

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF  
THE NEW SOUTH WALES NETBALL ASSOCIATION LIMITED (ACN 001 685 007) (NETBALL NSW)  
HELD ON SATURDAY 21 MARCH 2026 AT 2.02PM  
AT NETBALL CENTRAL, 2 OLYMPIC BOULEVARD, SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK NSW 2127 AND VIA TEAMS**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

<b>AFFILIATE MEMBERS</b>		
	<b>Association</b>	<b>Delegate Name</b>
1.	Bankstown City Netball Association	Nicole Oram
2.	Baulkham Hills Shire Netball Association	Kylie Tzavaras
3.	Baulkham Hills Shire Netball Association	Claudette Noble
4.	Blacktown City Netball Association	Karen Szczerbanik
5.	Blacktown City Netball Association	Alison Sheppard
6.	Blue Mountains Netball Association	Susan Toole
7.	Blue Mountains Netball Association	Carol Jack
8.	Camden & District Netball Association	Lyndall Scuhmeier
9.	Campbelltown Netball Association	Justin Rea
10.	Charlestown Netball Association	Peta Forder
11.	Charlestown Netball Association	Jodie Hadden
12.	City of Sydney Netball Association	Suzanne Simpson
13.	Coffs Harbour Netball Association	Vicki Morris
14.	Eastwood Ryde Netball Association	Greg Collins
15.	Eastwood Ryde Netball Association	Kelly Dalziel
16.	Gosford Netball Association	Belinda Beresford
17.	Gosford Netball Association	Joy Dasan
18.	Great Lakes Netball Association	Mel Payne
19.	Griffith Netball Association	Sandra Woolnough
20.	Griffith Netball Association	Carlene Stevenson
21.	Hastings Valley Netball Association	Linda Dewbery
22.	Hastings Valley Netball Association	Rosemary Andrews
23.	Hawkesbury Netball Association	Mandy Bell
24.	Hawkesbury Netball Association	Vicki Turner
25.	Hills District Netball Association	Lisa Robertson
26.	Illawarra District Netball Association	Judith Goodair
27.	Illawarra District Netball Association	Vanessa Sturman
28.	Inner West Netball Association	Leanne Blackmore
29.	Inner West Netball Association	Anne Tait
30.	Ku-ring-gai Netball Association	Kathy Staggs
31.	Ku-ring-gai Netball Association	Rod Jackson
32.	Lakeside Netball Association	Toni Jackaman
33.	Liverpool City Netball Association	Debbie Stabile
34.	Lower Clarence Netball Association	Shelly White
35.	Manly Warringah Netball Association	Cathy Hurditch
36.	Manly Warringah Netball Association	Nicole Carter
37.	Mens Netball Association	Clare McCabe
38.	Newcastle Netball Association Inc.	Sam Rumbel
39.	Newcastle Netball Association Inc.	Leigh Whitehead
40.	Northern Suburbs Netball Association	Christy Hoole
41.	Northern Suburbs Netball Association	Toni Field

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	<b>Association</b>	<b>Delegate Name</b>
42.	Orange District Netball Association	Amanda Frost
43.	Penrith District Netball Association	Joy Gillett OAM
44.	Penrith District Netball Association	Patricia Mann
45.	Port Stephens Netball Association	Jodi Cassar
46.	Port Stephens Netball Association	Sue Xenos
47.	Randwick Netball Association	Maureen Munce
48.	Randwick Netball Association	Jenny Morrissey
49.	Shoalhaven Netball Association	Wilma Klein
50.	Shoalhaven Netball Association	Kathy Rembisz
51.	Southern Highlands Netball Association	Louise Sullivan
52.	St George District Netball Association	Helen Andrews
53.	St George District Netball Association	Ashley Kasper
54.	Sutherland Shire Netball Association	Nerida Noble
55.	Sutherland Shire Netball Association	Jenny Rees
56.	Tamworth Netball Association	Lisa Fox
57.	Tamworth Netball Association	Rebecca McKenzie
58.	Wagga Wagga Netball Association	Tanya Bertoldi
59.	West Wyalong Netball Association	Melissa Ryan
60.	Westlakes District Netball Association Inc.	Madeline Allen OAM
61.	Woolgoolga District Netball Association	Mick Thorpe
62.	Woolgoolga District Netball Association	Sandra Thorpe
63.	Woy Woy Netball Association	Jennifer Blacker
64.	Wyong Netball Association	Christine Miles OAM

<b>DIRECTORS</b>	
65.	Sallianne Faulkner (President & Chairperson)
66.	Claire Tynan (Deputy Chairperson)
67.	Michelle Champ
68.	Vincent De Luca OAM
69.	Dr Ben Hamer
70.	Chris Lamb
71.	Carol Murphy OAM (& Life Member)
72.	Jennie Thompson
73.	Janet Torney

<b>LIFE MEMBERS</b>	
74.	Anne Doring OAM
75.	Wendy Archer AM
76.	Maureen Boyle OAM
77.	Ruth Havrlant OAM
78.	Marilyn Melhuish OAM
79.	Rodney Watson OAM

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**OTHER PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE:**

<b>OBSERVERS</b>		
	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Name</b>
80.	Eastwood Ryde Netball Association	Karen Waud OAM
81.	Randwick Netball Association	Carol Bunton
82.	Director Candidate	Joann Lewis
83.	Director Candidate	Mason Cohen
84.	Director Candidate	Cheryl Hernando
85.	Director Candidate	Marissa Cooper
86.	Youth Advisory Group	Alex Tam
87.	Youth Advisory Group	Alyssa Pinchbeck
88.	Youth Advisory Group	Archie McCarthy
89.	Youth Advisory Group	Davina Rajkumar
90.	Youth Advisory Group	Dekoda Jackson
91.	Youth Advisory Group	Elliana Henderson
92.	Youth Advisory Group	Katie Booth
93.	Youth Advisory Group	Molly Allan
94.	Youth Advisory Group	Saachi Singh
95.	Youth Advisory Group	Sofia Novak
96.	Youth Advisory Group	Sophie Butchman
97.	Youth Advisory Group	Talina Seisun

<b>NETBALL NSW STAFF &amp; ADVISERS</b>		
	<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>
98.	Chief Executive Officer	Tracey Scott
99.	Chief Operating Officer	Manuel Vlandis
100.	EGM - Communities	Trish Crews
101.	EGM - Strategy & Stakeholders	Tim Fava
102.	EGM – NSW Swifts	Jeremy Butler
103.	EGM – GIANTS Netball	Tim Underwood
104.	GM – Governance, Integrity & Special Projects	Lucy Sayers
105.	GM - Regional Team & Association Support	Gillian Cotter
106.	Community Netball Manager	Jordan Jones
107.	Growth & Innovation Coordinator	Georgie Calderwood
108.	EA to CEO	Charlotte de Freyne
109.	Company Secretary	Stuart Corbishley
110.	Special Counsel, Lander & Rogers	Simon Merritt
111.	Audit Partner, KPMG	Warwick Shanks

**APOLOGIES:**

	<b>Organisation/Membership Category</b>	<b>Name</b>
1.	Life Member	Vicki Kerr OAM
2.	Life Member	Ronda Kimble OAM

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	<b>Organisation/Membership Category</b>	<b>Name</b>
3.	Life Member	Adele Saunders OAM
4.	Macleay Netball Association	Sonya Murphy
5.	Nelson Bay Netball Association	Ashleigh Martin

## **1. Welcome & Opening Remarks**

The President welcomed attendees and acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting was being held, the Wangal people of the Darug nation, and the traditional owners of the lands on which other attendees were attending the meeting via Microsoft Teams, paying respects to Elders past and present and to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people present.

The President **noted** that, in accordance with the Constitution, the quorum for the AGM was the presence of 25% or more of Affiliate Members (being at least 29 Delegates of Affiliate Members) and 50% or more of Directors (being at least 5 Directors). The President **noted** that a quorum was present and that the meeting could proceed.

The President **noted** the apologies received for the meeting.

The President also **noted** that the meeting was being recorded, that the Election Runner online voting platform was being used for voting and that the Chat function could be used for questions and for moving/seconding motions during the meeting.

## **2. Minutes of 2025 Annual General Meeting**

The draft minutes of the 2025 Annual General Meeting held on 15 March 2025 (included with the Notice of Meeting) were taken as read and **noted**, with no amendments received.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the 2025 Annual General Meeting held on 15 March 2025 be approved in the form tabled at the meeting as a true and accurate record of that meeting.  
**Carried.**

**Actions:**

- Management to upload 2025 AGM minutes to Netball NSW website.

## **3. President's Address**

The President **noted** that, in 2025, Netball NSW recorded its greatest ever number of registered participants, with over 122,000 players, coaches and officials registering with Netball NSW, the second successive year in which Netball NSW has broken registration records. Other key highlights in 2025 included:

- Another 10,000 strong SSN derby sell-out at Ken Rosewall Arena, with NSW Swifts also returning to the Finals series for a record 22<sup>nd</sup> time in 29 seasons.
- Gold medals for the 19U Team at the Nationals and silver medals for the 17U Team.
- Gold medals for the First Nations Team at the National First Nations Tournament.
- Gold medals for the inspiring Marie Little Shield Team.
- A record 7,320 participants across five venues at the 2025 Junior & Senior State Titles.
- A record 68 teams taking part in the DOOLEYS Metro League, with the Netball NSW Premier League celebrating its tenth season.
- Over 1,300 coaching accreditations and over 650 Umpire and Bench Official accreditations.

In particular, the President acknowledged Netball NSW's Associations, clubs, athletes, coaches, officials, staff, volunteers and commercial stakeholders who have worked tirelessly to make the game successful.

The President also **noted** the importance of innovation in meeting the challenges that lie ahead for the game as the sporting landscape becomes increasingly more competitive and cost-of-living pressures affect families and communities. To meet these challenges, Netball NSW is focused on flexibility in delivery models, financial stability for Associations and innovative approaches to engagement as it seeks to deliver on its vision to grow participation, strengthen pathways, support people and lead with integrity and purpose. Earlier in the year, Netball NSW was proud to launch its Foundation, with the purpose of amplifying netball's reach and positive influence across New South Wales for generations to come.

The President acknowledged the Order of Australia Medals awarded to former Directors Ruth Havrlant and John Hahn and paid special tribute to the enduring legacies of Margaret Corbett OAM and Lynn Quinn OAM who sadly passed away last year.

In closing, the President **noted** the excitement surrounding the anticipated crowd of 12,000 netball fans at the SSN double-header at Qudos Bank Arena on Sunday, the upcoming launch of Netball NSW's new Strategic Plan and the Netball World Cup to be held in Sydney in 2027.

#### **4. Financial Report**

The Netball NSW Statutory Audited Annual Report for the period 1 January to 31 December 2025 was taken as read and **noted** in accordance with clause 13.6 of the Constitution.

The COO provided an overview of Netball NSW's 2025 Financial Year, **noting** that:

- there were 122,000 registered members;
- the cash balance as at 31 December 2025 was \$2.9m (\$2.8m in FY24);
- the surplus EBITDA of \$403.5k was in line with budget;
- total revenue was \$23.1m, up from \$21.1m in FY24; and
- total expenses were \$22.7m, up from \$20.9m in FY24.

The external audit process with KPMG resulted in a clean audit and an unqualified audit opinion.

The COO also provided an overview of Netball NSW's 2026 Budget, **noting** that it shows:

- a surplus EBITDA of \$200k;
- an increase in revenues to \$24.8m (\$23.1m in FY25), with increases in capitation (3%), sponsorship (12%) and membership and ticketing (7%);
- an increase in capitation numbers to 127,500 (122,586 in FY25) and an increase in capitation revenue to \$8,901,068 (\$8,181,730 in FY25), with capitation to account for 36% of overall revenues (down from 44% in FY19); and
- net assets as at 31 December 2026 at \$18.3m (\$19.5m in FY25).

#### **5. Panel Reports**

The following annual reports from appointed sub-committees, tribunals and panels (included with the Notice of Meeting) were taken as read and **noted** in accordance with clause 13.6 of the Constitution:

- Appeals Tribunal Report – 2025 Competitions;
- Historical and Archives Panel Report;

- Hall of Fame Panel Report (with the President **noting** that Maureen Boyle OAM should have been included in the list of Panel members);
- Waratah Service Award Panel Report;
- Dot McHugh OAM Service Award Panel Report;
- Anne Clark BEM Service Award Panel Report; and
- Recognition Reference Panel Report.

## **6. Appointment of Auditor**

**RESOLVED** that KPMG be appointed as the Auditors of Netball NSW until the conclusion of the AGM in 2027. **Carried.**

## **7. Appointment of Returning Officer**

**RESOLVED** that Stuart Corbishley be appointed as the Returning Officer of Netball NSW until the conclusion of the AGM in 2027. **Carried.**

## **8. Honorarium for Directors**

The Board's recommendation set out in the Notice of Meeting that Director Honorariums remain at the levels approved at the 2025 AGM (\$5,000 per annum for the President/Chairperson and \$1,000 per annum for each other Director) was **noted**, however, Wendy Archer AM and Rodney Watson OAM then proposed that a motion be put to the meeting that Director Honorariums should instead be increased to \$7,500 per annum for the President/Chairperson and \$3,000 per annum for each other Director. This increase was proposed on the basis that, over the past ten years, there has been a significant increase in the commitment required from Directors and Netball NSW should recognise this increase in commitment and governance responsibilities by increasing Director Honorariums.

Given the motion to increase the amount of the proposed Director Honorariums to be paid to Directors, each Director **noted** that they would abstain from voting on the amendment to the motion due to a conflict of interest.

The motion to amend the original Director Honorariums motion was then proposed by Marilyn Melhuish OAM and seconded by Joy Gillett OAM (Penrith District Netball Association).

**RESOLVED** that the original Director Honorariums motion set out in the Notice of Meeting be amended, with Director Honorariums to be set at \$7,500 per annum for the President/Chairperson (instead of \$5,000 per annum) and \$3,000 per annum for each other Director (instead of \$1,000 per annum). **Carried.**

Accordingly, the following amended motion was then put to the meeting for approval.

**RESOLVED** that in accordance with the requirements of clause 14.8 of the Constitution, Director Honorariums should be increased to \$7,500 per annum for the President/Chairperson and \$3,000 per annum for each other Director. **Carried.**

## **9. Other Business**

### **9.1 Waratah Service Award Presentation**

The President, as Chair of the Waratah Service Award Panel, announced Patricia Mann as the recipient of the 2026 Waratah Service Award, thanking her for her dedication and service to Netball NSW as a bench official and mentor over many years.

Wendy Archer AM (Life Member & Chair of the Recognition Reference Panel) also spoke and congratulated Patricia Mann on her achievements and contribution to netball.

## **10. Declaration of Directors**

The President invited Stuart Corbishley (Company Secretary & Returning Officer) to announce the results of the election of Directors.

Stuart Corbishley **noted** that, with the terms of office of Vincent De Luca OAM and Jennie Thompson expiring at the 2026 AGM, there were two available Elected Director positions, each of which would be for terms of office of three years expiring at the 2029 AGM.

It was **noted** that there were seven candidates for these Elected Director positions:

- Alison Broadbent;
- Mason Cohen;
- Marissa Cooper;
- Vincent De Luca OAM;
- Cheryl Hernando;
- Joann Lewis; and
- Jennie Thompson.

In accordance with the Constitution and the Netball NSW Election and Voting Policy, voting for the election of Elected Directors via the Election Runner online voting platform was finalised at the closing of the ballot at 5pm on 20 March 2026.

Accordingly, Stuart Corbishley announced the results of the election:

- There were 240 eligible voters for the election.
- 135 valid voters participated in the election.
- For the positions of Elected Director:
  - Alison Broadbent received 78 votes and was elected for a 3-year term expiring at the 2029 AGM.
  - Mason Cohen received 34 votes.
  - Marissa Cooper received 5 votes.
  - Vincent De Luca OAM received 65 votes and was elected for a 3-year term expiring at the 2029 AGM.
  - Cheryl Hernando received 32 votes.
  - Joann Lewis received 23 votes.
  - Jennie Thompson received 19 votes.

The President congratulated Alison Broadbent and Vincent De Luca OAM on their elections to the Board.

## **11. Close**

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 2.38pm.

Signed as a correct record of the meeting.

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President  
Date: