



## **Sunbury Branch ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Date: February 27th, 2011**

**Time: 7.30 pm**

**Venue: Boardman Stadium  
Meeting Room**

**1.Attendees:** Rick Giannino (Chairperson), Stuart Scanlin, Michael O'Connell, Sarah Pritchard, Simonne Collins, Tayla Allen, Liam Berry, Jarrod Bulluss, Chelsea Cannon, Bradley Collins, Luke Collins, Pat Crowe, Rachael Crowley, Rachael Gauld, Chelsea Giannino, Hayden Grant, Fraser Jones, Brad Lane, Megan Lorkin, Harold Lowe, Julie Martinuzzo, Iona Matautia, Moana Matautia, Raymond Meddings, Aden Muir, Alecia Pellegrino, Scott Pellegrino, Natalie Pritchard, Lukas Qoon, Peter Richardson, Harrison Salm, Andrew Seidel, Brooke Seidel, Luke Spiteri, Lesley Thomas, Josh Tidswell, Zoe Tudor, Meg de Jong, Nathan Baker, Kyle Collins, Georgia Orr and Jake Tidswell

**2.Apologies:** Chris Matautia, Noelle Matautia, Josh Meddings, Cory Richardson, Shannon Richardson, Tyson Richardson, Brett Tidswell, Andrew White and Jason Williams

**3.Past Minutes:** Rick informed the Branch that unfortunately the previous year's minutes were not available as they could not be located. Rick highlighted that the Honoriums for 2009 were not moved and carried at the previous AGM and consequently they would be addressed in this AGM.

### **4.Honoriums 2009**

Rick pointed out that each year both the secretary and treasurer of the Branch receive a small \$100 honorium for their services over the year.

Moved Brad Lane/Andrew Seidel that honorarium of \$100 is paid to both the Secretary and Treasurer for 2009. **Carried**

### **5.Honoriums 2010**

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### **6.Reports:**

***President's Report***

As tabled

**Presenter: Rick Giannino**

***Treasurer's Report***

As tabled

**Presenter: Stuart Scanlin**

***Advisor's Report***

As tabled

**Presenter: Michael O'Connell**

### **7.Presentation of Awards**

Rick introduced Jimmy Moffat and invited Lesley Thomas to join Jimmy in presenting the awards for 2010. The following awards were presented:

<b>Most Improved:</b>	Luke Spiteri
<b>Most Consistent:</b>	Sarah Pritchard
<b>Achievement Award:</b>	Simonne Collins
<b>Jimmy Moffat Perpetual Trophy:</b>	Stuart Scanlin

### **8. Election of Office Bearers**

On vacating the chair Rick thanked the current committee for their work and declared all positions opened.

Lesley Thomas took the chair and declared that only one nomination form for President was received prior to the AGM and that for all other positions nominations would be taken from the floor.

**President:** 1 nomination for president received from Simonne Collins.  
Simonne is duly elected as President.

**Secretary:** Nomination: Sarah Pritchard, Elected unopposed.

**Vice President:** Nomination: Brad Lane, Elected unopposed.

**Treasurer:** No nominations were received. Position left vacant.

**Registrar:** Nomination: Rachael Crowley, Elected unopposed.

The new committee took their place and the newly elected President thanked those members for accepting their position on the Branch executive committee.

### **9. General Business**

- Brad notified Branch that he will be stepping down at Saturday supervisor as of the new season.
- Simonne reminded referees that the new VBRA badge must be on each official's referee top as of the new season.

Meeting closed 8.10pm

**Next meeting TBA**

**VBRA Sunbury Branch**  
**Presidents Report**  
**AGM – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2011**

2010 Committee Members elected at the AGM in February (2010) were as follows:

President – Rick Giannino  
Vice President – Helen Pawsey  
Secretary – Simonne Collins  
Treasurer– Stuart Scanlin  
Registrar –Sarah Pritchard

2008/2009 VBRA Sunbury Branch Perpetual Awards winners -  
Jim Moffat Perpetual Trophy – None presented  
Achievement Award – Pat Crowe  
Most Consistent – Brett Tidswell  
Most Improved – Zoe Tudor

Referee Advisor for 2010  
Michael O’Connell

Referee Supervisors for 2010  
Tuesday senior – Lesley Thomas/Chelsea Giannino/Harrison Salm  
Wednesday senior – Simonne Collins/Brett Tidswell/Darlene Down  
Friday Representative – Simonne Collins/Rick Giannino/Stuart Scanlin  
Saturday Junior – Brad Lane  
Tuesday & Wednesday Junior – Rachael Crowley

VJBL Panel Referees for 2010  
Stuart Scanlin  
Simonne Collins  
Both selected to officiate throughout the finals series

**Branch Achievements**

**Recruitment**

- Feb 2010 active referees x 39
  - Advisor x 1
  - Coach x 1
- Feb/Mar level O school with 10 applicants (5 now level 1C)
- May/June a number of qualified referees from other associations join Sunbury branch
- June/July level O school with 10 applicants
- Feb 2011 active referees x 58 (plus 3 Apps)
  - Adviser x 1
  - Coach x 4

2009 Zebra tour (held in Newcastle NSW)

Simonne Collins and Aden Muir attended on behalf of the SBA & VBRA Sunbury branch, both these Referees acquitted themselves well with Simonne fast tracked to junior panel.

2009 BA under 18 National Championships

- Pat Crowe and Terry Davis were appointed as Referee Commissioners

2010 BA under 14 National Championships

Pat Crowe appointed as Commissioner

2010 Zebra tour (held in Bendigo VIC)

Sarah Pritchard, Racheal Crowley and Noelle Matautia attended on behalf of the SBA & VBRA Sunbury branch, all three Referees acquitted themselves well receiving Gold Medal games.

VJBL Panel Referees for 2011

Simonne Collins  
Sarah Pritchard  
Noelle Matautia

Big V Senior Panel for 2011

Simonne Collins invited to participate

Whilst this time last year the number of experienced referees at Sunbury who could assist with the development of the new referees was on the decline. The same time this year brings renewed confidence that we have turned the corner and are getting back on track.

Major contributors have been:

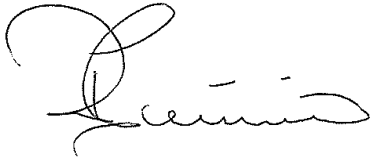
- the introduction early in the year of the Referee Administration and Management Software (RAMS).
- the return of experienced referees after long absences.
- two Level O schools providing us with a number of new apprentices
- enforcement of uniform policy
- experienced referees joining us from neighboring associations
- 2<sup>nd</sup> level 1 course in two years
- greater emphasis on Referee evaluations and feedback
- assistance from Referee Coaches to the Advisor
- patience and understanding from all the clubs
- fantastic support by the Sunbury Basketball Association

Moving forward 2011 we will see a number of our Referees complete a Grade 0 Coaching course being delivered by Bill Mildenhall which will enable them to assist Michael O'Connell (Referee Advisor) with referee evaluations and mentoring.

Some of our Supervisors have completed training on our Roster Administration Management Software (RAMS) and all other Supervisors will undergo this training in the coming months. Already we have quite a few people on the waiting list for the next Referee School (possibly Mar 2011). We will again see some of our Referees participate in next years Zebra tour and are hopeful that this will assist them in taking the next step to becoming Panel Referees.

All in all, we have had quite a successful year and this was achieved in no small way due to the support of many of our Referees, Supervisors, Michael O'Connell, all the clubs, coaches and players and in particular, members of the Executive and Board of the Sunbury Basketball Association.

Looking forward to the year ahead with renewed optimism for the future of the SBA and VBRA Sunbury Branch.



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VBRA – SUNBURY BRANCH  
AGM 27<sup>th</sup> February 2011

Referee Advisor Report

I am pleased to present the advisor report for 2011.

**Referee Numbers:**

During last year our numbers were extremely tight with less than 40 active referees being rostered at times. To boost these numbers we ran two Level O schools, coaxed a few old hands out of retirement, and welcomed a number of referees from other Associations. This has put us in a good position numbers wise. However, I will still be running more courses this year so that we can maintain our membership base.

**Referee Gradings:**

Well done to those referees who were upgraded last year. Hopefully this year we will continue to see referees putting their hands up for upgrade. These upgrades are not just based on you game performances but on other things like, attendance, behavior and attitude. I am regularly in touch with Supervisors and other Coaches to discuss who they believe should be upgraded.

I will be running a level 1 course this year for B grade referees who have held their grading for more than 6 months.

**Rules Changes:**

There have been a number of rules changes for 2011. These were sent out to you all via email, and I have seen most if not all of you over the last month. I will ask the coaching team to pay particular attention to the new rules when they are watching you.

**Referee Exam:**

Sunbury referees will be expected to complete a rules exam this year. There is currently a discussion within VBRA regarding exam requirements. If VBRA conducts the exam we will be bound by there requirements. If I have to set an exam it will be conducted as an open book exam but will be completed at the stadium. Further information will come later.

Those of you who have completed a VBRA exam this year will be exempt from doing the Sunbury Exam.

**Referee Evaluations**

The coaching team throughout the year will evaluate referees. Their observations will be entered into the RAMS program for you see. Please make sure you understand the comments made. These comments are intended to help you improve. As always if, you not sure of anything please ask.

**Zebra Tour**

I would like to thank the SBA for funding Sunbury referees to attend the Zebra Tour. This year three referees attended Sarah Pritchard, Noelle Matautia and Rachel Crowley, all girls performed really well throughout the week and all were rewarded with appointments to Gold medal games on the final day.

**Thanks**

I should take this opportunity to thank the Branch committee for their support during the year. In addition, thanks to Rick who not only manages to get the rosters out every week, but also is provides great assistance to me, with keeping track of who is still refereeing, keeping track of the nominations for the schools etc.

To the SBA I think we had a productive year, we may not agree on everything but there is a very good working relationship that I hope continues during the coming year.

Michael O'Connell

Sunbury Referee Advisor