



GRANVILLE DISTRICT FOOTBALL REFEREES ASSOCIATION

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Minutes of the 13th June 2013 General Meeting.

Meeting opened 7:35 pm

1. Received apologies for non-attendance;
 2. As per attendance sheet
 3. Welcome from the acting chair, Vice President Simon Ford. Asked Luke Pevey and Wilf Filipczyk to step forward and provide a brief talk on why they referee.
 4. Introduced Special Guest, John Marshall, former Paralympian and member of the NSW Workcover Paralympian Speaker Program.
 5. John discussed his accident and career and how he took his usual routine for granted. Stressed that a professional attitude will assist us as referees, as through proper and detailed preparation and remove the 'auto-pilot' attitude where mental black outs can occur from treating it like every other game.
 6. As a professional service need to consider our health and body, ensuring appropriate hydration and eating correctly to achieve highest standards we can as individuals.
 7. Continued to say that regardless of any obstacles he has faced he has found a solution and still sets himself goals, such as currently becoming a pilot, and through hard work reaches them. Said that all people can achieve any goal, the ones that succeeded however put in the most time, effort and are most dedicated.
 8. Thanks given on behalf of members by acting chair, small presentation showing appreciation of John's time made.
 9. Ryan Pigram – Newly appointed as Assessment and Mentor Co-ordinator (AMC)
 10. Presentation on what Ryan's role entails and how through his role he hopes to establish long term framework to ensure we actively recruit, retain and progress members. This is hoped to provide a clearer guide of how to progress to both higher level games and higher level referee and assessor qualifications. Moving towards a more central database style system, with less paper being used.
 11. Wishes for members to be provided with more opportunities to engage and seek higher qualifications. Hopes to also remove many roadblocks currently in place where members have stagnated due to being 'forgotten amongst the pack' with outstanding badge (class 4) assessments dating back to 2010.
 12. Anyone interested in becoming a mentor for new members (able to give up one or two hours on a Saturday and/or Sunday) please contact Ryan. Although missed the mark with many newer members this year, hopes that can cover all these members with 3 mentors each by end of year. All mentors to be emailed a link to online document where feedback is to be collated (still hand referee a sheet with 2-3 points to work on).
- **General Business**
13. A message from President Lyn Nielsen read out by Senior Ordinary Member, Amanda Davis. Stated to members that she has recently been diagnosed with bowel cancer and is undergoing treatment. Lyn requested

not be contacted with any questions to come through Amanda, Treasurer (James Dolahenty) or Secretary (Joe Rovella). They are being kept up to date and members will continue to be informed of any additional information. Also stressed please do not contact/discuss this with my Grand Daughter, Jessica Davis.

14. Dee Jonsson asked if flowers had been organised. Assistant Secretary replied yes, gift (flowers) and card organised wishing Lyn the best during her treatment.
15. Soheil Adabjou has recently completed the Level 2 Theory Course and has put up his hand to join the Appointments Sub-Committee. This needs to be passed by members. Moved Kieran Fisher Seconded: Dee Jonsson.
16. Motion passed. Welcome aboard Soheil.
17. Brett Lorimer has had his resignation accepted by the MC. Need to fill this role. Called for nominations. Only nomination Keith Yau. Moved Keith's nomination be accepted Emma Higgins, seconded Amanda Davis.
18. Motion passed. Welcome aboard Keith.
19. On Monday 17th of June, Simon, James, Joe and Kieran will be attending a meeting with GDSFA and the clubs regarding appointments and other issues. Will update members on details when possible.
20. Raffle drawn, Liaison officer had organised 9 prizes for this month and has 8 for next month. Reminder members can only win once (per meeting).
21. Jim Nicolaou asked what is occurring with Branch Coach currently.
22. Stated that no decision has been made yet and will continue to be discussed. Currently role being shared by TSC.
23. Wilf Filipczyk stood and stated he has not received any minutes or details of meeting so far this year. Assistant Secretary confirmed had been distributed via email however will work with Secretary to ensure sent to him via mail.
24. Meeting declared closed by President at 9:22 pm.
25. Next meeting to be held at Merrylands Bowling Club on the 18th of July (3rd Thursday due to school holidays) 2013 at 730pm. Junior Meeting to be held at 7pm.