

**Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch Football Association Incorporated**



**Minutes of the -**

**2022 Annual General Meeting Ryde - Eastwood Hawks Touch Football Association Inc.**

Thursday 26 May, 2022. Putney Bowling Club

**TIME:** Commenced 7:15 PM. Chair Person – Paul Wines

**PRESENT:** Total of 12 people (9 People with voting rights).

**Senior Team Delegates: (9)** Paul Wines, Lisa Wines, Ron White, Pat Walsh, Ron Ryan, Mark Lindsay, Doug Vail, Chris Hopper and Bill Calleja

**Junior Team Delegates: (0)**

**Life Members: (1)** Ron White

**Nominated Members: (0)**

**Others present: (3)** Dave Kelly, Sheree Donkin and Pat Batiste

**Apologies: (2)** Andrew Goggin, Pat Branley

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM:**

Moved that the Minutes of the previous AGM be taken as read.

Proposed: Bill Calleja

Seconded: Lisa Wines

Vote: Unanimous

Moved that the Minutes of the previous AGM be accepted:

Proposed: Ron Ryan

Seconded: Doug Vail

Vote: Unanimous

Matters arising from Minutes of previous AGM

1. No matters arising from Minutes of previous AGM

**PRESIDENTS REPORT:**

Paul Wines read the President's report prepared by Andrew Goggin.

He thanked the Board for their efforts.

He spoke of the great success of the revamped junior coaching program and thanked Cheyne Harrison for his determination in bringing this to fruition.

He spoke of the success of the running of the seniors summer competition in terms of both the numbers of teams and the closeness of the competitions. The closeness of the competitions was in large part due to the way that Mark Lindsay was able to place the teams in their respective grades.

He advised that the council had advised we will not lose fields for the upcoming summer competition.

He advised that a reduced winter competition went ahead despite the COVID restrictions and this allowed us to qualify a number of players for the Representative teams.

He thanked the referees, the sponsors/partners, the members of the Rep Team Committee and non-board members who had added to the club's performance. He also thanked the representative team coaches and managers.

He noted that the representative season had been decimated by Covid and bad weather. (Note: A full copy of the report is available on the club's website under the "Documents" tab.)

Accepted by: Lisa Wines

Seconded by: Ron Ryan

Vote: Unanimous

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The Treasurer, Mark Lindsay presented the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 April, 2022.

Mark advised that the club achieved a deficit of \$30,847 for the year and had nett assets of \$97,857.

He advised that despite COVID making it a challenging year but the abandonment of the representative competitions meant the club achieved a healthy profit.

He highlighted the high level of sponsorship which he said reflected well on the way that the club was being managed. He thanked Andrew Goggin and Dave Kelly for their significant contributions in chasing sponsors.

He then went through the highlights of the accounts.

(Note: A copy of the Financial Statements are available on the club's website under the "Documents" tab.)

Accepted by: Bill Calleja

Seconded by: Ron Ryan

Vote: Unanimous

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

The Secretary, Paul Wines, went through the meetings initiated by the Board throughout the year. He also set out the attendance of the board members at board meetings.

During the year the board met 7 times and the attendance was as follows:

President – Andrew Goggin 7

Treasurer – Mark Lindsay 7

Secretary – Paul Wines 7

Directors – Bill Calleja 7

Doug Vail 5

Chris Hopper 7

Ron Ryan 4

Pat Branley 5 (of 6)

He set out the numerous other meetings that members of the Board had attended.

He advised that all required forms to NSW Touch had been submitted on time.

He advised that despite increased efforts to get all players registered and signed on for each game this was still not being achieved at a level that was satisfactory to the Board.

He advised that the Board had concerns about the drop off of players as they got older especially in the boy's divisions. The Board would be looking at measures to address this issue.

He thanked the rest of the board for their efforts throughout the year and gave special thanks to Nicola Wines and Andrew Goggin.

In response to the report, the meeting suggested that increased use of social media and the introduction of penalty points for non-compliance may improve the issues with registration and signing on.

These suggestions will be considered by the new Board.

(Note: A full copy of the report is available on the club's website under the "Documents" tab.)

Accepted by: Bill Calleja  
Seconded by: Doug Vail  
Vote: Unanimous

**ELECTION:**

Patron:  
Ron White was nominated to continue as Patron and Ron accepted the nomination.  
Nominated by: Paul Wines  
Seconded by: Pat Walsh  
Vote: Unanimous

In accordance with the constitution, nominations for board positions had been called for and at the closing date for nominations, the only person to be nominated for President was Andrew Goggin.

Andrew Goggin was duly elected unopposed to the position of President.

Mark Lindsay was the only nominee for the Treasurer's position and was elected unopposed.

Paul Wines was the only nominee for the Secretary's position and was elected unopposed.

There were only four candidates for the remaining four board positions:  
Bill Calleja, Ron Ryan, Chris Hopper and Doug Vail were elected unopposed.

**ELECTED COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

**PRESIDENT:** Andrew Goggin  
**TREASURER:** Mark Lindsay  
**SECRETARY:** Paul Wines  
**COMMITTEE MEMBER:** Bill Calleja  
**COMMITTEE MEMBER:** Doug Vail  
**COMMITTEE MEMBER:** Ron Ryan  
**COMMITTEE MEMBER:** Chris Hopper  
**PATRON:** Ron White

**Special Resolution**

Nil.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. An ordinary resolution was put to the meeting. The resolution was:

The Members hereby approve and agree to expenditure by the Club of amounts approved in advance by the Board of Directors until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club for the following expenditure and benefits for Directors:

- (i) The reasonable cost of snacks and beverages for Directors during a Board Meeting totalling a maximum of \$100 per Board Meeting.
- (ii) The reimbursement of the cost of attending official functions to represent the Club.

Proposed: Ron Ryan

Seconded: Bill Calleja

Vote: Carried unanimously

**2.** An ordinary resolution was put to the meeting. The resolution was:

Allow the Board the authority to donate or sponsor club members and approve an annual amount or not approve.

It is proposed that the amount donated be based on the level of involvement and the years of service by a person or family. Involvement could be as a player, coach, manager, administration or support of the club. This involvement must be of a substantial nature and be a very good club person/family. The level of involvement is a decision by the Board.

\$100 - continued involvement at the club for at least 3 years.

\$200 - continued involvement at the club for at least 4 years to 5 years.

\$300 - continued involvement at the club for at least 6 years to 7 years.

\$400 - continued involvement at the club for at least 8 years to 9 years.

\$500 - continued involvement at the club for 10 years or above.

Proposed: Bill Calleja

Seconded: Ron Ryan

Vote: Carried unanimously

**3.** New balls

- a. Lisa Wines suggested that getting quality new balls at the start of the competition would start the season off on the right foot. The consensus was that this was a good idea and the old balls could be donated to local schools etc.

**4.** Junior Competition –

- a. Sheree Donkin suggested that the introduction of a “School Liaison Officer” be considered in order to increase junior participation.
- b. Pat Batiste suggested that NSW Touch should be contacted to get their Development Officers to promote our competition at local schools (both primary and high schools).
- c. It was suggested that financial inducements could be offered to schools for new teams that were formed from their students.

- d. It was suggested that the Board should contact Eastwood-Ryde netball about forming a strategic partnership to promote each other's competitions.

#### 5. Referees

- a. Doug Vail advised that progress was being made at the local level and that this would hopefully be translated into increased number of referees for the representative scene. We currently have 24 Junior refs and 20 Senior refs.
- b. 13 refs attended a level 1 course in January.
- c. Level 2 and 3 courses are being run in July and a message has been sent to all refs to consider attending.
- d. Grants have been received to upgrade the refs uniforms – currently ordering shirts.
- e. We are hopeful to reduce the need for duty refs for the next summer competition.
- f. On the representative front, most tournaments were cancelled due to wet weather, but refs still officiated over 100 lead up trials and gala days.

#### 6. Lighting

- a. In response to a question about lighting at Morrison Bay Park, Paul Wines advised that he had received advice from Council, that very afternoon, that the funding for lighting that was in the Council's 4-year plan to 2025 had been diverted to other projects and was off the table for at least that period of time.

#### 7. Grants

- a. The meeting concluded on a high when Chris Hopper advised that he had successfully arranged a grant from Ryde Council for \$5,000 to sponsor the referees.

There being no further General Business the meeting was closed at 8:07 PM.