



HIGHVALE NETBALL CLUB



Highvale Netball Club Annual Report 2020



HIGHVALE NETBALL CLUB INC.
Reg. No. A001 9001 H

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Sunday 29th November 2020

TIME: 10.30am

Zoom Host:

AGENDA AGM:

1. **10.30am** – Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting
4. Presentation of 2020 President's Report
5. Presentation of 2020 Treasurer's Report
6. Election of members of the Committee for the next twelve months
7. Business section of meeting closed.

Ann-Maree Jefferis
Secretary

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

1. To promote, control and manage all teams represented by the club, and to provide healthy recreation for members of the Club.
2. To encourage, recruit and promote the game of netball.
3. To join an Association affiliated with the Victorian Netball Association.
4. To enter teams in any competitions organised by the Association.
5. To enter teams in any competition as approved by the Club Committee.
6. To encourage social life and good fellowship amongst members of the club and to promote social functions, athletic sports, recreational activities and pastimes held within the club.
7. To invest in accordance with state laws, any monies or funds of the club with any worthwhile institution as approved by the executive committee.

HIGHVALE NETBALL CLUB WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Committee 2020

Donna Stevens	President
Nicole Newey	President
Ann-Maree Jefferis	Secretary
Sharon Bierenbroodspot	Treasurer
Donna Stevens	Coach Coordinator
Ann-Maree Jefferis	Communications Coordinator
Fiona Bahr	Uniforms Coordinator
Mon Hunt	Marketing Coordinator
Kim Bartlett	Committee member
Carolyn Horvath	Committee member

Coaches 2020

Alyssa Newey	Rockets	Kate Smedley	Stars
Charlotte Bahr	Rockets	Brad Frost	Sapphires
Viv Potter	Bullets	Peter Bartlett	Gems
Novica Pearsall	Bullets	Donna Stevens	Emeralds
Jess Stevens	Novas	Sophie Papaefraim(M)	Flyers
Maddie Redlich	Novas	Jessica Hunt (M)	ZigZags
Chloe Frost	Comets		

Representative players 2020

Representative Club	Highvale representatives
Melbourne Waverley	Amelie Huppe, Kasey Thompson, Maya Crombie
Waverley Night Netball Association	Shayla Turner, Bronte Turner, Tara Worthy, Alicia Basham
Eastern United	Maya Loeckenhoff, Jess Stevens
VNL – Hawks U19's	Summah Hinchcliffe



THE HIGHVALE NETBALL CLUB ALSO ACKNOWLEDGES OUR LIFE MEMBERS AND RECIPIENTS OF CLUBS AWARDS:

Life members of Highvale Netball Club Inc.

1991 Val O'Brien
 2009 Jody De Cesare
 2015 Liz Joyce

1998 Ross Young
 2009 Gayle Green
 2018 Eliza James

1999 Colleen McDougall
 2015 Vito De Cesare

Club Award Recipients

1991 Glenis Mackay
 1991 Sangita Tailor
 1991 Colleen McDougall
 1991 Emma Splatt
 1991 Debbie McDougall
 1993 Ron Waldron
 1993 Sue Mackay
 1994 Ross Young

1995 Katrina Hall
 1995 Leanne McDougall
 1996 Colleen McDougall
 1999 Michael Hall
 1999 Merrill Pohlen
 2000 Trish Hall
 2001 Pam Bartlett
 2003 Christine Chalmers

2007 Leanne McDougall
 2008 Bob Cave
 2010 Sue Allen
 2010 Vito De Cesare
 2011 Liz Joyce
 2017 Greg Hunt

The Bhavya Sethi Spirit Award

2018 Tanna Reynolds
 2019 Donna Stevens

President's Report 2020

Our third President's Report is certainly very different to our previous two reports. 2020 has been a very difficult year for us all. Not unlike the wonderful team sport of netball we have all had to work together during the tough Covid19 restrictions. By all of us doing our bit we are now able to resume life as the restrictions ease and get back to all the things we enjoy. Things such as netball – hooray!

The few netball games played at the start of this year are a very distant memory. For those games played in the Autumn 2020 season HNC entered 10 teams in total. The 10 teams were made up of 1 in U11s, 2 in U13s, 2 in U15s, 1 in U17s and 4 in Open.

Highvale is a domestic netball club which prides itself on fair play, mate ship and inclusiveness for all our members. HNC aims to create and promote a safe, fun and friendly environment for people of all ages. HNC also aims to engage with the community to offer and encourage participation in netball at a "grass roots level". There is also the added bonus of being involved in a team sport which provides so many benefits to all who participate. We can all agree that each and every one of these ideals and values has become even more important due to all that we have been through in 2020 and will continue to be so moving forward to our new "Covid Normal" way of life.

We are very fortunate to have a wonderful Committee supporting us. Many thanks to Ann-Maree Jefferis our Secretary, Sharon Bierenbroodspot our Treasurer, Tanya Frost our Coach Coordinator, Fiona Bahr our Uniform Coordinator, Tanya Frost our Communications and Social Media Manager and our General Committee Members Carolyn Horvath, Monica Hunt and Kim Bartlett. Due to work commitments Tanya was unable to continue on the committee midway through the year. The role of coach Coordinator was taken on by Donna Stevens while Ann Maree and Mon Hunt stepped in as Communications and Social Media Managers. A huge thank you to each and every one of you. The Committee has worked well together making a wonderful team ensuring that our club kept ticking along during the Covid19 restrictions.

At HNC we are extremely lucky to have a dedicated group of coaches. All volunteer their time to the teams they coach. While there has not been a great deal of netball played this year our coaches have kept in contact with their teams via various different channels. Thank you for your support and commitment to your teams. It is very much appreciated as we know you have your own family, work and school commitments to attend to as well as the stress of dealing with the unprecedented times we have all found ourselves in this year.

While there has not been much netball played on the court this year the Committee has still been regularly meeting. The majority of these meetings have been done via video. During this time a number of Grants have been submitted. Fingers crossed we may have receive some additional funds which can be utilised around the club.

Back in May/June there was much excitement as we almost had a return to training and competition. Plans for return to training were discussed by the Committee in consultation with WNNA. However as we all know this unfortunately did not eventuate.

We have tried to stay in touch with our members via Social Media, email and Team App. Various links have been posted to try and help our members not only keep up their skills but also maintain some sort of fitness. Hopefully these have been helpful and of interest to our members.

As of November we received great news as a return to training for our members aged 18 and under was finally given the green light. Thanks to Viv Potter and Brad Frost for running these training sessions. It was great to see our players back out on the netball courts. Even a smattering of rain at the first session could not dampen the spirits or keep the smiles off the faces of all those who participated.

WNNA also announced they were organising a number of social games for all their members (aged 18 and under). HNC had a great response from our players and has been very excited to enter 2 x U13 teams, 1 x U15 team, 1 x U17 team and 1 x U18 team. At the time of writing this report we are certainly looking forward to seeing each of these teams back to playing netball.

The Committee had been planning some special training sessions for 2020. While these plans did need to be put on hold they are now on the agenda for 2021. We are hoping to be able to offer our players:

- Defensive, goaling and midcourt training sessions to be run by Nardelli Coaching
- Netball skills development sessions which will be aimed at younger players with the hope of recruiting new players

While it is disappointing we could not run these session this year it does mean there is plenty to look forward to and be excited about for 2021.

WNNA and Monash Council have confirmed the redevelopment of the outdoor courts will be starting next year. At this stage they are hoping to start in January with works taking approximately 5 months. While this will cause some disruption to the way the Autumn 2021 season will be run, it is all for the greater good and we hope you can all stick with us. The outdoor netball courts at Jells Park have been in need of an overhaul for some time. Once the works are completed we will all be able to enjoy the benefits of the wonderful new courts and facilities.

While the outdoor courts are being redeveloped it will mean that the Autumn 2021 session will be run a little differently. **All** Games will still be played at Jells Park but will run over Saturday and Sunday. **All** games will be played on the indoor courts. This will be short term pain for long term gain.

HNC is always on the lookout for new people to join the committee. Being on committee is a great opportunity to not only contribute to the running of the club and ensuring a great netball experience for your child, but also being part of a group of likeminded people and sharing in the satisfaction of a job well done. We are a team here at HNC and it is an extremely rewarding experience not only for yourself but also for your child(ren) as they see you taking an interest in one of their activities.

We wish you all a happy and safe Christmas and New Year. Looking forward to seeing you around the netball courts in 2021.

Nicole Newey and Donna Stevens

Co-Presidents

Highvale Netball Club

TREASURER'S REPORT

31 October 2020

The following financial statements have been prepared for distribution to members and presentation at the Annual General Meeting.

These reports have been prepared by the Treasurer from bank statements, cheque books, invoices, etc., all kept under the control of the Treasurer.

The club's finances are secured by a strong balance sheet made up primarily of cash at bank of \$16,727.49.

The Profit and Loss for 2020 shows a Loss for the year of \$540.93 – the club is comfortable with this figure given our commitment to celebrating our combined AGM and 40th Birthday last year.

2020 has been a challenging year, with very little netball played. As such, WNNA decided to partially refund our Autumn 2020 registration fees, which in turn, allowed us to offer our members the choice of a \$70 refund, rollover or the option to donate their \$70 to the club.

We were absolutely blown away by the number of members who chose to donate their partial refunds back to the club. Your generosity has allowed us to fund a number of training sessions for our members at Jells Park and also to submit several teams into the 4 week social competition being run by WNNA. The club thanks you very much for your donations.

Stock of new and second hand uniforms held @ 31/10/20 is \$5,235.

This has been my second year as Treasurer, and I look forward to continuing in the role in 2021 – which I envisage being my final year as I no longer have a daughter playing netball.

Sharon Bierenbroodspot

Highvale Netball Club**Cheque Account Reconciliation**Period ending **31-Oct-20****BANK STATEMENT CLOSING BALANCE AS AT** **31-Oct-20** **16,727.49****Highvale Netball Club Income/Expenditure Transaction Reconciliation**

H.N.C. opening balance as at 01/11/19 17,268.42

Transactions - Income 01/11/19 - 31/10/20 15,006.31

Transactions - Expenses 01/11/19 - 31/10/20 -15,547.24

HIGHVALE N.C. BANK BALANCE @ **31-Oct-20** **16,727.49****VARIANCE TO BANK STATEMENT CLOSING BALANCE @** **31-Oct-20** **0.00****Highvale Netball Club Inc.**
Balance Sheet @ 31 October, 2020**Current Assets**

Cash at Bank 16,727.49

Uniform Assets on Hand 5,235.00

Trusts 0.00

Total Current Assets **21,962.49****Current Liabilities**

Outstanding Cheques 0.00

Tax Liabilities 0.00

Trusts 0.00

Total Current Liabilities **0.00****Net Assets** **21,962.49****Total Equity** **21,962.49**

Highvale Netball Club Inc.

Profit & Loss @ 31st October 2020

	2020	2019
Revenue		
Spring Club Fees (S2)	0.00	11,380.00
Autumn Club Fees (S1)	7,945.00	12,780.00
Post Season Club Fees (2021)	0.00	2,400.00
Prior Season Club Fees	140.00	240.00
Uniform	465.00	1,350.00
My Netball transaction fee	0.31	0.00
Interest	0.00	0.00
* Other	6,456.00	0.54
Total Revenue	<u>15,006.31</u>	<u>28,150.54</u>
Expenses		
Uniforms	0.00	1,148.90
# Team Registration	7,504.00	15,940.00
Umpire Payments	0.00	0.00
N.V. Expenses	478.20	543.69
Court Hire	1,125.00	2,650.08
Trophies	757.90	2,037.20
Website	165.00	38.00
Coaching Courses	377.25	2,092.50
Equipment	759.87	743.00
** Sundry Expenses	233.70	207.80
AGM Expense	2,801.32	2,129.76
Printing & Satationery	0.00	0.00
Payment Refund	1,195.00	1,180.00
Forfeit Fines	0.00	0.00
Umpire Fines	0.00	0.00
^ Other	150.00	0.00
Total Expenses	<u>15,547.24</u>	<u>28,710.93</u>
Net Operating Profit / (Loss)	<u>-540.93</u>	<u>-560.39</u>

* Dept. of Jobs, Precincts & Regions (Grants x 2), Refund from WNNA (partial Autumn fees & umpiring course re-imb).

From 1/1/19, umpire costs included in team registration

** Sundry Expenses:- Consumer Affairs, PPE, bank charge, gift

^ Come & Try' Session expense

COACH CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

What a year!! We started off the year with 10 teams playing at Jells Park for the Autumn season. Teams were full, coaches were settled, and we were looking forward to a strong year. 4 games in and bam COVID hit and everything came to a grinding halt.

Tanya Frost started the year continuing on in the role of coach co-ordinator. Unfortunately (for netball), as a nurse Tanya's great skills were needed on the front line to help combat this virus. A big Thank you Tanya for your hard work, new ideas, fabulous energy and delightful smile. We will miss you, however the friendships you have developed remain. So, I took on the role yet again to help get us through the year.

As my 8th year on committee, the majority involved with our coaches, I am very impressed with the caliber of coaches we have here at Highvale. I can't thank them enough for their organised, enthusiastic, patient, supportive, knowledgeable, caring and passionate approach. They are volunteers who give up their valuable time and energy to bring about successes in each and every one of our players and teams.

As coaches, we are teachers, managers, leaders, mentors, Psychologists, strategists, communicators, motivators and promoters of the sport –this year in particular has really highlighted this valuable role. Whilst we could only be involved in 4 games physically on the court our coaches have worked really hard behind the scenes to support all of their players in whatever capacity they can, whilst dealing with their own personal hurdles the unprecedented year created. Whether it was a text message, a phone call, an email, a group chat message or a zoom meeting – all were ways to continue communication and support.

During lockdown the club also offered access to Netfit, updates on the Suncorp Super Netball, information from Netball Victoria and some basic drills to do at home via our Facebook page hoping to keep our members engaged and informed on the goings on within the sport of netball. Whilst it couldn't relace the game it kept us in the game, informed and up to date.

In 2020, Highvale continued offering the coaching website thenetballcoach.com.au to assist our coaches in finding the right drill, or training game. We continued to offer it even whilst in lockdown to allow any coaches to build on their own personal development.

2020 was going to be a great year - we were looking at some new ways to help our coaches out and provide some specialist training to our players. We had signed up Rob and Lauren Nardelli from Nardelli coaching, to run some workshops on defence, attack and mid court skills for our current players. We were also looking at running some basic netball skills development sessions to draw in new young players to our club.

Unfortunately, these great initiatives did not get off the ground. Hopefully, we can follow them through and bring them to 2021.

Many thanks,
Donna Stevens

TEAM REPORTS

Rockets – Under 11

Team members: Shayla Turner, Bronte Turner, Alice Ryan, Leah Fuller, Shahani Gowritharan, Saige McCluskey-Basist, Belle Yaron, Declan Crombie

Training Players: Thisumi Amaarasinghe & Ben Yaron

Coach: Alyssa Newey & Charlotte Bahr

Rocket's started the year in under 11's section two, welcoming two new coaches onto the scene. We were extremely lucky to have been given the opportunity to have coached such a wonderful group of kids. Moving back to under 11's was definitely a challenge, but we had an amazing support system with Ash Turner not only being our team manager but both he and Kirsten helped us out at training whenever we needed an extra hand. In particular, their work with our two under 9 players did not go unnoticed as both Thisumi and Ben had massive improvements before the netball season was cancelled.

The team played so well in the first four rounds, blending together and working as a team as if they had played as a group for years. Their effort was rewarded as they were moved up to section one, where they unfortunately only got to play one game. We know if they had the opportunity to play the entire year in this section the improvement would have been outstanding.

During quarantine, we organized a zoom call with the team, in between adjusting to online learning, where the kids got an opportunity to learn a bit more about us and our journey to coaching through a fun Kahoot.

We are proud of the resilience the team has shown this year and cannot wait to get back to coaching next year and seeing how much they improve. **Go Rockets!**

Bullets – Under 13

Team members: Alizeh Agha, Madi Harwood, Tara Worthy, Aisha Hassan, Eryn Lawrence, Paige Ryan, Analise Horvath, Amrit Kaur

Coaches: Viv Potter & Novica Pearsall

What a year 2020 was!! The girls were excited to return to netball in February and trained hard before the start of the season. We had some pleasing results in the first month with 2 narrow losses whilst experimenting with new positions and patterns of play as well as 2 good wins all of which suggested a very successful season ahead. Then COVID arrived and everything stopped.

Hopefully, with the easing of restrictions everyone will return to this wonderful sport and 2021 will be bigger and better than ever!

Novas – Under 13

Team members: Samantha Bahr, Paige Frost, Amelie Huppe, Francesca Nguyen, Ava Sayce, Katie Delaney, Farrah Hassan, Minh Nguyen

Coaches: Jess Stevens, Maddie Redlich

2020 was definitely a crazy year. Although having a minimal season, the Novas girls worked super hard during the preseason to land a spot in section one in under 13's. Faced with countless challenges and bigger bodies, they fought hard week by week to have some close games and battles.

Both of us are extremely proud of what the girls have achieved and cannot wait to see what they can do in 2021!

Comets – Under 15

Team members: Prerana Parkale, Talya Wee, Anne Fo, Katrina Tran, Letitia Lee, Erin Tan, Chao Xin Cheng, Nisuli Weerasooriya,

Coach: Chloe Frost

This year we had a new member join the comets Prerana. Prerana has shown dedication to the group and has always tried her best in training and games. This year the girls had a new challenge that they were given when moving up to under 15's. Unfortunately due to covid-19 the season was cut short as we went into lockdown and didn't get to have a full season learning the new ropes of playing against under 15's. I look forward to seeing you next season.

Stars – Under 15

Team members: Jessica Bahr, Maya Crombie, Ameera Merza, Srujani Ravi, Megan Smedley, Maddie Redlich, Alicia Basham, Sandra Chaw, Cayenne Rabot,

Coach: Kate Smedley and Sophie Papaefraim

Just four games of netball were played when the season was brought to an unexpected and abrupt end due to COVID-19. Stars were moved up to Under 15 Section 1, and we won two of the four games played, which was a promising start. It was very disappointing and frustrating to not be able to play netball for most of the year, but I hope everyone managed to catch a few of the Super Netball games on TV.

Due to work commitments, I'm unable to continue coaching Stars. It has been great to be involved with such a lovely group of girls and their families, Stars have developed into a great cohesive team, and I look forward to cheering them on from the sidelines as they move into U17 in 2021!

Stay safe and well.

Kate

Sapphires – Under 17

Team members: Lailaa Ali Agha, Remy Bartlett, Amy Basham, Milly Moschetti, Aileen Nguyen, Emma Vu, Novica Pearsall, Tianna Adams

Coach: Brad Frost.

2020 welcomed a new member to the Sapphires team in Tianna Adams. In true Highvale spirit Tianna was welcomed with open arms and fitted into our side seamlessly. The Autumn season was going to be a challenge for the Sapphires as they were going up into the U17's. To their credit they were able to hold their own in the 4 games we played and even managed to get a win and a draw. Unfortunately, our season like everybody's soon came to a halt and we were unable to continue on with our newfound confidence that we could match it with anybody in our section.

I am extremely proud that all 8 girls have put up their hand to play again next season as well as play in the Social Competition Waverley Night are running over a 4 week period. I hope everybody has a good Christmas break and I look forward to continuing our journey again next year.

Gems – Open

Team members: Nisuli Manamperi, Charli Bartlett, Helini Mendis, Felicia Nguyen, Kay Nixayathirath, Ellen Tofts, Chloe Frost, Delaney Gray, Sehansa Ranawaka

Coach: Peter Bartlett

With most girls undertaking their final year of secondary school or commencing VCE, it was great to see all the girls return for the winter season. After 2 years of successfully making it through to finals, the girls were keen to measure their skills against their more senior opponents in the Open division. Having been elevated a grade, the GEMS found the early games challenging with some adjustments to be made against shrewd and more experienced opposition.

The girls, to their credit, refused to be drawn into the over competitiveness of some of their senior opponents. As always, they were a credit to themselves on and off the court and played the game of netball in the spirit that it should be played.

Sadly, the season ended abruptly, but I sincerely hope that this is not the last time that this wonderful group of young people take the court together. It has indeed been a privilege to have been a part of this team over the past two years.

Emeralds – Open

Team members: Charlotte Bahr, Hannah Jefferis, Summah Hinchcliffe, Maya Loeckenhoff, Alyssa Newey, Ally Redlich, Lucy Searle, Jessica Stevens, Kasey Thompson.

Coach: Donna Stevens

2020 certainly has been a year like no other. Who would have thought that we would only play 4 games of netball for a whole year. Emeralds who are still technically under 17's started the year off being placed in Open section 2, however after winning the first 3 games they were placed up into Open 1. They were looking forward to the challenge, however 2020 just wasn't meant to be.

The girls have maintained a strong off the court bond and through the glory of Zoom, have discussed the wonders of learning from home, that face masks can go with your pjs, 5kms isn't very far and that not playing netball really sucks. A game of Kahoot was held (thanks Lyss for organising), the topic- 'what you know about your fellow team members' to booster moral. Only to realise that your team mates have some strange habits, you don't know everything about them that you thought you did and you still really miss playing netball. In fact, you just miss getting out of the house. Hopefully with things now looking up, there will be the opportunity to play a few social games before the end of the year and maybe fit in a bit of training. Either way there is no denying the fact that 2021 just has to be a better year.

Bring on 2021..

Flyers – Open

Team members: Zoe Spicer, Ritika Singh, Caylie Moore, Gemma Thompson, Mekayla Mihopolous,, Sneha Mantha, Shaniya Vilash, Ashlee Linke

Team Manager: Sophie Papaefraim

Every now and then, Flyers caught up using video call, where we would chat and catch up for a couple hours and play with the different filters messenger has available. Otherwise we would send the occasional netball meme for a good laugh, and looking forward to seeing everyone in person, and playing together again next year.

Zigzags – Open

Team members: Anokhi De Silva, Kirsten Hallett, Jessica Hunt, Rebecca Stevens, Cassandra Le Fleur, Jasmine Delaney, Elysia Roufos, Sophie Roufos, Michelle Stackpoole.

Team Manager: Jessica Hunt

Overall, this year has been tough for all of us. Having the chance to play some games this year we started the season determined to get a move on and start playing. We lost most of our first games, but we still played with high spirits as we were re-graded into a section that would suit our overall playing abilities. Keen to keep playing ZigZags were willing and excited to play hard throughout the season.

However, that is as far as we got into the season before we were brought into lockdown. Even in lockdown, our team has kept in touch, checking in on each other from time to time, and when we had some hope of returning to play all of us were as excited as ever to get back to playing. 2020 has been a long and trying year without netball but looking forward to 2021 all of us ZigZags are more eager than ever to get back on the courts.