



Season 2022/2023

69th Annual Report & Statements

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Office Bearers & Committee Members

Season 2022/2023

President	Mark Keating
Vice-President	Peta Ginnane
Treasurer	Lee Smart
Secretary	Ben Rogers
Committee Members	Ross Thomasson Mike Stowe Lorey Bentley Angus Raiskums

Life Members

V. Davies	D. Davies	L. Davies	A. Gleeson	J. Heslop
R. Lorimer	A. Smith	R. Cullinan	S. Ramsay	D. Kerss
G. Ravenscroft	G. Shoppee Snr.	C. O. Smart	P. Richardson	J. Terris
D. Lyon	P. Brownlie	J. Matthews	P. Halls	G. Watkins
L. Smart	G. Kennedy	A. Fishley	G. Matty	P. Wilson
M. Keating	B. Macdonald	S. Richardson	D. Keating	W. Allen
W. Kaszuba	G. Taylor	C. Richardson	M. Dobbie	G. Paterson
N. Keating	J. Bulbeck	R. Thomasson		



Premierships

1962/63 A Matting Premiers

Senior Premierships		Junior Premierships	
1962/63	A Matting	2010/11	Under 15B
1967/68	C Turf	2012/13	Under 15C
1985/86	A Turf	2016/17	Under 17B
1988/89	A Turf	2019/20	Under 11A
1990/91	B Turf	2020/21	Under 16 Girls
1992/93	A Matting		
2001/02	B Turf		
2012/13	B Turf		
2016/17	B Turf		
2021/22	Womens Div 2		

Sponsors

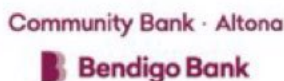
Major Club Sponsor



Junior Cricket Sponsors



Female Cricket Sponsors



Match Ball Sponsor



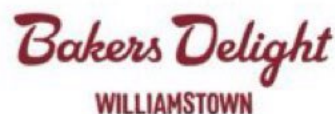
New BBQ Sponsor



Gold Sponsor



Silver Sponsors



Bronze Sponsors



Annual General Meeting Agenda

Date & Time:	7:00pm, Friday 2nd of June, 2023
Location:	Gellibrand Cricket Club, Digman Reserve

No.	Item	Responsible
1	Formalities	
1.1	Apologies	B. Rogers
1.2	Endorse minutes of previous annual general meeting	B. Rogers
2	Reports & Statements	
2.1	President's Report	M. Keating
2.2	Treasurer's Report (incl. financial statements)	L. Smart
2.3	Secretary's Report	B. Rogers
2.4	Coach's Report	P. Hetherington
2.5	Adoption of all reports and statements	B. Rogers
3	Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members	
3.1	Election of a meeting chair to oversee appointments	B.Rogers
3.2	Dissolution of the current Committee	Chair
3.3	Election of President	Chair
3.4	Election of Vice President	Chair
3.5	Election of Treasurer	Chair
3.6	Election of Secretary	Chair
3.7	Election of General Committee Members	Chair
4	General Business	
4.1	Call for general business items	B. Rogers
5	Meeting Close	

2021/2022 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date & time:	7pm, 8th of July 2022
Location:	Gellibrand Cricket Club, Digman Reserve
Attendees:	L. Bentley, R. Bolton, P. Hetherington, M. Keating, D. Oakes, A. Raiskums, R. Raiskums, B. Rogers, L. Smart, M. Stowe, R. Thomasson

No.	Item
1.	Formalities
1.1	Apologies: Jeremy Fine, Paul Georgiades, Mike Keating, Nick Keating
1.2	Endorse minutes of previous meeting - Moved: LS - Seconded: MS - Carried
2.	Reports
2.1	President's report - Comments as per tabled report - First XI are looking like going up to Div. 3 in 2022/23, dependent on West Newport/Digman merger - Williamstown Soccer Club are going to pay 50% of the pavilion fit out costs, thanks to Sam and Henrik for their generous contribution to the shared equipment - Gellibrand is well placed financially and there is a need to look at investing some funds back into the club
2.2	Treasurer's Report (incl. financial statements) - Comments as per tabled report and statements - Made a cash loss, but made an operational profit of \$35k, very strong position cash-wise - Took \$20k out of term deposit to cover investment in the pavilion fit-out - Need to look into what we spend money on this year without being frivolous - Purchases include new covers for the western wicket and a storage container for the eastern end - Ahead in every area when compared to the budget, missed out on the West Gate Tunnel grant - Much better engagement with sponsors this year, a few new ones in 21/22
2.3	Junior Coordinator's Report - Comments as per tabled report - Gellibrand is in a strong position for the coming season and beyond - Thanks to all coaches, team managers, volunteers and parent for their contribution - Increased support of the Cricket Blast program has put us in a great position, thanks to Mark for his efforts - Need to ensure that some investment is made back into the junior program
2.4	Coaches Report - Comments as per tabled report - Exciting to be heading into Division 3 - All players are staying, great retention rate - One new player to come across, will continue to seek out more players - Lots to celebrate, looking forward to this season

2.5	<u>Adoption of all reports and statements</u> - Moved: DO - Seconded: MS <u>Carried</u>
3.	Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members
3.1	<u>Election of a meeting chair to oversee appointments</u> B. Rogers nominates R. Bolton - Seconded: LS <u>Carried</u> - dissolves the sitting Committee and declares all positions vacant
3.3	<u>Election of President</u> B. Rogers nominates M. Keating - Seconded: RT <u>Carried</u>
3.4	<u>Election of Vice President</u> M. Keating nominates P. Ginanne - Seconded: LS <u>Carried</u>
3.5	<u>Election of Treasurer</u> M. Keating nominates L. Smart - Seconded: PH <u>Carried</u>
3.6	<u>Election of Secretary</u> L. Smart nominates B. Rogers - Seconded: MS <u>Carried</u>
3.7	<u>Election of Juniors Coordinator</u> M. Keating nominates B. Rogers - Seconded: MS <u>Carried</u>
3.8	<u>Election of General Committee</u> - MK nominates A. Raiskums - Seconded: MS <u>Carried</u>
	- MK nominates M. Stowe - Seconded: AR <u>Carried</u>
	- MK nominates L. Bentley - Seconded: DO <u>Carried</u>
	- MK nominates R. Thomasson - Seconded: MS <u>Carried</u>

	• R. Bolton hands the meeting back to M. Keating • Thanks to Darren for his efforts on the committee over a number of years, a terrific effort with the social events and easily one of the hardest working people in the club. Look forward to his continued input from outside of the committee • Thanks also to Ross for his contributions as Vice-President, a huge effort getting the pavilion organised when we took over. Looking forward to his contributions, perhaps remotely from Woodend.
4	General business
	<u>M. Keating</u> • Committee needs to work on a budget for this year • Preseason training schedule to be confirmed and released soon • Looking out for new players, coaches and volunteers. Encourages everyone to promote the club and get people involved • Need to look at cross-promotion with other clubs, Newport Lacrosse, Newport Power and WSC • Need to speak to the council about the lack of wicket boxes on the western wicket • Look at utilising the western and eastern ground as much as possible with juniors and women <u>B. Rogers</u> • Thanks to the council for their investment in the new facilities and their efforts in getting the job done. The Committee found the process relatively easy and the council officers have done a terrific job • A letter to be sent to the Council thanking them for their efforts in upgrading the facilities <u>General</u> • RT suggests that AV system, storage shed to the east and further kitchen equipment could be purchased this season. Needs to be strategic decision made early • Question re: going to 2-day cricket for the thirds? ○ BR suggests that one dayers make the thirds stronger, one days helps with availabilities. Question to be put to the playing group. • Do we put the fourths on turf? ○ Would only happen if ND don't need the west wicket. Question to be put to the playing group. • Committee meetings to be held first Monday of the month • First meeting to review strategy and assign roles to Committee Members
6.	Meeting close: 8:02pm

President's Report

Mark Keating

The 22/23 cricket season was another very good year for the club. On-field, the firsts, seconds and thirds men's teams, and the women's team all made finals, and four out of the eight junior teams made finals. The season saw the club in the new clubrooms for the full season and the new facilities are making a huge difference to the social functions and retention of players. The club has a strong committee and is in a healthy financial position.

Although it was disappointing not to get a flag out of the teams that made finals, we continue to put ourselves in contention each year. The firsts had a good season, recovering to win three out of four two-day games outright. The seconds and thirds both finished on top of the ladder, which proves there is plenty of depth at the club. The fourths performed well in the Churches competition and debuted several U15 players during the season. The women's team did extremely well to make the grand final after being promoted to division one mid-season. We had several players win competition trophies: Sakun Hettiyahandi – best player VTCA Division 4; Nick Keating – best player VTCA Division C4; and Jonathan Rayson-Hill – batting average WSCCA Division 12.

The club fielded eight junior teams this season, including two girl's teams. For the first time in a few years, we fielded combined teams at U17 and U11 age groups. We had four teams make the finals, with the U13s boys progressing to the grand-final. We had two junior players win competition trophies: Kaelen McGee won the batting award in the U11A Fri South competition and Curtis Lamont won three awards across the U13/15 grades.

I would like to thank all our junior coaches – they did a great job developing players and making sure they had fun. Our Friday night Blasters program had 30 participants and it continues to be a good source of players for our U11 teams. Thanks go to Ben Rogers, Peta Ginnane, Dave Presley, Chris Keating, Cam Jackson, Carys Nolan and Kyla Ginnane, who helped run the Blasters each Friday night.

There were some very good social functions run through the year, including the trivia night, the ladies wine day, past players day and the big draw. These functions were well attended in the new rooms. One area for improvement is to get a full social committee up and running in 23-24. This will help run more functions and generate some new ideas for functions. I would like to thank all sponsors - a complete list of sponsors is included in the annual report. Please give their businesses your full support.

The club is fortunate to have a strong committee who are committed to fulfilling their roles, my thanks and appreciation to Lee Smart (Treasurer), Ben Rogers (Secretary & Director of Junior Cricket), Peta Ginnane (Vice President), Ross Thomasson, Mike Stowe, Lorey Bentley and Angus Raiskums. Thanks also to the people who helped when asked during the season. We would welcome any additional volunteers to be on the committee. We can find you a role for you without it being a great imposition on your time.

Going forward, I hope we can continue to capitalise on the new clubrooms by expanding our social functions to include partners, past players, parents and supporters. We want to see more people at the club watching our senior and junior games. The core of our senior men's playing list is made up of players from our junior programme, hopefully this continues with the U15s coming through now. Our U16 girls will now doubt become ready to play senior women's cricket in the future.

Finally, I want to thank the committee, coaches, players, sponsors, and supporters. Our vision is to be a successful club by providing a welcoming environment to the whole community. We want to be able to give people an opportunity to play cricket in a fun and learning environment. The club has taken great strides in recent years which sets us up for the future.

Mark Keating
President

Treasurer's Report

Lee Smart

The club has finished the year with a total cash balance of \$79,392, made up as follows:

<i>Term Deposit</i>	<i>64,656.47</i>
<i>Bendigo Bank main account</i>	<i>14,558.30</i>
<i>Bendigo Bank statement account</i>	<i>57.11</i>
<i>Cash on Hand - 12/05/2023</i>	<i>120.00</i>
Total Cash Balance	<u>79,391.88</u>

This represents a cash loss of \$14,674. Although it's a significant dip in our Cash Balance, it is something we have planned for in regards to requirements for our new clubrooms and updating our equipment. One off items this season include new covers, mower, covers trolley, barbecue and various other items for the kitchen plus the Out the Locker Room sessions. In the last two seasons we have spent 60k on new equipment, future proofing our club. A significant amount of the equipment bought had already been covered by grants received over the last couple of seasons.

If you take out the one-off items, we may an operating profit of \$3,031 which is a good result considering the increase in a number of expenditure items. After the last two disrupted seasons we had a near normal season although we lost a month of cricket due to rain in October. Our bar turnover at 34k was the highest for many years with a margin of 97%. This takes into account where we didn't charge for food on several occasions. We've introduced new products in our range and are only too happy to provide more options upon request and demand.

We are appreciative of all our sponsors which makes a massive difference to the financial stability of the club. Thanks go to Ben who is responsible for obtaining the bulk of our sponsors. Thanks must go to all our sponsors, hopefully our members, supporters and families return the favour and support our sponsors where they can.

Going forward, given our financial position we will look at ways of maximising the return to our members. This season every player, junior and senior were issued a playing top without charge. Our bar prices and membership fees are much lower than most other clubs. Opposition players often remark on how cheap our prices are.

The following items showed significant movements:

Income		Expenses	
Bar takings (net)	2,808.86	Players	9,549.00
Fees	5,212.83	Ground rental	1,173.32
Sponsors	4,209.73	Curator	1,200.00
Grants	6,000.00	Apparel	1,631.82
Bunnings BBQ	916.47	Capital expenditure	13,784.64
Apparel	6,970.00	Cleaning services	4,832.46
Presentation Night	2,910.00	Functions - social	1,021.50
		Other	12,582.17

Once again, I would like to thank our sponsors for their wonderful support. Thanks again to Ben for all his work on not only recruiting sponsors but also engaging with them. We mustn't forget our players, families and supporters who supported the club throughout the season and helped make the season so successful

Lee Smart
Treasurer

Secretary's Report

Ben Rogers

A bit of déjà vu on-field, but overall, the majority of success indicators looked pretty good this year.

We performed really well financially, we held some well attended and successful social events, and our junior program remained strong.

Financially, the continued common-sense approach to setting fees and looking to revenue streams like sponsorship and fundraising events to do the operational grunt work, has kept us in a really good position. We've managed to maintain a healthy amount in reserves and still fund things like a new mower, covers and covers trolley, and the new barbeque.

There was a bit of an up-tick in sponsorship revenue, which probably puts us in the high performer category in this regard when compared to other clubs of similar stature. We have enjoyed some strong and consistent support from a terrific group of sponsors in recent years. They are all listed earlier on in this report so I won't put them all here, but I really encourage all members to keep their support in mind next time they're in need of a bathroom renovation, a real estate agent, groceries or some new specs. Seek them out and show your appreciation, because their support of us is directly linked to our support of them.

We were a bit lower on the grants side of things this summer, an area that has served us well in recent years. Grant proposals are quite time-consuming and I must admit that I just did not have the time to spend on too many of them this season. Grants are also quite cyclical, most only allow an application every few years, so hopefully we see our performance return to normal again in 2023/24.

The Committee did a great job organising and delivering some terrific social events this season. The first Trivia Night in the new pavilion, another well-attended and really enjoyable Past Players Day and a successful Big Draw were all highlights. These, along with the other events held this year, contributed to our financial position, but also provided an opportunity for social interaction off the field. In future, it should be a collective priority to make sure that all parts of the club, seniors/juniors, male/female, are involved and that we are delivering events which appeal to all members. An emphasis should also be placed on engaging past players in next year's events, it's difficult to get everyone together but events are always a success when we do.

The junior program remains strong and we are starting to see some of our juniors coming though and performing well in both the men's and women's senior competitions. The future is looking good, with strong numbers in Cricket Blast and a plan to increase our reach in local schools. Keats does a great job running the show on Friday nights, ably supported by Chris, Dave, Cam, Carys and Kyla with Darren and Peta regularly helping with the raffle and canteen.

We really have positioned ourselves in recent years as a well-respected community club. We continue to punch above our weight when it comes to club management and the work being done behind the scenes is coming through in our on-field performances. The club is supported by a small (too small, really) but dedicated group of volunteers, who work tirelessly to keep the place running. My thanks to all of them. Special thanks to Mark; not many people get to see the effort he puts in, but let me tell you, it is astonishing.

I say it every year; how we operate, the way we portray ourselves on and off the field, and what we manage to achieve each season is something we should all be proud of. I'm certainly proud of it.

Looking forward to October already.

Ben Rogers
Secretary

Coach's Report

Paul Hetherington

The 2022/2023 season had successes with it and was a familiar tale of having so many positives, yet just falling short during our finals campaign. Our top three grades all made the finals, the 1sts finishing third, with the seconds and thirds all topping their leagues.

The firsts seemed like they might struggle to make it mid-way through the year, as they had lost five on the trot, but finished with a wet sail, including three outright wins in the last four games and two wins against the third and fourth placed teams. Unfortunately, it still was not meant to be losing to the eventual premier for the fourth consecutive year.

The seconds had another great year, which culminated in back to back grand finals. At 5/40 odds, one could be forgiven for thinking we were going to break through; However, Maribyrnong clawed their way back and we were never in it with the bat. The third XI had done everything right over the course of the year and deservedly went in as warm favourites to their semi. As can happen in any sport, we just didn't play our best on the day - falling short in a close game. For our fourth XI, we had another developing year and one where we feel like we missed some opportunities. Moving forward, we plan to work incredibly hard on making some changes next year to suit the development of the youth in this area and experience further success in the 4s.

There were a number of specific highlights throughout the year: We had two cricketers win the Champion player for their divisions, six centuries and a 15 year old debut in the first XI. Training has arguably never been better and I'm confident we're doing everything we can to achieve success, we just need to execute in March.

It's another year across the club where we have done so much right, but haven't experienced the ultimate success. As I said last year, we will be striving to win that coveted flag this coming year. We're all really enthused by the 2023/2024 season quickly approaching and I'm optimistic that we can take that next step and experience that premiership success.

Paul Hetherington
Club Coach