

Croquet New South Wales Annual General Meeting Agenda

Wednesday 20th March 2024 at 19:00

By MS Teams

1. Welcome
2. Apologies & Quorum
 - 2.1. Apologies
 - 2.2. Quorum
3. Approve the Minutes of the March 27th, 2023, AGM.
4. Matters arising from minutes.
5. CNSW Annual Report (presented by Chair)
6. Financial reports
 - 6.1. Treasure's Report
 - 6.2. Auditor's Report
 - 6.3. Appoint an auditor for 2024.
7. Election CNSW Board
 - 7.1. Board Nominations

Nominations received being for re-election

 - Stephen Burns (CRCC)
 - Ray Chapman (Ballina Cherry St)
 - Elizabeth Friend (Nelson Bay)
 - Kate McLoughlin (Canberra)
 - Rik Mills (Orange)
 - Fidye Westgarth (Mosman)

8. Special Resolutions

Awarding of Life Membership to David Stanton

9. General business

Close of meeting

FORUM TO FOLLOW AGM

Special Resolution

MOTION:

To award Croquet NSW Life Membership to David Stanton AM

Nominated: Roberta Flint, Marrickville Croquet Club

Citation Prepared by: Michael Strickland and Joanne Brown, Cammeray Croquet Club
Fidye Westgarth, Mosman Croquet Club

CITATION:

David Stanton AM

David's croquet career began in 2009, when he joined Cammeray CC, and he has been an active member ever since, beginning with his election as Assistant Treasurer in 2010, and President in 2013. 'Active' is really an understatement. He is a classic 'self-starter', never one to sit back and wait for someone else to do the job, but constantly coming up with ideas, and getting things done.

In his 3-year term as President of Cammeray, he not only repaired or rebuilt just about every timber structure on the Club's premises, but he conceived and gave birth to the '*Dixon Advisory*' Croquet Classic, a tournament that brought top-ranked players from around Australia to play at Cammeray – for the richest prize the game has ever offered!

It would have been the same 'active involvement' in another part of his life that led to his being made a Member of the Order of Australia in 2015.

Having completed his term as President at Cammeray in 2016, there was to be no slowing down, and it was Croquet NSW who became the next beneficiary of his enthusiasm and energy, when he took on the role of Chair of the CNSW Tournament Committee – a position he has held to this day.

With more than forty AC and GC tournaments listed in the CNSW calendar, and requiring his supervision, it will be readily appreciated that this is no sinecure. And the recent move towards an 'Advantage' handicap system for GC events, has further highlighted David's contribution, with the



exceptional mathematical ability and intellect he has brought to bear in resolving 'unforeseen consequences' of the new system.

David has also served on the CNSW Selection Committee for several years, and has been an Examining Referee, responsible for the training and assessment of AC Referees, while of course devoting copious amounts of his own time to refereeing both CNSW tournaments and club events. David has been and continues to be a strong advocate for and supporter of Association Croquet in particular.

David's support for new players has always been encouraging. He was always welcoming, and clear with instruction before the tournament and provided both personal and general feedback after games, for all players. This was very helpful to the beginner players, and at no time did we feel were not good enough. His encouragement and support to the host club was also outstanding.

His nomination as a Life Member of CNSW is singularly appropriate, and the honour richly deserved.

RATIONALE FOR THE MOTION:

To recognise the outstanding service that David has given to croquet at International, National, State and Club levels.

CONSIDERATION BY BOARD AND COMMENTS:

The Board fully endorse the awarding of CNSW Life Membership to David Stanton AM

RESULT:

This completed Notice of Motion is to be returned either by email to secretary@croquet-nsw.org or mailed to Croquet NSW Inc, P.O. Box 5096, Marrickville NSW 1475 as soon as possible.

MINUTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF CROQUET NSW

Monday March 27th 2023

Via online meeting platform (ZOOM)

Commencing at 19:00

1. **Welcome by the Meeting Chair, Kate McLoughlin**
2. **Apologies and Quorum:**
 - 2.1. **Apologies:** Lorraine Hatfield, Pam Gentle, Hurstville Croquet Club
 - 2.2. **Board members Present:** Kate McLoughlin (Chair), Rik Mills (Secretary), Steve Miles (Treasurer), Liz Friend, Fidy Westsgarth, Ray Chapman, Simon Cook (Deputy Chair)
 - 2.3. **Delegates Present:**

Ballina-Richard Hughes, Ballina Cherry Street-David Scott, Canberra-Peter Freer, Chatswood-Bob Berry, Cooks River-Georgina Carnegie, Coutts Crossing-Greg Carter, Hazelbrook-Carol Bailey, Manly-John Stewart, Marrickville0-Stephen Catt, Mount Sugarloaf-Brenda Wild, Nelson Bay-David Wilson, Orange-Len Banks, Strathfield-Ruth Bridger, Sydney-Wendy Fothergill, Urunga-Barb Piggott

There being 15 Club Delegates Present a quorum was declared.
3. **Confirmation of Minutes** of the Annual General Meeting held on the 23rd October 2022.

Ruth Bridger indicated that she and the Toronto delegate were transposed – Secretary to correct

Moved that the minutes be accepted Richard Hughes (Ballina)

Seconded Barb Piggott (Urunga)
4. **Business arising** from the Minutes. No Business arising.

Nil
5. **Financial Reports** (sent to members prior to the AGM)
 - 5.1. Steve Miles gave an overview of the financial state of CNSW.
 - 5.2. Auditor Report

Moved That the Auditors report be accepted David Scott (Ballina Chery Street)

Seconded Peter Freer (Canberra)
6. **Status of CNSW Officers and Committees**

The list of Officers and Committee members as listed in the Annual Report was discussed with reference to the vacancies in certain positions.
7. **Confirmation of Election of Directors.**

Stephen Burns

Ray Chapman
Liz Friend
Kate McLoughlin
Stephen Miles
Rik Mills
Fidye Westgarth

There being no other applications the above members were elected to the Board.

8. Close of Annual General Meeting

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