

SUTHERLAND SHIRE NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

MINUTES – DELEGATES MEETING

DATE:	18 February 2026
TIME:	7:34pm
VENUE:	Gymea Tradies
ATTENDEES:	As per attendance book
APOLOGIES:	Cronulla RSL Maureen Finch – Executive St Pats Amanda Brady – Joeys Cath Reynolds – Executive Kim Scott – Executive Ashleigh Barnes – Executive Kerry Phillips – Life Member Margaret Burke – Life Member Julian Finch – Connells Point Dianna Lozell – Comets Nicole Shobbrook - Gymea
MINUTE TAKER:	Jenny Rees

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOVED: Life Member – Robyn Walker

SECONDED: Sharks – Bronwyn Cook

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

- Presentation of Life Membership to Gabrielle Grahame
- Voting of Returning Officer for 2026
Julie Norman
Maria Lynch
Maria advised she is withdrawing her nomination as she is moving interstate.
Julie Norman declared Returning Officer for 2026.
Nerida Noble (President) thanked Maria Lynch for all her hard work over the years and wished her well in her new adventure.
- Constitution – Nerida Noble presented the draft Constitution . She read out the steps required to complete the document as stated on the front page of the document provided at

this meeting. Nerida Noble advised the parts of the Constitution that will be moved to policies as provided on a separate document at the meeting. Prue Haberecht (Life Member) asked if Life Members will be permitted to attend discussion meetings. Nerida Noble advised yes. Maria Lynch asked about the roles of the Executive and Nerida advised the roles will be moved to policies. The secretary and treasurer are the only executive left in the Constitution with a role description. Karen Salter (Gymea Netball Club) advised the only roles required to run the Associations are the Secretary and Treasurer and that is why those are the only roles left in the Constitution.

- Incident at Spring Comp – Nerida Noble advised that we will not be providing a copy of the reports as there are people named. The matter was dealt with at the time and the teams were monitored throughout the rest of the season. Maria Lynch advised that we must report all incidents of this nature to NNSW as per their rules. Nerida Noble advised we will be following Netball NSW guidelines.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Various – Club Affiliation forms
2. Various – requests for players
3. SSC – renaming of Bellongara Courts
4. Ivana Brown – Summer comp enquiry
5. Joeys – issue with player registration
6. Various – requests for vouchers
7. Various – incorrect registrations
8. Michelle Lemon – request for use of The Ridge for Pickleball
9. Notice of Presidents Meeting
10. SSC – work requests raised for Bellongara
11. NNSW – Train the Trainer flyer
12. Various – Yellow card requests
13. NNSW – Policy Change
14. Sharks – request for list of rep players
15. Various – sub committee nominations
16. Various – Clubs looking for Players

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- Karen Salter asked about the Pickle Ball correspondence. Nerida Noble advised a meeting took place today with herself and Lisa Britton (Barden Ridge Netball Club), Ashley Streater (Menai Netball Club) was also invited but did not attend. The pickleball court fits in one third and would not impact the circle. They have 650 members and they would like to use The Ridge as their Headquarters. They asked if we would give up 4 courts and our answer was no. Nerida Noble advised that they should also look at Heathcote Courts as we are not using them. Nerida Noble spoke to them about Loftus and Ferntree and they advised they did not know about them being marked, stating the Council marked them without their knowledge. They are looking for 4 Courts. They understand we are the primary users of the Court and they need to work with our times. Chris Newman (Menai Netball Club) asked how many courts they wanted to create and Nerida Noble advised they could get up to 12 courts marked out there. Nerida Noble advised that if this goes ahead they could clean the storeroom out and use that for storage of equipment, paying for the use as we pay to rent

the facilities. Anne Heptinstall (Vice President) advised we will get more traction with the Council if we share the courts with another code. Karen Salter suggested that Council provide drawings of what they are going to paint before we agree. Nerida Noble advised that SSNA and Engadine Eagles were provided with diagrams but the company marking the courts did what they wanted.

- Judy MacLachlan (Life Member) asked about the email from Council re: work orders. Nerida advised of the issues we have had, and Jenny Rees (Secretary) advised she has been working with the Council and shared details of the works that the Council are endeavouring to fix).
- Anne Heptinstall asked the delegates to ensure they respond to Simon Kennedy's request for feedback and sign the petition regarding E-bikes. Anne Heptinstall advised the delegates that her and Nerida are meeting with Simon Kennedy (Member for Cook - Federal) on Monday 23 February.
- Jenny Rees to email the Simon Kennedy Petition to the Life members.
- Maria Lynch asked us to notify the Council of the male genitalia etched into our courts.
- Nerida Noble advised that we have also spoken to the Council about fencing off the top tier of the Courts to ensure the safety of our players, parents and officials.
- Joeys asked what to do if the situation with e-bikes escalates. Jenny Rees advised she has been advised that we are not to call the Police station anymore, just call 000

CORRESPONDENCE IN BE RECEIVED:

MOVED: Life Member - Judy

SECONDED: Thistles – Liz Bova

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

1. SSNA - 2026 Registration book
2. Letter to Council re: issues with E-Bikes
3. Replies to requests
4. Notification to Summer Comp registrations – not going ahead
5. Michelle Lemon – arranging meeting re Pickleball at The Ridge
6. Train the Trainer Flyer sent to Cubs
7. NNSW Policy change sent to all Clubs
8. Sharks – list of Rep and Dev player will be provided once teams finalise
9. Various – Rep and Dev selection letters
10. Simon Kennedy – E-Bike Use in the Shire - Feedback

CORRESPONDENCE OUT BE RECEIVED:

MOVED: Flames

SECONDED: Executive

REPORTS:

PRESIDENT:

Nerida Noble advised delegates of the Presidents' Meeting and clubs were sent the minutes which details several changes to motions from 2025..

Nerida Noble thanked all coaches, managers and selectors for their hard work in the final selection of the junior representative and senior representative teams.

Jenny Rees will send a complete list of Representative and Development players to Clubs.

Nerida Noble also thanked the Executive for their efforts thus far.

Also advised the delegates that the Club Roster will be sent out in the coming weeks. Nerida Noble advised that if there is an issue that means you are unable to do the duty day you are allocated, please arrange a swap with another club and notify us of same. The set up time is scheduled for 7:00am on a Saturday.

MOVED: Sylvania

SECONDED: Magpies

TREASURER:

Nerida Noble advised that Tammy Moussa (Treasurer) has been working hard with Damien (Office) over the last few weeks and we now have a profit and loss statement being presented at the meeting. Tammy Moussa asked that if this is not the information you would like, she is happy to provide just the balance of the bank accounts.

Tammy Moussa advised that she is working with Damien to provide more information for each meeting, in addition more job codes are being created to allow for more detailed information. Eg registrations being split into each competition.

Tammy Moussa advised the uniforms for the rep teams now all go through Play HQ.

Kaitlin Walker (Gymea Netball Club) asked about Stingrays' expenses. We advised that Stingrays has its own bank account and does not appear on the SSNA P&L statement. Kaitlin Walker was referring to the Licensing fee. Jenny Rees advised it is under donations. Kaitlin asked that that be itemised. It was explained that the Licensing Fee is listed under Donations as it means GST does not need to be paid.

Judy MacLachlan asked if we have kept Ace Gutters as a Stingrays Sponsor. Nerida Noble advised yes, and Stingrays have locked in another 2 companies for 3 years.

Chris Newman asked that the balance of each bank account be provided at the next meeting.

MOVED: BRNC

SECONDED: Eagles

NSW REPORT:

NNSW AGM – 21 March 2026 – Nerida Noble and Anne Heptinstall to attend

MOVED: Exec

SECONDED: Exec

EXECUTIVE:

MPIO Officer as discussed at the AGM, Carly Burtenshaw has been appointed for 2026.

MOVED: Life Member

SECONDED: Gynea

REGISTRARS:

2026 Registrars

Dianne Ward diwardnetball@bigpond.com 0416 154 111 – 8's, 9's, 10's, 11's and 12's

Kim Scott kimsco60@tpg.com.au 0402 053 471 – 13's, 14's, 15's and 16/17's

Christine Magri cmagri4546@gmail.com 0419 439 072 - Seniors

Swap Night – Friday 20 February 2026 – Stadium (6:30pm)

New Borrowed Player form – attached (correction regarding time submitted to be amended)

Late Registrations will not be accepted if the form is not completed correctly.

Any player who does not have an updated photo/ or does not have a photo will not be permitted to take the court and that all registrars will be compiling a list of players and penalties/point deductions will be enforced.

Christine Magri (Registrar) will have a list of players at control who do not have photos.

Liz Bova (Caringbah Thistles Netball Club) asked how our numbers are. Nerida advised we have a total of 3586 registrations, 2988 from 10years - seniors, 427 - 8's and 9's, 171 Nettas and 8 walking netballers.

Delegate asked if the deregistration process is the same as last yet. Tammy Moussa advised yes, but please provide reasons. Tammy Moussa explained the process and what is required. Tammy Moussa also advised the voucher process.

Gina Skinner (Flames Netball Club) asked about the numbers again and discussed same.

Karen asked about the Borrowing form. Jenny will amend the form as discussed at the Presidents' Meeting. Nerida Noble advised that it is the Clubs' responsibility to ensure the form is completed correctly. Blank forms will be available at Control each Saturday. We will also get a QR for the forms to be done electronically.

Jenny Rees advised blank yellow cards are at the signon table if any club requires them.

Christine Magri also asked that as much details can be completed on the grading forms as well.

MOVED: Sharks

SECONDED: Life Member

UMPIRES CONVENOR:

Umpire Convenor Zoom Meeting – Wednesday 25 February (time to be advised)

Beginners Umpire Course – 2 March - Bellingarra Netball Courts

Nerida Noble advised that we have had enquiry about payments to umpires. For future trials or SSNA umpiring, payments will no longer be paid to Clubs but will be paid direct to umpires for umpiring at SSNA events.

MOVED: Gynea

SECONDED: Flames

TOURNAMENT:

This year we would like to bring the Kim Green Cup back to the Junior divisions. Our Junior competition consists of grades 16/17 and below, so for the purpose of the SSNA competition players in these age groups are classed as juniors.

We would like to have an elite division for our juniors, we are bringing the Kim Green Cup to the 16/17 division 1 grade. Players will be graded in this division by the Grading Committee with the intention of having the best teams in this age group in the 16/17 age group.

As per the 2026 Registration booklet and the Constitution, there are only allowed to be 2 x 16/17 or 15 year old players playing in a senior team. These players MUST have SSNA approval.

So that we keep these younger players playing in Juniors we will be offering the winning team and opportunity to play off against other teams of their age group from other Associations. SSNA will be approaching NNSW to bring back something like they used to run called the Coca Cola Cup where the winners of specific junior divisions played other winners from other associations.

In regard to the Margaret Corbett Cup this year will consist of players that play in the Premier League, Metro League and relative players of the correct age to make up teams.

There will then be an A1 grade, A2 grade and downwards from there to satisfy the need of senior teams.

As you will see from the playing times KGC and MCC will be played in the stadium in each time slot. If there are 8 teams in each division one of each division's games will be played outside on Court 1 at rotating time slots. This will fit in with court availability and umpire availability. If one of the grades only has 7 teams, then the 11:45am time slot will be taken up by the grade that has 8 teams in it.

In the junior grades we have tried to make sure that there are not too many Division 1 games on at the same time, however we have allowed this year for a 12/13 and a 14/15-year-old competition, if they are needed. The times and grades have been worked out on last year's grades. So obviously it cannot be set in stone until registrations and grading have been completed. Allowing for these grades there are 9 division 1 grades that need to be spread across the 4 time slots, so there has to be double ups somewhere.

We were also asked to allow 5 divisions for the 10 year olds, so this will have to be managed once all grades have been worked out by the grading committee.

If the 12/13 division is not needed the 10 Division one will move across to take their place in rotation 2 and if the 14/15 division is not required, we will be moving 12 division 4 across to that rotation. This will free up a spot for 10 div 5 on the first rotation and 10 div 4 on the third rotation.

I would also like to request that All Abilities move to the 1pm time slot, they would be able to play the lower graded senior teams at 1pm each week.

Wet Weather

We do currently have a wet weather policy however; I will be working out a draw if we have continual wet weather which will include moving teams (all ages) out to Barden Ridge so we would be using the top 9 courts at Bellongarra and the rest will be at Barden Ridge

SUGGESTIONS FOR NETTA NETBALL

This year Netta will start on Day 3 after the Anzac Weekend.

Day 1 and Day 2 of the normal competition will have Netta skills and drills days. Which will be facilitated by SSNA coaches.

Suggestions to clubs:

Register ONE team with SSNA to start **on Day 3**, as all players are already registered you will not need to supply names of players. As long as you have **7 players** that will turn up every week you are welcome to just submit the team's name. Of course, Clubs can have more than 1 team.

Each day of play Netta teams (Coaches) will be required to write **Full Names** of players that take the court for that night's play. This is only to be completed in case of injury.

This way if there are players that are not wanting, too shy, or just parents thinking they are not skilled enough to play in the Netta competition on a Friday night, they don't have to. That way players won't be made to turn up and not enjoy the season.

However, this will put the onus back on the clubs to run Netta Netball on a different night of the week for players that don't wish to take part in games on a Friday night.

We have found that those teams that trained Netta players last year on a Friday night before they played had a higher rate of players that didn't enjoy the games and now have not returned to Netball.

Rules of Netta state that the coach is to be the umpire and coach on the night and will be the only person (from each side) (so 2 people) to be on the court. Each umpire will assist both teams and can assist at both ends of the court, but of course the umpire that has control of the end the ball is in will be the umpire that blows the whistle.

The Netta draw will be completed after Day so that clubs will be able to work out if they have teams or not.

Matrix attached.

Joeys asked for clarification around 15's playing in the seniors and same was provided.

Robyn Walker (Life Member) asked why we have a 12/13 grade. Nerida advised we may not. We cannot confirm grades until numbers are in.

Karen Salter advised she has a real problem with a 12/13 grade. Nerida Noble reiterated and explained we may not, but it might be top 12's with bottom 13's. We need to leave it to the graders to ensure they are graded correctly. There are a number of selectors also on the grading committee so hopefully this will assist.

Prue Haberecht advised that she thinks the age groups are wrong, it should be 10-12's who were juniors, then intermediate and then seniors.

Emma Paterson (Barden Ridge Netball Club) asked about the Margaret Corbett Cup playing outside. Nerida Noble advised it would be unlikely.

Judy Maclachlan asked about All Abilities and we advised they will stay in the 11:45am timeslot in a grade, it is only in the matrix at a later time so they are not forgotten.

Robyn Glennan (Life Member) asked about smaller goal posts. Nerida advised no, unless someone can source some that are cost effective and can be up and down easily as well as needing the Council approval, so at this point of time unlikely. She also asked about portable posts. Prue Haberecht advised that when courts were upgraded the council refused to provide adjustable posts.

Christine Magri advised there is a new program for Net Set Go.

MOVED: Sylvania

SECONDED: Flames

COACHING COORDINATOR:

Coaching Coordinator meeting – Monday 23 February – Umpires Room Bellingara (7:00pm) – Last year we had 8 out of 20 Clubs attend. If you want input, please attend.

Nerida Noble advised Debbie Grimshaw's programs were well attended last year and encouraged Clubs to attend.

Debbie Grimshaw (Coaching Coordinator) also advised the delegates that coaches who were given awards, were observed weekly.

MOVED: Sharks

SECONDED: Executive

SELECTIONS & REPS:

List of Representative and Development players will be sent to all Clubs once teams have been finalised with players accepting positions, along with coaches and managers included.

Karen Salter asked if Clubs are required to notify of other Associations representative and development players on grading sheets and was advised yes.

MOVED: Life Members

SECONDED: Life Members

VICE PRESIDENT:

Walking Netball is back – Monday's 7:00pm

Anne Heptinstall has been liaising with Simon Kennedy in relation to E-bikes

Karen Salter also asked if we have spoken to Eleni Pettinos (Member for Miranda - State). Advised that Simon Kennedy is sharing his petition with the Council and State government.

MOVED: BRNC

SECONDED: Sharks

RETURNING OFFICER:

Grading Committee Nominations:

Junior:-

Cath Reynolds

Kylie Raper

Vicki Castro

Chris Newman

Rowena Yule

Maureen Finch

Hayley Smith

Julie Tucker

Nicole Rossen

Robyn Walker

Sue Phair

Cath Thorsby

Sam Schneider – 4 March

Shellie Bolton – 6 March

Melissa Benson (observer)

Senior:-

Renee Carney

Paula Mexted

Nicole Shobrook

Carolyn Green

Pip Breese

Bronwyn Cook

Marie Meehan

Social Media Position – Emma Paterson elected unopposed.

MOVED: Exec

SECONDED: BRNC

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Public Holiday for the Monday after Anzac Day. Calendar for Netball will not change due to the new public holiday.
2. Sharks asked if the Junior and Senior registrations could be separate links for next year so they can close off one if they need to.
3. Nerida advised that there are a number of Clubs looking for players and requested that clubs send through details for SSNA to also advertise.

MEETING CLOSED: 9:03pm