programs and also non-netball activity

#### 5. Operating and financial review

The profit from operating activities before depreciation and amortisation expenses and financing income amounted to \$328,270 (2015: \$268,690). The loss from ordinary activities after tax for the year amounted to \$1,434,478 (2015: \$1,416,217). Revenue from affiliation and capitation fees (including NetSetGo registration income) amounted to \$6,245,602 compared with \$5,881,406 for the prior year.

The Company's long term objectives are to promote, encourage and oversee the game of Netball from the junior to elite levels throughout New South Wales and to generally take such action as may be considered conducive to the best interests of the game.

## **Directors' report (continued)**

### **For the year ended 31 December 2016**

#### **5. Operating financial review (continued)**

In order to ensure the long term objectives are being met, the Company will:

- Organise, conduct, and develop competitions within New South Wales from junior to elite levels;
- Promote competition matches between affiliated associations and to institute, regulate and control all championship competition between those affiliated associations;
- Select and manage netball teams to represent New South Wales in matches against teams representing other States and Territories of Australia and outside Australia;
- Affiliate with and support Netball Australia Limited or such other organisation as shall from time to time exist for the promotion, regulation and control of Netball throughout Australia;
- Measure and monitor company performance against business plans and benchmarks set; and
- Maximise the usage of the Genea Netball Centre facility with both Netball and non-Netball related activities as considered appropriate.

The Company's short term objectives are to increase participation numbers at Junior through to elite levels of the game throughout NSW. We aim to provide a link into elite pathways of the sport, and to create and implement programs which will enhance the education of all participants (players, coaches, umpires, game officials etc) thus ensuring the sustainability and growth of the sport.

In order to ensure the short term objectives are met, the Company will:

- Provide opportunities for regular feedback from District personnel to Netball NSW to support and enhance membership promotions;
- Review current member needs and document requirements;
- Develop additional supporting competitions;
- Develop a sporting program and associated marketing campaign to introduce young children to become current and future players and supporters;
- Measure and monitor performance at all levels against agreed targets and goals including commercial and sponsorship budgets set;
- Conduct a review of the delivery of coaching, and umpiring programs and player pathways;
- Continually update and align the operations of Netball NSW at all levels with regulatory controls; and
- Maximise the usage of the Genea Netball Centre facility with both Netball and non-Netball related activities as considered appropriate.

#### **6. Significant changes in the state of affairs**

During the year Netball Australia announced its partnership with Netball New Zealand in relation to the Trans-Tasman Netball League (known as the ANZ Championship) would end at the of the 2016 calendar year and that a new Australian only Netball competition would commence in 2017 to be known as the Suncorp Super Netball (SSN) competition. The Company's Team Participation Agreement for the Trans-Tasman Netball League for its NSW Swifts team expired in December 2016.

Netball Australia granted the Company an automatic five year license (2017 to 2021) for the NSW Swifts to participate in the inaugural SSN competition and following a tender process the Company was granted a further license for a second NSW based team to also participate in the SSN competition for the same five year term. The Company signed Team Participation Agreements with Netball Australia for the SSN competition for both team licenses in September 2016. For its second SSN team license the Company formed a strategic alliance with the Western Sydney Football Club Limited (trading as the GWS GIANTS who participate in the Australian Football League competition) whereby the team will be called GIANTS Netball and have access to the GWS GIANTS training facilities and the right to use certain GWS GIANTS owned intellectual property such as GIANTS logos and trademarks. A formal partnership agreement with the Western Sydney Football Club is expected to be executed by the Company in the first quarter of 2017.

## **Directors' report (continued)**

### **For the year ended 31 December 2016**

#### **7. Dividends**

The Company is a non-profit organisation and is prevented by its constitution from paying dividends.

#### **8. Environmental regulation**

The Company's operations are not subject to any significant environmental regulations under either Commonwealth or State legislation.

#### **9. Events subsequent to reporting date**

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event, not outlined above, that is of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company, in future financial years.

#### **10. Likely developments**

The directors do not anticipate any other particular development in the operations of the Company which will affect the result in subsequent years aside from the matters noted in the significant changes in the state of affairs section.

#### **11. Indemnification and insurance of officers**

The Company has provided for and paid premiums during the year for directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses insurance contracts.

#### **12. Membership**


The Company is incorporated and domiciled in Australia as a Company limited by guarantee. In accordance with the Constitution of the Company, every member of the Company undertakes to contribute an amount limited to \$1 per member in the event of the winding up of the Company during the time that he or she is a member or within one year thereafter. At 31 December 2016 there were 114,087 members (2015: 114,872 members).

#### **13. Lead auditor's independence declaration**

The lead auditor's independence declaration, as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, is set out on page 6 of this annual report and forms part of the directors' report for the financial year ending 31 December 2016.

This report is made with a resolution of the directors:

Dated at Sydney this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February 2017.

  
Wendy Archer AM  
President

  
Christine Feldmanis  
Director



## Lead auditor's independence declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

To: the directors of the New South Wales Netball Association Limited

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 31 December 2016 there have been:

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

KPMG

KPMG

Cameron Roan  
*Partner*

Sydney

21<sup>st</sup> day of February 2017

# The New South Wales Netball Association Limited

## Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

For the year ended 31 December 2016

	Note	2016 \$	2015 \$
Revenue from Netball Central Project		-	420,043
Revenue from rendering of services	6	11,377,622	9,801,640
Revenue from sale of goods		70,203	11,355
<b>Total revenue</b>		<u>11,447,825</u>	<u>10,233,038</u>
Cost of goods sold		(47,252)	(4,500)
Employee expenses	5	(4,923,111)	(3,918,893)
Administration expenses		(686,905)	(652,826)
Netball Australia - Annual Contribution, NetSetGO Kits and MyNetball expenses		(1,136,761)	(1,093,022)
Insurance expense		(534,953)	(586,193)
Genea Netball Centre operating expenses		(348,874)	(390,126)
Coaching, umpiring and sports development expenses		(292,467)	(285,827)
Competition and events (Non-Swifts) expenses		(755,424)	(578,148)
Sports Development Grant Expenses		(43,163)	(31,790)
High Performance - ANL, State Teams and Academy expenses		(405,739)	(329,640)
High Performance - NSW Swifts Expenses		(755,853)	(660,854)
High Performance – GIANTS Netball Expenses		(58,112)	-
NSW Swifts membership, ticketing & events expenses		(530,607)	(449,975)
GIANTS Netball membership, ticketing & events expenses		(5,307)	-
Sponsorship, marketing and media expenses		(547,245)	(280,798)
Genea Netball Centre development expenses		(47,782)	(681,728)
Loss on disposal of Property, plant & equipment		-	(20,028)
<b>Earnings from operating activities before financing income and depreciation and amortisation</b>		<u>328,270</u>	<u>268,690</u>
Depreciation & amortisation		(1,780,523)	(1,754,532)
<b>Results from operating activities</b>		<u>(1,452,253)</u>	<u>(1,485,842)</u>
Financing income		17,775	69,625
<b>Net Finance income</b>	8	<u>17,775</u>	<u>69,625</u>
<b>Net (loss) / profit for the period</b>		<u>(1,434,478)</u>	<u>(1,416,217)</u>
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>		-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>		<u>(1,434,478)</u>	<u>(1,416,217)</u>

The statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 11 to 21.

## **The New South Wales Netball Association Limited**

### **Statement of changes in equity**

**For the year ended 31 December 2016**

	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Retained earnings opening balance 1 January</b>	34,328,374	35,744,591
(Loss) / profit for the period	(1,434,478)	(1,416,217)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	<u>(1,434,478)</u>	<u>(1,416,217)</u>
<b>Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity</b>	-	-
<b>Retained earnings closing balance 31 December</b>	<u>32,893,896</u>	<u>34,328,374</u>

The statement of changes in equity is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 11 to 21.

## The New South Wales Netball Association Limited

### Statement of financial position

As at 31 December 2016

	Note	2016 \$	2015 \$
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	9	2,137,455	1,781,865
Trade and other receivables	10	238,152	520,867
Inventories		4,629	16,919
Other	11	196,038	279,330
<b>Total current assets</b>		<u>2,576,274</u>	<u>2,599,103</u>
Property, plant and equipment	12	33,164,038	34,684,955
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<u>33,164,038</u>	<u>34,684,955</u>
<b>Total assets</b>		<u><u>35,740,312</u></u>	<u><u>37,284,058</u></u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	13	1,671,939	1,758,879
Loans and borrowings		68,711	69,036
Provisions	14	689,114	682,292
Employee benefits	15	208,126	159,303
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<u>2,637,890</u>	<u>2,669,510</u>
Loans and borrowings		157,996	223,840
Employee benefits	15	50,530	62,334
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<u>208,526</u>	<u>286,174</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<u><u>2,846,416</u></u>	<u><u>2,955,684</u></u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u><u>32,893,896</u></u>	<u><u>34,328,374</u></u>
<b>Members' funds</b>			
Retained profits		32,893,896	34,328,374
<b>Total members' funds</b>		<u><u>32,893,896</u></u>	<u><u>34,328,374</u></u>

The statement of financial position is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 11 to 21.

## The New South Wales Netball Association Limited

### Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 December 2016

	Note	2016 \$	2015 \$
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash receipts from customers, members and sponsors		12,833,875	10,388,416
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		<u>(12,236,454)</u>	<u>(10,386,137)</u>
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>		<u>597,421</u>	<u>2,279</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Interest received		17,775	69,625
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	59,358
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		<u>(259,606)</u>	<u>(1,744,416)</u>
<b>Net cash (used) in investing activities</b>		<u>(241,831)</u>	<u>(1,615,433)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		355,590	(1,613,154)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		<u>1,781,865</u>	<u>3,395,019</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>	9	<u>2,137,455</u>	<u>1,781,865</u>

The statement of cash flows is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 11 to 21

# **The New South Wales Netball Association Limited**

## **Notes to the financial statements**

### **1. Reporting entity**

The New South Wales Netball Association Limited (the “Company”) is a company domiciled in Australia.

The Company is a not-for-profit entity and is primarily involved in administering the sport of netball throughout New South Wales.

### **2. Basis of preparation**

#### **(a) Statement of compliance**

In the opinion of the directors, the Company is not publicly accountable. The financial statements are Tier 2 general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Corporations Act 2001. These financial statements comply with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017.

#### **(b) Basis of measurement**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis.

#### **(c) Functional and presentation currency**

These financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Company’s functional currency.

#### **(d) Use of estimates and judgements**

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

#### **(e) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted**

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 January 2015, and have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. Those which may be relevant to the Company are set out below. The Company does not plan to adopt this standard early and the extent of the impact has not been determined.

## The New South Wales Netball Association Limited Notes to the financial statements (continued)

### 2. Basis of preparation (continued) (e) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted (continued)

#### **AASB 9 Financial Instruments (2014)**

AASB 9, approved in December 2014, replaces the existing guidance in AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement. AASB 9 includes revised guidance on the classification and measurement of financial instruments, including a new expected credit loss model for calculating impairment on financial assets, and the new general hedge accounting requirements. It also carries forward the guidance on recognition and derecognition of financial instruments from AASB 139.

AASB 9 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018.

#### **AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers**

AASB 15 establishes a comprehensive framework for determining whether, how much and when revenue is recognised. It replaces existing revenue recognition guidance, including AASB 118 Revenue, AASB 111 Construction Contracts and IFRIC 13 Customer Loyalty Programmes.

AASB 15 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017.

### 3. Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements. Certain comparative amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

#### (a) Property, plant and equipment

##### (i) Owned assets

Items of property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation (see below) and impairment losses (see accounting policy (e)).

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment.

Intangible assets, other than goodwill and expenditure on research and development that are acquired by the Company and have finite useful lives are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

##### (ii) Leased assets

Leases in terms of which the Company assumes substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Other leases are classified as operating leases.

##### (iii) Subsequent costs

The Company recognises in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment the cost of replacing part of such an item when that cost is incurred if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the item will flow to the Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other costs are recognised in the income statement as an expense as incurred.

**The New South Wales Netball Association Limited**  
**Notes to the financial statements (continued)**

**3. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**(a) Property, plant and equipment (continued)**

**(iv) Depreciation**

Depreciation is charged to the income statement on a diminishing value basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment. The estimated useful lives in the current and comparative periods are as follows:

	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Buildings	25 years	25 years
Cafe Fit-out	5 years	5 years
Furniture and fittings	5-11 years	5-11 years
Equipment	3-11 years	3-11 years
Motor vehicles	3 years	3 years
Website development and software	3 years	3 years

The residual value, if not insignificant, is reassessed annually.

**(b) Trade and other receivables**

Trade and other receivables are stated at their cost less impairment losses (see accounting policy (e(i))).

**(c) Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the estimated costs of completion and selling expenses.

**(d) Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits.

**(e) Impairment**

The carrying amounts of the Company's assets, other than inventories (see accounting policy (c)), are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated (see accounting policy (e(i))).

An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement, unless an asset has previously been revalued, in which case the impairment loss is recognised as a reversal to the extent of that previous revaluation with any excess recognised through profit or loss.

Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to cash-generating units (group of units) and then, to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (group of units) on a pro rata basis.

## The New South Wales Netball Association Limited Notes to the financial statements (continued)

### 3. Significant accounting policies (continued) (e) Impairment (continued)

#### (i) Calculation of recoverable amount

The recoverable amount of the Company's investments in receivables carried at amortised cost is calculated as the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate (i.e., the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition of these financial assets). Receivables with a short duration are not discounted.

The recoverable amount of other assets is the greater of their fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

#### (ii) Reversals of impairment

An impairment loss in respect of a receivable carried at amortised cost is reversed if the subsequent increase in recoverable amount can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised.

An impairment loss in respect of other assets is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount.

An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

### (f) Employee benefits

#### (i) Defined contribution plans

Obligations for contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the profit or loss in the period during which services are rendered by employees. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in future payment is available.

#### (ii) Long-term service benefits

The Company's net obligation in respect of long-term service benefits, other than pension plans, is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. The obligation is calculated using expected future increases in wage and salary rates including related on-costs and expected settlement dates, and is discounted using the rates attached to the Commonwealth Government bonds at the balance sheet date which have maturity dates approximating to the terms of the Company's obligations.

#### (iii) Wages, salaries, annual leave, sick leave and non-monetary benefits

Liabilities for employee benefits for wages, salaries, annual leave and sick leave that are expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date represent present obligations resulting from employees' services provided to reporting date, are calculated at undiscounted amounts based on remuneration wage and salary rates that the Company expects to pay as at reporting date including related on-costs, such as workers compensation insurance and payroll tax.

## **The New South Wales Netball Association Limited**

### **Notes to the financial statements (continued)**

#### **3. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

##### **(g) Trade and other payables**

Trade and other payables are stated at cost.

##### **(h) Revenue**

###### **Sale of goods**

Revenue from the sale of goods is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of returns and allowances, trade discounts and volume rebates. Revenue is recognised when there is persuasive evidence, usually in the form of executed sales agreements, that the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, recovery of the consideration is probable, the associated costs and possible return of goods can be estimated reliably, and there is no continuing management involvement with the goods.

###### **Rendering of services**

Rendering of services revenue represents revenue earned from the Company's trading activities, including membership, sponsorship, funding and gate receipts. Revenue from services rendered is recognised in profit or loss in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date.

###### **Government grants**

The company is supported by grants received from the federal and state governments. Grants received on the condition that specified services are delivered, or conditions are fulfilled, are considered reciprocal. Such grants are initially recognised as a liability and revenue is recognised as services are performed or conditions fulfilled. Revenue from non-reciprocal grants is recognised when the company obtains control of the funds.

##### **(i) Finance income and expenses**

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested and interest income is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest method.

Finance expenses comprise interest expense on borrowings. All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

##### **(j) Segment reporting**

A segment is a distinguishable component of the Company that is engaged either in providing products or services (business segment), or in providing products or services within a particular economic environment (geographical segment), which is subject to risks and rewards that are different from those of other segments.

##### **(k) Goods and services tax**

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

## The New South Wales Netball Association Limited

### Notes to the financial statements (continued)

#### 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

##### (k) Goods and services tax (continued)

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority are classified as operating cash flows.

##### (l) Income tax

No provision for income tax has been made in the accounts because of the exemption allowed under Section 50-45 of the Income Tax Assessment Act (1997).

##### (m) Lease payments

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives received are recognised as an integral part of the total lease expense, over the term of the lease.

##### *Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease*

At inception of an arrangement, the Company determines whether such an arrangement is or contains a lease. A specific asset is the subject of a lease if fulfilment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of that specified asset. An arrangement conveys the right to use the asset if the arrangement conveys to the Company the right to control the use of the underlying asset.

At inception or upon reassessment of the arrangement, the Company separates payments and other consideration required by such an arrangement into those for the lease and those for other elements on the basis of their relative fair values. If the Company concludes for a finance lease that it is impracticable to separate the payments reliably, an asset and a liability are recognised at an amount equal to the fair value of the underlying asset. Subsequently the liability is reduced as payments are made and an imputed finance charge on the liability is recognised using the Company's incremental borrowing rate.

#### 4. Determination of fair values

A number of the Company's accounting policies and disclosures require the determination of fair value, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities. When applicable, further information about the assumptions made in determining fair values is disclosed in the notes specific to that asset or liability.

**The New South Wales Netball Association Limited**  
**Notes to the financial statements (continued)**

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
<b>5. Employee expenses</b>		
Wages and salaries	4,074,117	3,273,945
Superannuation contributions	384,202	314,382
(Decrease)/Increase in provision	101,960	(54,993)
Payroll tax	246,060	203,537
Fringe benefits tax	111,772	177,022
Directors' fees (honorarium)	5,000	5,000
	4,923,111	3,918,983
<b>6. Revenue from rendering of services</b>		
Affiliation, capitation and NetSetGo fees	6,245,602	5,881,406
Sports Development Grants income	201,163	231,579
Sponsorship income	1,410,218	997,177
Genea Netball Centre income	894,953	698,857
Umpiring, coaching and sports development income	423,767	398,414
Competitions and events income (Non-Swifts)	812,692	627,890
High Performance - ANL, State Teams and Academies income	52,721	57,521
Trans Tasman Trophy /Suncorp Super Netball grant and royalties (Swifts)	493,900	367,850
Suncorp Super Netball grant and royalties (GIANTS)	100,000	-
NSW Swifts membership, ticketing and events income	728,004	523,165
Other income	14,602	17,781
	11,377,622	9,801,640
<b>7. Auditor's remuneration</b>		
<b>Audit services</b>		
<b>KPMG</b>		
Audit and review of financial reports	27,315	25,534
	27,315	25,534
<b>Other services</b>		
<b>KPMG</b>		
Other assurance services	5,836	8,830
	5,836	8,830

**The New South Wales Netball Association Limited**  
**Notes to the financial statements (continued)**

**8. Net financing income**

	2016 \$	2015 \$
Interest income	27,881	77,109
Financial income	27,881	77,109
Financial expenses	(10,586)	(7,484)
Net financing income	17,775	69,625

**9. Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash at bank and on hand	159,177	170,689
Deposits at call	1,878,278	1,611,176
SOPA Netball Central Development Fund (Sinking Fund)	100,000	-
	2,137,455	1,781,865

**10. Trade and other receivables**

Trade receivables	238,152	520,867
	238,152	520,867

**11. Other assets**

Prepayments	94,783	209,330
BBX Trade Dollars	112,928	31,958
Provision for impairment of BBX Trade Dollars	(22,586)	-
Contra Asset	10,913	38,163
	196,038	279,451

A provision for impairment of \$22,586 (2015: \$Nil) for BBX Trade Dollars has been recognised in the current year.

**The New South Wales Netball Association Limited**  
**Notes to the financial statements (continued)**

**12. Property, Plant and Equipment**

	Buildings	Café Fit-Out	Furniture and fittings	Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Intangible Asset	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Cost</b>							
Balance at 1 Jan 2016	35,406,338	153,994	200,245	661,072	206,460	26,100	36,654,209
Transfer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Additions	92,952	4,813	3,495	158,345	-	-	259,606
Disposals	-	-	-	(27,005)	-	-	(27,005)
Write-Offs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 Dec 2016	35,499,291	158,807	203,740	792,412	206,460	26,100	36,886,810
<b>Depreciation and impairment losses</b>							
Balance at 1 Jan 2016	1,568,002	13,038	29,240	260,129	90,232	8,613	1,969,254
Transfer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation for the year	1,555,589	16,421	23,837	133,837	42,226	8,613	1,780,523
Disposals	-	-	-	(27,005)	-	-	(27,005)
Write-Offs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment Reversal on Asset							
Balance at 31 Dec 2016	3,123,591	29,459	53,078	366,960	132,457	17,226	3,722,772
<b>Carrying amounts</b>							
At 1 January 2016	33,838,336	140,956	171,005	400,943	116,228	17,487	34,684,955
At 31 December 2016	32,375,700	129,348	150,663	425,451	74,003	8,874	33,164,038

**The New South Wales Netball Association Limited**  
**Notes to the financial statements (continued)**

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
<b>13. Trade and other payables</b>		
Trade payables	121,911	176,921
Other payables and accrued expenses	462,760	909,642
Income received in advance	1,087,268	672,316
	<u>1,671,939</u>	<u>1,758,879</u>
<b>14. Provisions</b>		
Netball Australia Annual Contribution Fee liability	689,114	682,292
	<u>689,114</u>	<u>682,292</u>

The Netball Australia annual contribution fee liability is based on an agreed fixed component of \$672,209 (2015) with annual increases of CPI or 5% whichever is lower. This current arrangement for the annual contribution fee is in place for the years 2015 to 2017 and will be reviewed prior to the end of the 2017 calendar year. The annual contribution covers NSW members in the senior, junior, non-player and player with a disability (PWD) membership categories. NetSetGo fees to Netball Australia are charged as incurred in each financial year based on actual participant numbers and there is no liability outstanding at year-end.

**15. Employee benefits**

Current		
Liability for annual leave	144,452	113,099
Liability for long service leave	63,674	46,204
	<u>208,126</u>	<u>159,303</u>
Non-current		
Liability for long service leave	50,530	62,334
	<u>50,530</u>	<u>62,334</u>

**16. Segment reporting**

The Company's principal activity is the promotion of netball in New South Wales. The New South Wales Netball Association's principal place of operation is Genea Netball Centre, Sydney Olympic Park, Australia.

**17. Operating leases**

**Leases as lessee**

Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows:

Less than one year	45,163	44,459
Between one and five years	118,735	177,638
More than five years	2,730,906	2,510,613
	<u>2,894,804</u>	<u>2,732,710</u>

As a part of the Company's 99 year lease of Genea Netball Centre (previously Netball Central), the Company is required to pay annual estate levies which represent the entire amount listed in the More than 5 years category.

## The New South Wales Netball Association Limited

### Notes to the financial statements (continued)

#### 18. Related parties

##### Key management personnel compensation

The key management personnel compensation included in “Employee expenses” are as follows:

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Short-term employee benefits	1,215,381	913,681

##### Other key management personnel transactions with the company

###### *Director-related entities*

Sponsorship income from Cartridge World NSW, a director-related entity of C Campbell	(7,700)	(8,000)
Goods purchased from Cartridge World NSW & Parramatta, a director-related entity of C Campbell	24,065	22,019

As approved by Council at the Annual General Meeting on 2 April 2016, an honorarium of \$5,000 was paid to President Wendy Archer AM during the year.

From time to time, directors of the Company may purchase goods from the Company or participate in other Association activities. These purchases and participations are on the same terms and conditions as those entered into by other Company employees or customers and are trivial or domestic in nature.

Apart from the details disclosed above in this note, no other director has entered into a material contract with the Company during the year or since the end of the previous financial year and there were no material contracts involving other directors’ interests existing at year-end.

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company, in future financial years

#### 19. Subsequent Events

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company, in future financial years.

#### 20. Company details

The Company is incorporated and domiciled in Australia as a Company limited by guarantee. In accordance with the Constitution of the Company, every member of the Company undertakes to contribute an amount limited to \$1 per member in the event of the winding up of the Company during the time that he or she is a member or within one year thereafter. At 31 December 2016 there were 114,087 members (2015: 114,872 members).

The registered office of the Company is Genea Netball Centre, 2 Olympic Boulevard, Sydney Olympic Park, NSW 2127.

# The New South Wales Netball Association Limited

## Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of The New South Wales Netball Association Limited (the Company):

- (a) The company is not publically accountable;
- b) the financial statements and notes that are contained in pages 7 to 21, are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2016 and of their performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

  
Wendy Archer AM  
*President*

  
Christine Feldmanis  
*Director*

Dated at Sydney this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February 2017

# Independent Auditor's Report

To members of New South Wales Netball Association Limited

## Opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying **Financial Report** of New South Wales Netball Association is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including

- giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2016 and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date; and
- complying with *Australian Accounting Standards* to the extent described in Note 2(a) and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

We have audited the **Financial Report** of the Company.

The **Financial Report** comprises the:

- Statement of financial position as at 31 December 2016
- Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income Statement of changes in equity, and Statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- Notes including a summary of significant accounting policies
- Directors' Declaration.

## Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and the relevant ethical requirements of the *Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the Directors of New South Wales Netball Association Limited, would be in the same terms if given to the Directors as at the time of this Auditor's Report.

### Emphasis of matter – basis of preparation and restriction on use

We draw attention to Note 2 to the Financial Report, which describes the basis of preparation.

The Financial Report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Directors' financial reporting responsibilities under the *Corporations Act 2001*. As a result, the Financial Report and this Auditor's Report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Our report is intended solely for the members of New South Wales Netball Association Limited and should not be used by parties other than the members of New South Wales Netball Association. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report, or on the Financial Report to which it relates, to any person other than the members of New South Wales Netball Association Limited.

### Responsibilities of Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible for:

- preparing the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 2 to the Financial Report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members;
- implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is:

- to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this Financial Report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

[http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\\_files/ar3.pdf](http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_files/ar3.pdf). This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

## Opinion

In our opinion, the Annual Report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2016, complies with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure requirements and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

### Directors' responsibilities

The Directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Special Purpose Financial Report in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001.

### Our responsibilities

We have audited the financial statements included in pages 7 to 21 of the Special Purpose Financial Report for the year ended 31 December 2016.

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Special Purpose Financial Report, based on our Audit conducted in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*.

KPMG

Cameron Roan

Partner

Sydney

21 February 2017



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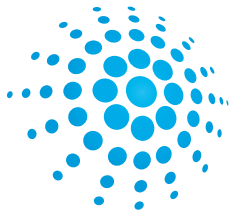


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