



Special General Meeting and 2nd Council Meeting
(immediately following)
Wednesday 27 August 2025 at 7pm

Special General Meeting Opened - 7.00pm

1. Attendance and Apologies – as per attendance sheet
2. Appointment of Amanda Watts as Scrutineer

Moved Cherrybrook Netball Club, Seconded Nicci Skene that Amanda Watts be appointed Scrutineer.

Approved by Council

3. Election of Junior and Senior Representative Convenors

Nominations received:

Junior Representative Convenor	<i>Margaret Coe, Pennant Hills Netball Club</i>
Senior Representative Convenor	<i>Clare Ashpole, Thornleigh Netball Club</i>

As there was only one nomination for each position, Lisa declared the positions filled as per nominations.

Meeting Closed - 7.05pm

2nd Council Meeting Opened – 7.05pm

1. Attendance and Apologies – as per attendance sheet
2. Confirmation of Minutes of the 1st Council Meeting held 30 April 2025

Moved Doug McColl, Seconded, Hannah Ashpole, Approved by Council

3. Business arising from the minutes - Nil
4. Executive Committee Reports for the meetings held in May 2025, June 2025, July 2025 and August 2025

Moved Hornsby Lions Netball Club, Seconded Lara ?? – Approved by Council

5. Business arising from Executive Committee Reports
 - a. There was a question from Beecroft Netball Club regarding the role of Coaching Co-ordinator and the job description as presented at the August Executive meeting. Lisa answer this by advising that a job description does exist for this role. This role needs to be focused on education and support for club coaches. By developing club coaches, we will then be able to grow and strengthen our coaching groups throughout the Association from clubs through to Representative level. She explained that the Executive are in support of developing this position in conjunction with a co-ordinator and small committee.

6. Correspondence as listed in the Executive Committee Reports - Nil

7. Business arising from Correspondence - Nil

8. Executive Committee Reports

i) Treasurer

- In July, the income was \$14.6k of which \$10.3k represented income from the rep dinner and \$2k was the latest rental payment from Martha café.
- We also got \$447 for registration which was unusual given how far into the season we were. This was mainly late registrations. In total our registration year to date is \$201k. This leaves us \$19k to go in order to achieve budget (\$220k). We are likely to be \$6-\$7k short. For reference last year we achieved \$212k and 2023 was \$205K.
- However, HDNA total revenue YTD is \$336k v \$316k. We are up \$20k against budget mainly as a result of being successful at applying for grants so overall expect to hit budget revenue. We budgeted zero and have achieved \$18k year to date. It was noted that a further grant application made by the HDNA president has been successful that will hopefully come in before year end.
- HDNA budgeted to make a loss of \$15k in month but made a loss of \$19k.
- Reviewing the costs the main increase was in Rep celebrations. This is being followed up and is potentially timing and a cost allocation between codes. Other costs are generally in line.
- HDNA cash remains good at \$723k. This was up in the month despite the loss due to the timing of receipts and an increase in creditors of \$13k (i.e. expensed but not yet paid). Year on year cash up \$22k on prior year
- We still continue to hold an accrual for ground rent which will be released as we start to prepare for year end.
- Looking forward planning is starting for the new budget and fees.
- We will need to consider the outcome from the strategy sessions and build any costs into this and also consider building up funds for court refurbishment.
- This will be considered at a future Executive meeting and brought to the Council.

ii) Umpire Convenor

- Semi-Final umpire allocation email to Club Convenors last Sunday
- Rolling subs will be in use. If there is an injury it is best to call for injury time which will be added to the end of the game.
- Please ask all your coaches/manager to read the finals handout to refresh the teams on procedures for finals series
- Please be mindful of streamer, balloons and decorations around the court that they don't get in the way of umpires and players. Please clean up any mess that is created from streamers.
- A reminder that a lot of our umpires are under 18.
- If there are any issues during the game only the coach/manger to ask a representative to get someone from control.

iii) Senior Representative Convenor

- We have two teams playing in the final series in Metro League – Team 1 - Div 1, Team 3 – Div 4. Team 4 won their semi-final. Both teams will be playing in the preliminary final next Thursday night.

iv) Junior Representative Convenor

- At the last Council meeting Margaret mentioned that it has been suggested to her that the 12 & 13 squads also play in the Saturday competition like the teams do. Margaret will not be putting this forwarded for 2026. The issue of borrowing players will greatly impact the clubs.
- Melinda Moyes has been appointed Head Coach of the 11's Development Squad.
- Margaret also thanks Mel Foggarty who 'helped out' as coach of the 13's team this year when we didn't have a coach nominate for this team. Mel went onto guide the 13's to win Div 2 at Junior State titles.

v) Senior Registrar & Junior Registrar

- Housekeeping for finals series
 - Coach or Manager to tick player for Junior games. Senior individual players can tick or coach/manager
 - Teams must have their own stopwatch/second hand for each game. These are not supplied by HDNA
 - As there are a lot more people around for the semi-final, we would appreciate if dogs are left at home
 - Scorers are to stand together. Please write legibly
 - Borrow for finals reset. Players can only be borrowed into the one team during the final series. This is additional to their original team
 - Please make sure all players wear the registered club uniforms. This is not a responsibility of the umpire
- E-scoring update from Lisa Richardson – the pilot which was run during the second half of the season was very successful. It was very easy to use and people like the live updates. The Council was very supportive of introducing this for Juniors and Cadets for 2026 with training and support for clubs. It was discussed that it may be an issue for Senior teams as they don't always have scorers at the court.
- Due to PlayHQ limitations a manual calculation was done for 10/1s ladder -
 - 1st was adjusted by 3 additional ladder points - system restriction, calculation shows that Carlingford was 1st
 - All other ladders were the same with both system and calculation methods

vi) Night Competition Convenor

- Registrations are open for the Spring Night Competition to commence in October

- We will trial 'Umpire your Own' for the Spring competition. Clubs will have to source and manage their own umpire. Teams are expecting the same level of support from the Umpires Committee during night comp as they do on a Saturday. There is only one member of the Umpires Committee involved during Night comp and the current process is too much for one person.

Other Reports

Netball NSW Delegate – Nil

9. General Business

- Galston presented a change to their current uniform – adding Galston down the side. All players will be provided with this new uniform for 2026 through a grant from Bendigo Bank
- PHNC and WPHNC have proposed running a BBQ during night comp to bring in some more revenue for the club and to create more atmosphere each night. If other clubs are interested, please contact Simon or Jo to discuss. The BBQ belongs to the Catering Group, Greg is happy for the clubs to use it but will be responsible for any damage and gas as well as supplies.
- Pickleball
 - We have received a proposal from Penno Pickleballers to mark courts 3, 4 & 5 with pickleball courts. They will cover the cost, but will work in conjunction with HDNA to facilitate this. Lines need to be in a distinct colour and not cross over the netball court lines. There are no regulations from NNSW regarding multiple marking on a netball court. It was mentioned that many complexes have multiple markings on a court.
 - They have also asked about storage at the courts. The storage ideas they suggested are not suitable. Clubs have also asked for storage at the courts. As we have to work with Hornsby Council this will be an ongoing process
 - Doug will be reviewing their fees
 - The council was in support of working with Penno Pickleballers going forward including marking the courts as well as working on storage. This may also help with obtaining grants and sponsorship.
- Madi Morris mentioned that she is happy to set up and facilitate a meeting with Hornsby Shire Council to discuss HDNA requirements for the future. Council's set a budget for five years. If anyone from the clubs are interested in being a part of this please let us know.
- Strategic Planning follow up meeting will be held on Thursday 18th September.
- Lisa created a Volunteer Recognition and Awards Policy, as distributed
 - **Moved by Olivia Charlton, seconded by Pennant Hills Netball Club**
- Margaret proposed a change to the Representative Teams Policy, as distributed
 - **Moved by Margaret Coe, seconded by Nicci Skene – approved by Council**