

**MINUTES OF FOOTBALL STANTHORPE INC. PRESIDENTS MEETING
HELD AT C.F. WHITE CLUB HOUSE, STANTHORPE ON THURSDAY 23 JULY, 2009**

Present: Kerry Ryan, Vic Pennisi, Neil Newman, Clifford Skinner, Rob Tulloch, Tony Einam, Desleigh Volpato, Shane Dachs, Roly Scopelleti, Peter Shannon, Morwenna Arcidiacono

Apologies: Nil

Meeting Started: 7.00 p.m.

ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION REQUIRED:
1.	Welcome by K.Ryan who asked V.Pennisi to chair the meeting	
2.	The items on the Agenda were discussed in detail. (Agenda attached)	
3.	Information to clubs: Concern over information not 'getting to' club members has resulted in:- - All memos being sent to president, secretary (or two nominated reps) and all coaches of clubs. - Encouraging the Standing Committee representative to take information back to clubs (this has clearly not happened in recent times) - Another means of gaining information is the web site. As from July a Draft document of the minutes will be uploaded soon after meetings to avoid the time gap between meetings and when the minutes are ratified. - Three Presidents meeting a year are to be called. One at beginning of the season , one in middle and one at end. Clubs are encouraged to have their AGM's at the end of the season so that new committees are in place before the first President's meeting of the year.	
4.	Field Changes and charges in 2009: Dues to unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances changes and charges have been incurred this year. Pre-season competition: - Football Stanthorpe Inc. decided to maintain the International Club field (mowing and marking) whilst negotiations were ongoing regarding the field. The four clubs who used the grounds agreed at the meeting, that this cost would be split equally four ways. Similarly the pre-season referee cost would be split equally between all clubs except Tenterfield who would be charged less due to having only one team in competition. Period of time when International Club field was not used: During this time Ballandean field was used. All present agreed that Ballandean would invoice the relevant clubs at a cost of \$80 per day for facility use. C.F.White. Field: - There are plans to draw up a policy regarding use of CFWhite regarding fees for schools using the field for sports days./ how the grounds are booked etc. To date any night game costs at C F White have been absorbed by City and Carlton. It was suggested that Carlton and City reps. discuss with their clubs if recompense is wanted/ how much etc.	
5.	Grand Finals: Due to the date clash with the High School and St Joseph's ski trips the set date is to be changed. The 8 August (which had been left free in the original draw) will be used for a regular game and so all matches following the 8 August will be bought forward one week. The final will be held on September 5. The night week games will be re-scheduled to their original times and the wash out games will be played at a time to be negotiated between the two playing teams and the referees. The A League spectator games on Sept 6 will still be held.	
6.	Presentation Night: Date set is 15 August at International Club. Selection process for award will be same as last year – using criterion sheet which is to sent to clubs asap. Nominations from each club will be received and winner decided by panel nominated by the Board. Decision about winners must be finalised no later than one week before the dinner as engraving must be done. V.Pennisi invited suggestions for alternative system of selection for the future but due to short time lines the system used over last 5 years will be used this year.	Kerry to find out cost of meal/ tablecloths etc Morwenna to organise – Top Beat/ program / table settings/MC invitations/tickets
7.	Pre-Season Competition: Purpose of pre-season competition was to give clubs time to organise players/ work out playing positions/ get some match fitness. This year longer period of	

	playing time was requested. At this meeting most clubs wanted to have a pre-season competition with some issues needing attention. Concerns raised were :- the time the colts kick off/ disjointed competition for the ladies/games through the week causes problems/ a round robin might be better/ Colts and Ladies at different locations difficult for some families/ fitting in with cricket season. Even with these concerns it was felt that if there was no pre-season some of the organisational problems would be experienced in the First Round.	
8.	Pre-season referee fees:- Referees costs incurred by the pre-season needs to be met by players or clubs. If clubs unable to cover costs then players fees would raise to cover costs.	
9.	Draw for 2009: V.Pennisi explained why there was no pattern to the draw this year. The 3 rounds of the draw were done and then when 4 rounds were requested by clubs the team who had a bye played the team with a bye in the second week and played mid week. This meant everyone got same number of games but there appeared to be no rhyme or reason for the draw.	
10.	Balls: Any faulty match balls can be returned to V.Pennisi and he will arrange for them to be returned and replaced.	
11.	V.Pennisi urged the clubs to write a letter of support to Football Stanthorpe Inc. regarding the expansion of CF White facility, which could be included in the fund application.	
12.	Semi-final/final series The catering /bars would be organised by clubs for the semi-final series. The Stanthorpe Lions Club has been approached to run the bar for the finals. For the Premier League games on 6 September, Football Stanthorpe Inc. would run the bar and cater and requested the help of one member from each club to assist on the day.	

Meeting closed: 8.30 p.m.

Next Meeting: To be scheduled through the Board and inform the Presidents.

These, I believe to be a true and accurate record of the minutes of the above meeting.

Prepared by: Morwenna Arcidiacono

Accepted by:

Morwenna Arcidiacono
Secretary

Kerry Ryan
President

Dated: