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2006 ANNUAL REPORT

Management Committee

The 2005 Annual General Meeting attended by 29 members indicated a very healthy start to the 2006 season demonstrated by all management committee positions being filled by volunteers

Management Committee Meetings

Management Committee meetings were scheduled to be held every three weeks during the playing season with a very good attendance rate, demonstrating a high degree of commitment from those who volunteered their time and talents to the benefit of the Club. There were 13 meetings necessary to conduct the business of the Club this year in contrast to the previous year when there were 20 management meetings held.

Position	Portfolio responsibilities	Name	Attendance (%)	
Club President		Jack Seymour	13	100%
Vice President		Bob Mead	12	92%
Vice President		Noel Spittal	10	77%
Club Secretary	Club Administration	John Robertson	12	92%
Treasurer	Finance	Moreen Stewart	12	92%
Club Captain	Member Protection	Barry Guzder	10	77%
Committee person	Senior Club Registrar	Kerrie Buist	10	77%
Committee person	Assistant Registrar	Marie Freeman	8	62%
Committee person	Merchandise Manager	Paul Dannefaerd	11	85%
Committee person	Grounds Controller	Sam McCort	12	92%
Committee person	Assistant Groundsman	Gerry Pulker (resigned March 06 to take up coaching position)	3	23%
Committee person	Clubhouse Manager	Jean Seymour	9	69%
Committee person	Events Coordinator	Steven (Rau) Wharerau	11	85%
Committee person	Communications & Media	Bruce Rollerson	10	77%
Junior Club Rep	Junior Vice President	John MacFarlane	8	62%
Junior Club Rep	Junior Chairman	Graham Thompson	1	7%

Complaints

There were no formal complaints referred to the management committee during 2006 compare with 3 the previous year.

What was achieved in 2006?

The following is a summary of the activities of the management committee over the past twelve months for the 12 months ended 30 September 2006 using the objectives detailed in the Rules

Objective	How well did we do
<p>To play, promote, foster, conduct and propagate the game of rugby union football in the State of Western Australia or elsewhere under the laws and in the spirit intended and fostered by the International Rugby Football Board, the Australian Rugby Football Union Limited and the Western Australian Rugby Union.</p>	<p>The Club was compliant with the ARU Law 2006 with two appearances before the Judiciary for breaches of the Rules.</p> <p>The Club fostered 2 players in the State Argonauts Gold team and Western Force team</p> <p>The President and Secretary attended all meetings of the RUWA Council held during the year</p>
<p>To form teams to compete and participate in competitions held in the State of Western Australia or elsewhere</p>	<p>The senior club registered 5 men's teams (Premier, Reserves, Fourth Grade, Fifth Grade and Colts) and one women's team in the senior grade competition. The Club hosted Touch Rugby in 2005 and a 7s competition in early 2006</p>
<p>To provide or assist in the provision of training and teaching facilities for rugby union football played in accordance with the rules of the Western Australian Rugby Union or the Australian Rugby Football Union Limited</p>	<p>The Club supported the ARU accreditation of coaches program with 2 members completing competency based training and assessment</p> <p>The Club Coach hosted one combined coaching clinic for junior and senior grade coaches rated as a huge success with ongoing mentoring of individuals on a needs basis</p>
<p>To promote and foster community interest in rugby union football</p>	<p>The Mayor of the City of Bayswater was made Patron of the Club to build on the relationship between the Club and the wider community</p> <p>The Secretary attended a reception of community leaders hosted by the Member for Maylands in September 2006</p> <p>The Club was represented at the Department of Sport & Recreation Leadership Governance presentation by the Senior Vice President and Secretary</p>
<p>To develop, promote, assist and manage junior rugby clubs, organisations and bodies throughout the State of Western Australia or elsewhere as may be decided upon by the Management Committee from time to time</p>	<p>The Club supported the Junior Club in their submission to WAJRUFCA when considering the split between North and South of the river playing venues resulting in 3 venues being approved for junior competition games in 2006 due to the 25% increase in junior club participation rate</p>
<p>To prescribe laws, rules, regulations and by-laws governing the rules of play and the conduct of players, officials and members of the Club or of junior rugby clubs, bodies or associations within its jurisdiction and enforce the same by suspension or expulsion or disqualification or the imposition of such other penalties as the Club may think fit</p>	<p>The Club enforced the 'no pay no play principle by issuing instructions for the removal of non-registered players from the field during the game held 1 April 2006</p> <p>3 players were summoned before the management committee to show cause why they should be members of the Club following allegations of abusive language and verbal assault of committee members</p>

Objective	How well did we do
To lay-out, construct, repair and maintain premises and grounds, clubhouses and other buildings or structures and to provide accommodation for the members of the Club and their guests upon premises occupied by the Club	Construction of an outdoor covered area named the <i>Steve Wharerau</i> pavilion constructed by club volunteers with materials donated or heavily discounted to fit within the Club's budget
To give such security for the discharge of liabilities incurred by the Club as the Club sees fit	All liabilities were discharged in 2006. There was no requirement for new assurances to be issued in 2006. The Club remains debt free.
To acquire, hold, deal with, and dispose of any real or personal property	There was no requirement to dispose of any property of the Club during 2006
To borrow money upon such terms and conditions as the Club thinks fit	There was no requirement to borrow money for use by the Club in 2006
To invest and deal with any or the funds of the Club not immediately required for the purposes thereof upon such securities or investments and in such manner as the Management Committee may from time to time see fit and to vary and realise such securities and investments provided that such funds shall be invested only in such forms of securities and investment as are permitted by law for the investment of trust moneys	\$11,000 operating profit from 2005 was transferred from general funds into the Building Fund in 2006.
To enter into any arrangement with any government or local authority that may seem conducive to any of the Club's objects and to obtain from any such government or local authority any rights, privileges and concessions which the Management Committee may from time to time see fit	An application for a government grant of \$250,000 was lodged with the City of Bayswater in August 2005 for improved field lighting failed to attract a Government Grant. A great deal of planning and lobbying was put into a second application and lodged and has passed to the second stage, now under consideration of the department of Sport & Recreation
To appoint and employ or remove or suspend any manager, clerk, secretary, servant, workman and any other person that the Management Committee may require for the management, maintenance and running of the Club	The Management Committee recruited and appointed a Premier Grade qualified Club Coach from New Zealand in January 2006, now under contract for three years to support the restructure of the senior grade coaching team and coaching of the premier grade club team
To take such steps by personal or written appeal, public meeting or otherwise as the Management Committee may from time to time deem expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Club	The support of a major sponsor (Members Equity) was secured under contract with a commitment for 3 years naming rights to the club.
To print and publish any newspapers, periodicals, books or leaflets that the Management Committee may deem desirable for the promotion of its objects	3 editions of the Lineout magazine was published and distributed to registered members. The club featured in articles published by the Sunday Times and Community Newspapers during 2006 The internet web page was updated and redesigned to reflect a renewed image of the club

Objective	How well did we do
To subscribe to, become a member of and cooperate with any other association, club or organisation, whether incorporated or not, whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of the Club	The Club Coach secured a partnership arrangement with Bayswater Waves for a significant reduction in fees for open access to the gymnasium equipment and weights program for senior grade players and members of the Club Academy
Subject to these rules to impose and collect from any member subscriptions, fees, fines or other moneys for the purpose of carrying on or furthering the objects of the Club	Electronic Funds Transfer provisions were implemented to enable collection of membership and registration fees For the first time in memory history, all player membership fees were paid in full for 2006
To take legal or other action against any member or other person who may be acting in any way contrary to the interests of the Club or contrary to the rules	With the exception of 3 non members required to show reason why, there was no action taken against any member of the Club for acting in a way contrary to the interests of the Club or contrary to the rules

Registrars Report (Ms Kerrie Buist)

In contrast with the previous year the 2006 season witnessed not just an increase in registered players but was also a very positive year in regards to payment of fees. The no pay – no play policy was enforced and after the initial drop-off of players, a virtual 100% of monies was received. The cooperation from players, coaches and managers was of great assistance and is also reflected in only one minimal fine imposed by Rugby WA for the entire season

Number of registered players	2006	2005
Total (all grades)	155	*129
Women's	18	*0
Social/Life Members	52	*40
Number of financial members (total)	225	*169

*Accurate data not available

Sponsorship Report (Mr Bob Meade)

All pledged monies or in-kind was realised in 2006 with special thanks to those who have seen fit to support the club in this manner with what was considered to be a *record year*.

Over \$40,000 was attributed to sponsorship support during 2006

Major sponsors for 2006 (in no particular order)

RIC Publications	Presidential Steel Fixing	Gourmet Chevups
Bokay Group	Rugby Lunches	Kent Corporation
Electrical Distributors	Mitchell Rigging Services	Murphies Limestone
Building Workshop	Access rental	Sandvik
Morley Ale House	Carlisle Retravision	Members Equity
Heroes	Fleet West	

Clubhouse Management Report *(Ms Jeanne Seymour)*

Highlight of the year was the “welcome home” for the Women’s Team following their defeat at the Grand Final on Sunday 3 September 2006 with over 60 members and supporters participating in a hangi celebration.

The JJ Guthrie Awards Night was well supported as were most events organised by the Event Coordinator (At-home games, Sponsors and Past Members day), contributing to a well supported bar for most of the year. Thanks to those members who supported of the bar roster allowing overhead costs to be kept to the minimum with resultant profits to the Club.

An application to extend the liquor licensed hours for the Club was successful.

General housekeeping, maintenance and cleaning was ongoing and enabled the clubhouse to retain its warm and welcoming ambiance.

The Club formalised 6 **Health Policies** during the year with the management committee signing off to ensure enforcement as part of the Government Healthway sponsorship program. These policies include:

- Drug policy
- Alcohol policy
- Sun awareness
- Smoke free policy
- Safety in Sport policy
- Healthy catering policy

Member Protection *(Mr Barry Guzder)*

The 2006 season was well supported by volunteer Team Managers and coaches who instilled a sense of discipline and pride into the players with the dynamic changes most evident from the standards being set by the premier grade. Special mention must to be made of the injury management team comprising First Aiders, supported by professional physiotherapists who kept pain and discomfort to a minimum. There was a significant decrease in the injury rate in 2006 attributed to the increase in health awareness and fitness levels of players generally.

The adequacy of player insurance was questioned with all players being urged to have private hospital and disability insurance in addition to the injury insurance policy provided by ARU which is for catastrophic injury only.

Club Merchandise (Mr Paul Dannefaerd)

Club merchandise sales were robust throughout the year and with the service availability of EFTPOS provided an opportunity for spontaneous purchases.

A phenomenon this year was the return of all player jerseys and equipment in good order and without any losses. Special thanks to Team Managers for the manner in which the condition of club property had been preserved. It is recommended that the club logo be made a registered trademark as one instance of unauthorised use of the logo had been reported this year.'

Building program (Mr Steve Wharerau)

The expansion of the club membership participation rate and the demand for increased storage space is placing pressure on the efficiency of the available space within the confines of the Club House. A recent boost to the building fund makes funds available to remodel existing storage areas to make them more efficient. The management committee has approved in principle the redesign of the office area to improve the storage space for club merchandise, the administration area and to the upgrade the equipment shed infrastructure. Designs were prepared for submission to the City of Bayswater for planning approval.

Summary

In general terms 2006 was a year of consolidation of the gains made the previous year, to make Perth Bayswater a club of *first choice*. This ideology can be demonstrated by the distance some members are prepared to travel, to practice and to socialise at the Morley Club House. Members come from as far as Clarkson in the North, Helena Valley to the East, to Karragullen in the South East, and all points in between.

The club is planning strategically for its future successes both on and off the field based on a solid foundation of **sound structure and strong leadership**. And while a premiership flag is highly desirable, it will be the *journey* to achieve reality that will make Perth Bayswater stand out from the others. Great reliance is being placed on the qualities of integrity, stewardship and uprightness to demonstrate the clubs motto – ***The Best with Pride***

John Robertson
Club Secretary