



ACT MEN'S AND MIXED NETBALL  
ASSOCIATION INC

ANNUAL REPORT  
2019

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## President's report

The past six months have been dynamic for our Association and have marked some major milestones for our players, but also for the Association itself.

Since the last AGM the Association has notably changed its name to the ACT Men's and Mixed Netball Association which now properly reflects the mixed elements of our Association in our official name. This name change was achieved in parallel with incorporation being approved by the ACT Government for the Association, giving ACTMMNA legal standing as an entity. Both of these milestones recognise the growing professionalisation of the Association, and ensuring that we have the best administrative structures in place to meet the needs of our growing membership base.

On the court ACTMMNA has marked another successful national's campaign where we maintained a presence of four teams at the Championships in Melbourne. The men's reserves, mixed reserves, 20's and under and 17's and under all performed well in their respective divisions and received positive feedback from other states regarding their on-court professionalism and developing skill level.

The ACT increased its representation in Australian teams with twice the number of players and officials being selected into national representative positions at the presentation evening at the tournament. ACT U20s Coach, Dai Harrison was selected as the U20's Australian Coach for the first time while players Josh Rochow and Dylan Harrison (U20s), Tamara Weatherburn, Carly Symons and Maddie Robinson (Mixed Reserves) were selected to represent Australia for their respective divisions. ACT Umpire Amanda McLachlan was also selected to tour with international teams after a strong performance at the championships. This showing from the Griffins Squad shows that the playing and coaching ability of ACT athletes and officials can match that of the larger and more developed states like NSW and Victoria.

Since the last AGM in December 2018, the ACTMMNA Committee has updated and finessed the Constitution that underpins the governance of the Association. These changes were aimed at updating some of the language in the Constitution, particularly around membership and also participation. These adopted changes help to keep the founding document of the Association up-to-date and reflecting the administrative requirements of an Association which is growing year on year.

Since that AGM the term of the Committee has also been adjusted to echo the selection of the ACT national's squad. Committee members will now occupy roles on the Committee for the duration of the tour instead of risking significant personnel changeover half way through the pre-season training period and when a great deal of the Committee's work is in full swing. The new term of the Committee will begin in July each year and carry through to the following years' AGM in July.

Our relationship with Netball ACT remains strong and a special mention needs to go out to Benita Bittner who has recently left the role of General Manager, Netball ACT. Benita was a

strong supporter of the charter of ACTMMNA and was supportive of our organisation during her term at Netball ACT. We look forward to working with the new executive team at Netball ACT and to grow the sport of netball together. We also look forward to working on solidifying our relationship over the next 12 months.

A particular focus for the Committee over the next year will be developing our youth pathway and training structures as well as a social competition for men and boys who want to play netball. Currently state league is the only competitive option for men in the ACT to play competitive netball outside of the Griffins program and our investments in second tier competitions will help to grow skills as well as the player base.

The ongoing support of our financial sponsors, KPMG have helped to bolster our financial position since the last AGM. The support of KPMG cannot be understated and it is very much appreciated by the ACTMMNA Committee and broader ACTMMNA community. We hope that we can continue to partner with KPMG in future years to continue to provide top level competitions right here in the ACT and to support new ideas to get off the ground and to promote our game into the future.

Finally, I would like to thank all of those who have given up their time and energy to be a part of the ACT Men's and Mixed Netball Association over the past six months. Associations like ours do not function or succeed without the ongoing support of the players, coaches, managers, committee members and fans who give up their time to help build the association into what it is today.

- Patrick Cronan, President, ACT Men's and Mixed Netball.



## Governance Report

### Committee Membership:

The Committee membership from December 2018 through until the 2019 AGM consisted of:

#### Executive

President – **Patrick Cronan**

Vice President (Business and Policy) – **Jonathan Toze**

Vice President (Game Development) – **Meredith Brown**

Treasurer – **Graeme Rochow**

Secretary – **Bronwyn Motion**

#### General Committee

Governance Officer – **Anne Collins**

Tour Leader/Uniforms and Equipment – **Renae Pickering**

Media and Marketing + Sponsorship and Fundraising Officer – **Tamara Weatherburn**

Umpires Coordinator – **Vince Marzano**

Competitions Coordinator – **Sheree Harrison and Josipa Pivac**

Players Representative – **Adam Commens**

### Incorporation and name change

On 10 April 2019 the ACT Men's and Mixed Netball Association was incorporated. This creates a legal entity with a Constitution that shapes our processes and decision making.

We now have a financial year that ends on 31 May and an AGM in July. The committee agreed that these timeframes provide an opportunity to wrap up after Nationals, and to commence early planning for Men's league and the following year's Nationals.

This Incorporation also secures the name change from ACT Men's Netball to ACT Men's and Mixed Netball Association. This is a small but important change to our Association and properly reflects the type of organisation we are. The mixed team has arguably been the Associations most successful on-court team to date at the national's level, and the experience and technical knowledge that the female players bring to the Association is invaluable.



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*Associations Incorporation Act 1991*  
**CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION**

Association Number: **A06042**

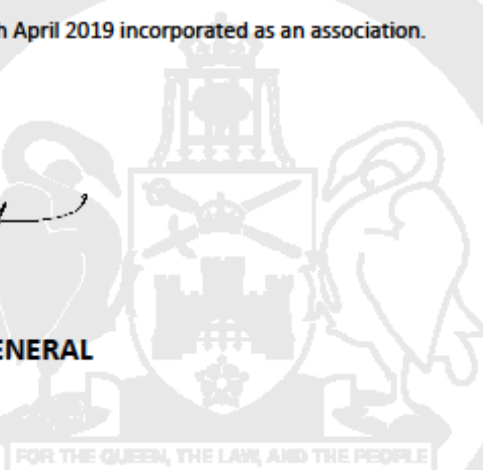
This is to certify that pursuant to section 19 of the Associations Incorporation Act 1991

**ACT MENS AND MIXED NETBALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**

is on and from tenth April 2019 incorporated as an association.

**Dave Pepper**  
**REGISTRAR-GENERAL**

**10 April 2019**



## **Vice President (Game Development)/Tour Leader Report**

The ACT Griffins Tour to Melbourne in April 2019 marked the third time that the Australian Capital territory had been represented at the Australian Men's and Mixed Nationals Tournament in recent times.

The ACT maintained its representation across four teams (men's and mixed reserves + u20s and u17s).

### **Tour results**

- ACT Men's Reserves finished in 7<sup>th</sup> position (out of nine teams)
- ACT Mixed Reserves finished in 4<sup>th</sup> position (out of seven teams)
- ACT U20s finished in 4<sup>th</sup> position (out of five teams)
- ACT U17s finished in 6<sup>th</sup> position (out of six teams)

### **Sydney trip**

For the first time the ACT and New South Wales teams met in Sydney for a round robin style competition in March 2018 as part of the training season. This clash saw all ACT teams play their respective NSW teams and also rotated through a range of other more experienced NSW sides.

This experience was invaluable for our athletes who got a taste of the level of competition they would face at the tournament. It also marked the beginning of a relationship between the ACT Men's and Mixed Netball and New South Wales Men's and Mixed Netball where we hope to be able to continue to build on this relationship and develop an annual 'cup' competition between the two jurisdictions.

It should also be noted that two of the NSW teams travelled to the ACT Netball Centre in the weeks leading up to the tournament to have match play against their respective ACT teams during simulation weekend.

### **Squad Captain**

The ACT Griffins celebrated the appointment of the inaugural 'squad captain' this year. Tan Nguyen (also co-captain of the men's reserves team) was selected by the President and Head Coach to captain the squad at the Tournament.

This role is one that provides overarching player leadership across all of the ACT teams, despite age or gender. Tan was also the player to represent the ACT squad at the opening ceremony at the tournament in Melbourne.

The squad captain is a person that embodies what the Committee believes it means to be a Griffin. That includes professionalism on and off the court, as well as providing a peer support role for athletes and officials who may be struggling through the training season

and the tournament itself. The squad captain is also someone who can be a positive role model to the younger players.

Tan was well respected by his fellow players and the Committee alike, and carried out his role with pride and made the ACT contingent at nationals proud.



**Photo: Tan Nguyen (Squad Captain)**



## Finance Report

### Treasurer's Report for period ending 31 May 2019

The following accounts represent the financial position of ACT Men's and Mixed Netball Association as at 31st May 2019.

This is a change from previous reporting periods (ending 31 October) in accordance with a change in the Association Constitution.

#### Financial Statements Audit Report on the ACT Men's Netball Association

I have audited the attached financial statements of the ACT Men's Netball Association. This includes:

- the financial statements including Balance Sheets and Profit & Loss Statements;
- the notes to the financial statements;
- the supporting documentations to the key accounts.

After reviewing the documents above, I believe the financial statements are well prepared and supported by the work papers. In my opinion:

- (a) the financial statements are properly drawn up;
  - (i) so far as to give a true and fair view of the matters required by subsection 72(2) of the Act to be dealt with in accounts for the financial year reported on;
  - (ii) in accordance with the provision of the Act; and
  - (iii) in accordance with proper accounting standards.
- (b) proper accounting and other records have been kept by the association
- (c) the audit was conducted in accordance with the rules of the association.



Jian Dong, CPA

16/7/2019

## Profit and Loss for Period 31 October 2018 to 31 May 2019

Income		
	31-May-19	31-Oct-18
Rep Fees	\$113,547.23	\$89,361.50
Fundraising	\$6,115.87	\$1,573.20
Sponsorship	\$3,250.00	\$6,848.80
Interest	\$11.40	\$7.40
Griffins Presentation Night		\$1,354.69
Sundry Income		\$3,841.96
Loans		\$1,673.50
Competition Fees 2019		\$590.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$122,924.50</b>	<b>\$105,251.05</b>

Expenditure		
Accommodation	\$33,940.00	\$45,980.00
Air Fares	\$19,647.96	
AMMNA Tournament	\$18,021.00	\$17,595.00
Uniforms	\$10,644.00	\$18,687.00
Vehicle Expenses	\$7,180.88	\$5,087.74
Training and Recovery	\$3,266.20	\$4,335.00
Food	\$7,365.20	\$9,371.13
Fundraising	\$340.00	
Competition Prepayment		\$890.00
Griffins Presentation Night		\$1,000.00
Reimbursements	\$790.00	\$750.00
Sponsorship Expenses		\$198.00
Training Expenses		\$1,727.88
Trophies		\$348.50
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>\$101,195.24</b>	<b>\$105,970.25</b>
<b>Net Profit (Loss)</b>	<b>\$21,729.26</b>	<b>-\$719.20</b>

## Balance Sheet as at 31 May 2019

<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
Cash at Bank	\$16,750.50	\$2,073.24
Load and Go Cards	\$387.98	\$556.67
Receivables	\$9,535.83	\$1,520.00
Prepayments		\$890.00
Cash		\$10.00
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$26,674.31</b>	<b>\$5,049.91</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>		
Inventory	3,500.00	440
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>440</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$30,174.31</b>	<b>\$5,489.91</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Payables	\$3,675.17	\$590.00
Loan	\$1,593.50	\$1,673.50
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$5,268.67</b>	<b>\$2,263.50</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$5,268.67</b>	<b>\$2,263.50</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$24,905.64</b>	<b>\$3,226.41</b>
<b>Accumulated Surpluses</b>	<b>\$24,905.64</b>	<b>\$3,226.41</b>
<b>Total Members Funds</b>	<b>\$24,905.64</b>	<b>\$3,226.41</b>

Notes:

These accounts are presented on a full accrual basis

## Player Representative Report

2018/2019 was another pivotal year of growth for ACT Men's Netball. The flow on success from men's state league has seen a further expansion for the 2019 season, with the inclusion of Queanbeyan (NSW) for the 2019 season which will shortly begin. The further exposure of the game of men's netball in the local ACT media with the combination professional indoor facilities attracted a very high quality of new players.

This increased discussion and participation over 2018-19 has seen the ACT send four teams to the Australian Men's and Mixed National Championships for the third year in a row.

Some highlights from 2018/2019 include:

- Josh Rochow and Dylan Harrison being selected in the under 20s Australian side to compete in Wellington, New Zealand
- Tamara Weatherburn, Carly Symons and Madison Robinson selected in the Mixed Reserves Australian team.
- Tamara Weatherburn selected as the most valuable player in the Mixed Reserve division at the national championships in Melbourne
- Josh Rochow was selected as the most valuable player in the U20s division
- Dai Harrison selected as the under 20s Australian coach.
- The Expansion of the M-League competition into the Tier 2 state league completion
- The inclusion of a new team (Queanbeyan Netball Association) in the 2019 season.
- The ACT Mixed team finished 4<sup>th</sup> and under 20s finished 3rd at the 2019 AMMNA National Championships in Melbourne
- The launch of the 'Emerging Griffins Program'
- The appointment of Kim Symons to the Head Coaching role for the ACT Griffins.

The player growth within our M-League competition and the ongoing success of the emerging Griffins programs, will be crucial to ensure that there is a quality pathway from a grassroots level all the way up to an Australian level, of which the ACT has set a strong footing.



## 2019 Griffins Participant List:

### Men's Reserves:

Tan Nguyen (co-captain)  
Brad Manen (co-captain)  
Chris Eldridge  
Robert Arthur  
Adam Commens  
Phillip Blagus  
Andrew Cross  
Ben Todd  
Ben Tipping  
Steve Wall

**Coach:** Kim Symons

**Assistant Coach:** Bryana Robinson

**Apprentice Coach:** Danielle Caesar

**Manager:** Bronwyn Motion



### Mixed Reserves:

Tamara Weatherburn (captain)  
Renaë Pickering (vice-captain)  
Matthew Carey  
Michael Fox  
Bethany Woodstock  
Maddie Robinson  
Jesse Fyfe  
Cameron Bennett  
Zoe Power  
Karl Fyfe  
Alyssa Parker

**Coach:** Alisha Anderson

**Assistant Coach:** Laura Withers

**Manager:** Sara Keating





### Men's Reserves 20's and under:

Dylan Harrison (captain)  
Joshua Rochow  
Justin Archer  
Flynn Gibbs-Patterson  
Jake Lewkowicz  
Kyle Robertson  
Lachlan Mellick  
Nathan Hosie  
Nick Cameron Neser  
Warwick Cronin-Stacey (import)  
Zane Krautz (import)

**Coach:** Dai Harrison

**Manager:** Sheree Harrison



## Men's Reserves 17's and under:

Lachlan Wall (captain)  
Zane Kendall (captain)  
Lachlan Paolo  
Jarrod Hitchins  
Trent Schoevers  
James Tronc  
Luke Maidorn  
William Grame  
Josh Feeney (import)  
Hudson Ebbage (import)

**Coach:** Sarah De Bear

**Apprentice Coach:** Danae Wall

**Manager:** Jenn Maidorn





## Sponsorship:

### Major Sponsor

The ACT Men's Netball Association has been extremely fortunate to continue our partnership with KPMG in 2019 as the ACT Men's and Mixed Netball major sponsor. KPMG is a professional services firm with a global reach and deep expertise in audit and assurance, tax and advisory.

KPMG has a strong track record of supporting local organisations. The support provided by KPMG has significantly contributed to the growth of men's and mixed netball in the ACT and continues to provide exciting competitions for men's netball pathways. KPMG logo's features on the Griffins uniform and the post pads used in the local Men's State League competition.

We are very proud of our partnership with KPMG and thank the firm for its ongoing support of ACT Men's and Mixed Netball.



## Fundraising

### Bunnings BBQ

Bunnings Belconnen supported the Griffins fundraising efforts in 2019 with a Bunnings BBQ fundraising activity. The BBQ raised a profit of \$1,590.87. The BBQ was great opportunities to not only raise some additional funds for the program but a chance to promote men's netball within the ACT community. Bunnings Belconnen has for many years provided ongoing support to community organisations and the program will seek to host BBQ's in future years.

### Annual Trivia Night

The annual trivia night was held at the RUC Bowls Club in March. The event raised a profit of over \$3,500 and had 140 attendees. All athletes contributed to the success of the evening through prize contributions. The event should continue to be an annual event as both a fundraising and squad bonding opportunity.





