



**Minutes of Annual General Meeting Held
in Melbourne on 16th April 2011**

Present: Graham Marshall (SA), Warren Rice (NSW), Tony Kendall (Vic), Phillip Saunders (NSW), Phillip Dunn (Qld), Sean Gavin (Qld), Elliott Walton (Vic) and approx. 20 other Members

Apologies: Reza Kamaldien, Mark Lunney & Chris Lubbers

Chairman Graham Marshall declared the Meeting open at 8.21pm

Tony Kendall accepted the Minutes of the 2010 AGM

1. Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Points discussed were:

- There has been a 20% membership increase in Arsenal Australia over the last 12 months
- Over the next couple of months Graham will work on obtaining a signed Arsenal Shirt to be auctioned off and the proceeds to be donated to a charity
- Graham has requested that if any members have problems with the process of being allocated Arsenal match tickets that all correspondence be directed to him and not directly to Arsenal

2. Nominations for Positions

It was advised that interested parties should submit their names to the AASC Chairman before the 2012 AGM, as re-elections for these positions will occur at that meeting.

The positions are:

- Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Membership Secretary
- Marketing/Sponsorship/Advertising Co-ordinator

3. Combined Chairman's & Treasurer's Report

As mentioned before, we have had a 20% rise in the number of AASC Members.

The total income for the 2009-2010 financial year was \$29,000. This was up \$9,000 on 2009 and our profit was \$3,500.

We purchased a Card Reader and paid for various activities at the 2011 National Meet out of Profits. We have \$7,000 in reserve to be used when necessary.

A hard copy was submitted of the "Statement of Financial Position as at 30th June 2010" and "Profit and Loss Statement for the Year Ending 30th June 2010".

4. Treasurer's Report

See above.

5. Graham's Jobs

Graham has requested that someone take over the "Ticket Application" function. Preferably this person needs to be very organised. Let Graham know if you are interested.

Graham has noted that he will keep doing the process of creating and distributing Membership Cards.

Please contact Graham if you are willing to give him any other assistance in regards to other current jobs he undertakes.

6. Marketing & Marketing Budget

We sent out a "Members Survey" approx. a month before the 2011 AGM and got an overall positive feedback from members.

Points were:

- In all major cities members were requesting more "Pub Meets"
- The "Forum" is lacking so we need to use it more
- "Contacts" need to push their area more

It seems we need to get the members to come up with ideas to move us forward and in-turn, grow. Maybe this could be done with future surveys.

A hard copy was submitted of the "Marketing Report – Season 2010-2011".

7. Membership

There has been a 20% increase in membership over the last year but we are always open for ideas to increase the number of members, especially in Sydney.

8. Membership Card Printer

We have purchased a new card printer as the old one was not economical to repair and would not work with modern PCs.

9. Around the States

Nigel Bennett from Western Australia:

- Nigel Bennett was not present at the AGM

Tony Kendall from Victoria:

- It was reported that approximately 40 people watch each match at their venue

Carlin Garrett from South Australia:

- Carlin Garrett was not present at the AGM
- The South Australian members were happy with what's happening in their state

Michael Barlow from Queensland:

- Mick Barlow was not present at the AGM
- They are searching for a new venue at the Sunshine Coast and AASC Cards are continually being handed out
- AASC Cards are also being handed out in Brisbane

Elia Eliopolou from New South Wales:

- Elia Eliopolou was not present at the AGM
- There is a group of about 13 watching matches in Armidale. Not all are members but we are working on getting them to join

10. Other Business

Using Facebook:

- We need to use Facebook to get the AASC "out there". Maybe have one (1) page for every state
- Also put our Facebook address on the AASC Business Cards

11. Next Meeting

Next year's AGM and National Meet will be held in Perth on a date to be decided. It was agreed that the date will be between March and May 2011 and will be determined by the Perth members.

Meeting Closed at 8.47pm