

Yarra Jets Junior Football Club Inc

2021 Annual General Meeting

Minutes

Date:	24 th February 2021
Time:	7.30pm
Place:	Fairfield Oval, Yarra Bend Road, Fairfield

Attendees:	Brendan Cigognini, Chris Grethen, Peta Collins, Duncan Ryan, Gary Martin, Robyn Mullen, Nia Kolokas, Paul Daly
Apologies:	

Minutes:	Peta Collins
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1. Welcome - Brendan Cigognini with Acknowledgement of the Country
2. Acceptance of minutes of AGM 24/2/2020
 - Accepted: Chris Grethen
 - Seconded: Robyn Mullen
 - Peta Collins to send around electronic copy
3. Season Report (see Agenda)
 - Covid safe plan development - Safe environment for both parents, players, coaches etc.
 - A good learning experience
 - Financial burden was eased slightly with a \$1,000 grant from Sports & Recreation.
 - The club was well supported by council and was able to run a 5 week summer competition for kids across all age groups.
 - This could probably run every Summer now that council is onboard.
 - After much review, the club now has a new website , the information is more digestible, it looks fresh, it's easier to navigate and we're able to put sponsors front and centre if/when required.
 - There will be challenges ahead - new Covid rules for use of the faculties and procedures for tracing. We haven't seen how it will affect things like canteen and gameday. Likely all socially distanced, COVID marshalls to ensure everything is ok and running as it should.
 - The club now has new leadership and a 20 month hiatus
 - We're in the progress of setting up a new cost model on a 3 year cycle and what impacts Covid may have on registration and coaches. Every 3 years we tend to buy uniforms too. We're looking to spread cost over the 3 years.
 - We claim to be club with lowest registration fees in metropolitan Melbourne but still need to remain sustainable

- Registration numbers for 2021 looking quite healthy - still 8 weeks away team registration happening (2 March). We have a projection to submit to FV ASAP with minimal adjustments post 2 March.
 - Start-up costs are a huge amount upfront so running on a budget to start with
 - Decentralised model so resources are spread - a smarter way of working - Roles that don't take up too much time.
 - New appointments for key roles for the club.
 - Mentoring program for coaches - Brendan has lost count of the number of times they were needing more support or just struggling to run sessions. These items sit under the TD role. For example there was a young member who had been assisting with coaching for a few years but now feels unequipped to continue. It would be good to support him and keep him going. There are a few U16's who are interested but how do we support them?
 - Player Engagement - A number of age groups work in silos and we don't see many juniors stay and support seniors. It would be good to see the seniors also interacting with juniors too.
 - Yarra Jets has always shared these facilities with Fitzroy FC (FFC). FFC are relocating to Richmond, there is a bit of confusion about what that means. Nonetheless, the move by FFC has resulted in a quick injection of registrations
 - Registration is currently at about 460 and we're still to get about 118 players from 2019 but not yet registered for 2021. Chris Gethen has factored in a 70% return rate, there could be a few teams missing and we're not sure if they will fill based on current numbers.
 - U19 girls possibly play for Senior womens (4 of)
 - We've applied for 100% use of Fairfield but no confirmation as yet. Mon -Fri Sat morning and Sunday. Dedicated venues every week would build a community hub and present new opportunities
 - Club players and coaching philosophy to be finalised so everyone understands what this club is about and the impact it has on the community. Paramount will be supporting players and parents.
4. Report for Finances 2020 - Peta Collins
- See attachment
 - Upcoming expenses:
 - i. Mitali Ross - will be ordering more uniform
 - ii. Tommie Conway will require a few more purchases of equipment
 - iii. Cleaning bill will likely double because of Covid
 - Rotary to run canteen - maybe every week.
 - Covid consideration: 15 teams each week should keep under 500 people = less documented and less work with Sports & Recreation.
 - i. Gala Day - if more than 500 people then more paperwork.
5. Confirmation of existing committee members:
- Acting President - Brendan Cigognini
 - Head of Finance & Governance - Peta Collins
 - Senior Men Committee Representative - Chris smith
 - Senior Women Committee Representative - TBC
 - Junior Coordinator - Chris Gethen
 - Mini Roos Coordinator - Brendan Cigognini
 - Registrar - Mark Wilson
 - Fixturing officer - Robyn Mullen
 - Football Assets manager - Tommy Conway
6. Committee Nominations 2021:

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- All Accepted: Peta Collins, Seconded Chris Gethen
- Question from committee - Are we nominating a president? No, we want to allow the community to nominate and vote.

7. Other Business

- Approval of Uniforms - Mitali has organised uniforms and is working to have them delivered before April 28 - \$8,000 for jerseys only.
- Fortnightly committee meeting to approve other costs as we move forward.
- There is a crucial role not currently filled. Sam will not be the team manager coordinator this season. So there is a vacant position. Other roles:
 - i. Covid Marshall - Brendan to draw up a PD and sort out how that will work
- Probably need to look at the canteen and cleaning.
- Technical Director (TD) - Duncan Ryan
 - i. Developing the club philosophy, this is his first year as TD (although he was under previous TD in 2019). Duncan reinforced that the club dictates the philosophy, not the TD. Duncan will draw up a mission statement to send around. We want to make sure the club has a positive identity in the community. Development at the forefront, a place safe for players (refer to document passed around). This will then be distributed to coaches to teach the players the philosophy. As far as mentoring goes, we don't have a lot of experienced coaches.
 - ii. In addition, every coach will need to be accredited this year, and we'll need people to onboard to help parents coach. There is the Miniroos course coming up.
 - iii. Start a program for 20 - 30min take out best players from the team for an intensive session, take the middle player the following week, and then leave all together for the next week. This should help all players learn more quickly.
 - iv. Working with Childrens check is free, and there will be no fees for coaching courses.

Meeting Close.

Signed:	
Name:	Brendan Cigognini
Date:	

