



**MINUTES OF THE WELLINGTON SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**  
**86th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT NETBALL WELLINGTON CENTRE PAVILION ON SUNDAY**  
**20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2023 AT 10:00 AM**

**WELCOME**

R Clarke opened the meeting at 10:10am and welcomed all Club Members, WSA Executive and Observers to the 86th Annual General Meeting. She thanked all the club members, administrators, scorers, umpires, and official representatives for their contributions to Softball in the region.

**Apologies**

Porirua Club Inc

**Absent**

St George, Royals, Central, Tawa, Kapiti, TOA, Porirua City United

**ROLL CALL**

CLUB AND MEMBERS	
Central	
Island Bay	Rick Grant, Reianna Taiaroa
Johnsonville	Donna Francis, Robyn Cutting, Maureen O' More, Adelle Lovatt, Chris Lovatt
Kapiti	
Karori Knights	Kailey Carruthers
Miramar	Steve Sila
Newlands	Gerald Adamson, Corina Adamson
Paremata Plimmerton	Mike Popata
Poneke Kilbirnie	Channell Masters
Porirua City United	
Porirua Club Incorporated	
Royals	
St George	
Tawa	
Toa	
EXECUTIVE MEMBERS	
Raewyn Clarke	
Brooke Cutting	
Raewyn Fergusson	
Andy Wilkinson	
Willy Palmer	Absent
MINUTE TAKER	
Cameron Durkin	
OFFICE STAFF	
Hannah Rodriguez	
Cameron Durkin	
Umpires	
Jeremy England	



It was established that a quorum existed with a club voting strength of 35 with 19 votes present by way of 13 club members, 1 umpire, and 4 executive members.

#### **OBITUARIES**

The meeting acknowledged the passing of John Manson, Rob Siolo, and Linda Wood with a moment of silence.

#### **MINUTES OF THE 85th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The minutes of the 85th AGM of the Wellington Softball Association were circulated and received as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

**Minutes Carried:** M O'More, R Taiaroa

#### **PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORT**

R Clarke presented and reviewed the Annual Report for the 2022/23 Season. She acknowledged the accomplishments of the individual players and clubs that have gone on to receive higher honors. She acknowledged Thomas Makea being named as the new Black Sox coach. She discussed WSA's plan to explore sponsorship opportunities to help with the costs of running the Association.

#### **PRESENTATION OF UMPIRE REPORT**

J England presented his umpires report for the 2022/2023 season. He urged clubs to keep an open eye for new umpires.

#### **JUNIOR MANAGEMENT REPORT**

C Durkin presented the Junior Management report for the 2022/2023 season. He highlighted the WSA events and Club events that occurred throughout the season. He acknowledged the winners of all junior grades/tournaments.

#### **REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

C Durkin presented the Representative report for the 2022/2023 season. He congratulated all players for their efforts at their respective national tournaments and acknowledged all players who were selected for rest/tournament teams and individual awards. He highlighted WSA's plans for the 2023/2024 season which included the naming of Representative Coaches earlier in the off-season and the introduction of the WSA Representative Player Programme.

#### **PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL REPORT**

H Rodriguez presented and reviewed the Financial Report.

#### **REMITTS**

No remits were tabled.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

**R Clarke** discussed the executive panel recommendations for Andy Wilkinson to join the WSA Executive Committee. Andy Wilkinson introduced himself to the meeting attendees and provided some insights into what he wants to bring to the executive committee.

Executive Nomination	Club	Seconded
Andy Wilkinson	Executive Committee Nomination	Carried

Elected Members (Renew their Terms)	Club	Seconded
Brooke Cutting	Nominated by Johnsonville Softball Club	Carried
Raewyn Fergusson	Nominated by Porirua City United Softball Club	Carried

## GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS

**Peter Moffat (Observer)** – Wanted an update about the light poles at Hataitai Park?

- **H Rodriguez** discussed the plan to use our funding to get the ladder access to the towers up to scratch. Once we can safely access the lights, we can then begin applying for funding to get the lights fixed/replaced.

**C Masters** – Asked if the Hataitai lighting poles will be operational for the PK Classic.

- **H Rodriguez** responded saying the middle outfield lighting tower is not operational. It's our priority to get all poles operational to host night games. WSA and PK will collaborate further on this.

**D Turner (Observer)**- Asked about the state of the Hataitai scoreboard.

- **H Rodriguez** responded that It's on the agenda to get the Hataitai Park scoreboard up and running again. Unfortunately, it's at the lower spectrum of our infrastructure priorities. The lighting towers are our current priority.
- **R Clarke** added that WSA would explore a temporary alternative for this season. Perhaps a smaller manual scoreboard in the meantime.

## PRESENTATIONS OF LIFE MEMBER & DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

No nominations for life members and distinguished service.

**MEETING CLOSED: 11.10 AM**