

# 2023 Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association Annual Report

# President's Report

Well, we started the year with a huge celebration to welcome our new clubhouse and what a celebration it was! We have continued to celebrate throughout the year with:

- Over 340 competition games and 220 NSG games.
- Hosted a Senior Rep Carnival early in the season
- NNSW Koori Gala Day for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row.
- 2 Net Fit Clinics run through 2 different school holiday periods.
- 1 player clinic held in October school holidays for our young players.
- We have badged 3 umpires this year, 2 National C Level badges and 1 National B Badge awarded with work continuing umpire education throughout 2024.
- Several coaches attaining or bettering their accreditation, including new Intermediate level coaches, with plans to host more coaching clinics in 2024 for club and rep level.
- 5 Representative teams entering 3 state competitions and many carnivals, performing to their best of their ability. With the Opens ending up 4<sup>th</sup> in Championship division at State for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row!
- Representative Players making the Central Coast Academy teams and shining at Academy games with a WWPNA player being named MVP.
- Several WWPNA players now trialling for the Central Coast Heart Metro League teams. A big congratulations to all our Rep players and good luck to those trying to further their netball career. Also, a huge thank you to our volunteer coaches and managers in giving up their time and energy to support these players.
- A well subscribed Twilight season run by Central Coast Heart is underway.
- A very successful NNSW Social Masters held over the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October with a record-breaking number of team entries.
- New fundraising initiatives, including the United Fuel Card.

All this could not have happened without a hard-working band of workers and very long Saturdays. So, a huge thank you to all our members who have helped in any way in canteen, coaching, umpiring, managing, putting out pole protectors or picking up rubbish! Nothing is impossible with a great group of people supporting the Association.

Finally, thank you to our tireless Executive Committee. Life chose to throw a number of personal challenges your way this year and you came through those with a smile on your face and continued on with your duties, this is a huge testament to your dedication. The many hours you volunteer in executing your duties is phenomenal and outside of your operational duties, combined, you add over 200 hours of netball volunteer time to Central Coast Council Sport's Council, Central Coast Heart, and Netball NSW as delegates to meetings.



Your passion for netball is evident and as such we have become a diverse group which makes for interesting meetings and hearty discussions when making decisions. This is what makes a viable working democratic committee, so thank you again!

I look forward to seeing many of you at our AGM in November and wish you all a very happy Christmas and safe New Year.

Regards, Sharon

## **Treasurers Report**

2022/2023 Financial report

- The Association has posted a net profit (after interest and depreciation) in the amount of the amount of \$17,497.00.
- The Association maintains a healthy bank balance in the amount of \$138,601.00 (cheque account) and \$87,746.00 (term deposit account).
- We did have some fitting out expenses this year for our new clubhouse and purchased 6 new Rep tents as detailed on page 9 of the Annual Financial Report.
- This year we introduced the Square register to the canteen which assisted with keeping a record of sales and stock for the canteen. The use of it was well received by most of the volunteers who assisted in the canteen. The canteen made a gross profit of \$7,350.00.

Please see the Annual Financial Report for more detail.

Regards, Simone



### **Representative Report**

I would like to begin by thanking all Coaches, Managers, Players, and families for their ongoing commitment to WWPNA. The past few years have been very challenging, and it was great to have finally had the opportunity to compete in an entire representative season.

WWPNA senior teams travelled to Maitland & Newcastle to compete at the Senior State Titles. The Open's came in a very impressive 4<sup>th</sup> position in the Championship division having only 3 losses and 1 draw over the weekend.

The 17's as always gave 100% effort and were very competitive coming in 15<sup>th</sup> in Division 3.

The 15's displayed great sportsmanship all weekend and came in 16<sup>th</sup> in Division 2.

As always, all teams were extremely competitive and went out on the court in each game giving their all.

The Opens and 17s had the opportunity to compete in Hunter Regional League at Niagara Park Stadium, as always, the girls displayed great sportsmanship and were competitive throughout the competition. Both teams finished the weekends competition in 4<sup>th</sup> place.

Our junior teams finally had the opportunity to attend a complete Junior State Titles at Liverpool. The Junior teams had a fantastic weekend and made great friends with their neighbours in tent city. The 12's completed the weekend in 10<sup>th</sup> position and the 13's came in 16<sup>th</sup> position, with both teams competing in Division 3.

WWPNA have successfully appointed Coaches and are very pleased to have appointed Assistant Coaches to a number of teams. We look forward to watching them grow in confidence throughout the season. Final selections for all teams are to be held in the coming weeks.

In closing I would like to extend a sincere thank you to the WWPNA Executive who were all so incredibly supportive of the Representative program and myself throughout this season. Throughout the season there was always a team of people behind the scenes willing to help with whatever was required. GO WOY!!!

Regards, Tracey



## Games and Grading Report

2023 saw our overall player memberships increase, surpassing the 600 mark for the first time in many years. It's fantastic to see our numbers on the up; something we want to see continue for many years to come.

#### Net Set Go:

- 4 Grades
- 24 Teams
- 236 Players

#### **Competition:**

- 8 Grades
- 39 Teams
- 382 Players

#### Non-Members:

• 63 Volunteers

Thank you to all the Games and Grading Sub-Committee for their tireless efforts and energy; it can be a tough job, but a worthwhile one once you see it all come together.

**Regards Catherine** 



# Coach Convenor Report

2023 has been a positive year as WWPNA look to build our coaching skills and network.

We started with a 3 stage 'Coach the Coaches Program' presented by qualified and experienced coaches in Megan Sharpe and Kylie Rayner, thank you both for your time developing and presenting.

Over 3 weekends the sessions were each aimed at age specific coaching focusing initially on 5-8 year old's, 9-12 year old's and 13 and above. Each session started with fun games while building foundation skills, and each week building on foundation skills and progressing to more advanced skills.

The turnout each week was great, up to 25 Coaches attended and the feedback was very positive.

Gima Crowdy has been an excellent addition to our repertoire of coaches bringing her knowledge and engaging style of coaching to WWPNA. Gimma ran 2 rep readiness programs in August with amazing turnout of up to 30 players, reports from the day said it was an excellent session.

Gima also ran a holiday clinic in September with again positive feedback the girls had an enjoyable and educational session. Thank you, Gima.

Moving forward we are looking to hold our own Development Coach Accreditation course, scheduled for February 2024, and have had an amazing local response of at least 20 keen WWPNA members to participate and this course will be run by Gima Crowdy.

WWPNA will in the new year put forward plans to continue to develop our coaching staff.

Regards, Rita



### **Umpire Convenor Report**

### Regional League

In April a few of our senior umpires represented WWPNA by attending Regional League at Niagara Park. This weekend is not just for our Representative players but an opportunity for our National C badge umpires to receive further coaching and development opportunities from NNSW experienced umpires and coaches but also provides an opportunity for building relationships with other umpires throughout the Hunter & Central Coast Region.

WWPNA was fortunate enough to put forward an Umpire for a National B Badge.

### Representative Carnivals

From February through to the end of June Sundays are often occupied by WWPNA Representative teams attending carnivals at varying locations between Sydney and Newcastle. Thank you to all umpires who came along and shared the days with us.

#### Senior & Junior State titles

Senior & Junior state titles this year were held at Maitland and Newcastle and Liverpool for our representative teams. Six umpires came away to assist us in covering our duties and WOW.... What a weekend!

Our umpires demonstrated exceptional skill, knowledge of the game, control, and professionalism. But most importantly they all had a great time making new friends within the umpiring community and gaining new experiences.

One of the biggest compliments an Umpires Convener can receive at an event like this is feedback about a WWPNA umpire demonstrating amazing sportsmanship and "service with a smile".

I was proud of all umpiring efforts over both state titles weekends.

### Winter Competition

Firstly, I would like to say a huge thank you to all of the Club Conveners. If it wasn't for you, all the effort and work each of you put in, then this show would not run as smoothly as it has. All the Clubs have not only come together to support each other, but also jumped on board and supported me in my role here as your Association Umpires Convener.

In March we held an umpire's information night here at the clubhouse with a turnout far bigger than I had anticipated. It was great to see so many new faces wanting to learn and begin their umpiring journey.



In April we held an online umpire training session that covered the foundations of umpiring including:

- Essentials for Umpiring
- Hand Signals
- Managing the game, and
- Basic rules

We had over 30 participants and while I had a few technical issues with my internet connection, the overall feedback about the session was a positive vibe and I hope to follow on with more next season.

While time did not allow us to get a practical session in as we had hoped I am already scouting available days in the calendar for next season before someone else snaps them up :P

Our winter competition kicked off in April 2023 and we had several new umpires joining the Saturday roster which was fantastic. This was the first association I have been with where the Conveners for each club work together to fill the umpiring allocations and I was super impressed at how well the system worked. It was so nice to see that when one club had a gap another would happily step up to fill where they could.

I had the opportunity to not only umpire a few games myself but also to walk around on games days and begin building my relationships with the amazing group of umpires we have here at Woy Woy.

Providing coaching and feedback is part of my role and responsibility and it was great to see these things taken on board by people.

I was super excited when during our Finals series on Grand Final day non the less we issued our very own Milly Liley and Casey O'Sullivan their National C Badge. Neither of them had any idea they were being panelled and were super surprised when we told them at the end of their games.

We all know that the weather for finals series was shocking so I just want to make a special shout out to everyone who help support our umpires in the heat with water, ice blocks and cool towels.

Overall, 2023 has been an exceptional year. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to be your Association's Umpires Convener and I cannot wait to see what we as a team can do together for the 2024 season ahead.

Sincerely

Kylie Henderson