



WLA Board Committee

Monthly Minutes

Date:	Thursday 19 June 2025
Start and close time;	Open: 7:38pm Closed: 9:26pm
	online

Attendees:	Maree Hill (Treasurer) Penny Cox Jules Rettkowicz (Secretary) Will Chisholm Tash Featherstone (WLA Operations Executive) Deb Scott Leon Green (President) Glen Stitchbury Carolyn Nicholson
Apologies:	

Action Point / Item / Topic		
Committee Administration:		Responsibility
1	Confirmation of attendance and apologies	Secretary
2	Confirmation of previous minutes Moved by: MH Seconded by: GS	Secretary
3	Conflict of interest: NIL	
4	Finance report Payments Moved by: MH Seconded by: DS Finance report Moved by: MH Seconded by: DS	Maree Hill
5	League Coordinator Report 1. Representative Programs U15s	Tash Featherstone

- Trainings have resumed every Sunday.
- The U15 girls B team (Rapids) will commence training from **Sunday, 20th July**.
- Coaches: Paige and Mia Ellis. Managers: Donna McDermott and Vicki Foden.
- The U15 boys team is **likely to attend the upcoming tournament** as well. Their coach, Blake, has been asked to inform the players during Sunday trainings. Additionally, I will email all players with tournament information.

U18s

- A survey has been created to gather expressions of interest for the U18 rep program and has been sent to Leon for distribution.
 - As of this report, **confirmation of survey distribution is still pending.**
- **U18 Girls:** Trial dates have been set and communications are underway.
- **U18 Boys:** Trial confirmed for **Sunday, August 3rd from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.**
- Coaching appointments and training schedules will be finalised after trials.

2. Officiating

- **Luke Keesing** has been confirmed to deliver a full weekend officiating clinic.
- Accommodation for him for **Sunday night has been booked at Jet Park Hotel.**
- **William Ormsby will be picking up and hosting Luke** during his stay and may need to return him to Auckland Airport on Sunday night.
- It is suggested that we **reimburse William for his fuel costs** to help cover travel expenses.
- The **final itinerary for the officiating clinic has been completed**, ensuring focused development on key officiating skills.

3. Club Season – Initial Proceedings

- **Women's League:** Georgia is managing the women's club competition again this season. I've checked in and offered support if needed; planning appears to be progressing well.
- **Men's League:**
 - I have contacted the men's club reps and reminded them that **WLA will not be running the men's club**

league, as discussed last year.

- They have been advised that this is a **paid coordinator role**, similar to the women's, and someone from their group is welcome to take it on.
 - Awaiting responses from interested individuals.
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4. International Exchange – Eltham Lacrosse Club (Australia)

- Initial conversations were held regarding a potential **friendly match series or player exchange** in July 2025.
 - We offered to accommodate and host, but **there has been no response to our last messages**, so currently **nothing is progressing with this opportunity**.
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5. School League – Eligibility Query

- A query has been received from **Morrinsville College** regarding their **eligibility for semifinals and finals**, following recent communications clarifying rules around composite teams.
 - The issue has been referred to **WSSSA (Waikato Secondary School Sports Association)** for review.
 - **Initial feedback from WSSSA supports our original position** that composite teams are not eligible for finals play under current rules.
 - We are awaiting formal confirmation before finalising playoff structures and will communicate the outcome to all schools.
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Summary & Priorities for July/August

- Confirm if U18 survey has been sent and responses collated.
- Run U18 girls and boys trials (girls scheduled for Aug 3)
- Finalise with Blake which team he wants to coach, u18s or u15s and find coach for the other one
- Ensure U15 boys receive tournament information via coach Blake and follow up with an info email
- Confirm Luke Keesing's return travel arrangements (host, airport ride) and organise fuel reimbursement for William Ormsby
- Follow up with men's reps on coordinating their club league
- Support Georgia as needed in women's club league setup

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catch up with u15 managers on how they are tracking with budgets and logistics for Aus. • Await final ruling from WSSSA on composite team eligibility for school finals 	
6	<p>Received Correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Resignation of Will Ormsby from Chairperson role - request for information - official complaint - withdrawal of complaint - UJ Semi and finals for Prem and A grade - NZL player numbers - NZL board meeting 	All Committee
Actions from previous meeting		
Items for Discussion		
7	Monthly review of constitution/policies/bylaws	Penny C
Actions to be Taken		
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those standing for re-election need to complete their form 	
Any other business		
9	<p>Next Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21 August 2025 • 4 September 2025 AGM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 2025 - Winter Tournament week w/s 25 August (4th to last week of Term 3) ◦ U20 15-24 August ◦ U15 15-24 September • 25 September 2025 	