

MINUTES 26 JUNE 2022

**PALM BEACH (QLD) SLSC Inc ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT PALM BEACH LIFE SAVING CLUB ON SUNDAY 26 June 2022**

Attendance:

Mary Farrell	Erica Read	Gary Fraser
Anna Carroll	Dan Stewart OAM	Ron Bagnall
David Carroll	Dale Scotcher	Geoff Bagnall
Scott Lyall	Peter (Scott) Rawlings	Ben Tidey
Greg Cox	Sharon Finucan	Warren Johnson
Ben Cox	Gabrielle Kinneally	Arnold Eussen
Julian Norton-Smith	Sam Morgan	Donna Riley
Josh Sealey	Russ Francis	Donna Hollier
Greg Clark	Susan Loomes	Jenny Southwell
Codey Trethewey	Jack Carroll	

Apologies:

Jane Makepeace	Nick Perugino	Leesa Monaghan
Richard Forbes	Leanne Major	Dick Felton
Tony Rapallo	Daragh Murphy	

Visitors:

Tracey Adam (Auditor)

Meeting opened at 9.34am.

President Mary Farrell welcomed members to the 2022 Palm Beach SLSC Annual General Meeting.

Acknowledgement of Traditional Land Owners

President acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today and paid respect to elders past, present and emerging.

Conflict of Interest

President noted the attendees that if at any point during this AGM, a member may benefit financially in a vote, then the member of the committee must declare a conflict of interest and must abstain from voting. No conflict of interest indicated.

Confirmation of the Previous Annual General Meeting Minutes held on 26 June 2021.

A copy was available for members to review.

MOVED: Dan Stewart **SECONDED:** Julian Norton-Smith **Carried**

All members were emailed a copy of the 92nd Annual Report and Financial Statements.

President Mary Farrell presented the key highlights of the season including:

- Operating under the new Constitution; with a Board managing the business affairs and Operations Committee focused on the life saving activities.

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- Thank you to our Supporters Club who have provided support and financial contribution
- Nippers – sustainable and supported program with Josh taking on the role
- Youth development program came runners up in the recent SLSQ Gold Coast Youth Development ‘Youth Club of the Year’ award
- Promoting and living our Club Values
- Community involvement: including helping clean up after the flood, Movember and McPherson Community Service awards
- Acknowledgement of:
 - David Collins, our outgoing Treasurer
 - Gary Fraser, in his tenure as Supporters Club President

President invited members of the Operations Committee to speak to the members:

- **JAC – Josh Sealey:** new to lifesaving but has 17 years of organising school sports program. As the new JAC, Josh aimed to build trust of the members this season, with a focus on providing a joyful program with something for all kids.
- **Club Captain: Greg Clark** stepped into role midway through the season; Club has been inspected by SLSQ on four occasions during the season with excellent results; increasing number of new patrol members and training being offered through the season is improving the depth of the patrol teams.
- **CTO – Donna Riley:** training team is a good position; strong numbers with younger members coming into the team. Just completed further IRB training to increase the depth of our IRB drivers and crewies.
- **Surf Sports Officer - Ben Cox:** further developing program from last season into this season across all age groups; looking to bring a nippers coach next season and keep development going through all age groups. Introduction of Ky Hurst as Head Coach this season was well received.
- **Youth Development:** with Yasmina & Clayton unable to attend the meeting, Mary Farrell provided an update with monthly excursion to rock pools, rock climbing, movies’ and Aqua Splash being successful outings keeping youth engaged. The Club came runners up Youth Club of the year on the Gold Coast.

Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer David Collins stepped down from the role in March as he moved interstate. The Board welcomed Scott Lyall to the role who presented the financial report to the members. Scott joins the Board with great experience as a Chartered Accountant and Chief Operating Officer with Burleigh Brewing.

Scott provided a short presentation highlighting the key financial outcomes of the year:

- write off of assets as result of a comprehensive review of the asset register.
- improved cash balance by \$15K per year.
- income is generated from a number of sources, not solely relying on members fees.
- Club has plans for increased fundraising and optimising dorm fees.

Tracy Adams of Dickfos Dunn Adam (DDA), who completed the audit of the Clubs accounts, was acknowledged. The report provided valuable recommendations that the Board will review and implement.

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The Treasurer notified the members of their current Public Liability Insurance. Our Insurance is provided through **XL Insurance Company SE (AXA)** with \$50M in General Liability and \$50M in Product Liability through to 7 October 2022.

PALM BEACH SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB
YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

	2021/22	2020/21
OPERATING SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT)	(\$162,612) \$	114,695
LAND REVALUATION	\$ - \$	366,667
ASSET WRITE OFF	\$ 127,243 \$	-
NET OPERATING PROFIT	(\$35,369) \$	481,362
DECREASE IN NAB LOAN	\$ 203,580 \$	375,199
INCREASE/ (DECREASE) IN NET ASSET POSITION	(\$162,612) \$	481,362
NET INCREASE IN CASH AT BANK	\$ 15,572 \$	78,562

Member question:

Dan Stewart OAM and Life Member spoke to reference the sale of the row boat in the Surf Sports Officer's report in the annual report. Dan requested the report is modified to note that two surf boats were disposed of over two financial years. The report will be edited and updated on the Club website.

Motion: That the 92nd annual report be accepted, noting the addition of the surf boat disposal.

MOVED: David Carroll **SECONDED** Erica Read **Carried**

Motion: That the Financial Statements (for the financial year ending 30 April 2022) be accepted.

MOVED: Greg Cox

SECONDED Jack Carroll **Carried**

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Proposed: Sam Morgan

Seconded: Jack Carroll

Carried

Motion: That the **office bearers** as nominated, of Palm Beach (Qld) Surf Life Saving Club for season 2022/23, be endorsed.

MOVED: Donna Riley

SECONDED: Greg Cox

Carried

Endorsements and Affiliations

Judiciary Committee

Motion: That a Judiciary Committee comprising a Chairperson, a Secretary and at least three (3) member of Palm Beach (Qld) SLSC shall be appointed by the Board at the first meeting following the Annual General Meeting for the season 2022/23.

MOVED: Peter (Scott) Rawlings

SECONDED: Greg Cox

Carried

Councillor for Season 2022/23

Motion: That the President - Mary Farrell be endorsed as the Branch Councillor for season 2022/23

MOVED: Codey Trethewey

SECONDED: Jack Carroll

Carried

Affiliation to Point Danger Branch, SLSQ and SLSA

Motion: That the Club seeks to formally affiliate with Point Danger Branch, Surf Life Saving Qld and Surf Life Saving Australia and further that the club agrees to abide by the SLSA memorandum of Association, Articles of Association, Rules and Regulations, Constitution and By-Laws, and resolutions together with the Awards and Equipment of SLSQ and SLSA.

MOVED: Greg Cox

SECONDED: Julian Norton-Smith

Carried

Appointed/Honorary Positions

Patron

Recommended that **Dan Stewart OAM** is appointed as Patron for season 2022/23

MOVED: Mary Farrell

SECONDED: Greg Cox

Carried

Honorary legal officer

Recommended that **McLaughlin Lawyers** are appointed honorary legal service for season 2022/23

MOVED: Ben Cox

SECONDED: Donna Riley

Carried

Auditor

Recommended that **Dickfos Dunn Adam (DDA)** be appointed as the Auditor for season 2022/23.

MOVED: Greg Cox

SECONDED: Erica Read

Carried

Grievance Officer

Recommended that **Leanne Major** be appointed as Grievance Officer

MOVED: Peter (Scott) Rawlings

SECONDED: Ben Tidey

Carried

Endorsement of the Junior Activities Committee:

Junior Activities Chairperson	Joshua Sealey
Deputy JAC	Julian Norton-Smith
Junior Secretary	Yasmina Phadel
Junior Registrar	Leesa Monaghan
Junior Awards Officer	Yasmina Phadel
Junior Age Manager Under 6	<u>Lead:</u> Steven Duhig
Junior Age Manager Under 7	<u>Lead:</u> Kerry Filliol, <u>Support:</u> Kane Merrett & Ryan Ellis
Junior Age Manager Under 8	<u>Lead:</u> Dan McCafferty <u>Support:</u> Emily Carroll, Zali Riley, Scott Duffy & Danielle Stebbins
Junior Age Manager Under 9	<u>Lead:</u> Greg Clark <u>Support:</u> Steven Duhig
Junior Age Manager Under 10	<u>Lead:</u> Julian Norton-Smith <u>Support:</u> Bonny Farrell, Lauren Eddie & Jared Sams
Junior Age Manager Under 11	<u>Lead:</u> Yasmina Phadel <u>Support:</u> Codey Trethewey
Junior Age Manager Under 12	<u>Lead:</u> Christie Fox <u>Support:</u> Isaac Allport & Jeff Baxter
Junior Age Manager Under 13	<u>Lead:</u> Greg Pooley <u>Support:</u> Jack Carroll
Junior Age Manager Under 14	<u>Lead:</u> Donna Hollier <u>Support:</u> Warwick Hollier & Deon Pache
Junior Age Manager Under 15	<u>Lead:</u> Russell Francis
Junior Social Officer	Yasmina Phadel
Water Safety Coordinator	Vacant
Team Manager/Coach March Past	Jenny Rees

Motion: That the **Junior Activities Committee** for Season 2022/23 be endorsed.

MOVED: Josh Sealey

SECONDED: Greg Cox

Carried

Life Membership Nomination:

The Board endorsed and presented the nomination for **GARY FRASER** to be awarded Life Membership of the Palm Beach Qld Surf Life Saving Club, as nominated by *Dan Stewart* and *Arnie Eussen*.

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Life Member Dan Stewart addressed the members, speaking to Gary's history with the club and achievements worthy of the nomination:

- being a competitive nipper at Palm Beach in his youth
- becoming a Bronze Medallion award holder in 1983
- being a successful competitor at all levels of surf lifesaving including Australian Championships
- being a patrolling lifesaver at both Palm Beach and TH&C
- playing one of the key roles in recent Surf Club renovations
- holding Junior Activities Chair role for five years
- volunteering as official for many years
- presiding as President of the Supporters Club for over four years

Under the Constitution, a two-thirds (2/3) majority of voting members are required to confirm the award. A secret ballot was conducted with results confirming the nomination.

Gary Fraser was welcomed and acknowledged as a Life Member of the club. Gary thanked the members and acknowledged the honour of joining other life members such as Dan Stewart, Arnie Eussen, Scott Rawlings and Ron Bagnall.

An official presentation will be scheduled at a later date following consultation with Gary and his family.

Awards of Recognition: SLSQ service

Club Captain Greg Clark presented SLSQ service awards to members present and acknowledged those who were absent.

Lifesaving Service awards:

100+ patrol hours in a season

- Nick Perugino (227 hours)
- Codey Trethewey (112.25 hours)
- Honourable mentions to: Sharon Finucan (94), Greg Clark (92) and Colin Harvey (92)

100% attendance at rostered Patrols

- Anthony Bourke, Greg Clark, Greg Cox, Colin Harvey, Simone Haugh, David Lincoln and Ruby Neeson (SRC)

Patrol Captains consecutive service awards

- 10 years: Ben Gill and Mary Farrell
- 5 years: David Lincoln (9), Mitch Gilmour (7), Sim Haugh (7), Jane Makepeace (7) & David Holzheimer (5)

* Actual years service are recognised in parantheses. Service awards are awarded in 5 year interims.

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National Patrol Service Awards

- **20 year:** Bob Hade
- **15 year:** Wendy Callard, Philip Clark, Paul Evans, Ben Gill, Noel Gill, David Howe, Tony Rapallo
- **10 year:** Catherine Baddeley, William Evans, Mary Farrell, Mitch Gilmour, Simon Jensen, Clayton Kimeklis, Matthew Lincoln, Scott O’Neill, Scott Rawlings, Erica Read, Shelley Roberts
- **5 year:** Anthony Bourke, Karly Bourke, Jack Carroll, Greg Clark, Greg Cox, Hamish Dutton, Timothy Evans, Russell Francis, Janelle Gill, Stuart Gordon, Simone Haugh, Paul Hayward, Warwick Hollier, Nigel Hughes, Jennifer Langton, Leanne Major, Jane Makepeace, Nirit Marchand, Belinda Marshall, Luke Opray, Sarah Pereira, Samuel Pike, Donna Riley, Louise Ruff, Dale Scotcher, Sandra Smart, Codey Trethewey, Brayden Walton, Geoff Walton, Loren Walton, Alex Wilson

Front Line Service Awards for 5 years of service on a board or committee

- Anna Carroll
- Greg Cox
- David Collins
- Mary Farrell

General Business

Dan Stewart shared feedback on his review of the Club Constitution and By-Laws including:

- Dissolution clause – should the club be wound up, the assets will go to SLSQ; consideration to be given to providing the assets to a local community as our Club is in a different position to other clubs in that we own our land and building
- Defining how committees can be established
- Consideration to more communication from the Board to members on decisions and general meetings
- Formatting can be improved with page numbers and table of contents added; review to update
- A membership request can be declined without the need for a reason being provided
- A member who misses three meetings and can be removed, this seems harsh

Dan’s feedback was welcomed and will be considered by the Board.

Arnie Eussen offered to nominate from the floor for the role of Surf Boat Captain, supported by Warren Johnson and seconded by Dan Stewart.

Prior to a vote, discussions for and against the proposal were had including:

- A role is being filled without an active program or resources at the club
- When interest or knowledge in surf boats is required within the Club; Arnie can be approached for his expertise and guidance
- Should interest or a program emerge, the Constitution allows for the appointment to a vacancy at which time Arnie could be approached and appointed

Members voted on the appointment of Arnie Eussen to the role of Surf Boat Captain

For: 12 Against: 15

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Role of Surf Boat Captain for 22/23 will not be filled.

Member David Carroll passed a vote of thanks to the volunteers and club members and work of Life Members. He noted the positive reports about the club when active on the beach as a patrolling Life Guard and Lifesaver.

Meeting closed: 10.49am