



Darwin Netball Association

MINUTES OF MEETING

2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date:	Tuesday 3 December 2024	Time:	6.00pm – 6.21pm	Location:	Territory Netball Stadium, Function Room
Chair:	Thea Pearce	Secretariat:	Teuila Te Aho		

Members:	Thea Pearce (President), Leith Wood (Vice President), Sandy Mackintosh (Treasurer), Linda Parnham (Umpire Coordinator), Sharon Freeman (Coaching Coordinator), Sarrita King (General Member) Megan Hensler (Community and Events Coordinator) Teuila Te Aho (Administration Officer)	
Club	Banks Bulldogs	No attendance or apologies received
	Casuarina Cougars	Ruth Kirk, Tash Guse
	Southern District Crocs	Emma Sheehan, Karyn Hayes
Members	Litchfield Bears	Lizzie Treloar, Nakita Mullins
	Northern Districts	No attendance or apologies received
	TV Falcons	Sally Lawrence, Natasha Rammers
	Mash	Sharon Forsyth
	Pints	Rachelle Tinning, Madison Brown
	Nightcliff Tigers	Jennifer Wardell, Kate McCullough, Sophie Butler, Bianca Di Nuzzo
	Waratah	Keida Quinn, Sam Lewis, Carleen Mitchell

Item	Topic	Presenter	Discussion
1	Present	Members	Accepted.
2	Apologies	Members	Nil received
3	Declaration of Conflict of Interest	Members	Nil raised
4	Acceptance of Minutes of 2023 Annual General Meeting dated 5 December 2023	Members	Accepted – by Nightcliff Tigers and Waratahs
5	Amendments to Constitution	President	Part 4 – Management Team, Item 25.1 Delete Secretary Delete Media Officer Delete 1 x Junior Representative Rename 1 x Junior Representative to Development Coordinator Rename 1 x Players Representative to General Member (approved in July 2024 at Special General meeting). Moved – Jen Wardell, Nightcliff Tigers Seconded – Carleen Mitchell, Waratahs



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6.	Amendments to By-Laws Fees	President	Noted. Litchfield Bears raised if a player registers after midway during the season, will the registration fees be halved as well. DNA are unable to reduce fees as we cannot afford it as Netball NT no longer reduce their fees. Insurance is the main component with Netball NT fee (\$84.50) and DNA (\$55.50) component. If the DNA fee was reduced to half (\$27.50) we would not be able to sustain our Association costs as we would have to cover part of Netball NT fee.
7	Management Team Reports		
7.1	President	Thea Pearce	Noted.
7.2	Vice President	Leith Wood	Noted. Leith Wood will to stay as Vice President until 31 December 2024.
7.3	Treasurer	Sandy Mackintosh	Noted. Waratah's queried the increase of cost and Sandy advised this was due to DNA Development costs to Singapore, Queensland and Western Australia. Players also paid a portion of the travel and accommodation costs. Sandy will stay on reports and forward to NT Government in later in the month and handover to new Treasurer in January 2025. Approved
7.4	Umpiring Coordinator	Linda Parnham	Noted. Tigers advised that last minute changes to umpires during the season caused an issue in also coordinating their umpires. It would be appreciated if the DNA Umpire Coordinator would contact clubs via phone for future umpire last minute cancellations and or changes.
7.5	Player Representative	Vacant	Not Applicable.
7.6	Coaching Coordinator	Sharon Freeman	Noted.
7.7	Media Officer	Vacant	Not Applicable.
7.8	Junior Coordinator [x2]	Vacant	Not Applicable.



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7.9	Community and Events Coordinator	Megan Hensler	Noted. Megan advised that Entry/Gate person is not included in the Community and Events Coordinator role. Megan did this as an additional volunteer duty. DNA MT will need to source a new gate person for Junior and senior nights as Ros Walker as also stepped down
7.10	General Member	Sarrita King –	Report not required - noted.
7.11	Financial Report	Sandy Mackintosh	Noted.
8	Election of New Management Team Members	Thea Pearce	As no nominations were submitted Thea put it open to the floor of members if anyone would like to nominate for any of the vacant positions on the DNA Committee. Keida Quinn nominated for Treasurer – approved. Thea advised all clubs to go back to their members and encourage to join the DNA Committee or the Association may be at risk in 2025.
8.1	President – 2-year Term		No nomination submitted.
8.2	Vice President – 1 year term		No nomination submitted.
8.3	Treasurer – 2-year term		No nomination submitted. Keida Quinn nominated from the floor for Treasurer – approved.
8.4	Coaching Coordinator – 1 year term		No nomination submitted.
8.5	Community and Events Coordinator – 2-year term		No nomination submitted.
8.6	Players Representative – 2-year term		No nomination submitted.
8.7	General Member – 1 year term		No nomination submitted.
8.8	Development Officer – NEW position – 2-year term		No nomination submitted.
9	Other Business		
9.1	Indigenous Round for 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is there going to be an Indigenous round in 2025? 	Nightcliff Tigers email sent 13Nov24	Introduce an Indigenous round in 2025.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topic has been flagged in previous AGMs. <p>Indigenous rounds for netball is a great opportunity to highlight awareness the contribution that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people make to sporting clubs and the wider community. We also want to celebrate and connect with First Nations culture and remind our netball community the importance of education.</p> <p>Having an indigenous round in DNA:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Netball is one of the few sports in Darwin that does not have an Indigenous round Encourage inclusiveness. We will aim to embrace First Nations culture and heritage, to strengthen inclusive participation and to engage communities. 		<p>What can clubs and DNA do to include and promote an Indigenous Round in 2025?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clubs can wear their Indigenous strip. Clubs can get behind the Indigenous round within their club and promote inclusiveness and embrace our First Nations people awareness and understanding of culture. Sarrita – Coordinating the Indigenous round is a big role and we need someone to drive the round. We could tie in the DNA Indigenous round with the Indigenous Carnival and or NAIDOC week. <p>Thea advised DNA will introduce the Indigenous round in 2025 with the new Committee.</p>
10	Appointment of Auditor	Members	Sandy advised that DNA will be looking at a new Auditor. DNA MT will source quotes from accounting firms for 2025.
11	Meeting Closed	President	6:21pm