

# Mid South Coast Zone



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## Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2011

**Venue:** Bomaderry RSL Club

**Present:** Zone Co-ordinator: Craig Scott  
Zone Treasurer:  
Zone Secretary: (Vacant Position)

### Centre Delegates

Albion Park: Brett White  
Kiama:  
Lake Illawarra: Col Anderson  
Milton Ulladulla: Jo Skinner, Moo Dath  
Shoalhaven: Suzanne Edwards  
St Georges Basin: Jackie de Vries  
Sussex Inlet: Tenille Moroney

**Apologies:** Graham Nash (ZT), Mitch Terry (K), Paul Joines (SGB)

**Visitors:**

Meeting opened at 7:34 pm

### Previous Minutes

Moved Brett White (AP), seconded Col Anderson (LI), "that the minutes of the meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2011 were a true and accurate record." Carried.

### Business Arising

#### 1. Line Marking Paint

Crocker's Paint & Wallpaper at Albion Park have placed a minimum order of 100L on Line Marking paint at the reduced price. This translates to five (5) 20L buckets per order. Rather than expecting Centres to buy in bulk the Zone will purchase in 100L lots and on sell to Centres on an as required basis. A 20L bucket of Line Marking paint will cost Centres \$124.00.



## 2. **Regional Conference**

The Albion Park and Shoalhaven Centre delegates took the opportunity to discuss and provide feedback on the LANSW Regional Conference at held Mittagong in early October.

## 3. **Equipment Purchase – 500g Javelin**

HART Sport still does not have any 500g Javelins in stock and the next delivery has blown out to late October. Several Centres within the Zone have 500g Javelins and are happy for them to be used at Zone if necessary.

### **Correspondence In:**

St Georges Basin Re Committee  
Albion Park Re Committee  
LANSW BOM September 2011  
LANSW September Newsletter

LANSW Updated Rules Of Competition  
LANSW BOM October 2011  
LANSW October Newsletter

### **Correspondence Out:**

Minutes All Centres  
J Blair Re Zone Championships  
Mr & Mrs D Rickards Re Zone Championships

### **Reports**

#### 1. **Treasurer**

Due to the Zone Treasurer's inability to attend this meeting the Zone Co-ordinator presented this report on his behalf.

The account reconciliation detail was tabled.

General account current balance:                      \$13,935.58

Moved Jackie de Vries (SGB), seconded Tenille Moroney (SI) "that the Treasurer's report be accepted." Carried.

#### 2. **Zone Co-Ordinator** **Centre Visits**

I have had the opportunity to visit the Albion Park, Kiama, Lake Illawarra and Sussex Inlet Centres during weekly competition since the last meeting. It was interesting to see the administrative and organisational approaches employed by each Centre. Unfortunately it seems 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 Albion Park and Sussex Inlet Centres. Participants were instructed in High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Timekeeping and Starting.

Attendance was quite poor with a total of four (4) people successfully completing seven (7) C Grade exams. Upcoming Grand Prix carnivals at Albion Park, St Georges Basin, Lake Illawarra and Shoalhaven will provide participants with an opportunity to complete some of the relevant practical components to qualify for their accreditation.

Last season we had nineteen (19) participants at the Officials Courses held by Shoalhaven and Lake Illawarra. To date two (2) of these people have completed their practicals and received the relevant accreditation. This represents an 11% completion rate, which is very disappointing. Centres are reminded that completed theory papers are valid for a period of two (2) years. After this time individuals will be required to re-sit their theory component.

### **Grand Prix Series**

The Grand Prix carnivals commence this weekend with the Albion Park Carnival followed by the Dragon Derby at St Georges Basin in two (2) weeks' time. A reminder to all Centres it is imperative that each athletes Name, Registration Number and Centre appear on the Results Sheets. If this information is not included it makes it difficult, if not impossible, to accurately determine Grand Prix points for athletes.

### **Meet Manager**

Last meeting I informed you that the HY-TEK Meet Manager system will replace the Bob Wardle Carnival System at the Zone Championships this season. As such suitable persons must be identified and trained to run this system. Centres were asked to canvas their membership for appropriate volunteers. To date I have had one response to this request. Formal training has been scheduled by LANSW for Saturday 5th November at Kiama Leagues Club.

In preparation for the move to Meet Manager our existing Records will need to be manually entered into a Meet Manager database. I hope to have this data entry completed in the next few weeks.

The move to Meet Manager will result in every athlete receiving a single certificate containing all their results. These certificates will be printed at the conclusion of the Carnival. Unfortunately this creates a problem with medal distribution. Under the Wardle Carnival System certificates were printed for the first eight (8) place getters in all finals almost immediately. As these certificates were filed it was simply a matter of including the medals with the first three (3) place getters. Team Managers were then able to pick up the certificates/medals and distribute them accordingly. This is no longer possible. As such it may be necessary to distribute certificates/medals after the carnival. Moved Brett White, seconded Col Anderson (LI) "that the Zone Championship Certificates and medals be distributed to Centres after the carnival." Carried.

As a consequence of the move to Meet Manager it is doubtful that we will be able to automatically calculate the Dean Blair point score. Should this be the case it may not be possible to announce the Dean Blair winner at the conclusion of the Zone Championships. Meet Manager does have point scoring capability but the full extent of this capability is yet to be determined.

### **Zone Championships**

The Zone Championships will be held 10th and 11th December at Lake Illawarra. Entries close at midnight Sunday 27th November. The family entry form, for use by Centres, is available from the Zone website ([www.msczone.org.au](http://www.msczone.org.au)). This form is for Centre use only. Do not submit your Zone entries on this form.

As a consequence of the move to Meet Manager this season Zone entries will be accepted via any of the following three (3) methods:

1. The LANSW Championships Entry Form.
2. The Meet Manager Zone Entry Program which is available from the Zone website ([www.msczone.org.au](http://www.msczone.org.au)).
3. If a Centre uses the Bob Wardle Centre System their entries may be submitted electronically.

The timetable for the Zone Championships is:

#### 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 the LANSW two (2) day program at the Kiama Sporting Complex on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th February 2012.

The Centres of the Mid South Coast Zone are hosting Region and, as such, will be required to provide minimal officials over the course of the weekend. Planning is well underway and I anticipate a very successful carnival.

### **Delegate Reports**

#### **Albion Park**

We have about 300 athletes registered this season up from 230 odd last year. The start of the season has seen a few hiccups with our multi timers playing up on the first two nights. This caused a few problems and late finishes which was disappointing as we had planned well and had good helper numbers. As a result we had our current timers repaired and purchased a third to prevent future problems. We also purchased a number of new items for the Tiny Tots to give them some more fun activities.

We have had four (4) competition nights with one (1) washed out. The last two (2) finished a lot earlier and we are looking at different ways to try and reduce the time further. This was something that was identified in a Little A's survey that was presented to us at the Region forum in Mittagong.

The Albion Park Carnival is coming up this Sunday the 30/10/11 and we would ask that all centres give a last minute plug at their competition nights this week.

### **Kiama**

The Kiama Centre has had a wonderful start to the 2011/2012 season. We currently have 274 athletes registered which is the highest number in the Centre's 34 year history. As you can imagine we have a significant number of first time athletes so our Orientation Days were well received.

The Centre is very bottom heavy with large numbers in the Tiny Tots. Under 6 and Under 7 Age Groups. By comparison the older Age Groups, particularly the boys, are quite small.

Due to the high number of registrations we have run out of uniforms in many sizes. A uniform order was placed several weeks ago but we are still waiting for delivery. As a consequence we may have athletes that want to compete at upcoming carnivals that do not have a uniform. Should this be the case we ask that host Centres show leniency and allow these athletes to compete.

Weekly competition is running quite smoothly thanks to our small, but dedicated band of helpers.

To date we have lost one (1) day to rain with our last Saturday competition being postponed. However we are happy to report that the new drainage, recently installed below the Long Jump Pits, is a complete success with the ground firm underfoot and no water visible.

### **Lake Illawarra**

Registrations are currently around 250 with the Tiny Tot Boys the largest Age Group at twenty seven (27).

We were pleased with attendance at the October Carnival with approximately 240 athletes competing. This is on par with previous seasons. The Centre would like to thank those in attendance that assisted in any way.

Preparations for the Trans Tasman Trials and the Zone Championships are going well.

After much discussion with the manufacturer of our Time Keeping and Place Judging Stands we expect they will be delivered on time for both events.

We have approached Shellharbour Council regarding the installation of temporary fencing along the straight and around the Long Jump area to define the area of competition.

Lake Illawarra is quite happy to loan our High Jump Bags, Presentation Dais and Quad Bike if required for use at Region.

### **Milton Ulladulla**

Sadly we have had a very slow start to the season, having had our first Club night last week. We ran registrations two (2) weeks prior to the holidays but bad weather prevented us holding our trial nights. These started last Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October and will finish tomorrow night.

Our registration numbers are low with 46 (Although there are some outstanding payments)

and the trialists (Approximately 16) are to be added.

We have had a higher number of new registrations than re-registrations so anticipate the numbers to keep increasing over the next few weeks.

Our numbers are pretty even throughout all the Age Groups.

Our President resigned just before the school holidays, so we are moving forward as a new Club with a new Committee. So far so good, the Club has a good feel, both with Committee members who want to move forward and grow, and the parents.

### **Shoalhaven**

SLAC have approx 230 athletes registered so far this year with enquiries still coming in.

We have had six (6) nights of competition and everything is going smoothly.

### **St Georges Basin**

We have had all our rego days and have at least 120 rego's so far, which is a great improvement on last year at 80! Of course the first few night's lots of people treated as rego nights so it's been pretty hectic so far. Also doesn't help that we have had 2 nights cancelled already due to rain.

We have already had our first incident with a number of people reporting that a group leader was acting erratically. We suspect that alcohol may have been involved. Nothing has been done about this yet but we are keeping an eye on the person involved.

Preparations for Dragon Derby are underway and hopefully the weather will improve before then and let our track dry out a bit. Wish us luck!

### **Sussex Inlet**

At the moment Sussex Inlet has 42 kids registered with at least one athlete in every age group except the under 17's.

We had a very slow start with registrations. After conducting the first three (3) of our five (5) registration days we only had a total of 10 registrations.

With numbers so low we thought that we would not have been able to run this year but after talking to Craig and Chantelle at LANSW we decided to go ahead and the Centre has actually been running a lot smoother.

The groundsmen at Thompson St Sporting Complex have offered to do all our line marking this season which is fantastic because last year we had to borrow a line marker each time we needed to mark lines and it was really hard to get someone to volunteer to do the line marking.

We have had a storage container donated to the Club to store all our equipment in until something more permanent can be built as Thompson Street are unable to supply us with any permanent storage facilities at this time.

Last Tuesday we were lucky enough to have Craig come down and help out and give the kids some pointers. Both parents and athletes thought that was fantastic and the Committee really valued his input.

Sussex Inlet hosted the second of the two (2) Official Courses with three (3) people attending.

### **General Business**

#### **1. Coaching**

Jo Skinner (MU) asked Centre delegates how coaching/training was handled at their Centres.

#### **2. New Centre Enquiry**

LANSW has received an enquiry from Robertson regarding the possible formation of a new Centre. If formed this Centre will probably be placed in the Mid South Coast Zone.

#### **3. Region Shirt**

The Zone Co-ordinator provided feedback on projected costs for the Region Shirt and, in doing so, expressed concern at the unit price of a Polo Shirt. After discussion Centres agreed that it would be sensible to make the Region Shirt a T-Shirt rather than a Polo Shirt. Several graphic designs were also distributed for comment. Further designs are forthcoming and will be distributed via Email.

There being no further business the Zone Co-ordinator closed the meeting at 8:56pm.

Next meeting will be a combined Region 5 Planning / Zone meeting at 7:30pm on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at Bomaderry RSL.

Craig Scott

31/10/2011

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