

Newman Knights Hockey Club

Annual General Meeting (AGM)



Agenda

To be held at Newman Clubrooms - Tuscany Way Churchlands
Sunday 27 November 2016 @ 4:30pm

1. **WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**
2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM**
3. **PRESIDENTS REPORT – Murray Buzza**
4. **TREASURERS REPORT – GREG GATES**
5. **ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**
 - PRESIDENT
 - VICE PRESIDENT
 - TREASURER
 - REGISTRAR
 - GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBER - MINUTES SECRETARY
 - GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBER - MEN'S COORDINATOR
 - GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBER - WOMEN'S COORDINATOR
 - GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBER - JUNIOR COORDINATOR
 - GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBER
 - GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBER
6. **PLANS FOR 2017**
7. **NOTICE OF MOTIONS (SEE BELOW)**
8. **GENERAL BUSINESS**
9. **CLOSE**



Notice of Motions for NKHC 2016 Annual General Meeting

Motion 1. I move that Hilary Fitzgerald be elected as a Life Member of the Newman Knights Hockey Club for having rendered valuable service to the Club.

Moved: Murray Buzza

Seconded: Leanne Prance

Motion 2. I move that the Life Membership to the Newman Knights Hockey Club of the following persons:

- John Monkhouse
- Neil Mannolini
- David Hynes
- Rob Reid
- Murray Buzza
- John Magyar
- George Mullins
- Brian Martin
- Kevin Pethick
- Greg McKie
- Elizabeth Jerrat
- Doug Sullivan
- Brad Pearce
- Phil O'Connor

be ratified by the members present at this general meeting.

Moved: George Mullins

Seconded: Murray Buzza

Motion 3. I move that, in the first sentence of current sub-clause 6.4 of the Constitution relating to the election method of new Life Members, the words "*who have been elected at a general meeting of the Club upon nomination of the Committee*" be deleted and replaced by the words "*who have been elected by the Committee, only upon nomination by a two-thirds majority of the existing living Life Members of the Club.*"

Moved: George Mullins

Seconded: Murray Buzza

Motion 4. I move that the existing sub-clause 5.1 relating to the official colours of the Club be deleted and replaced with "*The official colours of the Club shall be white, black, and royal blue.*"

Moved: George Mullins

Seconded: Murray Buzza

Motion 5. I move that a new sub-clause 5.2 be created that states "*The official insignia of the Club shall be an image of a helmeted medieval knight brandishing a broad-bladed sword in a threatening manner.*" and that all subsequent sub-clauses of Rule 5 be re-numbered accordingly.

Moved: George Mullins

Seconded: Murray Buzza

Motion 6. I move that the existing sub-clause 5.2(a) relating to the shirt colours of the official playing uniform of the Club be replaced with "*A shirt or singlet of predominately black with royal blue and white flashings, with an alternate strip of a shirt or singlet of predominately white with royal blue and black flashings, and both shirts or singlets to have the official Club insignia on the left breast.*"

Moved: George Mullins

Seconded: Murray Buzza



EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction: During the process of determining a new Life Member of the Club it was observed that the current Constitution does not reflect current practice of selecting and electing new Life Members. Motion 1 is in strict accordance with the current Constitution. Motion 2 seeks to ratify the validity of Life Membership of the Club's existing recognised Life Members regardless of their method of election by this club, or by any of its preceding clubs. Motion 3 proposes the current method of selecting and electing Life Members be written into the Constitution.

Also during a review of the Club's Constitution, it was noted that our current club colours and playing garments are not in accordance with the Constitution. Furthermore, the Constitution does not formally specify our Club insignia. Motions 4, 5 and 6 seek to formalise the current Club colours, insignia and playing garments into our Constitution.

Motion 1. This motion formalises the election of Hilary Fitzgerald as a Life Member of the Club as recently announced. Currently the Club's Constitution requires that the Members in general meeting must elect a new Life Member.

Motion 2. This motion seeks to formally acknowledge Life Membership to the present Newman Knights Hockey Club of those existing recognised Life Members, not only those elected directly to the current Newman Knights Hockey Club but also those Life Members who were elected to any of our preceding hockey clubs (i.e. St Ildephonus Old Boys Hockey Club, Marist Hockey Club, Northern City Knights Hockey Club, and Newman Hockey Club Inc.), and who may or may not have been elected by a general meeting of members of those clubs at the time. It is a type of "belts and braces" motion just designed to remove any doubts once and for all about the validity of the election method and status of our existing Life Members. It also excludes any members of our preceding clubs, whose claims for Life Membership cannot be accurately verified.

Motion 3. This motion is to formalise the current practice of the election method for new Life Members of the Club which is not strictly in accordance with the current Constitution. Under the current Constitution, only the Club members in general meeting can elect a new Life Member and only upon the Committee's nomination. This current wording theoretically prevents the 'surprise announcement' of new Life Membership at the Club's end-of-year Awards Night as has become common practice within our club. The proposed wording reflects the current practice whereby the existing Life Members group nominate to the Committee a suitable candidate for Life Membership and the Committee makes a decision to award such Life Membership at any time, such as prior to an Awards Night. This motion does not seek to define or refine the criteria for life membership which remains solely as "*having rendered valuable service to the Club*".



- Motion 4.** The current Constitution states that the official colours of the Club shall be black and royal blue. There is no mention of white as an official colour of the Club. For many years now the Club colours have included a significant amount of white in various garments and items used by the Club including polo shirts, jackets, merchandise, and playing uniforms. The use of the white colour should be formally recognised as a Club colour and written into our Constitution as such.
- Motion 5.** For many years now, the Club has used the stylised image of a helmeted medieval knight raising a broad-bladed sword in a threatening manner as an insignia of the Club. This well-known image should be formally recognised as the Club's official insignia and written into our Constitution as such. The existing sub-clause 5.2 relating to the official playing uniform will be re-numbered to a new sub-clause 5.3 and the existing sub-clause 5.3 relating to the Committee's powers over the colours and uniforms will be re-numbered to a new sub-clause 5.4.
- Motion 6.** The current Constitution states that the Club shirt colour "*shall be a royal blue shirt with black short sleeves and collar with an alternative strip of a white shirt with blue trim*". These two-coloured shirt styles have not been used by the Club as playing uniforms for several years. And the current Constitution wording effectively prohibits the use of singlet style garments (i.e. collar-less and sleeve-less). For many years now the Club has utilised both shirts and singlets and these garments have included all three colours in varying proportions. The proposed new wording reflects the current three Club colours and the current styles and colours of the Club's playing garments. The motion does not seek to change the colours of the Club shorts, skirts or socks. The motion does not seek to change the powers of the Committee to make temporary or urgent changes to the Club uniform. The motion does not seek to inhibit the Committee's powers to include other markings such as playing numbers or sponsors' names or logos on the playing uniform. The motion is in strict accordance with existing sub-clause 5.3 of the Constitution which states in part "*Any permanent change in Club colours or uniform shall be first laid before a general meeting of members*".