

Mid South Coast Zone



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Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday 27th August 2012

Venue: Bomaderry RSL Club

Present: Zone Co-ordinator: Craig Scott
Zone Treasurer:
Zone Secretary: Tenille Moroney

Centre Delegates

Albion Park: Glen Mustapic
Kiama: Alex Arnold
Lake Illawarra:
Milton Ulladulla: Jo Skinner
Shoalhaven:
St Georges Basin: Jackie de Vries

Apologies: Graham Nash, Howard McGarry, Tony Hush

Visitors:

Meeting opened at 7:40 pm

Previous Minutes

Moved Tenille Moroney (ZS), seconded Glen Mustapic (AP), "that the minutes of the meeting held 25th June 2012 were a true and accurate record." Carried.

Business Arising

1. **Online Officials Assessment**

The online Officials assessment system was launched at the annual Conference. As a consequence D Grade and C Grade officials exams are now available online. As the D Grade no longer requires practical assessment, once you have completed the online exam, you will be accredited. For C Grade, you will need to complete practical assessments to finalise the accreditation.



Hopefully this will make it easier for more members to achieve accreditation in Little Athletics events.

2. **Eight (8) Region Structure Implemented**

A reminder that the new eight (8) Region structure will be implemented in the coming season. The Mid South Coast Zone is now in Region 4 along with the Eastern Riverina, South Coast Highlands and Western Riverina Zones.

Progression from Mid South Coast Zone to Region 4 will be 1st, 2nd, 3rd and the next best four (4) performances within Region 4.

Progression from Region to State will be 1st, 2nd and the next best eight (8) performances across all Regions.

In both cases the next best performances will be determined by LANSW.

3. **Officials Courses**

The Zone will run two (2) Officials Courses again this season.

The first will be held at the St Georges Basin Centre on Saturday 13th October.

The second will take place at the Lake Illawarra October Carnival on Sunday 14th October. It will be interesting to see whether running the course in parallel with the Carnival increases attendance.

Both courses will commence at 9:30am.

Correspondence In:

- BOM July
- Newsletter July
- Zone Co Workshop Minutes
- Email Albion Park Re Committee
- Email St Georges Basin Re Committee
- Milton Ulladulla Re Zone Fees
- AGM Report July
- Conference Report July
- BOM August
- Newsletter August
- Association Meeting Minutes August
- St Georges Basin Re Zone Fees

Correspondence Out:

- Minutes All Centres
- BlueScope Steel Re Sponsorship

Reports

1. Treasurer

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

General account current balance:	\$2,686.03
Term Deposit	\$25,000.00
Undeposited Funds	
Shoalhaven Admin Levy	\$227.00
Milton Ulladulla Admin Levy	\$72.00
St Georges Basin Admin Levy	<u>\$132.00</u>
Total	\$28117.03

Moved Craig Scott (ZC), seconded Alex Arnold (K) "that the Treasurer's report be accepted." Carried.

2. Zone Co-Ordinator Conference

The LANSW AGM and Conference was held at Ulladulla in late July. I was delighted to see the Lake Illawarra, Milton Ulladulla, Shoalhaven and St Georges Basin Centres in attendance. Proxies were received from the Albion Park and Kiama Centres so all Centres of the Zone were represented.

I'm disappointed to report that the new constitution was not supported. Although the vote shifted from 47% last year to 72% in favour of the new constitution, failure to get the constitution passed, now places LANSW in an awkward situation, as this result may jeopardise future funding opportunities from both State Government (DSR) or the Australian Government (ASC).

The situation we are now in cannot drag on. As a consequence, following discussion, the board has taken the decision to contact the Office of Fair Trading in NSW to explain its difficulties in successfully bringing in a new constitution and seek feedback from the Commissioner on appropriate shorter term mechanisms to secure a successful vote from constituents for a new constitution.

At the conclusion of Conference LANSW President, Dereck Fineberg, informed those in attendance that he was considering nominating for the position of President of LAA. Should he choose to do so and be successful he would be forced to relinquish his Presidency of LANSW. Since then Dereck has confirmed that he will be standing for this position.

In closing my report on Conference it would be remiss of me not to thank the Shoalhaven Centre for providing the light entertainment at the Dinner Dance on Saturday night.

Times At Zone For Progression To Region

All times (whether from photo finish, timing gates or manual stopwatch) will be recorded and published to two (2) decimal places for clarity in determining progressing athletes across Zones and Regions. All records from manual stopwatch timing or timing gates will however still have to be rounded up.

Sussex Inlet Centre

It saddens me to inform you that after several attempted AGM's the Sussex Inlet Centre was unable to form a Committee and will go into recess for the 2012/2013 season.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank outgoing President, Tenille Moroney, for her dedication to the Centre over the last few seasons. On a brighter note Tenille and her family intend to continue their involvement in Little Athletics and I wish them well for the future.

Delegate Reports

Albion Park

The Centre has appointed Mr Pat McPhillips as President for the 2012/2013 season.

All school carnivals are now finished and we have been liaising with a surveyor to have our track re-surveyed as the current measurements are out.

We are also looking into getting our long jump and triple jump run ups fixed or re-done as they are now considered to be a safety hazard.

Our registration dates are Friday 7th September 5:30pm-7:30pm and Sunday 9th Sept 11:00am – 2:00pm.

Kiama

Our first Registration Day, held last Friday, was a tremendous success with more than one hundred athletes registering. We had 20 online registrations although there were comments that people were experiencing problems with the website. A second Registration Day has been scheduled for 4:30pm Friday 31st August at Kiama Leagues Club.

We are very pleased to advise that Mitch Terry will continue as Centre President for another year.

Our season commences 8th of September and we will be running on Saturday mornings until Daylight Saving commences. The Centre will move to Friday afternoons as of 19th of October.

A pre-season working bee was held last Saturday at Kiama Sports Complex. The relocatable fence and dugouts were removed in record time thanks to our energetic band of volunteers. We'd like to thank Kiama District Sports Association President, Col Rathbone, who managed to procure a table top truck which made this onerous task much simpler.

Preparations for marking the track are normally painstakingly slow. However this year the surveyor's pegs were swiftly located. Placing nails in these pegs made them easy to find using a metal detector. Weather permitting we will mark the track this Sunday and its all systems go for the 2012/2013 season.

Lake Illawarra

No report submitted

Milton Ulladulla

Our registration nights are 11th and 18th September with a season start of 9th October.

Our school visits take place on 19th and 20th September.

We have new signage which is being placed at both ends of town and following on from the Olympics we are hopeful for an increase in registrations.

This season we are going to have a few “fun” nights such as a PJ night, a bring a friend night and a timed night rather than an aged night to give everyone and opportunity to be first over the line.

We have once again been the lucky recipient of a \$1000 donation/grant from Veolia. We were also fortunate to be given the opportunity to hold a raffle at the recent AGM and Conference and raised \$607.00. We intend to use some of the raffle money to buy a boom box which will enable us to play music on our club nights and create a fun atmosphere.

During the conference we were also approached by Timing Solutions to trial, free of charge for 1 year, their On-Line Recording System. This we happily accepted.

We have also been lucky enough to gain some additional equipment from Sussex Inlet, we are most grateful for this.

Shoalhaven

No report submitted

St Georges Basin

We have completed all our registration days and have decent numbers, mainly new people. No doubt the regulars will come on the first few nights to disrupt things!

We ran an awareness raising stall at the new IGA a few weeks ago but did not generate much interest, except in the sausage sandwiches that we were selling.

We're also taking part in an expo day at Sanctuary Point and St Georges Basin Primary School Spring Fair in September – more awareness raising, trying to lift our profile in the area.

Our season kicks off this Thursday 30th August. Hopefully the weather will be kinder to all of us this season.

We have just taken delivery of new flags/pennants to use at carnivals, etc. so look out for the flying dragon!

General Business

1. Storage Of Registration Paperwork

The Albion Park Centre asked how other Centres stored their registration paperwork, in particular "Working With Children" forms. Most Centres seem to leave this task in the hands of the Registrar. It was noted that paperwork often went astray when a new Registrar was appointed.

The Zone Co-ordinator reminded Centres that they had a legal obligation to retain all registration records until such time that the athlete turns twenty five (25) years of age.

2. Line Marking - Colour

The St Georges Basin Centre wanted to know if line marking had to be a specific colour. The Zone Co-ordinator replied that technically lines should be white but this is rarely enforced at Centre level. Most Centres find black is more suited to grass surfaces.

3. High Jump Mat Size Requirements

St Georges Basin requested clarification of the High Jump mat size requirements for Zone. Our Rules of Competition state that "mats must have a minimum landing area of 2.4m x 4.0m x 50cm high. An additional moveable bag is also recommended". It should be noted that this is compulsory for Championship carnivals, but is a recommendation only for Centre level.

4. Line Marking Paint

Delegates agreed that the current practice of purchasing line marking paint in bulk from Crockers Paint & Wallpaper at Albion Park should be continued for the 2012/2013 season.

There being no further business the Zone Co-ordinator closed the meeting at 9:05pm.

Next meeting will be at 7:30pm on Monday 22nd October 2012 at Bomaderry RSL.

Craig Scott
30/08/2012

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