

Mid South Coast Zone LAANSW
Minutes of General Meeting held at
Bomaderry RSL Club on Thursday, January 3rd, 2008 at 7.30pm

1. Attendance

Craig Scott (Zone Co-ordinator), Stephen Cooke (Zone Treasurer), Alison Cull (Zone Secretary)

Centre Delegates:

Albion Park - Gary King
Kiama - Janet Poppett
Lake Illawarra - Col Anderson
Milton Ulladulla -
Shoalhaven - Tony Hush
St Georges Basin - Peter Cotter, Jackie de Vries

Visitors:

Life Members:

2. Apologies - Howard McGarry, Milea Woods, Paul Joines

3. Minutes of previous meeting

Motion Moved Tony Hush (Sh), seconded Col Anderson (LI) that the minutes of the previous meeting held November 5th, 2007 were a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

4. Business Arising

McDonald's have not shown support regarding sponsorship for grand prix series. Alison to chase up with Head Office (again).
Zone stocktake done, equipment ordered 8 relay batons, replacement discus and javelin, also ordered a javelin carry case – on back order.
Uniform – Albion Park, Milton and St Georges Basin to take photos of uniform and send to Craig Scott unless they have not changed from the current photos.
16/17 events for Zone – 100m, 800m, Long Jump, Discus, to compete on the Sunday
St Johns has been approached but waiting confirmation
Regional Duties for timekeeping and place judging was done through a draw and the following time slots allocated:

Saturday

9.00-11.15am – Shoalhaven, 11.15-1.30pm – Kiama, 1.30-3.45pm – Albion Park, 3.45-Finish – Milton

Sunday

8.30am-10.30am – St Georges Basin, 10.30-12.30pm – Lake Illawarra, 12.30-Finish – combination of all zone.

Each zone will be required to have a walkie talkie. We are also required to provide responsibilities for Triple jump, Javelin and March Past Marshalls.

5. Correspondence

Incoming –

IGA Patches
BOM November
Association Meeting November
BlueScope Steel Re Zone Championships
Mayor Greg Watson Re: Invitation To Zone
BOM December
Centre Grant Scheme
AWD Entry Form
Trans Tasman Trial Results
State Relays Results
Safety Plan
Run For Fun Nov/Dec
HART Sport Equipment

Outgoing

IGA Patches
Email LAANSW Technology Questionnaire
BlueScope Steel Re Zone Championships
Email LAANSW E-News article

Motion Moved Stephen Cook (SH) seconded Gary King (AP) that the correspondence be accepted.

6. Reports

Treasurer

Signatory forms signed.

Reinvest term deposit at new interest rate – to be advised.

Tax – term deposit is being taxed, need to check if incorporated, Craig/Stephen to investigate, Stephen will send email to Diane Levy (LAANSW)

Cheque received from Bluescope – donation \$500

Cheques to be sent for New Millennium trophies – Alison will collect medals, cheque for Craig Scott and cheque for Kiama LAC.

Current bank balance is \$6023.40, total balance is \$21023.40

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

CARRIED

Zone Co-ordinator

Since the last meeting I have visited Shoalhaven and would like to thank them for their hospitality. A very jolly Santa Claus arrived on a motorcycle early in the evening and was mobbed by the younger athletes. I must say this Centre certainly knows how to run a great BBQ!

I have submitted an article on behalf of the Zone for the next issue of Run For Fun E-News. The story relates to the Dean Blair Memorial Trophy and how it came to be. I've also attempted to include some current news about each Centre in the Zone. I trust that readers find it to be of interest.

This season we have three hundred and thirty seven (337) athletes competing at Zone giving rise to one thousand three hundred and six (1306) event entries. This is a slight increase on last season. All Centres using the Bob Wardle Centre System successfully submitted their entries electronically, which certainly made my job a lot easier.

In closing I'd like to say how much I am looking forward to the Zone Championships and the opportunity to work with you all.

Delegate Reports

Kiama

The Centre recently met on site with representatives from Kiama Council to discuss break ins and vandalism. Council organised this meeting in response to the numerous letters they received from the Centre and concerned parents. Consequently Council has agreed to improve security at the grandstand. They will install several new steel doors, resecure steel covers on all windows and erect a fence to separate the Skate Park from the Grandstand. Thankfully we have not had any further break ins since the last Zone meeting.

Our track is currently in excellent condition. It's marvellous what consistent rain can do. When you see the lush green surface it's hard to believe that it was virtually a brown dust bowl seven (7) weeks ago.

We are currently investigating the purchase of a Centre Marquee for use at the various Carnivals during the season. This issue has been discussed at many of our Committee meetings over the last few seasons. Most of the Centres in the Zone have Marquees and it was agreed they promote a sense of camaraderie within the respective Centres.

Our local newspaper, The Kiama Independent, has once again been very supportive of the Centre this season. We have been fortunate to have articles and photos published in nearly every edition. This exposure has certainly raised the profile of Little Athletics in the local community and is no doubt responsible for some of our new registrations. We've also submitted a story to LAANSW for the next issue of the Run For Fun E-News.

We recently had our annual Good Sports Level 0 accreditation check and are very pleased to report that the Centre passed. To the best of our knowledge we are still the only Little Athletics Centre in NSW with Good Sports Level 0 accreditation.

The number of athletes we have entered in the Zone Championships is a little disappointing this season. It could be due to the large number of new athletes who are not familiar with the Zone, Region, State Championship structure. Many athletes also chose to compete in the NSW Touch Footy Junior State Cup, which is on the same weekend as Regional.

Competition resumes on Friday 11th January after the Christmas/New Year break and we look forward to the challenge of the Zone Championships.

Albion Park

Albion Park Athletics entered 15 teams at the State Relays with 12 teams attending. It was a very successful weekend with 8 teams making finals. Our under 8's proved very successful with the girls winning the 4x100m and the boys came third. The mixed u/8's in the 4x200 also came third. Our athletes and the many parents who assisted with our duty on the weekend were a credit to the club.

We held our annual carnival on the 9th December and once again the rain held off for a successful day. Thank you to all who helped with the day.

We have submitted 80 athletes for the zone championships and have had interest from 2 u/16 & 2 u/17 athletes to participate.

We also recently had three athletes achieve in the National School carnivals. Tayla King participated at the Nationals in Homebush and was very successful with her achievements, winning the U/14 High Jump, and third in the Triple and Long. Luke Watts and Rachelle Grozde competed in Tasmania for the Primary School Nationals, with Luke winning the 200m, second in the 100m. Rachelle was 2nd in the Discus and third in the Shot. Also ex members Ryan Gregson 1st 1500 & 3km and Melissa Logan 2nd 400 Hurdles.

Tayla King has been selected in the NSW team for the Australia Cup to be held in Qld in February.

Returning Friday 4th January.

Lake Illawarra

Nil

St Georges Basin

Nil

Shoalhaven

Shoalhaven's Tuesday Night competitions have been running smoothly with good numbers. Thanks Craig for attending our last night of comp. On our last night Santa arrived on a Harley to the childrens delight and all received a drink and lolly bag at the completion of competition.

We have managed 48 entries for Zone after a last ditched effort by some older committee members. We are pleased with those numbers. We commence comp on Tuesday week and run through to the end of March. Preparations are under way for the 8th Annual Shoalhaven Gala Day with our carnival being run a week earlier than normal to allow a wash-out day the week after if required. We are crossing our fingers after last year.

7. General Business

Zone Carnival

Officials list discussed positions still to be filled Track Referee?

Walkie Talkies – 10 required will be supplied by Kiama and Basin. Basin will purchase the batteries

Zone to reimburse Basin for the starting caps.

Financial report required before Regional

Trophies – Lake Illawarra – Dean Blair

Kiama – March Past – this trophy supplied by the Rickards

Friday Afternoon setting up – any help welcome

Security for both nights

Programs – print 250, sell \$3

Zone entries:

Albion Park	80
Kiama	35
Lake Illawarra	52
Milton	25
Shoalhaven	48
St Georges Basin	98

7.2 Grand Prix Trophies

Spent \$500 last year, Craig will organise.

Next meeting Monday 3rd March 2008 at Bomaderry RSL.

There being no further general business, the Zone Co-ordinator closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

Date: _____

Chairperson: _____