



Meeting Agenda

Meeting purpose	BLAC Annual General Meeting – season 2020/21	
Location	Bentleigh RSL, 538 Centre Rd Bentleigh VIC	
Centre Executive Attendees	Brian Ballamy – President Alice Bennett – Vice President Mark Barling – Secretary Scott Orchard – Membership and PR Director Kelvin Monsborough – Registrar Dean King - Treasurer	
Ordinary Voting Member Attendees	Jane Fitch, Katie Britton, Matthew Quinn, Mark Imbriano	
Life Member	Peter Fromont	
Apologies	David Saunders, Marijn Kortekaas, Terry Jamieson, Susan Palmer, David Barr	
Date / Time	21 st April 2021	7.30pm

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1	Meeting opening, apologies and welcome Meeting commenced: 7.36pm Brian welcomed all Executive, Ordinary Members and Life Member Apologies acknowledged	BB
2	Minutes and business from the previous AGM Brian spoke to Inner Circles and efforts to improve safety for parents and athletes. Moved U8's to the big discus nets and this both helped out setup efficiency and helped us avoid any safety incident during the season.	BB



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	<p>Motion from the Executive: move to accept the minutes from the 2019/20 AGM</p> <p>Proposed to accept: Alice Bennett</p> <p>Seconded: Kelvin Monsborough</p>	
3	<p>Centre Executive and Select Operations Team Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian thanked all members of the committee and operational support staff, in particular those moving on. • Alice: limited time to prepare, highlights included seeing the joy on the kids faces as they were able to compete, interacting with other Centres either at their venue or ours, and the culture we have at the club that encourages kids of all capabilities and calibre to compete and feel safe, secure to do so. • Kelvin: in June/July to think we'd have 280 members was unreal, try-outs continued through to the very last competition day, showed people were keen to get out and compete/be active. Call outs included U7 girls (33!), U11 – U12 continued strong, retention becomes key through relevance, a point of difference with the grass track. Strong leadership has meant a strong club! BB acknowledged not only KM's contribution at BLAC but also across the winter season with Bayside XC, a huge contribution, thanked on behalf of the club. • Scott: Sponsors given a year's grace for payment, received positively by all with most committing to continuing either in full or part. Challenge continues to be how to provide value to the sponsors. Coach videos helped create momentum, flyers in cafes continue to drive word of mouth and sign ups. • Mark: as tabled • AB called out coaching videos from MK as a great inspiration at the start of the season, combined with the "little athlete coaching" videos. 	Centre Executive & DK



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SO highlighted the input and performance of TJ in the Competition Director role, compared to other clubs, the program runs so efficiently, is nimble, and is a credit to how he has optimised the program. <p>Financial Report to be read out and questions offered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dean – whilst 50 below in registrations, conscious cost-containment helped produce a surplus. No major expenditure items either. We offered a year of no-fees for sponsors and this has helped build loyalty. Big help has been the push to electronic payment, has increased control, reconciliation, payment methods for coaches and on track supporters. Question from Peter Fromont – how do we identify what grants are available? BB responded confirming Coles now offers up to \$5k grant annually for equipment to support the club. Additional grants are available, key is alignment to objectives of the grant sponsor (i.e. government, women in sport). AB & SO confirmed. MB proposed an idea for a “Grant register” for tabling at the May committee meeting to be worked through with Jane and Katie. <p>Motion from the Executive: move to accept the interim Financial Statement</p> <p>Proposed to accept: Peter Fromont</p> <p>Seconded: Scott Orchard</p>	
4	<p>Election of season 2021 - 22 positions</p> <p>Call for nominees for the Centre Executive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> President – nominee is Brian Ballamy Vice President – nominee is Alice Bennett Secretary – nominee is Jane Fitch Treasurer – nominee is Mark Imbriano 	BB



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-Registrar – nominees are Mark Barling and Susan Palmer • Marketing Director – nominee is Katie Britton • Coaching Director – nominee is Marijn Kortekaas • Competition Director – nominee is Matthew Quinn <p>BB advised no additional nominees were received and hence confirmed all nominees as accepted as members of the Executive Committee.</p> <p>Call for nominees for the Operations Team:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See table below agenda for vacancies • No additional nominees were provided at the meeting and will carry over to the first committee meetings of the season 	
5	<p>Open Q & A session</p> <p>SO – will the U13+ Circuit competition idea be resurrected again in 21/22 season. BB responded that there is interest with the other ‘member’ clubs (Sandringham, Caulfield, Morrabbinn and Mentone) and, after an explanation to the attendees of what the Circuit is, deferred follow up for correspondence with the other ‘member’ clubs.</p> <p>KM – will the club re-visit a Multi-Class format to be included in the competition calendar? BB confirmed whilst interest remains, following on from the exploratory 19/20 season with Firbank Allstars, interest needs to be tested with FAs, other community groups. An action for the first committee meeting</p> <p>AB – for the first committee meeting, can some of the older age groups, ex-members, be deployed as Mentors to the U6 age groups? JF provided feedback saying “shown once, left to their own devices” so ongoing support, in particular for the first half of the season, would help enormously. DK raised point of “Welcome Nights” to which BB confirmed would run again, potential for ‘club overview’ packs to be created.</p>	ALL



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	MB – provided an update to the club on the Dendy Park Pavilion replacement project. MB and SO are meeting 4 Councilors in May to discuss the badly needed replacement for the club’s home. We are waiting an official update from Council on the status of the project. The replacement is not guaranteed and MB and SO are calling for additional support from members to help have money committed to provide for a new pavilion.	
6	AGM close BB called the meeting closed at 8.37pm	BB