

Mid South Coast Zone LAANSW
Minutes of General Meeting held at
Bomaderry RSL Club on Monday, September 3rd, 2007 at 7.40pm

1. Attendance

Peter Cotter (Zone Co-ordinator), Stephen Cooke (Zone Treasurer), Alison Cull (Zone Secretary)

Centre Delegates:

Albion Park	- Alison Cull
Kiama	- Craig Scott, Janet Poppett
Lake Illawarra	- Col Anderson
Milton Ulladulla	-
Shoalhaven -	Tony Hush
St Georges Basin	- Paul Joines

Visitors:

Life Members:

2. Apologies - Howard McGarry (LI), Gary King (AP), Milea Woods (MU)

3. Minutes of previous meeting

Motion Moved Paul Joines (SGB), seconded Tony Hush (SH) that the minutes of the previous meeting held July 2nd, 2007 were a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

4. Business Arising

Letter to be forwarded to Milton Ulladulla regarding outstanding fees, Peter Cotter to forward.

Zone stop watches, discus' and tapes still to be purchased.

Resend letter to Peter regarding McDonald's sponsorship for Grand Prix series – email sent 4/9/07

5. Correspondence

5.1 Incoming –

Shoalhaven LAC 2007/08 Committee

U/16-17 Age groups – LAANSW

August Association meeting minutes

Annual Conference report

AGM meeting minutes 2006/07

Board of Management Minutes – August

Board of Management Minutes – July

Remittance Advice – July

LAANSW paperwork delivery arrangements

Motion Moved Janet Poppett (K) seconded Tony Hush (SH) that the correspondence be accepted.

6. Reports

6.1 Treasurer

One statement received for 30th June 2007 and corresponds to last meeting reports

\$12,000 put in term deposit. Current bank balance is \$3805.40, total balance is \$15805.40

Cheque from Lake Illawarra for Fees received at meeting.

Motion Moved Stephen Cooke (Zone Treasurer) seconded Craig Scott (K) that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

CARRIED

6.2 Zone Co-ordinator

It has been an honour to serve you over the past 6 years. There have been many fun times and a few dramas, which we have worked through and come out the other side, I believe, still in tact.

This position has taught me a lot and while Zone Coordinator I have meet some wonderful people and made some life long friends.

Due to personal reasons it is with great sadness, and some reluctance, that as of tonight I tender my resignation as Zone Coordinator of the Mid South Coast Zone.

While I was never intending to be in this position I was hoping to finish this term and move on. As I cannot serve you at a standard you should receive, for your, your committees and most importantly, the athletes, I must move over now.

I tried to contact Kerrie O'Keefe today, after putting the phone call off many times, but she wasn't in the office. I will keep trying to see what happens now.

It is my assumption that an election for a new Zone Coordinator will be held in the future or a caretaker Zone Coordinator to be appointed until the next AGM.

I sincerely thank you for your support over the past 6 years and wish your centres and the Zone all the success for the coming season and the years ahead.

I will be around to support the person, if they need it, who takes on the position as Zone Coordinator.

Once again it's been an honour and thank you for your support.

6.3 Delegate Reports

Kiama

Our Registration Days are being held on the first two (2) Fridays in September. The public profile of Little Athletics in Kiama has never been higher and we have had a steady stream of enquiries via telephone and e-mail. Our School visits, held in mid August, were very successful and are certain to generate many new registrations. In fact we are expecting very good numbers this season.

At Conference in Wollongong the Centre was presented with a Gold award for operational efficiency. These awards are presented to Centres in recognition for good volunteer management practices and achievements. The significance of this achievement becomes clear with only six Gold Awards being presented amongst over two hundred Little A's Centres in NSW. This is a remarkable achievement and is a credit to the members of the Kiama 2006-07 committee, rewarding their hard work and capping off what was a great season. In the previous two seasons, Kiama was awarded Silver and Bronze awards. Winning Gold means the bar has been raised higher again and the 2007-08 committee is looking forward to the challenge of maintaining the recent success of the Centre.

Conference also saw that addition of Under 16 and Under 17 athletes to Little Athletics. Currently our Constitution does not cater for these older athletes and we will be making the necessary changes in the near future.

The Kiama Centre would like to take this opportunity to wish Scott Chapman and his family all the best for the future. Scott was a pleasure to work with. As President of the Albion Park Centre his contribution was enormous. As a member of the Mid South Coast Zone he was a tireless worker. We sincerely hope the move to Western Australia goes well for Scott and his family.

Albion Park

Due to the resignation of our President Scott Chapman and our Secretary, we held a special meeting, the result was a poor attendance but the club elected Alison Cull as President, our Secretary is still vacant but managed to fill the position of Head Canteen and also the newly vacant position of Public Officer (due to Alison taking President).

Our club held a farewell dinner for Deb & Scott Chapman in appreciation of both of their hard work and efforts. They will be sadly missed.

Alvin came and presented two days of school visits in the Albion Park area, which were all well responded.

We held our first registration day on Sunday 2nd September and have 60 athletes registered plus a handful of trials. Our next day is on Saturday 8th. We commence our season on Friday 14th September.

Lake Illawarra

Registrations are going well at last count 200 as of this Zone meeting.

Have registered some U/16 athletes and YES we will be entering these athletes into the Zone Championships along with any U/17 athletes that also register with us this season.

(Association Meeting 8th August Question – Alan Johnson Sth Coast Highlands Zone, Can we run U/16 & U/17 at Zone & Region?

Response – You can at Zone (same as last season). The Board will make a decision and report back regarding Region.)

Lake wishes to confirm the following helpers for Regional Championships

Joseph McGarry – Clash Manager

Carol MCGarry – Chief Recorder

Howard McGarry – Field Marshall

Bernie Nolan – Starter

First night of the new season Friday 7th September with orientation night for athletes and parents

Can centres get centre contact listing for 2007/2008 season e.g. Centres postal address and email address if they have on it just makes life a lot easier.

Email would be good as it makes it easier to send carnival information to all centres.

St Georges Basin

Information Day 15th September. School visits completed. Registrations on 20th & 27th September \$40 TT-U/6, \$50 U/7-U/17.

Commencing trials Saturday school holidays, then week off and then commence point score. Move to Thursday with Daylight savings.

Shoalhaven

First registration day held last Saturday, only 70 regos taken but many sports were running Grand Finals etc. Next rego Tuesday and this Saturday.

LAANSW Basic Event Instruction Course on September 15. All Zone personnel are welcome to attend.

Season commences Tuesday week.

We wish Scott and Family all the best on his move to W.A.

All Centres thanked Peter on his efforts, time and dedication.

Peter advised that in regards to Allan Johnson's question it was up to each Zone to make decision on U/16-17 attendance but we would need to confirm with LAANSW as last season the Zone decided on the 4 events.

7. General Business

7.1 Basic Event Instruction Course

Held Saturday 15th September.

Zone responsible for the course and it is being held at the Shoalhaven grounds.

Zone will be responsible for the catering.

7.2 Online Registrations

Craig Scott asked how we are going with new system; all seem okay at the moment.

Craig spoke about the transferring of data and advised that he sent information to LAANSW in regards to the best plan but has not received a response.

Craig has worked out how to transfer data from Online to Bob through an excel program, need to have a basic understanding of excel and excel 2000 or greater. Happy for centres to contact to arrange demonstration.

7.3 Peter's resignation

Question asked what happens now regarding the resignation. Peter advised that he will find out from Kerrie and forward to Secretary for distribution.

7.4 Zone Carnival Form

Form has been changed, all clubs in agreeance and is attached. It will be placed on the website.

Next meeting TBA.

There being no further general business, the Zone Co-ordinator closed the meeting at 8:50pm.

Date: _____

Chairperson: _____

