

Mid South Coast Zone LAANSW
Minutes of General Meeting held at
Bomaderry RSL Club on Monday, October 27, 2008 at 7.30pm

1. Attendance

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

Centre Delegates:

Albion Park	- Rick Watkins, Leanne Barrett
Kiama	- Beth Moon, Janet Poppett
Lake Illawarra	- Col Anderson
Milton Ulladulla	-
Shoalhaven	- Tony Hush
St Georges Basin	- Paul Joines

Visitors:

Life Members:

- 2. Apologies** - Howard McGarry, Milea Woods – Milton have only 2 people on committee at present and have 70 athletes registered.

3. Minutes of previous meeting

Motion Moved Tony Hush (Sh), seconded Beth Moon (K) that the minutes of the previous meeting held Monday 23rd June 2008 were a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

4. Business Arising

Stephen Cooke has spoken with Kel Campbell Caltex but they are unable to provide sponsorship at this stage.

7.1 Zone Admin Fees – letter has been sent to Lake Illawarra Committee.

7.2 Venue Region 2010 – at this stage will still be held in Finlay but has not been ratified by Board yet.

Centre committee details outstanding Milton Ulladulla and St Georges Basin

Zone Admin Fees are due.

State Relays will be held at Campbelltown

Zone medals for U/17 – calculations presented to meeting from Craig

Motion: moved Col Anderson (LI) seconded Beth Moon (K) that we purchase medals for U/17 plus 2 seasons

CARRIED

Craig Scott will discuss with New Millennium Trophies the possibility of cheaper price if include with Shoalhaven order.

5. Correspondence

Incoming –

Email Lake Illawarra Re 2008/2009 Committee

Board Of Management Minutes – August

Board Of Management Minutes – September

LAANSW Re Junior D Accreditation

BlueScope Steel Re Donation

Board Of Management Minutes – October

Email St John Re Zone Championships

Outgoing

Email St John Re Zone Championships
Letter to Lake Illawarra re: Zone Fees

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

6. Reports

Treasurer

Current bank balance is \$2295.96, term deposit balance is \$12195.19

Fees received tonight from Lake Illawarra and St Georges Basin.

Motion: Moved Stephen Cooke (Zone Treasurer) seconded Rick Watkins (AP) that the term deposit be reinvested with a minimum 80% of funds once medals have been paid for.

CARRIED

Motion Moved Stephen Cooke (Zone Treasurer) seconded Rick Watkins (AP) that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

CARRIED

Zone Co-ordinator

South Coast Multi Event Super Clinic

The Kiama Centre is hosting the South Coast Multi Event Super Clinic on the 15th and 16th of November. This clinic has replaced the Berry Camp, which had received flagging support over the last few seasons. All Centres are asked to actively promote this event. If the response to the Clinic is poor it is doubtful that LAANSW will organise or promote an event in the Mid South Coast Zone next season.

Centre Visits

Since the last meeting I have had the pleasure of visiting the Albion Park, Kiama, Lake Illawarra and Shoalhaven Centres during weekly competition. I was suitably impressed by each Centre's administrative and organisational ability. I did however note that convincing parents to volunteer their time to assist continues to be a challenge.

Officials Courses

The Mid South Coast Zone recently conducted Officials Courses at the Shoalhaven and Kiama Centres. Participants were instructed in Discus, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Javelin and Shot Put. They were also given the chance to study Starting, Place Judging, Timekeeping and Umpiring.

A total of twenty five (25) attendees successfully completed seventy (70) C Grade and three (3) D Grade exams. One (1) B Grade paper was also attempted. Upcoming carnivals at Albion Park and St Georges Basin will provide participants with the perfect opportunity to complete the relevant practical components to qualify for their accreditation. We need to make sure that these practical assessments are completed. To this end I will be in regular contact with the relevant Centres.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank LAANSW Officials Director Peter Barnes, his wife Rosie and Paul Joines for assisting as presenters.

Junior D Grade Accreditation

A decision has been made to pilot a Junior D Grade Accreditation for 14 and 15 year olds. The pilot will be evaluated and reviewed after two (2) years. I'm very pleased to inform you that an athlete from the Shoalhaven Centre successfully completed three theory exams at the recent Official Course and, pending practical assessment she will become the first Junior D Grade accredited athlete in the Zone.

Woolworths Community Grants

On February 28, 2008, the Association issued an instruction advising Centres not to apply for the Community Grants being offered by Woolworths, due to a sponsorship deal with IGA, who are both a State sponsor and a national sponsor of ALA. Despite this, some Centres have in fact applied for and accepted funds from Woolworths.

While the efforts of Woolworths, in providing these grants are to be admired, it is the fact they are in direct competition conflict with IGA that means Centres cannot accept their offer at this time.

Zone Minutes

LAANSW has indicated that they would like to place Zone minutes on the LAANSW website. Centre delegates had no objection to this request.

State - Friday Night Competition

Centres should ensure that athletes and parents are aware that we will be competing on Friday evening at the State Championships. It may be prudent to publish the events that are scheduled for Friday prior to taking Zone entries. A copy of the State Track and Field program for Friday is attached to these minutes.

McDonald's Little Athletics Scholarship

McDonald's is sponsoring a total of four (4) scholarships this season.

Two for athletes from the Sydney metropolitan area (Regions 1, 2 and 3), one for an athlete from Region 4 and one for an athlete from Region 5.

Each successful nominee will receive a \$500.00 Scholarship from LAANSW, through the support of McDonald's. The aim of the scholarship program is to assist the successful athletes to further develop their respective athletics careers.

Zone Co's have been requested to nominate a candidate from within their Zone. The final decision will be made by representatives from McDonald's and LAANSW.

Each Centre is asked to bring a nominee to the next meeting.

Full details, including nomination criteria, are attached to these minutes.

Team Manager – Duties And Responsibilities

LAANSW has produced a very useful document outlining the duties and responsibilities of Team Managers. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Zone Championships

The Zone Championships will be held 13th and 14th December at Albion Park. Entries will close at midnight Friday 28th November. The family entry form, for use by Centres, is available from the Zone website (www.geocities.com/midsouthzone). All Centres using Bob Wardle System are requested to submit their entries via this method.

Delegates agreed that the existing timetable did not require modification due to the addition of Under 17 athletes this season.

Saturday

8:00am	First call for Officials
8:15am	First call for March Past
8:30am	March Past commences
8:45am	Official Opening
9:00am	First call for Events
9:15am	First Events commence

Sunday

8:30am	First call for Officials
8:45am	First call for Events
9:00am	First Events commence

Region 5 Championships

Region will be run on a two (2) day program at Beaton Park, Wollongong, on Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd February 2009.

The Mid South Coast Zone will be required to provide officials to cover Shot Put. In addition to these requirements each Zone will be required to provide 2 Timekeepers, 2 Place Judges, 1 Track Umpire and 1 Walk Judge as well. If anybody would like to volunteer for a particular role please contact the Zone Co.

This season I am seriously considering the implementation of a policy change when it comes to Centres supplying officials. Historically each Centre has been expected to provide the same number of officials. The smaller Centres struggle, and in some cases cannot meet this commitment. I propose to ask Centres to supply officials based upon the number of athletes they have had qualify for Region. This, I believe, will share the load more equitably.

Details relating to the organisation of Region 5 Championships are attached to these minutes.

Delegate Reports

Kiama

Current Registrations are at 230 athletes, many new registrations. Official's course held at Kiama 19th October and had 5 in attendance. Still having anti-social behaviour from the kids in the Skate Park. Season has started well.

Albion Park

Our season has started well and we have approx 320 athletes registered. We are sending 6 athletes to the Trans Tasman Trials in November. We have selected 19 teams to attend the State Relays in November at Campbelltown.

We has 7 people attend the Officials course 18/19 October and all eager to obtain their practical assessments.

Our carnival was held yesterday and was by all accounts a great day. Thanks to all clubs who helped participate through Age Managing, officiating at field events, setting up and putting away. Special thanks to Howard & Carol McGarry and Stacey Scott for coming and doing practical assessments.

We extend an invitation to attend our next club meeting at Albion Park Bowling Club on Monday 10 November at 7pm to help discuss Zone.

We are averaging 15 people attending our committee meetings.

We have 6 athletes attending Pacific School Games.

Lake Illawarra

The centre has embarked on a 3 week program this season, all seems to be going well by all reports from athletes and parents alike.

170 entries to October Carnival 70% turnout considering the weather.

2 athletes attending Trans Tasman trials.

Rego's to date are at 250.

Two athletes to Pacific School Games.

Number of U/17 athletes are 4 boys & 5 girls.

Move to Mirimbah is on track at this stage, the amenities building is due for completion in March 2009.

The Centre took up the challenge of having school visits the first in a long time, by all reports all children enjoyed them, the schools visited Shellharbour Public, Primbee Public, Windang Public, Barrack Heights Public, Berkeley South Public, St Patrick's School.

Shoalhaven

287 athletes registered at this point, regos still being taken.

32 athletes at Albion Park Carnival which is encouraging

2 athletes going to Trans Tasman Trials.

2 athletes attending Pacific School Games.

Two weekends ago we hosted Peter Barnes and his wife for an officials course 16 people attended the morning all but one from Shoalhaven under the supervision of Zone Co Craig Scott. Many thanks to Paul Joines for his help. We already have some people completing their pracs at local carnivals.

We have many new keen athletes and are finding a few extra parents giving our hard working committee a bit more help.

Planning is underway for the 2010 State Multi with a sub-committee formed. Work on our new shed underway in the near future.

Kaitlyn Hush was McDonalds encouragement award winner for October

Under 17 numbers are 7 boys and 4 girls.

A committee relay will be added to the Shoalhaven carnival.

7. General Business

1. Alison has been approached to have Action Photos at the Zone Carnival and requested approval from Zone Delegates for this to occur if the Albion Park Club wished to proceed. Everyone in agreeance for this photographer subject to have appropriate approvals.
2. Lake Illawarra would like to include 200m Hurdles into their Summer Carnival for inclusion in the Grand Prix. Advised that this would need to be brought to the AGM.
3. Zone Requirements:
 - Officials for Zone – these positions still required to be filled
 - Clash Manager – Stephen Cooke possibly
 - Computer operators – Albion Park will endeavour to fill this
 - Walkie Talkies – Kiama will loan for carnival as Albion Park only have 6
 - Starting caps – will be reimbursed from zone funds
 - Stop watches – 3 additional required (Rick Watkins happy to loan his personal ones)
 - Trophies – reminder to Lake Illawarra & Albion Park to have them for Opening
 - Dignitaries' – send invites to Rickards & Mrs Blair, as no mayor Rick will speak
 - Security required for Saturday night
 - Programs – required 220 sell for \$3 each

Next meeting Monday 24 November 2008 at Bomaderry RSL.

There being no further general business, the Zone Co-ordinator closed the meeting at 9.40pm.

Date: _____

Chairperson: _____