



**KNOX BASKETBALL INCORPORATED
2024 AGM**

Tuesday 27th May 2025 @ 7:30pm

Location: Function Room at State Basketball Centre
291 George Street, Wantirna South Victoria 3152

MINUTES

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land we are meeting on today. We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging of the Wurundjeri. We welcome elders from other communities who may be here today.

The meeting commenced with David Thomas welcoming everybody.

1. ATTENDEES:

In respect of the new by-law to enable us to confirm eligible attendees and confirm we have a quorum.

Law requires us to have 30% in attendance and at the commencement of the meeting there were 75% present.

2. APOLOGIES:

2.1 Life Members

- Niall & Theresa Quinn with no appointed proxy
- Helen Bone with no appointed proxy
- John Bowie with no appointed proxy
- Denyse Galle with no appointed proxy
- Joy Mundy with no appointed proxy
- David Phillips with no appointed proxy
- Patricia Vaughan with no appointed proxy
- Geoff Jones with no appointed proxy
- Rob Brownlie with no appointed proxy

3. WELCOME LIFE MEMBERS:

- John Michell
- Roslyn Aumann
- Heather Boyd
- Heather Reid
- Bill Fenton
- Diane Fenton
- Margaret Keen
- Dennis Smith by proxy (J Dwyer)

4. ACKNOWLEDGING MPS, COUNCILLORS AND SPECIAL GUESTS:

- Chris Dunn – Knox City Councillor
- Apologies from Bruce Dobson (Knox Council CEO) and Jackson Taylor (MP)



5. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 2023 AGM MINUTES

Minutes from the previous AGM were circulated asking for feedback. No amendments were received.

MOTION: That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28th May 2024 be confirmed.

Moved: Glen Bond (Allstars)

Seconded: Daniel Battye (Board member)

6. ANNUAL REPORT

Chairperson's report – David Thomas

- Report was tabled.
- David acknowledged the continued hard work from everyone in Knox Basketball over the last year.
- David thanked the sponsors of Knox Basketball.
- David acknowledged the many changes at KBI including the use of the new State Basketball Centre and the sad demolishing of the Boronia Basketball Stadium – the home of KBI for so many years.
- Our Domestic Junior and Senior competitions continue to flourish and the VJBL Junior Raiders teams have the largest participation of teams with 70 teams for the 2024/25 season.

Chief Executive Officer's Report – Grant Harrison

- Grant acknowledged the continual hard work of his team at KBI and thanked them for their dedication.
- Grant reiterated David's comments in relation to the use of the new State Basketball Centre and the demolishing of the Boronia Basketball Stadium.
- Grant stated that the VBRA rooms for the referees is nearly complete with the wall of history almost complete.
- Grant stated that the KBI clubrooms is currently a work in progress.
- Grant thanked the sponsors of Knox Basketball.
- Grant thanked the clubs and in turn the families for their support of Knox Basketball.
- Grant also thanked the Board for their support.

7. FINANCE REPORT

7.1 Statement of Accounts (previously circulated)

- Craig Stow covered the finance report. Craig stated that KBI are in a strong financial position.
- Craig stated that we had a change in reporting systems this year and thanked the staff at KBI (in particular Mel Hedley) for her support and dedication to getting the new system up and running.
- There were no questions from the floor regarding the financials.

7.2 Election of Auditor

Craig explained the Board's recommendation to elect Accru Accounting to continue for another term. Craig confirmed that KBI have received excellent service from Accru Accounting and do not have any outstanding issues to resolve.



MOTION: To support the financials presented and to support the Board's recommendation to elect Accru Accounting to continue for another term.

Moved: David Thomas (Board Member)

Seconded: Bill Fenton (Life Member)

8. VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Marian Snary from KSC Phoenix has been awarded 2024's Volunteer of the Year award.

What a wonderful and deserving candidate Marian is.

Marian started at KSC Pheonix in 2001 when her son began playing.

In that same year Marian became Present of the club, a role she held until September 2019. This role is a tedious one and requires an enormous amount of commitment, holding weekly committee meetings, recruiting players, organising uniforms, appointing coaches and managing the day-to day issues that arise.

The club's success has weighed heavily on Marian's commitment to the club over a long period of time, where is still involved today.

During these 18 years, Marian coached multiple teams each season, attending multiple training sessions and games, coaching hundreds of players who are still involved at the club today.

Marian has been the boys coordinator for many years, too many to count, organising teams and running selection nights.

Marian has been awarded the honour of Life Member and Club Person of the Year at KSC Pheonix and served on the KBI Board as Secretary.

Marian has coached under 8's to under 19's and is the current under 19's grading sec, a roles she takes seriously staying around all game to make sure the results are accurate.

Knox Basketball could not be prouder to present Marian Snary as the 2024 Volunteer of the Year.

Congratulations Marian.

9. CLUB OF THE YEAR

The Club of the Year award recognises the outstanding contribution a Knox Junior Domestic Club makes in a number of key areas that include:

- Results in each Summer and Winter season (% of teams in finals vs the total number of teams and not including under 8 teams).
- Community Involvement across the 2022 year in a variety of community initiatives such as Pink Round, Mental Health Round. This also includes Clubs ensuring they have provided the correct number of volunteers each season to KBI.



- Media presence which includes sharing Knox Basketball posts (NBL1, Junior Domestic, KBI Program and Holiday Clinics), and engaging with the Club Members and regularly updating members.
- Financial stability and ensuring both financial and administration with Knox Basketball are up to date.

There were two clubs award the 2024 Domestic Club of the Year Award and these were FTG Falcons and South East Eagles. Congratulations to both clubs.

10. PLAYER(S) OF THE YEAR

Female Player of the Year

Awarded to Erica Cid

- Erica started her domestic career at FTG Falcons before moving to SEE to complete her junior career.
- Erica started playing Raiders in 2014 with 12.5 girls and progressing through to playing in the 12.1 14.1, 16.1 and 18.1 teams.
- Erica is a long term member of the Raiders Youth League team and squad member of the Raiders NBL1 program.

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- Erica was Youth League MVP averaging 14 points/ 7 Rebounds and 2 Assists per game.
- Erica played a number of NBL1 games in 2024
- Erica was an Assistant coach with Raiders 14.2 girls
- Erica coaches in several Knox Basketball grassroots programs
- Erica is a leader of her Youth League team , and we cannot see anyone more fitting to receive this award.

Male Player of the year

Awarded to Luke Atacador

- Luke has played his entire junior domestic career at Wasps
- Luke started his Raiders playing career in 2017 with 12.5 boys
- Luke is currently in his eighth year of the KJR program
- In 2023, Luke led the 16.1 Raiders to the GF of VJBL VC.

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- Luke was selected in the Philippines under 19 National Squad
- Luke trained with the Ateneo College Basketball team try outs in the Philippines
- Luke played in the inaugural Under 18 National Club Championships in Perth WA
- Luke led the 18.2 boys team in the VJBL VC competition
- Luke coaches in Knox Basketball Holiday program
- Luke is always respectful to his coaches and is a pleasure to have in our organisation and a worthy recipient of this award for 2024



11. LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Two nominations proposed at the AGM:

Simon Wigg

Simon Wigg's involvement with Knox Basketball began in 2000 and during the ensuing 25 years he has demonstrated outstanding commitment to our association in many areas including senior raiders, junior raiders and domestic programs.

Simon's involvement began initially with the senior program when he became the team's physiotherapist -a position he still holds today. During his time, he has attended over 600 senior games-a statistic which is quite exceptional. He has not only dealt with players when injured and in recovery mode but educated players and parents (a very important aspect of his work) on injury prevention, healthy body practices and encouraging healthy lifestyle choices. He has always given wise advice during this recovery process and returned to court.

His close contact with the teams and the respect with which he is held has also enabled him to become friends, mentor and confidant to many players and coaches, a position that in the intense atmosphere of semi -professional basketball is very important. He has become an integral part of creating a team atmosphere that is vital to success. One must observe the photographs that adorn his consulting rooms and ascertain information from various players - a testament to the respect in which he is held and his value to Knox Basketball.

Simon has also been involved on our domestic program. He coached at WASPS basketball club from 2009-2015. His commitment to the development of players during these 12 seasons was outstanding. His knowledge, background and understanding of the game meant that those in his team became better players and with continuing enjoyment of the game.

Simon also coached within our junior raiders program for 3 years mentoring teams from Under 14 to Under 18's. He (and his family) have always been active supporters of our junior program in a variety of ways.

Simon has been the physio for SE Melbourne Phoenix for many years now, along with various Victorian State teams and the Australian Under 19 Men's team all of which have impacted on numerous Knox Basketball players and the wider Knox community and an indication of the respect in which Simon is held within basketball.

Simon has always conducted himself in a professional manner, he is an excellent role model for players, parents and coaches with whom he has contact with.

Considering Simon's commitment, involvement in and service to Knox Basketball we firmly believe that he is truly deserving of Life Membership of our association



Peter Cameron

Peter Cameron has been an outstanding contributor and administrator of Knox Basketball for a period of over twenty years.

During his time at Knox, Peter has had a strong connection to the Junior Domestic program, initially through his involvement with the Wantirna Wasps Basketball Club, where he has been a coach, volunteer and member of their committee for 15+ years, and a role that he still holds to this day.

Peter has been a long-term member of the Junior Domestic Committee over this time and is the current Board Chairperson overseeing the program.

Peter has contributed to the development of Knox Basketball in a way that can only be described as outstanding. He is extremely active after all these years and is a permanent fixture on the sidelines through our Junior Domestic Competition on both Saturday and Sunday.

Peter contributes to the development of Junior Domestic Basketball in many ways, but no more fiercely than at Board level where he advocates extremely hard on behalf of all the clubs which underpins the success and growth we have seen in his time. His ongoing leadership and dedication to KBI is unsurmountable.

Peter Cameron is a worthy recipient of Life Membership and in the opinion of the KBI Board and others, we feel this honour should have been bestowed on him many years ago.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

David Thomas announced that Dennis Atacador has withdrawn his nomination as the Junior Raiders Chairperson. We thank Dennis for his time on the board.

13. ELECTION OF BOARD DIRECTORS

KBI Chairperson (two year term)

Nomination: David Thomas

Nominated by : Jarrod Dwyer (FTG Falcons)

Seconded by: Leanne Crees (South East Eagles)

THERE WERE NO OTHER NOMINATIONS FOR THIS POSITION THEREFORE DAVID THOMAS AS THE ONLY NOMINEE IS DULY APPOINTED.

Finance Director (two year term)

Nomination: Craig Stow

Nominated by : Leanne Crees (South East Eagles)

Seconded by: Jarrod Dwyer (FTG Falcons)

THERE WERE NO OTHER NOMINATIONS FOR THIS POSITION THEREFORE CRAIG STOW AS THE ONLY NOMINEE IS DULY APPOINTED.

Chairperson Senior Domestic (two year term)

Nomination: Mitch Kennedy

Nominated by : Lachlan Zeitz (The Roy Boys)

Seconded by: Jainta Avliebrook (Cougars Red)



THERE WERE NO OTHER NOMINATIONS FOR THIS POSITION THEREFORE MITCH KENNEDY AS THE ONLY NOMINEE IS DULY APPOINTED.

**Chairperson Junior Raiders (two year term)
2 Nominations have been received:**

Nomination: Jess Brookens
Nominated by : Jarrod Dwyer (FTG Falcons)
Seconded by: Keith Baker (FTG Falcons)

Nomination: Scott O'Keeffe
Nominated by : Kirsty Bone (South East Eagles)
Seconded by: Leanne Crees (South East Eagles)

A formal vote was held, and Peter Williams conducted an independent count of the votes – overseen by Dean Andrews (KBI Staff member).

The results were:
Jess Brookens: 454 votes
Scott O'Keeffe: 160 votes

It was announced that Jess Brookens will be duly appointed to the position of Chairperson Junior Raiders.

Meeting closed 8.50pm