



MILTON ULLADULLA FOOTBALL CLUB

Minutes of Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Sunday 30 October 2022

MUFC Clubhouse, Lighthouse Oval

Present

Neil Wade (Executive Director), Caylie Wise (Secretary), Nerine Ockwell (Treasurer), Kyle Wilson (Club Captain), Glyn Ponting (Publicity Officer), Norm Holcroft, Adam Vaughan, Bob Jansma, Nick Palagyi, Jon Reeves

The meeting opened at 4.40pm.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Simon Law, Anneke Smits-Lette, Darryl Bozicevic, Pete Whitmore.

2. Previous minutes

The minutes of the AGM held on 31 October 2021 were confirmed (moved Norm Holcroft, seconded Neil Wade).

3. Executive Director Report

Neil Wade said that he would like to thank the Committee for all their work supporting the development and operations of the Club over the year. He noted that the Club had grown in leaps and bounds over the last few years with total membership now over 500. The ongoing success of the Club in the face of such substantial growth could not have been achieved without the huge efforts of Directors, not only on game days but also behind the scenes, as well as the support of team coaches and managers.

Neil said that he believed that the Club will continue to grow with the proposed new clubhouse and continuing growth in Minis being particularly important developments moving forward. In conclusion, Neil again thanked Directors and volunteers for their tremendous contributions over another difficult, yet very successful, year.

4. Treasurer's Report

Nerine Ockwell presented and commented on the financial statements for MUFC for the financial year (FY) 1 October 2021 to 30 September 2022.

- Overall profit for the FY 2021-22 was \$55,701 (compared to \$34,525 for the previous FY).

- Canteen net profits at \$7,915, were significantly down on the previous FY (\$12,735). This was largely due to the wet weather, the closure of the bottom pitch for most of the season, and the move of the pitches for the U5s, U6s and U7s to the far side of the top oval.
- The Club received several grants which covered the second stage of the replacement of the portable metal goals and coaches' development programs.
- The Club's total equity as at 30 September 2022 was \$300,294 (compared to \$244,594 as at 30 September 2021).
- Significant progress has been made on the New Clubhouse Project with the development of design plans, the gaining of preliminary Council support for the project, and an initial meeting with the Ulladulla Cricket Club which is a key stakeholder in the project.

The financial statements for MUFC for the financial year 1 October 2021 to 30 September 2022, as presented to the AGM, were accepted as a true and fair statement of the Club's financial position (moved Nerine Ockwell, seconded Norm Holcroft).

5. Special Resolution - Life Membership

Glyn Ponting advised that at its meeting on 10 October 2022, the MUFC Committee had resolved to nominate Simon Law for Life Membership at this AGM.

Simon met the eligibility criteria set out in the Club's Constitution for nomination as a Life Member. However, Life Membership of MUFC is a special honour that reflects the highest order of service to the Club and is only conferred from time to time. Length of time in a particular role, while important, is just one consideration in determining whether the overall value of a person's service and contribution to the advancement and ongoing operation of the Club, merits Life Membership.

Glyn explained that the Committee had considered Simon's distinguished service and valuable contributions to the Club over a forty year period and had agreed that Simon would be a very worthy recipient of the Life Member honour.

Glyn read out a biography of Simon's history within the Club and his significant contributions and achievements over four decades.

- Simon has been playing for MUFC for over 40 years. He had only one break in continuous membership due to attending further education in Sydney.
- Simon's success as a player is impressive. He attained representative honours as a junior with Southern Branch. As a senior, he has won 1st and 2nd Division Reserve Grades and was runner up grand finalist twice in 1st Grade. In Over 35s, Simon has won 2 Championships and 2 Premierships, and has been Grand Final runners up on several occasions. This year, he was part of the MUFC O45s team that won the Grand Final on the Club's inaugural participation in the competition.
- In addition, Simon coached junior teams for several years. He is also a qualified referee and officiates at games to this day, remaining a valuable member of the Shoalhaven District Football Referees Association.
- Off the field, Simon has contributed significantly, including 15 years on the MUFC Executive, mostly as Treasurer. He was at the forefront of modernising the Club's finances and only stepped down when his own business required greater personal input.
- Along with Neil Wade, Simon was a founder of the MUFC Senior Summer Competition which is highly popular and runs successfully to this day. The team that Simon established for the

inaugural Summer Competition is still competing - Simon continues to play in that team and officiates in other Summer Competition matches when he is not playing.

- Simon has also received a number of personal awards including MUFC Club Person of the Year, Gary Sanarki Award and multiple playing awards, such as leading goal scorer and players' player awards

Glyn invited the AGM to accept the Committee's recommendation that Simon be appointed as a Life Member of MUFC.

Resolution: The AGM resolved that Simon Law be appointed as a Life Member of MUFC in recognition of his exceptional, loyal and outstanding service and contribution to MUFC for over forty years.

6. Director Positions 2022-23

All the Director positions on the MUFC Committee were declared vacant.

Glyn Ponting advised that he would not be renominating for the Committee for essentially no other reason than time management. His son, Sam, has been selected for the South Coast Flame NPL 2 squad for the coming season which will mean considerable increase in travel, financial and time commitments for Glyn and his family. Glyn may also provide some coaching assistance with Southern Branch which he is keen to continue.

Glyn said that he does not see his withdrawal from membership of the Committee as a permanent arrangement and will definitely nominate again in the future. In the meantime, he will be a willing and enthusiastic member of the volunteer support group that the Committee is looking to establish. Glyn added that he is fully committed to the 2023 Junior Summer Competition and would be very happy to provide any other support as required such as on the New Clubhouse Project, grading and coaching assistance. In concluding, Glyn wished the Club good luck for the coming season.

On behalf of MUFC and the Committee, Neil Wade thanked Glyn for all his hard work, valuable contributions and significant initiatives while serving as an MUFC Director. The Club looks forward to Glyn's return to the Committee.

Nick Palagyi advised that the following seven Director nominations had been received and declared them to be the new MUFC Committee for 2022-23 (with three positions vacant):

- Neil Wade
- Caylie Wise
- Nerine Ockwell
- Kyle Wilson
- Norm Holcroft
- Adam Vaughan
- Bob Jansma.

The AGM closed at 4.20pm

