

The Western Australian Swimming Association Inc.

2019 Annual General Meeting

In accordance with rule 14.1(b) of the Association's Constitution, the **2019 Annual General Meeting** of the Western Australian Swimming Association (Inc.) trading as Swimming WA was held at:

Venue: Leadership Centre
 Australian Institute of Management WA
 27 Birkdale Street
 Floreat WA 6014

Date & Time: Saturday, 12 October 2019 - 11:30am

Meeting Minutes

1. Annual General Meeting Opening

The President of The Western Australian Swimming Association Inc. (SWA), Mr Louis van Aardt welcomed all to the 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM) and declared the meeting open at 11:35am. He thanked those in attendance for their support of SWA.

2. Accreditation of Delegates

Mr van Aardt confirmed that Delegate eligibility for voting was circulated to all Clubs on 30 August 2019 in accordance with the SWA Constitution. He advised that in accordance with the SWA Constitution, the meeting was declared to have a quorum with six (6) Directors and 22 eligible Delegates present, along with Observers (Visitors) and stakeholders.

Eligible Delegates:

Aqua Attack Swimming Club	John	Patterson
Arena Swim Club	Jennifer	Popham
Breakers WA Swim Club	Sonia	Knox
Central Aquatic Swimming Club	Ross	Rogers
Guildford Kalamunda Districts Swimming Club	Trevor	Verran
Kwinana Swimming Club	Tony	Ball
Manjimup Marlins Swimming Club	Amy	Sarre
Mandurah Swimming Club	Graham	Shackles
Mt Barker Swimming Club	Norman	Bario
Newman Churchlands Swim Club	Megan	Jamieson
North Coast Swim Club	Michelle	Houwen
Peel Aquatic Club	Darren	Michael
Perth City Swimming Club	Matthew	Reading
Riverside Swimming Club	Susan	Brown
Riverton Aquanauts Incorporated	Vanessa	Jackson
Rockingham Swimming Club	Steve	Hughes
South Shore Swimming Club	Kylie	Baker
Southside Penrhos Wesley	Helen	Harding

Superfins WA
Thornlie and Districts Swimming Club
Tuart Hill Swimming Club
UWA-West Coast Swimming Club

Steve Munks
Steve Milford
Peter Petroff
Steve Hill

SWA Board Directors:

President	Louis van Aardt
Director	Barry Cook
Director	Peter Galvin
Director	Dorothy Harris
Director	Helen Hull
Director	Shaza Salleh

SWA Life Members:

Life Member	Peter Anderson
Life Member	Karin Hazell
Life Member	Greg Wilson

SWA Staff Members:

Chief Executive Officer	Darren	Beazley
Executive Assistant	Nerida	Griffiths
General Manager Performance & People	Carolyn	Morrison
Commercial Operations Manager	Emily	Randall
Marketing Manager	Gabrielle	LeBeck
Competition & Records Coordinator	Brighton	Pass
Events and Operations Manager	Joshua	McCleery
Membership and Administration Officer	Grace	Schmidt
Finance Manager	Serge	Sasic
Membership and Development Manager	Kirsty	Scafidi

Observers (Visitors):

SAL Board Director	Bruce	Havilah
SWA Ambassador	Tommaso	D'Orsogna
SWA Ambassador	Joshua	Hofer
SWA Finance and Governance Committee Member	Storm	Kent
Morawa Amateur Swimming Club	Nick	Short
Riverton Aquanauts Incorporated	Ben	Loffler
Mandurah Swimming Club	Karl	Roots
Northam Swimming Club	Sandra	Wood
Northam Swimming Club	Darryl	Wood
York Swimming Club	Jan	Smith
York Swimming Club	Errol	Smith
UWA-West Coast Swimming Club	Simon	Holland
Perth City Swimming Club	Mark	Foster
Westside Christchurch Aquatic	Jo	Flowerdew

Westside Christchurch Aquatic	Anna	Walter
Riverton Aquanauts Incorporated	Ray	Pearce
Albany Swimming Club	Nathan	Hadlow
UWA-West Coast Swimming Club	David	Bond
Mandurah Swimming Club	Alison	Tilt
Southlake Dolphins Swimming Club	Helen	Vincent
Westside Christchurch Aquatic	Shirley	Godfey
Guildford Kalamunda Districts Swimming Club	Trish	Verran
Thornlie and Districts Swimming Club	Ron	Gray
Tuart Hill Swimming Club	Graeme	Brown
Central Aquatic Swimming Club	Maricel	Van de Nadort

3. Apologies

Mr van Aardt informed the meeting of the apologies received by the SWA office and noted them;

Apologies:

SWA Board Director	Tim Andrew
SWA Life Member	Alf Matthews
SWA Life Member	Jacqui McNamara
SWA Life Member	Carolyn Prunster
SWA Finance and Governance Committee Chair	Mark Griffiths
SWA Finance and Governance Committee Member	Bianca Zito
Westside Christchurch Aquatic	William Kirby
Bunbury Swimming Club	Kylie Cattaway
Southlake Dolphins Swimming Club	James Hewitt
Albany Swimming Club	Lia Shavian
South Shore Swimming Club	Jeremy Beck
Breakers WA Swim Club	Robyn Arblaster
Breakers WA Swim Club	Ian Arblaster
Mt Barker Swimming Club	Adam Cousins

4. Vale

Mr van Aardt informed the meeting that during 2018/19, SWA saw the passing of Mr Walter (Wally) Stephen, Northam Swimming Club. It was with sadness that the Association marked the passing of Mr Stephen and expressed its sincere condolences to his family and those whose lives he touched in the swimming community.

The President requested the meeting to stand and observe a minute's silence. All stood and acknowledged the passing of Mr Stephen.

5. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 6 October 2018

The President informed the meeting the Minutes of the SWA 2018 AGM were distributed last year in accordance with the SWA Constitution following the 2018 AGM and were included in the Notice of the AGM on 30 August 2019. He asked if there were any questions or matters arising from the Minutes of the 2018 AGM?

There being no amendments, Mr van Aardt called for a mover and seconder that the Minutes of the SWA 2018 AGM be accepted as a true and accurate record:

Moved: Steve Hill (UWA-West Coast Swimming Club)

Seconded: Peter Petroff (Tuart Hill Swimming Club)

Mr van Aardt requested a show of the blue voting cards from eligible Delegates for the acceptance of the 2018 Minutes of the SWA AGM.

Carried: Unanimously

6. Presentation of Annual Reports for 2018/19

Mr van Aardt requested that the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Darren Beazley, present the SWA President and Chief Executive Officer's Report. Mr Beazley presented an overview of the 2018/19 achievements and did so presenting a PowerPoint presentation to the meeting.

6.1 WA Finance and Governance Committee Report for 2018/19

The President requested that in the absence of the Chair of the Finance and Governance Committee (Mr Mark Griffiths), Mr Nick Short from the Finance and Governance Committee present the SWA Finance and Governance Committee Report.

Mr Short thanked Mr van Aardt. He said that the Committee has worked with SWA Management and the Board throughout the year and is pleased to present the SWA Financial Report for 2018/19 to the meeting. Mr Short explained the Financial Reports.

Mr Short advised the meeting that the SWA Finance and Governance Committee were satisfied with the financial performance of the Association in 2018/19, and looks forward to further positive developments in the year ahead.

6.2 Auditor's Report (RSM)

The President requested that Mr Sasic, SWA Finance Manager, present the SWA Auditor's Report conducted by RSM for 2018/19. Mr Sasic drew the attention of the meeting to page 93 of the SWA Annual Report and RSM's Opinion.

The President called for a mover and seconder that the SWA Annual Reports for 2018/19 be accepted as a true and accurate record:

Moved: Sonia Knox (Breakers WA Swimming Club)

Seconded: Peter Petroff (Tuart Hill Swimming Club)

Mr van Aardt requested a show of the blue voting cards from eligible Delegates for the acceptance of the SWA Annual Reports for 2018/19.

Carried: Unanimously

7. Elections as Required

7.1 Two (2) Elected Directors of the SWA Board – Three (3) Year Term

The President informed the meeting that the SWA Board was advised at the September 2019 Board meeting that the Terms of Mrs Dorothy Harris, Mr Tim Andrew and Mr Barry Cook ended effective as of 12 October 2019. Mrs Harris notified the Membership that she would be seeking re-election. However, Mr Cook notified the Board that he would not be seeking re-election. Mr Andrew resigned his Appointed role due to work commitments making his ability to effectively contribute problematic.

Mr van Aardt acknowledged the significant contribution of Mr Andrew and Mr Cook to the SWA Board and thanked them on behalf of all involved in WA Swimming. A presentation was made to Mr Cook. Unfortunately, Mr Andrew was unable to be in attendance, but a presentation will be made to him at a later date.

The President informed the meeting that in accordance with the SWA Constitution, the Notice of the SWA AGM was circulated advising the Membership of the positions to be elected. He said that the number of nominations for the position of Elected Director received equated to more than the number of vacancies required. In accordance with Rule 23.2(e) of the SWA Constitution, SWA affiliated Clubs for the 2019/20 Membership year were invited to vote. Voting was online

and closed at 12:00 noon on Friday, 11 October 2019. The President confirmed that a quorum was achieved and therefore declared the result of the election as:

Mrs Dorothy Harris: elected as Director for a three (3) year Term.

Mr Ben Loffler: elected as Director for a three (3) year Term.

The President congratulated Mrs Harris and Mr Loffler on their appointment and invited them to join their fellow Board Members at the front of the auditorium. He also acknowledged Mr Nick Short and Mr David Hunt for nominating for the SWA Board vacancies and thanked them for volunteering to serve on the SWA Board.

8. SWA Patron and Vice Patrons

The President informed the meeting that as per Rule 5.2 of the SWA Constitution SWA, at its AGM, may appoint annually on the recommendation of the Board, a Patron and Vice-Patron subject to approval by the Membership of that person or persons.

Mr van Aardt advised the meeting there was one (1) formal nomination for the position of SWA Patron.

The SWA Board moved that Ms Gina Rinehart be re-appointed Swimming WA Patron.

Moved: Louis van Aardt (SWA President)

Seconded: Trevor Verran (Guildford Kalamunda Districts Swimming Club)

Mr van Aardt requested a show of the blue voting cards from eligible Delegates for the acceptance of Ms Gina Rinehart as SWA Patron.

Carried: Unanimously

The President congratulated Ms Rinehart on her re-appointment as SWA Patron.

Mr van Aardt advised the meeting there were two (2) formal nominations for the position of SWA Vice-Patron.

The SWA Board moved that Mr Peter Katsambanis be re-appointed Swimming WA Vice-Patron.

Moved: Louis van Aardt (SWA President)

Seconded: Trevor Verran (Guildford Kalamunda Districts Swimming Club)

Mr van Aardt requested a show of the blue voting cards from eligible Delegates for the acceptance of Mr Peter Katsambanis as SWA Vice-Patron.

Carried: Unanimously

The President congratulated Mr Katsambanis on his re-appointment as SWA Vice-Patron.

The SWA Board moved that Mr Roger Cook MLA be appointed Swimming WA Vice-Patron.

Moved: Louis van Aardt (SWA President)

Seconded: Trevor Verran (Guildford Kalamunda Districts Swimming Club)

Mr van Aardt requested a show of the blue voting cards from eligible Delegates for the acceptance of Mr Roger Cook MLA as SWA Vice-Patron.

Carried: Unanimously

The President congratulated Mr Cook on his appointment as SWA Vice-Patron.

9. SWA Life Membership

Mr van Aardt informed the meeting that the purpose of awarding SWA Life Membership is to acknowledge the dedicated and selfless contribution of persons who have provided extensive years of voluntary service to SWA. He advised that Rule 14 of the SWA By-Laws states that the Honours and Awards Committee will consider nominations for SWA Life Membership to the organisation in advance of the AGM with any recommendations to come to the AGM for ratification.

The President informed the meeting that SWA received three (3) nominations for SWA Life Membership for the Honours and Awards Committee to consider. While each of the nominees demonstrated a commitment to the sport of swimming in various ways, unfortunately they did not meet the criterion to be awarded Life Membership. Therefore, there will be presentations of Life Membership for 2019.

10. Special Presentation


The President acknowledged the enormous contribution to swimming in this State made by Mrs Carolyn Morrison, General Manager Performance and People, who is leaving in a week to go on Maternity Leave. On behalf of everyone involved in swimming in Western Australia, he thanked Mrs Morrison for her service over the past seven (7) years, and made a presentation as a token of appreciation and best wishes.

11. Close of Meeting

The President thanked the SWA Board, Management and staff for their dedication and hard work over the year.

There being no further business, Mr van Aardt thanked those in attendance, and closed the meeting at 12:40pm.

2019 AGM Minutes accepted as a true and accurate record:

 _____ 10 OCTOBER 2020
Signed: Date:
Louis van Aardt
SWA President