

METRO WEST JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE Inc.

Annual General Meeting 2013

Monday the 18th November 2013

**6.30 p.m. SMOSH West Lakes Football Club,
Bartley Tce, West Lakes Shore SA**



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Introduction and Welcome, by Bill Economou, Chairman

I am pleased to present the Metro West Junior Football League (MWJFL) Annual Report for Season 2013.

There is something special about a football club. Whether this is your first year, or one of many, there is an undeniable sense of community and inclusion about us. Our clubs nurtures our talent, encourage our children to participate and in return who also give back to the community. Each of our clubs can show a wonderful sense of community with their core volunteers and groups of tireless workers. We commend the help and assist of all volunteers.

We have strived to maintain our Leagues Core Values in season 2013 and these have been an integral part of all our Executive meetings.

METRO WEST JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE VALUES

The values that we subscribe to from both an AFL and the MWJFL perspective are clearly aligned.

Our League Executive's Values:

- *Accountable to all stakeholders and its Member Clubs*
- *Be progressive, whilst remaining respectful of our role as League guardians and our members, each other, the game and our history*
- *Maintain an independent junior Australian Rules Football competition within the Western region of Adelaide*
- *Provide our League with a sense of social and community values*
- *Provide an environment that encourages, develops and promotes participation in Football within our community*
- *Promote, recognise and provide a safe and inclusive culture across our member clubs*
- *Provide equal opportunities for everyone*
- *Facilitate the playing of a fair and disciplined game of Football between teams fielded by its Member Clubs;*

United in our passion for the League, our football community and the game, these values will be realised by providing as far as reasonable:

- *Competent Committee members, Accredited Coaches and Umpires, Child Safety Officers and Sports Trainers.*
- *Adequate facilities, amenities and equipment.*
- *Provide support to member clubs to ensure that they undertake social functions encouraging family participation.*
- *Regular communication and consultation with all stakeholders and members.*
- *Active and transparent leadership and management of the League*
- *Providing and implementing Child Safe Environments*

EXECUTIVE 2013:

Bill Economou
Mitch Manning
Karen Ingleby
Trevor Stanbury
Christie Siebum
Aris Tolis
Paul Kaftan
Chris Fallon
Maria Brennan
Christine Newberry
Aidan Wood

Chairperson
Vice Chairperson
Secretary
Treasurer
Registrar
Tribunal Chairperson
Appeal Chairperson
Umpire Coach
Umpire Coordinator
Executive Member
Executive Member

DELEGATE 2013

Andrew Horsnell
Priscilla Loechel
Lucas Masczhowiach
Mark Bruce
Steve King
Kristen Hure
Terry Annett
Paul Creeper
Shane Bandick
Vince Duffy

Henley
Lockleys
North Haven
Port District
Portland
Rosewater
Seaton Ramblers
SMOSH West Lakes
West Croydon
Woodville South

SANFL:

Kym Matthew, Phil Herden
Jake Battifuoco
Daniel Joyce

Woodville West Torrens
Port Adelaide Magpies
West Adelaide

The minutes of the 2012 AGM are presented for acceptance and are attached as Appendix One.

Secretary's Report 2013

Complaints/Investigations

26 Complaints/Investigations received and finalised.

Nil complaints received against Portland or Woodville South.

League/Clubs receiving the most complaints:

MWJFL (5)
Flinders Park (3)
West Croydon, Seaton and Henley Beach (3 each).

League/Clubs lodging the most complaints:

MWJFL (5), SMOSH Portland and Seaton (3 each).

Significant Incident involving North Haven V West Croydon. Both clubs received fines and further suspended fines with conditions.

Complaints lodged against Club/League

MWJFL (Umpire, Umpire Coach, Tribunal)	5
Flinders Park	3
West Croydon	3
Seaton	3
Henley Beach	3
Port Districts	2
SMOSH	2
Lockleys	2
North Haven	2
Rosewater	1
Total	26

Complaints lodged by Club/League

MWJFL (Executive, Umpire Coordinator, Umpire)	5
SMOSH	3
Portland	3
Seaton	3
Rosewater	2
West Croydon	2
Woodville South	2
Henley	1
Lockleys	1
Unknown	1
North Haven	1
PHOS Camden	1
Port Districts	1
Total	26

Tribunal

- 9 x Tribunal Hearings, 1 x Appeal, 1 x matter finalised prior to Tribunal and 1 x matter dismissed.
- 23 Sanctions imposed.
- No Player has appeared twice before the Tribunal committee.
- Tribunal appearances - West Croydon (2) and Seaton (2).
- Most common offences: 19.2.2 (g) (ii) - Striking another person (4) and 19.2.2 (g) (i) - Kicking another person (2).
- Most reported player group: U16B (3), U16? (1), U14B (3), U14W (2).

Club, Player Group, Breach

Lockleys

U16B 2 matches 19.2.2 (g) (i) - Kicking another person

Port Districts

U16B 4 matches - 19.2.2 (g) (ii) Striking another person

Rosewater

U16 (W) 3 matches - 19.2.2 (g) (ii) Striking another person

Seaton

U14B 3 matches ** APPEAL SUBMITTED Penalty reduced to 1 game ** - Paragraph G (vi) Throwing or pushing another player after that Player has taken a Mark, disposed of the football or after the football is otherwise out of play.

U14B Dismissed - 19.2.2 (g) (ii) Striking another person

SMOSH

U14B - Finalised prior to Tribunal hearing - 19.2.2 (l) Wrestling another person

Unley

U16B 2 matches 19.2.2 (g) (i) - Kicking another person

West Croydon

U14W 2 matches 20.2 (f) - An act of misconduct if the Umpire is of the opinion that the act constituting misconduct is serious in nature (Aggressive behaviour towards an opposing player)

U14W 6 matches 19.2.2 (g) (ii) Striking another person

Sanctions issued	
3 x 2 matches	6
2 x 3 matches	6
1 x 4 matches	4
1 x 6 matches	6

1 x Dismissed	1
1 x Finalised prior to Tribunal hearing	1
1 x Appeal - Penalty reduced to 1 game	1
Total	23

Breach

19.2.2 (g) (ii) - Striking another person	4
19.2.2 (g) (i) - Kicking another person	2
20.2 (f) - An act of misconduct if the Umpire is of the opinion that the act constituting misconduct is serious in nature (Aggressive behaviour towards an opposing player)	1
Paragraph G (vi) Throwing or pushing another player after that Player has taken a Mark, disposed of the football or after the football is otherwise out of play.	1
Total	8

Fines

Fines	Amount
02/09/13 HBPS – Team Manager failing to cross of a player who did not attend	\$50
02/09/13 NHFC – Metal Springs & Misconduct	\$100
02/09/13 WSFC – Adult performing Water Cattie Duties	\$50
11/09/13 Mitcham – Club Official failing to correct the Team Sheet in Footy Web	\$50
Total	\$250

Cross Competition Sanctions

9 issued this season:

- North Haven - 1 Match suspension. 19.2.2 (h) Attempting to kick.
- Seaton – 1 Match suspension. 19.2.2 (g) (vi) Throwing or pushing another player.
- West Croydon 2 Match suspension. 20.2(s) Serious Misconduct.
- Rosewater 3 Match suspension 19.2.2 (g) (ii) - Striking another person.
- Port Districts 4 matches - 19.2.2 (g) (ii) Striking another person
- West Croydon 6 Match suspension. 19.2.2 (g) (ii) - Striking another person.
- Lockleys 2 Match suspension. 19.2.2 (g) (i) - Kicking another person.

Karen Ingleby
MWJFL Executive Secretary

Chairperson's Report 2013

2013 has seen incredibly busy, challenging and tumultuous year which saw much change for the MWJFL. At the MWJFL AGM in December 2012, the Executive Committee were elected and appointed as per the Leagues current Constitution, to fulfil the officer bearer positions.

Chairperson Member Protection Information Officer Child Safety Officer	Bill Economou
Deputy Chairperson	Mitch Manning
Secretary	Karen Ingleby
Treasurer	Trevor Stanbury
Registrar	Arnold Kretschmer
Executive Committee	Colin Miller
Executive Committee	Aidan Wood
Executive Committee	Christine Newberry
Executive Committee/Lawyer/Tribunal Chairperson	Aris Tolis
Executive Committee/Umpire Coach/Coordinator	Chris Fallon and Maria Brennan

EXECUTIVE POSITIONS:

To implement best governance practice, the Executive created Job Descriptions for every Executive member which were endorsed by the Delegates and attached to the website. Refer to the Office Recreation and Sport Committee Member Induction pack.

RECOMMENDATION: *Job descriptions reviewed in October 2013.*

HONORARIA'S:

Whilst the League's Executive positions are all voluntary - honoraria's were introduced years ago and have continued to be attached to the positions to attract volunteers with skills and to also reward volunteers for the countless hours and time they volunteer to the League. This honorarium is to cover costs e.g. fuel, internet and telephone. The six (6) Executive members in 2012, collectively received endorsed honoraria of approximately \$20,000. One member held three (3) positions receiving approximately \$11,000. In 2013, the new ten (10) Executive members and the three (3) (tribunal members) set a goal not to exceed the collective honoraria's of \$20,000.

It was agreed that each Executive member would only receive a one off Honoraria which will cover - fuel, telephone and internet costs. The following "unnecessary extras" were removed immediately:

- Approximately \$2,200 from the Chairperson which previously paid for fuel, mobile telephone and internet. It was felt the 2013 \$3,000 honoraria should cover this.
- \$600 from the Chairperson to act as Master of Ceremonies at the annual Fairest and Best count. It was felt the \$3,000 Honoraria should cover this.
- \$400 from the Program Coordinator as it was felt the \$4,000 honoraria allocated to the registrar received should cover this.

This was a total saving of \$3,200 for the MWJFL.

These Honoraria's were endorsed by the LEAGUE and attached to the website for public review

RECOMMENDATION: *To avoid any conflict of interest, no one Executive member to ever hold more than one position. Honoraria to be reviewed and endorsed each October.*

FIRST EXECUTIVE MEETING:

The MWJFL Executive were looking forward to their first executive meeting in January with great excitement and anticipation, however prior to the meeting, the resignation of Arnold Kretschmer, the appointed registrar, a life member with eleven (11 years) of Executive experience was received. This was a significant decision which would impacted the new Executive as a significant amount of operational knowledge was immediately lost. The League Executive was left with a copy of rules which had last been amended in 2006, a 20 year old constitution, copies of previous Executive and delegate minutes and little else, other than what was found on the website. Refer to LEAGUE Delegate minutes 23/1/12 Item 15.7.

RECOMMENDATION: *To ensure successful succession planning, ensure half the LEAGUE Executive members step down at the AGM (to ensure the LEAGUE has a constant wealth of knowledge and experience) and have newly appointed members join the Executive. This will require a change in the Constitution.*

Create an "Operation Manual" containing the Leagues intellectual property for a handover.

Vice Chairperson: Mitch Manning

The Vice Chairperson, as per the LEAGUE Constitution, was responsible for forming a sub-committee known as the "Match and Permit Committee" which was responsible for the administration of all Rules of the League.

I would like to thank Mitch for his continual strong support all year. Mitch worked closely with all clubs, often attending matches and monitoring code of conduct issues. Mitch also attended Tribunal hearings offering support to players and officials. Refer to Job description

Secretary: Karen Ingleby

LEAGUE Secretarial duties and Tribunal Secretarial duties. Refer to Job description

I would like to thank Karen for her very professional secretarial/administration support to the Executive, Tribunal and clubs. Karen provided great interaction with all relevant stakeholders. We were extremely blessed to have someone with Karen's skills and expertise on the League. On behalf of the LEAGUE we wish her all the best in her new career 'motherhood'.

Treasurer: Trevor Stanbury

Financial Reports. Refer to Job description

I would like to thank Trevor for his fantastic work in managing the Leagues finances and finals preparations. Trevor who is an extremely respected member was often sought for his wisdom when problem solving.

Registrar: Arnold Kretschmer later replaced with Christie Siebum

Member of the "Match and Permit Committee". Refer to Job description

Once Arnold resigned, the MWJFL was unsuccessful in securing an experienced member club registrar to be appointed to Executive. The MWJFL appointed Christie as the registrar who was trained in the use of Sporting Pulse by Julie Young.

Club access to Footyweb:

To comply with the SACFL affiliation agreement and SACFL clubs were given access to Footyweb. Christie coordinated training sessions with Julie and the club registrars in the use of Sporting Pulse, in club administration, manage player and club officials registrations, transfers, permits, match day paperwork and on line registration management which will be introduced in 2104.

Refer to LEAGUE Delegate meeting minutes 6/2/12, item 8.1

Clubs were given immediate access for recording their own club fairest and best votes which had previously not been permitted. Clubs were also given immediate access for Presidents to run reports for their club AGM reports. To further assist the member clubs, the LEAGUE purchased new laptops for member club registrars to assist them with Footyweb access and compulsory ON LINE registrations which will be introduced in 2014.

Fixtures:

Christie, with the assistance of Vanessa from Metro South Junior Football League (MSJFL) , Annette from North Eastern Metro Junior Football Association (NEMJFA) , Julie Young from Sporing Pulse and Christine Newberry, worked tirelessly with the member clubs in an effort to provide an equitable draw for all clubs.

The fixtures continually appear to be an item for constant scrutiny and discussion from year to year irrespective who is creating the fixtures or in what league. Refer web discussion below.

Our willingness and openness in working with clubs, trying to reach and equitable fixture, and our inexperience exposed Christie to some extreme and sometimes unpleasant criticism. I hope that club representatives are more respectful and patient of new executive members in the future. The lack of guidelines that were available regarding preferences for age group game times and linkage to other age groups, venue allocation, ground availability and the template the previous fixture template that had been used to develop the fixtures and competition, created a variety of problems for the Registrar. The fixtures were identified by the member clubs as one item for further improvement in 2014. Rules, process and time lines were put in place to further assist the clubs and LEAGUE deliver equitable fixtures. Refer to LEAGUE Newsletter 1 and 2.

Example 2012 below.



Executive Member: Colin Miller later replaced with Paul Kaftan

Member of the "Match and Permit Committee". Refer to Job description

I would like to thank Col for commencing on the Executive. Unfortunately he was unable to fulfil his role on the Executive as he found it difficult to attend the Monday meetings as this often clashed with his other commitments. He was however able to attend the tribunal hearings as an independent tribunal member.

I would like to thank Paul for his hard work coordinating and managing the Fairest and Best, Finals and Grand Final day events.

Executive Member: Aidan Wood

Member of the "Match and Permit Committee". Refer to Job description.

I would like to thank Aidan for his fantastic work in representing the LEAGUE at the monthly South Australia Junior Football Council meetings held at the SANFL where he discussed, debated and put forward motions with respect to all junior football matters. Aidan also provides support to Mitch by attending club matches monitoring code of conduct.

Executive Member/Form/Policy writing/Webmaster/Facebook: Christine Newberry

Refer to Job description

I would like to thank Christine for her insatiable and professional approach in researching, editing, creating, formatting - policies, rules, forms and maintaining the LEAGUE website and Facebook. You were truly a valuable asset for the League.

Executive Member/ Independent Tribunal Chairperson: Aris Tolis

To comply with the SACFL Regulations the LEAGUE implemented an Independent Tribunal and Appeals Committee. Tribunals were held at Aris' Law firm office on Henley Beach Rd, MILE END and at the SMOSH Football club. Created Tribunal Guidelines to align with the SAAFL Tribunal process create and implement all associated processes and related documents.

Independent Tribunal Members:	John Martschink, Ian Gibbons, Colin Miller
Independent Appeals Committee:	Rob Pyman and Warren Matthews
Investigations Committee:	Tracy Moody and Colin Elson

Refer to Job descriptions

I would like to thank Aris for his professionalism in setting up the Leagues Tribunal. The MWJFL was blessed to have access to a lawyer who independently oversaw the Tribunal process.

I would like to thank the Leagues independent Tribunal members, John, Ian and Colin who using their wisdom, knowledge and skills in Tribunal hearings.

TRIBUNAL

Previously players or officials who were issued a red card were automatically suspended for three (3) matches irrespective of the nature of the breach under S19.22 of the AFL laws.

There was no previous Tribunal process however reported players and officials were allowed to appeal the penalty in the presence of an appeals committee consisting of three (3) Independent club Presidents.

We now have a Tribunal system which runs similarly to the SAAFL which categorizes breaches as reckless, negligent and intentional. Minor breaches can accept a prescribed penalty in lieu of attending the Tribunal and players still have the right to appeal.

With the introduction of the AFL player and official Deregistration policy which deregisters players or official who are suspended for sixteen (16) matches, it was felt the Tribunal Chairperson position which is a significant position should at least be an independent lawyer who is also independent to the MWJFL.

It is anticipated that clubs will be conditioned to the Tribunal system in 2014.

Prescribed Penalties

Five (5) players have also accepted prescribed penalties in lieu of attending the Independent tribunal. Penalties range from one (1) to two (1) matches.

U8 - U10 competition

There has been one report where a member club has convened a Code of Conduct committee hearing for a breach under s19.22.

U12 – U16 Competition

The LEAGUE Independent Tribunal has heard six (6) tribunal hearings where all players have been found guilty and have received penalties ranging from two (2) to six (6) matches. To comply with the Cross Competition Sanction policy, the LEAGUE notified the SANFL who in turn notified the players' schools of their suspensions.

I would like to acknowledge the professional manner in which our lawyer Aris, Tribunal members and secretary performed their duties at the Tribunal hearings. A big thank you to Karen who provided comprehensive post tribunal reports to the member clubs. To Mitch who attended the tribunals as a support for the players. To Maria who also attended offering support to the umpires who in most cases were giving evidence for the first time. Refer to Secretary Report.

RECOMMENDATION: *Submit report to SAJFC suggesting an amendment to the AFL Deregistration Policy to have some junior suspensions expunged prior to a junior player commencing senior football. (For example, intentional breaches should carry over.)*

Executive Member: Chris Fallon/Maria Brennan

It was identified that no one person could fulfil the role of a Junior Football Coach and Coordinator. These two roles were compared to a Junior Coach and Team Manager. Chris therefore fulfilled the role as Coach and Maria performed the Coordinator role.

Chris, Maria and the LEAGUE Executive set a goal to retain, recruit and further develop the Umpiring Standard in the LEAGUE which has seen a 20% increase in numbers in 2013. Refer to Job description

Umpires

After a difficult 2012, which saw a shortage of umpires and no umpire accreditations, the LEAGUE appointed Chris as the Umpire Coach and Maria as the Coordinator. Both have been working extremely hard in recruiting of umpires and raising the standards of our umpire qualifications which also included Tribunal reporting and process.

For the first time in years we have a great numbers where the LEAGUE can now schedule two umpires at every U12 match. We currently have 17 umpires who have completing their Level 1.

I wish to acknowledge all the fantastic work, energy and hours that Chris and Maria have put in to umpire recruiting and development of our umpires. This positive turn around will see the retention, growth and maturing of our umpires.

Dangerous Tackles

The MWJFL Umpire Coach has worked tirelessly with our member clubs and coaches in teaching good tackling technique (wrap and drop) as we are all working towards eradicating all dangerous tackles from the competition and therefore reducing injuries. Umpires may issue yellow or red cards/reports if in the umpire's opinion a player lays a dangerous tackle which includes a 'sling'. Unfortunately a junior player has suffered an injury which is likely to prevent him from ever playing football again.

I would like to acknowledge Chris and Maria for organising a fundraising evening where a very generous donation was given to the player and his family. The LEAGUE also provided a gift to this player and family.

RECOMMENDATION: *Coordinate compulsory tackling training with member clubs coaches during preseason. Suggest the PAMFC and WWTFC Junior Development squad coaches assist.*

I would like to thank Rob and Warren for their behind the scenes work in conducting an independent audit of the Leagues operations.

COMPLAINTS:

To comply with the Member Protection Policy, the LEAGUE Introduced a transparent, complaints handling process led by an Independent persons. Recently a senior player was hurt during a match. The incident was not seen by the officiating umpires. The club officials lodged a complaint with the LEAGUE and the player was referred to a tribunal. The offending player was found guilty and was suspended for ten (10) matches. It is apparent that some clubs do not have an appreciation and understanding of the Member Protection Policy. Refer to LEAGUE Newsletter 1 and 2 and Secretary report.

I would like to thank Tracey and Col who used their combined skills and knowledge independently investigating all off field and on field matters referred by the League.

RECOMMENDATION: *The LEAGUE an Office Recreation and Sport staff member to conduct member protection training for our Club Presidents.*

15 a side teams:

In 2012, the clubs again overwhelmingly voted to introduce the 15 a side concept. This was to give clubs an opportunity to start teams with the view of growing to the traditional 18 a side.

The MWJFL member clubs have fielded three (3) new 15 a side teams which evolved to the traditional 18 a side teams for the year. This concept allowed the growth of three (3) new teams.

RECOMMENDATION: *Continually promote this concept to assist clubs in creating and growing teams.*

PLAYERS in 2013:

The MWJFL in 2013 saw an increase of 125 registered players.

In 2012, the LEAGUE had 1693 players registered.

In 2013, the LEAGUE had 1818 players registered.

RULES and BY LAWS:

It was evident after some controversy relating to rules at the 2012 Grand Final, that the pre-existing 2006 rules and by-laws needed urgent overhauling. This was acknowledge by the previous Executive and alluded to in the minutes of meetings held in 2012.

As a result of the disappointing incident at a 2012 Grand Final, the new Executive set a goal to immediately create clear rules and by-laws, to prevent these decisions from happening again. Many hours were spent researching various Australian junior rules and by laws. Refer to LEAGUE Newsletter 1 and 2.

RECOMMENDATION: *Review and update the rules and by laws every October and accept any changes in November.*

New AFL Common rules:

The new AFL common rules as strongly supported by the Leagues members in the recent Junior Football survey should provide for a positive growth environment. Some of the changes include:

- Small sided teams
- wrap tackle from U9

RECOMMENDATION: *Suggest possible full implementation by 2015.*

Blue and White Group Competition

The Blue and White Competition was introduced in 2011 with an amalgamated competition between the Under 16's of MWJFL and MSJFL. The competition was deemed a success and in 2012, affiliated clubs voted to continue the competition with the existing Under 12 and Under 14 competitions. Unfortunately the extended competition, did not include any grading criteria. As an example, in 2012, the MWJFL used an un-documented grading criteria which placed the SMOSH Football club U16 team in the U16 Blue competition, when the SMOSH Football club felt this team should be in the white competition.

In 2013, the MWJFL instigated a grading criteria with the delegates and previous minutes for guidance and management. The MWJFL has now created clear grading criteria to be implemented in 2014. (Of interest the SAPSASA 12 Under national carnival allows for the NT and ACT teams to have 50% of the squad overage, and as a result SA lost to the NT by 4 points.)

Refer to LEAGUE Delegates Meeting 7/5/12, item 16:

Refer to LEAGUE Delegates Meeting 7/5/1, Item 8.3:

Refer to LEAGUE Newsletter 1 and 2.

Match Day Officials / Team Officials/Match Attire

During the season two clubs were involved in an incident between players and supporters/spectators which was investigated by the Independent Investigation Committee. Sanctions and conditions were imposed on both clubs as per the LEAGUE rules. The Investigation committee highlighted a risk management and made the following strong recommendations.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. *Implement compulsory 'melee drill' training for all clubs which will include a risk management for team officials, players, spectators, Police, Ambulance and counselling for all involved.*

2. *Match Day official training with respect to their role. For both clubs match day officials to 'continually patrol' the ground interacting with spectators with respect to code of conduct and not spectate.*
3. *All team officials including, Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Manager, Runner, sports trainer to wear visible and identifiable match attire.*
4. *All game officials, including boundary and goal umpire to wear visible and identifiable match attire. Suggest wearing orange clothing similar to the SAAFL.*
5. *Match attire to be solely funded by the LEAGUE using JS sponsorship agreement.*

Fairest & Best Medal Count

The MWJFL Fairest and Best count was held at the Port Adelaide Magpies FC, Alberton. Congratulations to the following winners:

U12W	Michael LAUDATO	SEATON
U12B	Jackson MEAD	SMOSH
U14W	Andrew KING	PORTLAND
U14B	Jay VASSALLO	FLINDERS PARK
U16W	Jarrod SHORT	PLYMPTON
U16W	Anthony STENGLE	PORTLAND
U16B	Francesco MARAFIOTI	HENLEY

Some criticism was made in regard to the awards and format of the evening. The MWJFL should review this in 2014.

Child Safe Environments

The LEAGUE introduced a practical process of where the LEAGUE appointed a Member Protection Officer (MPIO)/Child Safety Officer who was responsible for conducting criminal history assessment of the Executive and managing and processing all LEAGUE Police checks. Approximately 900 Police checks have been processed so far. The LEAGUE MPIO worked closely with the member club Child Safety Officers.

Club Child Safety Officers were responsible for conducting criminal history assessment of its clubs volunteers and also providing Child Safe training as all volunteers are mandatory reporters under the Child Protection Act. To implement child safe environments.

RECOMMENDATION: *Ensure that appointed Coaches and Assistant Coaches have a current Police check prior to taking any training. Ensure that the appointed coach has a current Play by the Rules Certificate for Child Abuse, Discrimination and Harassment.*

Congratulations

The LEAGUE would like to acknowledge and congratulate the following players for being selected to represent South Australia in 2013.

SAPSASSA 12 Under

Jackson Mead	SMOSH West Lakes
Riley Davis	SMOSH West Lakes
Luke Beeken	SMOSH West Lakes
Noah Hannagan	SMOSH West Lakes

SSSA 15 Under

Harrison Hawkins	Port Districts
Angus Coxon	Henley
Tynan Economou	Woodville South

AFL Drafted Players *

Name	MWJFL Club	AFL Club
Tim Broomhead	Port Districts	Collingwood
Tim Sumner	Woodville South	Gold Coast
Matthew McDonough	Flinders Park	Richmond
Jimmy Toumpas	Lockleys/Flinders Park	Melbourne

*All these junior clubs have received AFL draft money.

Finals Venues

2013 saw a new format in hosting finals. The semi-finals and PRELIMINARY finals were hosted by Portland, Rosewater, Flinders Park, Lockleys, SMOSH and Port Districts

Player Head Count

A player head count was called during the U14B Preliminary Final between Flinders Park FC vs. Seaton match at SMOSH. At about the 5 minute mark of the 3rd quarter Flinders Park were found to have 19 players on the field and as per s 5.5 of the AFL Laws there score was wiped and they subsequently lost the match which sent Seaton into the Grand Final.

RECOMMENDATION: *Review the Head count rule. Suggest implement the current SAAFL player head count rule with the view of implementing same.*

Grand Finals

Held at Woodville Oval. Congratulations to the following participants:

U12W	North Haven	R/U	Seaton	
U12B	SMOSH West Lakes	R/U	Henley	
U14W	Portland	R/U	Rosewater	
U14B	SMOSH West Lakes	R/U	Seaton	
U16W	Mitcham	R/U	Goodwood	
U16B	SMOSH West Lakes	R/U	Henley	

Unfortunately the LEAGUE received a complaint from the WWTFC with respect to the tidiness of the change rooms. The WWTFC strongly supported the LEAGUE who hired two (2) Weslo staff that attended Woodville Oval providing a safe environment. There were no complaints regarding alcohol possession or consumption.

RECOMMENDATION: *Club Presidents to ensure a designated official is responsible for keeping the change rooms clean and tidy.*

Continue to provide WESLO staff for the Grand Final

Flinders Park:

The Flinders Park Junior Football Club, a founding member of the LEAGUE has now transferred to the Metro South Junior Football LEAGUE and will be participating in the MSJFL in 2014. We wish them all the best in the future. Unfortunately this now leaves the LEAGUE with ten (10) clubs.

Instability:

The MWJFL has been aware that some club representatives have been meeting privately with a view to replacing the current Executive. Whilst I commend clubs for keeping open dialogue with each other for support, it has been very destabilizing for the current LEAGUE executive and caused some division in the League. This action has derailed the Leagues planning and management and has interrupted a smooth transition from season 2013 to 2014. I feel the proper forum for complaints and issues should have been to come to the LEAGUE to be discussed and voted on, AND THEN let due process occur at the season AGM. Myself aside, I feel the current executive has worked tirelessly for the betterment of the competition and whilst we do not always agree on everything they clearly did not deserve this.

Constitution:

The outdated MWJFL Constitution unfortunately did not address the latest changes in affiliation obligations with the South Australia Community Football League, legislation including Volunteer Protection Act, Associations Incorporation Act, Child Protection Act) including Member Protection Policy e.g. Child Abuse, Bullying, Harassment, working with Children guidelines and the latest in best Governance practices and succession planning. Of interest, there is no Life Membership provision in the current LEAGUE Constitution and this needs to be addressed as life membership has been issued.

RECOMMENDATION: Update the constitution

U16 JOINT MWJFL/MSJFL COMPETITION:

The MWJFL member clubs delegates in August overwhelmingly endorsed the joint U16 competition to continue in 2014. As a result of these meeting and unrest by the MWJFL clubs the MSJFL are now planning their fixtures for 2014 to NOT include the MWJFL U16 teams.

Unfortunately this joint U16 competition was strongly supported by MWJFL and MSJFL members in the recent SANFL Junior Football survey.

The MWJFL Executive is extremely disappointed that the U16 joint competition is not going to continue in 2014 and feel the competition will now suffer.

RECOMMENDATION: *It is my recommendation that the Combined U16 competition go ahead in 2014 and that the new League Executive work extremely hard to make this occur. It is really important that the executives of both leagues resolve any personal issues for the sake of the players and the competition.*

I would like to thank David Evans, Chris Moriarty and Vanessa Grund for their incredible support, guidance and help throughout this tumultuous and challenging year.

I would like to thank the MSJFL clubs for their participation over the last two years and wish the MSJFL clubs all the best in the future.

I would like to also thank Julie Young from Sporting Pulse for all her training, incredible support enabling the MWJFL to catch up with the 21st century.

I would like to also thank Ben Hopkins from the SANFL for his strong support and guidance.

Finally I would like to thank my wonderful and totally unselfish Executive whose number one focus was always junior football. It has been a privilege and honour to have worked with such a positive, passionate, energetic group of people through this rollercoaster journey of incredible work, challenges and controversy and will always cherish our achievements and strong friendships.

I would also like to thank the LEAGUE sponsors and look forward to continuing the relationship in 2014. I wish the Executive all the best in 2014 and would like to thank everyone for giving me the opportunity to serve as Chairperson in 2013.

Bill Economou
November 2013

Vice Chairman's Report

It is with mixed emotions that I write this report. I joined the Executive Committee almost 12 months ago and brought to the table a substantial amount of previous committee experience, but very little experience in running a football competition. At the time of coming on Executive I was under the impression that Arnold was also going to be on the Executive in a mentoring role and that at any time we could call upon his vast wealth of knowledge to guide us through and train us in what was required. Unfortunately, this wasn't to be, when we received Arnold's resignation prior to our first meeting. There was no handover and no training and very little in the way of official records. The Constitution appears to be updated; there were little or no additional rules formally written down or recorded and no job descriptions outlining the Executives roles.

We set about attempting to create policies and processes that were clear and transparent as well as being in the best interests of the kids playing football within the MWJFL. We explained to the delegates the situation we had been placed in and asked for their understanding. It has always been my belief that the Executive were the servants of the clubs and that the real power was held by the Club Presidents and Delegates (the Delegates having the voting power). We met 3 to 4 times a month instead of the planned once a month and Bill recruited people to fill the roles of Registrar, Secretary, Independent review for disputes in the Tribunal and the Tribunal itself.

Now things didn't run smoothly in the beginning as the lack of guidelines regarding fixtures resulted in countless hours on the phone and face to face meetings with Sporting Pulse attempting the impossible; that is pleasing everyone. I would like to take the time here to thank Port Districts for their efforts and offers of assistance to rectifying our dilemmas – hindsight is a wonderful thing!

As the season started and we continued to formulate the policies of regrading and the like, we struck hurdle after hurdle in not having any processes in place to guide us with their implementation – in particular the possible regrading with the Blue and White competition, that had been created in 2011 with the Under 16 MSJFL amalgamation. Again I would like to thank Flinders Park for their efforts, homework and zeal in attempting to rectify an awkward situation.

Some of the grades and the fixtures were far from ideal as some teams played each other every 3 to 4 weeks and others were on either end of the huge scores. The young men (and several young women) soldiered on and enjoyed (mostly) playing football and brought much credit on themselves and our clubs.

It appears that the implementation of guidelines and change, contributed to rumblings from some clubs. This resulted in much unrest and I thank Flinders Park for providing people who were vocal, who made honest and educated comments and served the best interests of their own clubs. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Andrew Marshman from SMOSH WEST LAKES for attempting to bring the matter to a head and facilitating the meeting.

I assisted in running the Grand Finals day at Woodville West Torrens and enjoyed the teams' spirit and the games that they all competed in. I have enjoyed the year even though it was testing and time consuming. I have worked with some fantastic people on the Executive and would like to thank them for their tireless efforts to see that your kids got to play football each Sunday.

I saw head counts, melees, scores blow out, & undefeated teams go down in the last game of their year. I have witnessed some extreme highs and lows on and off the field. I have seen some clubs rise to the occasion (well done West Croydon and North Haven). I have also seen some kids, who until this season had never won a game, play in finals. I think we achieved our goal of attempting to make the League better for our kids and clubs.

With mixed emotions I feel that through no fault of my own, we have failed the clubs. This Executive have picked up the mantle - we have been open and honest and made decisions we believe to be in the best interest of the League. We made mistakes along the way but we also took ownership of those mistakes and have taken steps ensure that these mistakes won't happen again.

I wish you all the best for the future and thank you all for you efforts during the year. The MWJFL would not run without those faces around the table and the majority of parents would not have somewhere for their children to compete.

My biggest thanks is to Bill Economou, the Chair. Bill has united a group of novice parents into the Executive and worked many hundreds of hours to ensure that we were cohesive. His integrity is beyond reproach and he offered us an opportunity to embark on a process that would help move the MWJFL into the future and beyond. He asked a lot from each of us, but he never asked of us what he was not prepared to do himself. I would like to thank the spouses of those on the Executive for lending us your partners for the hours that we met for. Good luck to all of you for season 2014.

Vice Chairman
Mitch Manning

Treasurer's Report

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2013

At the time of preparing this report we have not received the Auditors Report despite having lodged the books with them on 22 October 2013. The Auditors are SJN Chartered Accountants and I made arrangements with that firm at the commencement of my role for them to do the Audit at the end of the Season. It is disappointing that they have been unable to complete the work by the deadline I had asked for however I recommend that in the circumstances we proceed to deal with the financials today subject to the provision of the audit report at the next Delegates meeting. A letter from the Auditors is attached.

Since the end of the financial year all outstanding accounts for this Season have been paid excepting an account with North Haven Football Club (Insurance Reimbursement) for \$310.00 which I have regularly followed up and still to the time of writing not received the payment.

Income

\$59,042.17

Income for the year down \$6,262.42 compared to last year.
The most significant income items covered below.

Affiliation Fees

\$22,950.00 compared to last year are down by \$3,072.00 and as raised at our last Delegates meeting the League will need to review the cost per player when preparing budgets for 2013/2014. This will be further exacerbated by the loss of a Club from our ranks.

Government Grants

\$5,000.00 applied for and approved in the Season 2011/2012 was received in this financial year and the funds were utilised in the previous Season for the purpose proposed in the submission.

Sponsorship

\$3,850.00 income came from SANFL (Maccas); Coffex \$150.00 and Dinkum Dogs \$700.00.

AFL Draft

\$14,000.00 the League allocation from this amount was \$6,000.00.

Club Insurance income

\$4,340.00 recovery of outgoing only.

Grand Final Gate

\$7,272.00 marginally up on last year.

EXPENDITURE

\$64,255.50

Expenditure was down \$3,958.82 overall after a spend of \$10,452.00 for the cost of Laptop Computers purchased and distributed to the member Clubs.

Items of significance are as follows.

Honoraria \$20,500.00 an increase of \$3,000.00 over last year offset by savings in other areas relating to Executive Committee Expenses.

Grand Final Expenses \$10,007.01 an increase of \$539.01 on last year

SANFL Insurance \$4,340.00 basic Bronze cover recovered from member Clubs.

AFL Transfer Fees \$8,000.00 distributed to players Clubs.

Umpire Uniforms \$2,436.50 self explanatory allocated to new Umpires and replacement for some existing Umpires.

Laptops \$10,452.00 mentioned above a one off expense.

Outstanding matters

As at the end of the Season we had an application on foot for a grant toward funding a new large screen TV for SMOSH West Lakes Football Club to assist with meeting presentations etc but also for the use of the Club hosting the Leagues meetings. The grant was part successful with an amount of \$950.00 received since the end of the financial year. This will need to be followed up and completed by the incoming Executive or moneys returned if it does not proceed.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the League Delegates and the League Executive for giving me the opportunity to undertake this role and for their support over this past Season.

Trevor Stanbury
Treasurer

Registrars Report

In 2013, I came to the Board as the registrar with no previous experience but a willingness to learn. Unfortunately, I did not receive any advice from the clubs regarding their preferences for the fixtures prior to that process commencing, so took it upon myself to contact MSJFL, NEJMA and the SANFL in an attempt to finalise fixtures to everyone's satisfaction. This goal, did not pan out as was hoped or expected using the fixture template that had previously existed in sporting pulse and as such, plans have been put in place to rectify this situation for the 2014 season. These plans have been abandoned at this stage and it is unlikely that these supports will exist in 2014.

It is with great pleasure that we were able to provide the club registrars with additional access to the sporting pulse system and I hope that this access continues into the 2014 and that backward steps are not made in retracting these privilege's.

I would like to thank the club registrars for the support. We spent many hours getting our heads around the new system but had much fun along the way. Personally I have formed strong friendships with the registrar's which made any issues easier to deal with.

It is pleasing to note the increase in players from 2012 to 2013 and truly hope that these numbers continue to increase in the future, despite the expected decrease with Flinders Park's decision to move to MSJFL.

Good luck for Season 2014.

Christie Siebum
MWJFL Registrar

Umpires Report 2013

Chris Fallon and I were appointed earlier this year with a view to stabilising the umpire's panel for Metro West. Trainings were held on Monday nights at Flinders Park Football Club and we had an average of 30 umpires attending these sessions. A total of 22 new "green shirt" umpires ran this season with the help of our mentors. 18 Umpires received their level 1 accreditation, and almost all have received exposure to the 2 umpire system. This was accomplished by using 2 umpires in the U12 division as well as the U14 & U16 divisions. We would expect that the 2 umpire system will continue in the U12s as part of umpiring development.

Currently we have a strong affiliation with the SANFL umpiring department with regards to mentors and umpire development. 3 Umpires from our panel have received invitations to the SANFL Umpire Academy to be held over the summer with a view to progressing through the ranks to the SANFL.

We finished this season with strong numbers of 70 umpires, and we believe that we have had an exceptional year with umpire development.

Maria Brennan
Umpire's coordinator

Web Report

In 2013 the MWJFL website was extensively updated. This occurred to bring the site in line with well accepted principles of basic web design. In the last few years, web designers have realised that cluttering web pages non-essential elements isn't a good idea and detracts from information, so it is far more valuable to reduce designs to their most basic forms. The sporting pulse template that is provided is fairly basic - with several limiting factors in particular image location and placement. It does however provide a good range of font styles and sizes and provides a variety of page styles that allow for adding links, image URL's, site widgets, news feed, YouTube video installation, an image gallery and I was able to embed a season countdown calendar.

Within the limits of the template, we aimed for a good aesthetic design, with clear navigation to offer our visitors a clear description of the league and its mission statement, whilst providing additional links that benefit the clubs that are affiliated within the league and its jurisdiction.

Previously, the website's pages were a contained many bright colours accompanied by text that was bold, inconsistent font size, and style and spacing that was excessively large or small. Examples below.

To rectify the design issues, all existing content on the page was copied (or re-typed), pasted into a Microsoft Word, formatting removed, placed into tables and then pasted back into sporting pulse with new formatting adjustments to be made.

The bulk of the existing attachments on the web were re-typed from scratch, re-edited and formatted. Examples below

Pre 2013

Metro West Junior Football League Inc. Players Drafted to the A.F.L.					
PHOTO	YEAR DRAFTED	PLAYERS NAME	M.W.J.F.L. CLUB	S.A.N.F.L. CLUB	A.F.L. CLUB
	2012	Jimmy Toumpas	Flinders Park/ Lockleys	Woodville/ West Torrens	Melbourne
	2012	Timothy Broomhead	Port District	Port Adelaide Magpies	Collingwood
	2012	Mark McDonough	Flinders Park	Woodville/ West Torrens	Richmond

The Woodville South Junior Football Club are looking for players to play and participate in the following grades: U/8, U/9, U/10, U/11, U/12, U/14 and U/16 teams.

Now training every Thursday night at 5.00 pm.

Any enquires please contact:
Grant Wilson on
0438 315 877.

Register on line at www.wsjfc.com.au or email cats@wsjfc.com.au

Or go to the club: Ledger Road, WOODVILLE SOUTH

2013

Year drafted	Players name	M.W.J.F.L. Club	S.A.N.F.L. Club	A.F.L. Club
2012	Jimmy Toumpas	Flinders Park Lockleys	Woodville / West Torrens	Melbourne
2012	Timothy Broomhead	Port District	Port Adelaide Magpies	Collingwood
2012	Mark McDonough	Flinders Park	Woodville/ West Torrens	Richmond
2012	Tim Sumner	Woodville South	Woodville/ West Torrens	Gold Coast Suns

Club	LOCKEYS FOOTBALL CLUB
Contact Person:	Priscilla Loechel Debra Tibbels
Contact Phone:	0428 102 527
Contact Email Address:	info@lfc.com.au debra.tibbels@optusnet.com.au
Home Ground Address:	Rutland Avenue, LOCKEYS
Club Phone Number:	0443 9626
Club Fax Number:	NOT AVAILABLE
Club Nickname:	"THE DEMONS"
Club Postal Address:	PO Box 27, BROOKLYN PARK, SA, 5032
Club Website Address:	www.lockeysfc.com.au
Club Colours:	Navy Blue & Red
Training Nights & Times:	To Be Advised
Fielding Teams in Grades:	U/8, U/9, U/10, U/11, U/12, U/13, U/14 & U/16

I acknowledge that working within a "given" template is limiting and requires a certain level of design knowledge and most certainly patience. There is no intention to criticise the previous webmaster. The intention in modifying the site was aimed at increasing the traffic to the web page which should provide some funding from sporting pulse which would be available for distribution to the clubs. By placing all information on the web and communicating via Face book and emails - that the information was on the web, there was an increase in traffic to the MWJFL website. An increase in traffic is attractive to

sponsors and a continued improve in "returning" traffic was possible by increasing the amount that the MWJFL website was to be used.

I would also point out that there was very little positive feedback regarding the new site design from the delegate clubs and there was no shyness in pointing out any errors, some of which had been on the site previously. Whilst every effort was made to make any corrections immediately, much of the information on the site, for example Auskick venues, club vacancies, club contacts, registration dates and linked web addresses, relied on clubs feeding this information. There was some tardiness with this information being provided.

In addition, several new menu options were provided to the website that had not been present previously. Some of the design was modelled on Victorian based clubs who use a web design obtained from Sporting Pulse but have added features via an additional charge. The additional menu items were the Umpires section, the delegates section, and admin for clubs, valuable links - sporting pulse, JLT insurance, Sports Medicine Australia, the rules section and several others.

It is important to draw the distinction between the web site and the fixtures. The fixtures belong to a sporting pulse program that is a separate operating module contained within the metro west web page. The functionality of the fixture page is entirely different to the web page and relies on a different program to update both the fixture grid and then the ladder. Sporting pulse modified the functionality and look of the fixture grid during the season. The fixture template was set by a previous user and that same template was applied in 2013. Due to the inconsistency of the fixture grid in 2013, these templates have now been removed.

Rules

The Rules and By-laws of the Metro West Junior Football League underwent significant work in 2013. This of course was foreseen and advertised on the previous web site by the previous executive when on the 29th of May 2012, it was stated "there will be a major overhaul of MWJFL rules, constitution and fees" so delegate clubs were fully aware to expect extensive modifications in 2013.

If the vote is NO: The two Leagues will continue to operate as they currently are.

There will be a major overhaul of MWJFL Rules, Constitution & Fees.

To accompany the newly formed Rules and By-laws, there was a requirement to provide a substantial number of accompanying forms, appendices and policies - either AFL, SACFL or Metro West. Some of my role was to:

- edit page layout
- remove background formatting
- edit paragraphs and spacing's
- format style,
- edit font size,
- edit font type,
- apply numbering,
- apply bullet points
- apply a standard word template
- correct grammar,
- insert and position the MWJFL logo,
- convert text to table,
- hyperlink web addresses,
- hyperlink email addresses,
- correct margins
- insert watermark
- remove watermark
- spell check
- covert language to English Australian

- convert documents from word to pdf
- scan documents using OCR
- retype where necessary,
- retrieve previous versions if available
- save documents as a pdf version
- upload individual documents to web server
- insert description of document
- save on the web

This was exceedingly time consuming, considering the volume of documents, but was done in an effort to make the information more palatable, appealing and consistent in appearance for any Metro West web user and to importantly ensure that documents were readily available and accessible to all stakeholders.

Whilst I acknowledge that the volume of documents was large and modifications and changes were frequent, the intention was to provide the Metro West Junior Football League with a future that was in line with current updated policy requirements from the AFL, in particular the AFL Community Club and provide assurances that our clubs are operating in support of the modern 2013 framework of regulations.

As an example, on the 3rd of September 2012, the previous executive stated that grading was not a requirement for the Blue and White, and it was up to clubs to manage this. This year, a Grading policy was introduced. It was our opinion that it was not feasible to re-grade between Rounds 5 and 7 with some practical aspects forgotten, such as, manual implementation on the fixture grid, the negating of existing premierships points and best and fairest votes. In 2014, this grading policy should be operational and will hopefully avoid any issues of perceived unfairness that have occurred in 2013, 2012, 2011 and in years before that also.

I wish you all the best in 2014.

Christine Newberry
Executive Committee Member

Appendix 1

Metro West Junior Football League Inc. AGM 2012 Minutes

Date: 10th December 2012

Venue: Woodville South Football Club

Minutes

Present: Arnold Kretschmer, Bill Economou, Mitch Manning, Aris Tolis, Trevor Stanbury, Colin Miller, Christine Newberry, Aidan Wood

Delegates Present:

FLINDERS PARK
HENLEY
LOCKLEYS
NORTH HAVEN
PORT DISTRICT
PORTLAND
ROSEWATER
SEATON RAMBLERS
SMOSH WEST LAKES
WEST CROYDON
WOODVILLE SOUTH

Tim
Andrew
Priscilla
Lucas
Mark
Steve
Kristen
Melissa
Steve
Shane
Vince

Baker
Horsnell
Loechel
Maczkowiack
Bruce
King
Hure
Paddick
Daldowicz
Bandick
Duffy

Welcome

Arnold Kretschmer, the outgoing chairman. Reminded clubs to retrieve any notes in the basket.

Previous minutes for the AGM: Accepted by Rosewater and seconded by Portland

Business arising

Arnie's final year at the end of this year. 11 years and suddenly on the back bench and is now struggling to continue with the changes. Retiring from footy altogether. Thanks to everyone - the delegates, registrars, coaches and players - We are fairly financially sound and the growth has been strong. There should be continued growth and will continue to get bigger and stronger. Appreciate everyone's help over the past 11 years.

Treasurer's report

Taken as read. Acceptance of the budget - new treasurer coming on board.

Presentation of club flags

U11 Henley	R/U Flinders
U12 SMOSH	R/U Port Districts
U13 Henley	R/U Smosh
U14 Woodville South	R/U Port Districts
U16 White Plympton	RU Unley

U16 Blue – Henley Eagles Photos

RU Goodwood

Of the clubs participating we filled 40 teams. 47 players for the eagles came from the Metro West system - around 35%.

Congratulations to the award winners. Recipients of photos, Flinders Park, SMOSH recipients and Woodville South. Congratulations to all draftees - 3 players picked up by the AFL.

Club of the year

3rd spot	Port Districts
2nd	Portland

Inaugural winner West Croydon Football Club. Award and cheque will be forwarded shortly.

2013 will see the award expanded and the prize is \$1000.

Ben Hopkins

Congratulations to Arnie. District council update and will come back in January to give a full update. 2009 review of junior footy and from that came 69 recommendations. The footy council has been researching different techniques for running junior footy and across the state there are some breakdowns in communications. Not about taking over junior footy but about support for the delegates. Basic concept is about getting all stakeholders around the table at the same time. Direction is to move junior footy forward. Get better resources and to provide the best opportunity for the juniors. Meeting in January will answer all questions.

Current executives step down.

Bill Economou is the new Chairperson and voted in unopposed.

New executive.

CHAIRPERSON, Bill ECONOMOU

VICE CHAIRPERSON, Mitch MANNING

TRIBUNAL CHAIRPERSON, Aris TOLIS

TREASURER, Trevor SWANBURY

REGISTRAR, Arnold KRETSCHMER

SECRETARY,

COMMITTEE, Colin MILLER

COMMITTEE, Christine NEWBERRY

COMMITTEE, Aidan WOOD

Appendix 2

Delegates meeting

Date: 10th December 2012
Venue: Woodville South Football Club
Meeting commenced at 735pm

Minutes

Present: Arnold Kretschmer, Bill Economou, Mitch Manning, Aris Tolis, Trevor Swanbury, Colin Miller, Christine Newberry, Aidan Wood

Delegates Present:

FLINDERS PARK	Tim	Baker
HENLEY	Andrew	Horsnell
LOCKLEYS	Priscilla	Loechel
NORTH HAVEN	Lucas	Maczkowiack
PORT DISTRICT	Mark	Bruce
PORTLAND	Steve	King
ROSEWATER	Kristen	Hure
SEATON RAMBLERS	Melissa	Paddick
SMOSH WEST LAKES	Steve	Daldowicz
WEST CROYDON	Shane	Bandick
WOODVILLE SOUTH	Vince	Duffy

Points carried over from the previous meeting.

1. Introduction of the fair play rule U16 White competition only - do the clubs want to introduce in 2013?
 - Not carried. 1 for and unanimously against 7, 3 abstain
2. Do you want rep football? Voting in favour (4) against (4). Some clubs haven't discussed so the vote will be deferred till the next meeting.
3. Start the 2013 on the first Sunday in April? Do we hold the GF on the 3rd weekend in September? Rep carnival is July/August.
 - This will have to be decided next meeting. If we have rep footy, the season commences on the 1st and finish on the 3rd. No rep footy is 19 rounds.
4. Clearance capping at 5. Tim is putting a proposal forward and waiting to see what direction Flinders Park wants to go.

5. 15 aside

- Clubs would be interested in trialling this for 2013? Has this been discussed? It must be voted on in January. Programming is required. Specifically designed for the white competition.
- Q - Will a team with a full list still play?
- Ans - 4 teams last season pulled out as they didn't feel they could get the full team. Once the team gets more than 15 registered, then the team will convert to an 18 aside.
- Q - What will qualify as a non-game?
- A - 12 or 13 will be the number that will be looked at, especially on big ovals. Clubs will need to get back to us about this.

Acceptance of the minutes. - Lockleys, seconded by Woodville South.

Correspondence in.

Letter from Metro South dated the 11th October. Read. Vote to continue talks.

Email followed the grand final and probably came from the disappointment. Talks have occurred since that email and what has been discussed on the phone and not on paper include having a top 5 and the final played away from Metro West ground. Open discussion as to how we answer the letter. Sensible approach to follow recommendations. David Evans and Chris Moriaty have a good relationship with Bill.

Bill has to reply to the letter and the question is how to apply. The competition was great this year and would like to think we can continue in 2013.

Umpires were unclear as to different rules, need consistency and to show that everyone is clear on what rules. We don't want to compromise the competition that we have. Know from history that a top 5 is not rewarding. The team that finishes 5th never gets further than the elimination. Metro South are coming to us - why should we compromise our competition when our competition has been running well?

Going around the clubs for feedback...

The reply will be transparent.

SMOSH

New executive committee and look at the experience and knowledge that the committee will bring to the competitions. Whatever happened, has happened and need to move forward. Has there been a follow up letter to what Metro South have sent?

Committee (Mitch) We put the decision on your behalf.

Arnie - They should have a representative from their clubs at each of the meetings. Have we asked them to attend? - Not as yet. They agreed to a hands off approach and said in 2012 they will join under the MW rules. It is not wise for us to compromise. It was flagged

that if they are not present at these meetings, there will be a lack of communications and decisions not inclusive.

Should be compulsory that they should attend these meetings. If there is non-attendance, than they will follow the same consequences that our clubs have.

WOODVILLE SOUTH - Conciliatory line to take on board their comments - we are willing to set up a committee going forward.

Mitch - They may have great ideas, but the only way for them to put them forward is to attend the meetings.

Bill will draft a letter which will be circulated to the clubs for discussion and when happy the letter will be forward to MS

General Business

Arnie is handing the treasurer position over to Trevor. Auditor pointed out, the books are fine with only 2 points arising.

Cash money - GF day and rep football day.

Moved over \$3000 to pay the umpires. As an auditor, they need a paper trail e.g. a form for the umpires to sign over that they got paid.

Rep day - sold the Guernseys. Money was taken for sundries - but always bank what has been taken. After 5 years, no comment has been made previously.

Umpires report

In January, this will be discussed as to which direction. Have 1 or 2 people very keen to take on the umpires panel. Make sure we get it right from the start.

Registrar's report

Clubs have set dates for registration day - Arnie needs to know these and to sit down and go through all the info prior to advertising.

Sporting Pulse - big capabilities for this website. Clubs will be able to manage their own records within sporting pulse. Bill said that clubs should have responsibility for their own websites.

MS MW amalgamation is off at the moment until we find out the response from the letter.

If MS don't come in, where does this leave us with the blue and white? How many are going to fill each? Consideration for our own team moving forward. How many sides are going to have 1 and 2? Better idea in January when the numbers come in.

Police checks

Will relax some requirements. If you have a current police check, then that will be accepted. Will look at some of the exemptions when presented with a police check. As of 2013, everyone involved with children u12 requires a police check.

Child safety officers will be followed up.

SANFL Lottery - Major lottery being introduced via the SANFL

WA document

Off field behaviour document. Each team is given points. If they breach this, premiership points are affected. Follow the disciplinary procedure. Don't want to start to punish the teams. We have to report back as it is a pilot scheme.

Amateur League

- Junior football and gap between amateur league. MW is the only one who voted against.
- How can the amateur league vote when the motion is against them? Chairman should be neutral and the SANFL is looking into this.
- It is a part of our affiliation that MW attend the amateur meetings. Do we continue to attend their meetings or should we ask them to attend our meetings? I.e. a rep from the SANFL to attend our meetings.
- Ask for a formal review of how the vote was passed. If it comes back that the vote was valid, the executive will ask the clubs what they want us to do. We don't want a difficult relationship with the SANFL and we have some reps here tonight to report back. Has evolved because junior footy is concerned about being taken over in 2013. In the end, the clubs will vote. If we have the processes in place, then the clubs will be happy to stay and the association will continue to run. The amateur league believe that they are bigger and the executive need to concentrate on keeping the clubs happy. Let's do what we do best which is to run junior footy.

Community football report

Last report in November. Arnie has stood down. The council want someone to have a vote and to have a vote you need to be independent.

Woodville west Torrens report

- Want to meet with all the clubs before the end of Feb.
- Roles have changed and there will be more involvement at club level. Want clubs to be run well.
- Active after schools brought out a new program for schools. 9/10 sessions, easy to do and clubs are able to run AFL 9's. Opportunity for clubs to go in and run the program. Few schools have already nominated interest.
- Will be looking for Aus kick coordinators.

Phil Herden

Proposal has come out. Offering for juniors to be affiliated. Hope to have the info by the January meeting. Phil does the newsletter to the stake holders.

U16 and u18's have started pre-season. Places are available please pass on contracts for available 15-18 olds. AFL auskick, clubs will be followed up early next year.

General Business

SMOSH

B &F votes - difficult to get balance. Will the opposition coaches be able to provide a vote? SMOSH do a system on 1 - 5 best player, trying to make the B&F more relevant. One slip would be given to the opposition and the teams coach would also be used. SMOSH want to get some stability into the voting. Opposition coaches may not be interested in the other players, but they will be watching.

SMOSH will approach the coaches on the day and they will either say yes or no on the day.

Rosewater have a new delegate - Kristen.

Port Districts - change in delegate.

Flinders Park - congratulate Arnie. Done an outstanding job with all he has done.

Meeting concluded 8.45pm

Appendix 3

Metro West Junior Football League Inc.

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Profit & Loss [Last Year Analysis]

October 2012 through September 2013

18/11/2013
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	This Year	Last Year	\$ Difference	% Difference
Income				
League Affiliation Fees	\$22,950.00	\$26,022.00	-\$3,072.00	(11.8%)
Grand Final Income	\$7,272.00	\$6,360.00	\$912.00	14.3%
Bank Interest - Business Acc.	\$45.32	\$347.37	-\$302.05	(87.0%)
Bank Interest - Term Deposit	\$967.72	\$1,739.92	-\$772.20	(44.4%)
Bank Interest - Term Deposit 2	\$257.13	\$743.30	-\$486.17	(65.4%)
Club Fines	\$330.00	\$50.00	\$280.00	560.0%
Sponsorship	\$3,850.00	\$5,290.00	-\$1,440.00	(27.2%)
AFL Draft Income	\$14,000.00	\$8,750.00	\$5,250.00	60.0%
Government Grants	\$5,000.00	\$7,500.00	-\$2,500.00	(33.3%)
Rep League Guernsey's Sales	\$0.00	\$2,330.00	-\$2,330.00	(100.0%)
Club Insurance (SANFL)	\$4,340.00	\$4,292.00	\$48.00	1.1%
Grand Final DVD Sales	\$30.00	\$2,130.00	-\$2,100.00	(98.6%)
Debtor Writeoff	\$0.00	-\$250.00	\$250.00	100.0%
Total Income	\$59,042.17	\$65,304.59	-\$6,262.42	(9.6%)
Expenses				
Honorarium				
Honoraria - Chairman	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Honoraria - Vice Chairman	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Honoraria - Secretary	\$1,500.00	\$1,750.00	-\$250.00	(14.3%)
Honoraria - Treasurer	\$1,000.00	\$1,250.00	-\$250.00	(20.0%)
Honoraria - Registrar	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Honoraria - Umpire Coach	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	50.0%
Honoraria - Umpire CoOrdinator	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Honoraria-Executive Committee	\$1,000.00	\$750.00	\$250.00	33.3%
Honoraria - Webmaster/Sponsors	\$1,250.00	\$600.00	\$650.00	108.3%
Retainer Investigation Officer	\$0.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00	(100.0%)
Rep Football Co-Ordinator	\$0.00	\$250.00	-\$250.00	(100.0%)
Honoraria - League Solicitor	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	NA
Honoraria - Tribunal Members	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	NA
Total Honorarium	\$20,500.00	\$17,500.00	\$3,000.00	17.1%
Registrar				
Stationery - Registrar	\$0.00	\$233.26	-\$233.26	(100.0%)
Postage - Registrar	\$0.00	\$5.50	-\$5.50	(100.0%)
Printer Cartridges	\$0.00	\$883.63	-\$883.63	(100.0%)
Total Registrar	\$0.00	\$1,122.39	-\$1,122.39	(100.0%)
Secretary				
Stationery - Secretary	\$244.90	\$35.00	\$209.90	599.7%
Total Secretary	\$244.90	\$35.00	\$209.90	599.7%
Umpire Coach/Director				
Phone - Umpire Panel	\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00	(100.0%)
Total Umpire Coach/Director	\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00	(100.0%)
Treasurer				
Stationery - Treasurer	\$8.50	\$0.00	\$8.50	NA
Postage - Treasurer	\$12.00	\$0.00	\$12.00	NA
Software Fees MYO	\$54.00	\$0.00	\$54.00	NA
Total Treasurer	\$74.50	\$0.00	\$74.50	NA
Chairman				
Phone - Chairman	\$241.19	\$1,367.27	-\$1,126.08	(82.4%)
Fuel - Chairman	\$0.00	\$779.45	-\$779.45	(100.0%)
Total Chairman	\$241.19	\$2,146.72	-\$1,905.53	(88.8%)
League Printing				
Grand Final Program	\$0.00	\$42.00	-\$42.00	(100.0%)
Promotional Pamphlets/Posters	\$0.00	\$990.00	-\$990.00	(100.0%)
League Playing Rules	\$0.00	\$45.65	-\$45.65	(100.0%)
Total League Printing	\$0.00	\$1,077.65	-\$1,077.65	(100.0%)
Finals Expenses				
Umpire Fees - Semi/Prelim	\$5,580.00	\$5,760.00	-\$180.00	(3.1%)
Umpire Fees - Grand Final	\$2,270.00	\$3,090.00	-\$820.00	(26.5%)
Grand Final Footballs	\$553.00	\$352.00	\$201.00	57.1%
Grand Final Equipment Hire	\$154.00	\$154.00	\$0.00	0.0%

Appendix 4

Metro West Junior Football League Inc.

Profit & Loss [Last Year Analysis]

October 2012 through September 2013

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	This Year	Last Year	\$ Difference	% Difference
Grand Final Sundry Expenses	\$971.03	\$112.00	\$859.03	767.0%
Grand Final Security	\$478.98	\$0.00	\$478.98	NA
Total Finals Expenses	<u>\$10,007.01</u>	<u>\$9,468.00</u>	<u>\$539.01</u>	<u>5.7%</u>
Trophies & Awards				
Best & Fairest Medals	\$0.00	\$204.56	-\$204.56	(100.0%)
Grand Final Medals & Cups	\$378.00	\$2,173.30	-\$1,795.30	(82.6%)
Pennants	\$0.00	\$378.00	-\$378.00	(100.0%)
Life Membership	\$0.00	\$444.00	-\$444.00	(100.0%)
Club of the Year Award	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	NA
Total Trophies & Awards	<u>\$1,378.00</u>	<u>\$3,199.86</u>	<u>-\$1,821.86</u>	<u>(56.9%)</u>
Representative Games				
Rep-Purchase Guernsey's/Socks	\$0.00	\$3,690.10	-\$3,690.10	(100.0%)
Rep - Purchase of Footballs	\$0.00	\$276.50	-\$276.50	(100.0%)
Rep - Sundries	\$0.00	\$399.30	-\$399.30	(100.0%)
Total Representative Games	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$4,365.90</u>	<u>-\$4,365.90</u>	<u>(100.0%)</u>
Sundry Items				
Accounts Audit Fees	\$770.00	\$0.00	\$770.00	NA
Bank Charges	\$87.90	\$89.83	-\$1.93	(2.1%)
SANFL Affiliation Fees	\$605.00	\$550.00	\$55.00	10.0%
SANFL Insurance	\$4,340.00	\$4,756.00	-\$416.00	(8.7%)
MWJFL Club - AFL Transfer Fees	\$8,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00	60.0%
League AGM Costs	\$200.00	\$500.00	-\$300.00	(60.0%)
League Focus Forum Costs	\$0.00	\$497.90	-\$497.90	(100.0%)
League Hall Hire - Medal Count	\$980.00	\$0.00	\$980.00	NA
Umpire Uniforms	\$2,436.50	\$1,560.00	\$876.50	56.2%
Umpire - First Year Costs	\$0.00	\$140.00	-\$140.00	(100.0%)
Umpire Club Hire & Function	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	NA
Umpire Training Fees	\$200.00	\$900.00	-\$700.00	(77.8%)
Broadband Fees	\$605.08	\$787.97	-\$182.89	(23.2%)
Hire of Meeting Rooms	\$180.00	\$4,156.98	-\$3,976.98	(95.7%)
Sponsor Catering Football Park	\$544.50	\$890.10	-\$345.60	(38.8%)
Training/Coaches Course	\$0.00	\$5,195.00	-\$5,195.00	(100.0%)
Subscriptions	\$99.00	\$99.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Grand Final DVD Purchases	\$700.00	\$3,925.00	-\$3,225.00	(82.2%)
GF-Disc & Covers Purchases	\$0.00	\$101.02	-\$101.02	(100.0%)
League Item Purchases	\$49.00	\$0.00	\$49.00	NA
Laptops	\$10,452.00	\$0.00	\$10,452.00	NA
Post Office Box	\$185.17	\$0.00	\$185.17	NA
Legal and Compliance Fees	\$31.75	\$0.00	\$31.75	NA
Rep Football Donation	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	NA
Scoreboard Signs	\$544.00	\$0.00	\$544.00	NA
Total Sundry Items	<u>\$31,809.90</u>	<u>\$29,148.80</u>	<u>\$2,661.10</u>	<u>9.1%</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$64,255.50</u>	<u>\$68,214.32</u>	<u>-\$3,958.82</u>	<u>(5.8%)</u>
Net Profit/(Loss)	<u>-\$5,213.33</u>	<u>-\$2,909.73</u>	<u>-\$2,303.60</u>	<u>(79.2%)</u>

Appendix 5

Metro West Junior Football League Inc.

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Balance Sheet [Last Year Analysis]

September 2013

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	This Year	Last Year	\$ Difference	% Difference
Assets				
General Cheque Account	\$13,353.88	\$6,587.06	\$6,766.82	102.7%
Term Deposit	\$16,671.52	\$25,703.80	-\$9,032.28	(35.1%)
Term Deposit 2	\$11,000.43	\$10,743.30	\$257.13	2.4%
Grand Final Float	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Cash Drawer	\$460.00	\$0.00	\$460.00	NA
Undeposited Cheques	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Withholding Credits				
Voluntary Withholding Credits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
ABN Withholding Credits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Total Withholding Credits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Trade Debtors	\$2,495.00	\$6,160.00	-\$3,665.00	(59.5%)
Total Assets	\$43,980.83	\$49,194.16	-\$5,213.33	(10.6%)
Liabilities				
GST Liabilities				
GST Collected	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
GST Paid	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Total GST Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Sales Tax Payable	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Import Duty Payable	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Voluntary Withholdings Payable	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
ABN Withholding Payable	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Luxury Car Tax Payable	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Payroll Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Total Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
Net Assets	\$43,980.83	\$49,194.16	-\$5,213.33	(10.6%)
Equity				
Retained Earnings	\$20,734.26	\$23,643.99	-\$2,909.73	(12.3%)
Current Earnings	-\$5,213.33	-\$2,909.73	-\$2,303.60	(79.2%)
Historical Balancing Account	\$28,459.90	\$28,459.90	\$0.00	0.0%
Total Equity	\$43,980.83	\$49,194.16	-\$5,213.33	(10.6%)