

Melbourne East Netball Association

Annual Report

2022



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Wow we did it we made it through 2022 without any COVID interruptions. 2022 saw a great return to Netball across our programs with participation numbers remained high and opportunities for people to play netball continuing to grow.

Community netball does not exist without volunteers, and I continue to be amazed and in awe of all the dedicated people that we have as part of our MENA community. Our Club volunteers, rep coaches, our board and committees and staff are instrumental in ensuring the success of MENA and that our community get to play the great game of Netball.

It is therefore with pleasure that I present the Presidents Report for Melbourne East Netball Association for the year ending 31 December 2022.

Our home at HE Parker Maroondah Nets was a buzz with activity all year. From as early as January our Representative Program players started preseason before the return of our Club Competition for the Autumn and Spring seasons and our Social Competitions during the week. We held our MENA Deakin Tournament in March, Pink Day in the May, Blue Day in September, Finals Series across all our Programs in June, and November. Our Representative Programs continue to improve all year training on Sunday mornings, playing during the week and tournaments throughout the year. On a average week down at Maroondah Nets we estimate that we have in excess of 2000 people playing netball and with coaches, umpires, spectators, staff it would not be unreasonable to have 6000+ people coming and going each week.

With playing being at the core of what we do at MENA, in the background we have amazing people many volunteering keeping everything moving. At our AGM in May 2022 a new Constitution was adopted which saw a change to our governance structure with the creation of a MENA Board. MENA continues to be a growing entity and our management structure needed to represent that. A key driver of this was to utilise the expertise of our volunteers and ensure we were having the right conversations at the right times. I would like to thank our Board Members (Greg, Cheryl, Carissa, Amanda, Joanne, Narelle) for accepting these positions during a transition period as we set ourselves up for success. Our constitution also established a Club Competition Standard Committee ensuring that our clubs continue to provide two-way communication to the board to advice on matters affecting our Club Competition.

Between September and December, we saw some changes in our MENA Staff. Tracy Lawrence who has been our Operations Manager for 7 years departed to take on new challenges. I would like to again thank Tracy for all her work at MENA over her 7 years she has been instrumental in developing our programs and helping netball to grow across MENA. This saw the appointment of Carly Kinsella to the role having been our Program Coordinator previously. This created new opportunities and after a few recruitment drives we appointed Joanne Bishop recently to our Team. We also have new faces in our Competitions office, and we welcome all our new staff to our MENA family. I would like to thank all our staff for their contribution to our organisation.

At the core of everything we have achieved we continue to see amazing netball played across all our Programs from our Social Walking Netball/Ladies competitions, Club Competitions, All Abilities and Representative teams. We love seeing the excitement on the faces of our 6+ year old Net Set Go players to our more mature netballers. As we move into 2023, we will continue to look for opportunities to increase participation in the sport we all love.

There is truth in the use of the phrase by John Heywood 'Many Hands make light work' and whether it means, 'the more the merrier' or 'strength in numbers' to you I want to thank every single person that has helped in some way across MENA this year from baking cupcakes for our fundraising events, setting up marquee at tournament or attending various meetings and review processes. THANKYOU. To those that have ever thought about getting involved in MENA please reach out we would love to hear from you or just offer your services, we promise it is worth it to see everyone enjoying playing netball.

Amy Ferris
President



COMPETITIONS REPORT

As we returned to 'normal' after 2 years of lockdowns we found that people were very eager to return to Netball which was fantastic. A very different year to the past two years that everyone had experienced, we ran full seasons and everyone was grateful to be back on court and have a normal year with no lockdown. We look forward to running another fun and successful year full of Netball in 2023.

Club Competition

It was wonderful to welcome back all our clubs and teams for 2022. Melbourne East Netball Association had a very successful year with 183 teams register for our Autumn Club Competition and we had 197 teams register for our Spring Club Competition. It was great seeing everyone back on the court and enjoying the year with no interruptions. Overall, a very fun year being back and playing our favourite game.



Wednesday Night Ladies Competition

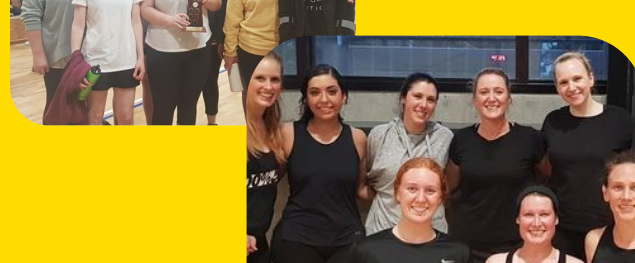
We had 27 in Autumn and 29 teams in Spring registered to play in our Wednesday Night Ladies Competition which was our largest group yet. With a group this large we had to move games to our outdoor courts as well so more players could play and enjoy their competitive netball.

Walking Netball Competition

We had 6 teams play in our Walking Netball Competition. The mixed Walking Netball teams played games indoors on Monday evening from 7pm. A traditional competition which includes a regular fixture, ladders and season with set teams. It's a social, fun and participation focused competition with no finals. Players create and register a team to play in this traditional format with a social twist and modified rules.

Rock Up Walking Netball Sessions

We offered 2 Casual Walking Netball sessions one at 10am and one at 1pm (Over 65's) on a Monday. We had lots of eager people each week who enjoyed playing Walking netball, having fun and improving their fitness. Enjoying having a cup of coffee afterwards and catching up with everyone.



Our Community

Pink Sports Round

Our Netball community Pinked it up for a great cause during Round 9. Thank you to everyone who pinked it up, donated cupcakes, bought cupcakes, bought a raffle ticket or had a guess in the lolly jar competition. What amazing Team spirit.

Pink Sports Round was a HUGE success!!! The dedication and enthusiasm of our volunteers saw us raise \$4,885.96. These funds will go straight to Breast Cancer Network Australia to support Australians affected by breast cancer. What a fantastic effort! It was also great to see so many people dressed up in Pink and getting into the spirit during the round. Thank you to all those who helped make the day a success.

Thanks to our community we raised \$4,885.96 in 2022 for Breast Cancer Network



Blue Sports Round

Beyond Blue Round. was a fantastic success!!! The dedication and enthusiasm of our volunteers saw us raise \$3,932.50. These funds have gone straight to Beyond Blue to assist with their vital 24/7 Support Service to ensure every call, webchat, and email from people in need can be answered.

It was also great to see so many people add a splash of blue letting everyone know that speaking up and seeking help is okay. Thanks to our volunteers who baked a sea of blue cupcakes and sweet goodies, bought a sweet treat, raffle ticket or had a guess in the lolly jar competition. Thank you to all those who helped make the day a success.

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Umpiring

2022 has seen considerable growth in the MENA Umpiring Program. After 2 years of very little netball, it has been time for MENA umpiring to strengthen and grow.

Although umpire numbers have been similar to previous years, a total of 110 in Autumn and 117 in Spring (115 in 2021), the greatest difference is in the decreasing numbers of qualified umpires and an increase in number of beginner and learner umpires. Consequently, there has been an emphasis on growing the numbers of qualified umpires and developing the umpiring skills and techniques of all MENA umpires – beginner to badged.

In 2022:

- Jo Davidson ran two “introduction to Umpiring” sessions for beginner umpires. Both sessions were very well attended and Clubs have been fantastic in supporting these umpires (a total of 40 across our 13 clubs) as they start their umpiring journey.
- We introduced an umpiring workshop program – “Talking Umpiring”. These sessions were facilitated by Jo Davidson; were topic specific and relevant to any level of umpire at MENA. A total of 6 workshops were held in 2022; all sessions had strong attendance numbers from most clubs. Notes were taken at each session and can be used to further support umpires.
- MENA set up a Talent Squad facilitated by Eloise Fox that involved intensively training 4 of our talented C grade umpires on Open 1 and 2 games.
- Finding umpires for NetSetGo games on Friday night has continued to be quite problematic for Clubs. All umpires new to umpiring NetSetGo games are briefed and given a brochure outlining umpiring techniques for managing these games.

MENA Umpiring Staff continue to support Club umpire trainers at the courts and there is also a mentoring package available for Club umpire trainers.

We increased the number of MENA trainers in the C Grade training Program which meant that this program was able to expand

MENA is very lucky to have 12 endorsed testers and 2 cadet testers that are available to test umpires for a Netball Australia C Grade badge at any time through the year.

We had umpires at the Representative Program tournaments; Regional Championships for Chisholm and Association Championships where we had umpires selected to enter the Netball Victoria pathway.

In 2022, we tested 17 umpires for their C Grade umpire accreditation.

Congratulations to:

- Charlee Macartney; Abigail Robinson & Dilly St John – Mullum
- Daniela Schipano; Erin Gualano; Tori Stone & Jess Downes – Holy Spirit
- Jasmine Emery – HFNC Jets
- Steph Kewley; Madi Smith; Caitlyn Sproston; Steph Issa & Hannah Touhy - Southwood
- Kelsey Paterson; Kaylah Loy-Abrahams & Steph Pinwill – St James
- Cassie McCallum – Blackburn Lake

It has been amazing to watch the development of these umpires.

Also, Laura Knight (East Ringwood) gained her B Grade badge at Waverley.

The strength of the MENA umpiring program this year has been the number of people that work together to support our umpires, a big thank you to:

- Lisa Koster – Organising umpires for our Monday and Wednesday night competitions; training and testing our C Grade umpires and supervising umpires on Saturday.
- Alex Morgan, Abbey Heron and Annie Turner – supervising umpires on Friday night & Saturday as well as training and testing umpires
- Amanda Bullock, Geraldine Coombes, Jenna Carter and Braedan Johnstone – trainers in C Grade training Program
- MENA Testers – Jo, Lisa K, Amanda, Carol, Geraldine, Laura, Leonie, Lisa A, Hayley, Lynda, Annie, Alex and Maureen
- Eloise Fox – managing the Talent Squad
- The 13 Club umpire coordinators who work hard each week to make sure there are umpires on every game.



And in particular, Jo Davidson for sharing her expertise and supporting the MENA umpiring in so many ways; from facilitating workshops to umpire training & testing and most of all for supporting me. ear in 2022.

**Marian Fitzpatrick
MENA Umpires Convenor**



Representative Netball

2022 saw our first 'normal' Representative year for some time, there was a lot to be excited about.

Once again we held our trials in late November, with our Rep Coaches & independent selectors picking 17 & Under teams x 2, 15 & Under x 4, 13 & Under teams x 4, 39 players in our 11 & Under development squad and Emerging Talent Squad players across 13 & Under and 15 & Under. With low numbers registered for Open trials we made the difficult decision not to proceed with an Open Representative team for 2022.

With Covid concerns still apparent in January 2022 we decided not to proceed with our Annual camp. Whilst disappointing for players and coaches alike the health and safety of our Rep program was paramount.

For the first time in 2 years our teams experienced two full seasons at Waverley and attended all tournaments as scheduled.

Autumn 2022 Waverley – our players and coaches achieved wonderful results with our 13.3s and all 15 & Under teams making finals in their respective competitions. Our 15.2s, 15.3s & 15.4s won their way through to their Grand Finals, whilst results didn't go our way we were extremely proud of our teams. Congratulations to 15.4s player Hayley who was named Most Valuable Player of the Grand Final.

Spring 2022 Waverley – once again a number of our teams made finals of their Spring season at Waverley; 17.2s, 13.4s, 15.2s & 15.3s with our 15.2s progressing through to and winning their Grand Final. Congratulations to 15.2s player Gemma who was named Most Valuable Player of the Grand Final.

Player Achievements

- Allie Davidson – School Sport Victoria - 15 & Under State team
- All 15 & Under teams in Waverley Autumn season Finals
- Association Championships – 2023 Netball Victoria Central East Talent Identification Program
 - Allie Davidson
 - Gabby Linton
 - Ella Stone
- Chisholm Representation –
 - Abbey Whitaker (Training Partner, 17 & Under)
 - Allie Davison – 15 & Under
 - Rose Hollow – 15 & Under
 - Gabby Linton – 15 & Under
 - Emma North-Coombes (Training Partner, 15 & Under)
 - Ella Stone (Training Partner, 15 & Under)
- State Indoor Netball Representation – Jaclyn McCallum – National U16 Mixed Team Champion



Presentation Night – Saturday 26 November players & their families came together for our Presentation evening at Ringwood Bowls Club. A wonderful opportunity for our players to be recognised and our Representative community to come together and celebrate.

Award Winners

- 13.1 Gabrielle & Chloe
- 13.2 Emma & Grace
- 13.3 Samantha & Abbey
- 13.4 Caitlin & Emily
- 15.1 Claudia & Emma
- 15.2 Summer & Annie
- 15.3 Sarah & Savannah
- 15.4 Halle & Aria
- 17.1 Matilda & Jess
- 17.2 Beth & Hannah

I would like to thank every parent, coach and official involved in our program, your dedication and passion ensures our players get to play the sport they love.

Thank you to our Rep coaches, your dedication, passion and commitment to both your players and our program.

Thank you Tracy, Carly, Julie and Merryn for all their assistance throughout the year. I am so appreciative of all the behind the scenes work you do for our program. Thank you Kate Lafferty - coordinating our umpires for both Waverley and tournaments throughout the year.

To the MENA Board of Management – thank you for your ongoing support and your dedication to our association. In particular thank you to Cheryl Begg, your guidance and friendship is greatly appreciated.

Lindy Dowell
Head Coach



2022 Representative Teams

11 & Under Development Squad



13 & Under Teams



Back Row

Chloe Anderson

Mia Emmett

Loretta McWilliams (Coach)

Gabrielle Hooper

Amaya Porter

Front Row

Mia Collins

Harrison Strithof

Keira Robinson

Sian Hollow

Isabel Eslick

Absent

Molly Sherriff



Back Row

Georgie Shackelford

Grace Seadon

Lana Zerafa

Paige Edwards

Olivia Webb

Front Row

Amy Methiven

Emma Heathcote

Greg Burnie (Coach)

Belle Whitaker

Jasmine Truong

Absent

Jessica Hiatt



Back Row

Yvie Milner

Angela Cullen (Coach)

Anna Finlay

Front Row

Alexandra Kos

Addison Gray

Celeste Newland

Samantha Tsantis

Abbey Stansfield

Absent

Zoe Dean

Abbey Bruni

Caitlyn Morgans



Back Row

Alex Modz-Manson

David Patmore (Coach)

Caitlin Capuano

Front Row

Logan Fairweather

Maddison Rieusset

Macy Clarkson

Grace Steele

Olivia Moore

Absent

Emily Lafferty

Tully Wilkinson

Zoe Morgans

15 & Under Teams



Representative Team U15.1 2022



Back Row
 Claudia Semos
 Emma North-Coombes
 Rose Hollow
 Abbey Heron (Coach)

Front Row
 Chloe Moore
 Cheryl Chen
 Demi Crowl
 Ella Stone

Absent
 Allie Davidson
 Amelie Scherer
 Gabriella Linton



Representative Team U15.2 2022



Back Row
 Jemma Whitaker
 Sophie Papadopoulos
 Annie Lafferty
 Elise Murray
 Summer Murphy
 Jessica Hooper (Coach)

Front Row
 Alicia Roach
 Amity Carter
 Ashlee Methven
 Hayley McDonald
 Samantha Pouesi
 Anabelle Noble



Representative Team U15.3 2022



Back Row
 Maya Leonard
 Savannah Kippie
 Maya Featherston
 April Durrant
 Emily Hine (Coach)

Front Row
 Gemma Pouesi
 Indiana Thek
 Sienna Smith
 Gemma Chipperfield
 Phoebe Brown

Absent
 Sarah McKenzie



Representative Team U15.4 2022



Back Row
 Isabella Tsantis
 Hayley Wansbrough
 Hayley Papadopoulos
 Aria Conway
 Merryn Brien (Coach)

Front Row
 Carys Baynes
 Indiana Clarkson
 Halle Gray
 Charlotte Keaney
 Lily Williams

Absent
 Charity Onley

17 & Under Teams



Representative Team U17.1 2022



Back Row
 Laura Knight (Coach)
 Anabelle Taylor
 Chloe North-Coombes
 Abbey Whitaker
 Alexia Plimmer
 Alex Morgan (Coach)

Front Row
 Ella Long
 Ellie Bain
 Georgia Scheer
 Stella Smirk
 Jess Downes

Absent
 Matilda Nichol
 Emma Stevens



Representative Team U17.2 2022



Back Row
 Olivia Murray
 Jaclyn McCallum
 Tasha Currie
 Emily Block
 Olivia George
 Diane Russack (Coach)

Front Row
 Mila Eastwood
 Beth Stone
 Olivia Baud
 Sunday Marsden
 Bec Dowsey

All Abilities Association Champs

Our All Abilities team played in the Netball Victoria All Abilities Association Championships in June 2022.

Coming away with the win! Well done Champs.

What a terrific day for our team who played. Kudos to our Coaches Sue Ross and Jeanette Hodges who are coached these talented players at the Association Championships.



Support your local Netball Community

Melbourne East Netball Association are looking to partner with local businesses, to continue to bring the benefits of community sport to the people in our area.

As we know, participation in sport can have direct benefits for the physical and mental health of individuals, therefore strengthening our community.

Our association has over 200 teams across NetSetGo, to Open teams, Social Mid Week Netball competition, Walking Netball competition. We have over 130 umpires officiate our games and 11 Representatives teams that train out of Maroondah Nets, one of the best facilities in the area and play at Waverley Netball Centre.

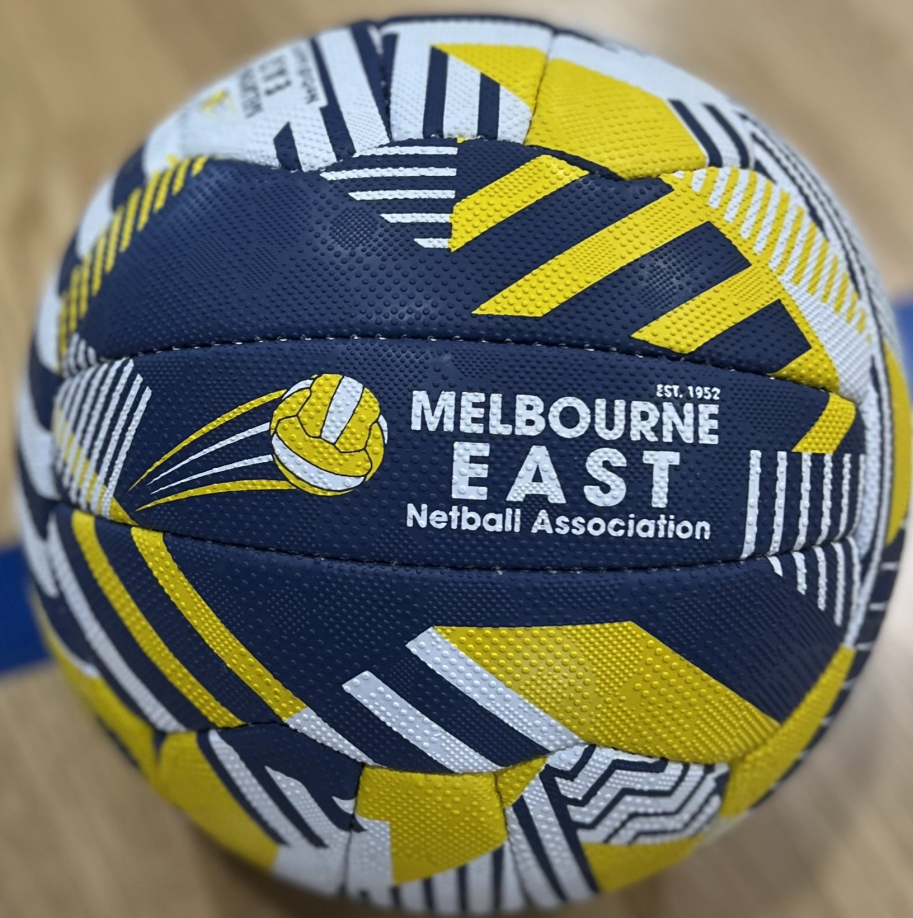
With a history of over a century, our association is achieving its goals adding greatly to the reach and exposure of our sponsors.

As Netball continues to grow and participation is on the rise this is the perfect opportunity for your company to partner with us and get maximum exposure throughout the local Netball community.

We have sponsorship options available across all our programs. We are also happy to tailor a package to suit your needs.

Feel free to contact us on the following to discuss: Amy Ferris – President
Email: president@menanetball.com.au

Financial Overview



Treasurers Report

Profit and Loss

For the year ended 31 December 2022, Melbourne East Netball Association made a surplus of \$17,817. 2022 saw our Association back to full strength after COVID. Revenue was back to pre-COVID levels for NSG, Saturday Competition and the Rep Program. Pleasingly, Wednesday Night Ladies Competition and Walking Netball participation rates were also higher than they've ever been. The Café has also experienced a huge turn around – to a profit position - thanks to the efforts of Merryn in controlling costs and rejuvenating the menu.

As a not for profit Association our aim remains to cover our expenses and provide the best programs we can while respecting the contributions of our Clubs, Social Teams and Rep Program Members. With that in mind a small surplus for the year was a desirable outcome.

Having said that, we will continue to pursue appropriate grants and sponsorship opportunities to supplement our income.

Bank Accounts

Melbourne East Netball Association remains debt free and in a strong cash position with \$156,506 Cash at Bank at year end. This healthy surplus allows us to navigate future unplanned events and reinvest in our sport.

As at 31 December 2022

Operating Accounts (Working, Debit, Cash Management)	\$79,018
Term Deposit	\$77,488
Total Cash at Bank	\$156,506

As at 16th March 2023, the working accounts totalled \$181,726, and the term deposit balance was \$77,488.

A view to 2022

The stadium closure saw a slow start to the year and played havoc with the budget. Thankfully we were back on court sooner than expected and its now full steam ahead.

We are anticipating expenses to increase given the state of the economy but we are well placed to absorb them. MENA's bookkeeper Julie keeps a very close eye on our expenditure and delivers timely reports to Amy, Carly, Merryn and myself allowing us to react quickly. At this stage, we are well placed to make a small surplus again for 2023.

Today we set our 2024 Affiliation Fees at an unchanged \$10 due by 1st February 2024.

Narelle Caffyn

Treasurer

Independent Accounting

AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR

MELBOURNE EAST NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC

This is a special report prepared especially for the office bearers and members of the above association. It is not available for any 3rd person or entity who may wish to rely on the information contained therein without expressed permission in writing by the author.

Your auditor has sampled the audit trail of the income and expenditure of the organisation and reports to the office bearers and members at the AGM at a date to be fixed.

The auditor reports that on the information supplied and the use of other points of reference that the auditor is satisfied that the accounts are prepared and presented in true and fair vision of the income and expenditure for the year ending 31st December 2022 which show in the income and expenditure statement a profit of \$17,817.00 and any changes in the balance sheet of MELBOURNE EAST NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC, have been substantiated. It is not the auditor's duty to recommend what action should be taken as a result of the audit.

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CK Somerville MIPA AFA

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Profit & Loss Statement

Melbourne East Netball Association Inc.

For the 12 months ended 31 December 2022

	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Assets		
Bank		
AUD PayPal	111	-
Cash Management	67,888	140,955
Debit Card	770	1,076
Term Deposit	77,488	37,208
Working Account	10,249	11,444
Total Bank	156,506	190,683
Current Assets		
Accounts Receivable	(4,712)	(78,476)
Cafe Till Difference	-	409
Cash on hand - Cafe Float	438	486
Cash on hand - Competition Float	100	100
Cash on hand - Float other	260	260
Prepayments	12,949	7,776
Rep Competition Charges in Advance	818	-
Total Current Assets	9,854	(69,446)
Total Assets	166,360	121,237
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	23,053	11,044
GST	(1,086)	(8,458)
Income in Advance	15,225	9,664
Rep Player Fee Deposit	27,455	25,091
Rounding	-	-
Total Current Liabilities	64,647	37,341
Total Liabilities	64,647	37,341
Net Assets	101,713	83,896
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	17,817	76,922
Old MYOB Balances Reserve	204,478	204,478
Retained Earnings	(120,583)	(197,504)
Total Equity	101,713	83,896

Balance Sheet

Melbourne East Netball Association Inc.

As at 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
Trading Income		
Cafe	119,056	66,038
Admin	11,679	13,451
Club Comp		
Net Set Go	34,699	21,465
Saturday Comp	197,111	124,484
Tournament	5,168	-
Total Club Comp	236,977	145,948
Comp and Program	69,772	46,526
Rep	126,298	97,577
Total Trading Income	563,782	369,540
Cost of Sales		
Rep Uniforms Purchases	10,099	5,254
Cafe Supplies	58,483	30,056
Total Cost of Sales	68,582	35,310
Gross Profit	495,201	334,230
Other Income		
Other Income	4,500	102,986
Rep Other Income	-	149
Total Other Income	4,500	103,135
Operating Expenses		
Courtside Cafe	42,630	45,952
Admin	128,029	109,719
Club Comp	108,958	59,925
Comp and Program	84,019	57,327
Representative Netball	118,248	87,521
Total Operating Expenses	481,883	360,443
Net Profit	17,817	76,922

The Board

PRESIDENT

AMY FERRIS

VICE PRESIDENT

GREG BURNIE

SECRETARY

CHERYL BEGG

TREASURER

NARELLE CAFFYN

EVENTS & FUNDRAISING

AMANDA BULLOCH

SPONSORSHIP & MARKETING

CARISSA FERRO

Competition Standing Committee

ALL ABILITIES : SUE ROSS

BLACKBURN LAKE: NO DELEGATE

EAST RINGWOOD : SCOTT HINE & CARMEN DE LA RUE

HEATHMONT UNITED : DE'ARNE HALLET

HFNC Jets : MICHELLE DE LA PIERRE

HOLY SPIRIT : SANDRA SCHIPANO

MULLUM : FIONA PUMPA & ROCHELLE TURNER

NUNAWADING: MICHELLE TREEBY

OUR LADY'S : SCOTT RYAN

PARK ORCHARDS : ANGELA WOOD

RINGWOOD NORTH : GAVIN CARROLL

SOUTHWOOD : ABBEY HERON

ST JAMES : JANINE PIPER

TRINITY : EMMA STANSFIELD

UMPIRE CONVENOR : MARIAN FITZPATRICK

Life Members

BEVERLEY FROST*

JOAN LANG

IRENE WILKINS*

DAWN SEEDY

KERRY BAIRD

ANNE GIBSON

LINDSAY SUMMERS

JANICE TACEY

GREG TOOMEY

LORETTA YORK

DIANNE KENNEDY

JENNY ROBERTS

STEVE ATKINS

ANN FRASER*

MARIAN FITZPATRICK

KYLIE SPEARS

*deceased

New Life Member— Kylie Spears



Congratulations to our newest life member Kylie Spears! In recognition of the invaluable contribution Kylie has made to the association, she's demonstrated ongoing commitment, and bought the MENA values to life through everything she has done. Including being instrumental in gaining funding for the Stadium, being a powerhouse with everything she put her mind to whether that be policy writing, baking 150 cupcakes for Blue or Pink Day or running committee meetings. Kylie's ability to connect easily with everyone involved whether it be a brand new 7-year-old who had just started playing to a federal politician is inspiring.

She joins a valuable group and very select group of MENA Life Members. Congratulations and thank you, Kylie.



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