



Woden Waves Water Polo Club

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Minutes | Woden Waves Water Polo Club Board Meeting

Date	Monday 3 rd April 2023
Time	7:00pm-8:00pm
Venue	Zoom
Invited	Ryan McDermott, President (RM) Scott Wilson, Vice President (ScW) Bridget Chalmers, Secretary (BC) Sandra Wilson, Treasurer (SaW) Kym McNamara, General Member (KM) Melissa Onus, General Member (MO) Rosa Dacic, General Member (RD)
Apologies	Nil
Absent	Nil

Agenda Item		Minutes
1	Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country (RM)	
2	Apologies (BC)	
3	Approval of previous board minutes	Approved
4	President Update (RM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Thank you for taking up a role with the club!● Setting the culture, procedures and standards are important so we are on the same page and working effectively. Things that will help:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Board Course○ Strong communication○ Being engaged● A few things to remember:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ We are here to ensure the organisation or club is successful not individual players/teams. This always needs to guide our decisions and topics of



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		<p>conversations. This means the club is financially stable and protected from risks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conversations and names are confidential, summaries will be provided to members. ○ All decisions are made as a board not as individuals, so we all own and support the decision. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Over the next 6 months (the off season) we will look to set-up our processes and procedures through policy and plans. This is again important so not only do we operate well, but handovers are easy to complete and pick up. We will do this through the help of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Game Plan ○ ASC Governance Framework ○ Experience here on the board ● Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Our 14s teams are ready to head off to state champs next week. ○ We have submitted our application to become incorporated which is currently sitting with ACT Government. ○ Tenders have closed for pool operators including Stromlo Leisure Centre. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Belgravia Group have been the only operator to engage with us and have been extremely positive. ● Belgravia group have a partnership with Water Polo Australia and are currently drafting MOU's for all aquatic SSO's. ● The new operators allows an opportunity to reset and have aligned visions for the working relationship.
5	Finance Update (SaW & RM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Currently in the process of setting up xero to help manage the club's finances and make it far easier to report and reconcile. ● SaW and RM will complete a handover in the coming weeks.



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The club account has \$6500 in it with approx. \$1500 to go out in the coming week for pool hire and state champ's expenses. • The aim would be to start building up our reserves ASAP. • We have applied for Community Support through the Labor Club group last week. We were unsuccessful with the Hellenic Club earlier this year.
6	WPACT Update (ScW)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ScW has attended 2 board meetings with WPACT within new role of Head of Performance Health. • ScW is in the process of setting up screening program to provide a platform for athletes aiming for rep program, supporting athletes and families. • AYC will be open to club U14 and U16 players as of 2024 • Clubs will provide weekly training sessions and 4 weekend comps throughout 2023 Winter season
7	Winter Season (RM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competition Structure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o U12 has been added (play on Saturday) o U14 and U16 (play on Saturday) o Youth League U19 (play on Sunday) • Survey Results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Survey results training was preferred on a Tuesday • Training Schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Tuesday WP session (T2 and T3) o Wednesday Swim (T3) o Thursday WP session (T3) • Team Entries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Teams need to be entered 1 week out from events o Aiming for 1-2 teams for each division o Woden Waves Athletes EOI for Rep program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ U15 (5 Boys and 8 Girls) ▪ U17 (1 Boy)
8	Action Plan (RM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial 2023 targets (RM continuing to work on for board approval)



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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none">o Empower:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ THINK/ACT/PLAY▪ Play by the rules training▪ Each team to run weekly fundraiser BBQo Develop:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Clock specific training to occur during the season for families▪ Older players mentoring younger players▪ Goal specific training▪ Promote players to complete referee training and give back to the club▪ Promote player and families to complete First Aid training program offered by ScW.o Play:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Friday night primary school comp▪ Come and try with swim clubs▪ Targeted communication around recruitment time▪ Focus on retention of players (weekly recognition award per game in collaboration with 1 parent observer, Team Manager and Coach)o Perform: Continue to develop throughout the year<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Financial accessibility/fundraising/sponsorship plan for interstate competitions (EG: AYC, State Championships)▪ Group bookings (accommodation/transport)▪ Statement of Intent for attending competitions (include draft options for players)o Prosper: Continue to develop throughout the year<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Work with new pool operators▪ Australian Sports Foundation Development Fund (accessible for club and individual athletes)▪ Monthly club dinners/parent dinners |
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9	Mouthguards (ScW & RM)	<i>Mouthguard policy to be reviewed next meeting</i>
10	End of Summer Season	<i>Action item: Board members to review End of Summer Season survey draft templates provide feedback to RM by Monday 10th 2023.</i>
11	Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australian Sports Foundation Development Fund <i>Action item: Board members to review Australian Sports Foundation Development Fund draft provide feedback to RM by Monday 10th 2023.</i>

End: 8:55pm