



**NSWAFUA**  
REPRESENTING  
**UMPIRES**  
IN **SYDNEY**

**2022 Annual Report**

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# Life Members

First Name	Last Name	First Name	Last Name
William	Allan	Mal	Lee
Nicholas	Angelos	Anton	Lewis
Jack	Armstrong	Leo	Magee
George	Brack	George	Maruan
Fred	Bradley	Alan	McIntyre
Glen	Callaghan	Patrick	McMahon
J.J.	Clancy	Shane	McSpeerin
Richard	Cox	James	McSweeney
Roger	Crowhurst	Jack	Maude
John	Curran	Kevin	Meade
Danny	Daniel	Frank	Nevill*
Stuart	Eckermann	Peter	Nilson
Tom	Evans	Laurie	O'Connor*
Wally	Craig*	John	Reid
Ruby	Craig	Ken	Ray
Grant	Godfrey	Mark	Rendell
Leslie	E	Sean	Richardson
E.J.	Griffin*	Andrew	Scovell
Peter	Hampshire	James	Smail
Henry	Harrop	Andrew	Smith
Theo	Haughan	Anthony	St Clair
Michael	Heinrichs	Robert	Tait
Max	Henry	Robert	Taylor
William	Hunkin*	Roy	Thomas
Chris	Huon	Steven	Wallbank
Martin	Jackson	Ross	Wheeler
George	Jones	Frank	Williamson
Frank	Kalayzich	George	Wood
John	Lanser	David	Yole
John	Leber*		

\*Deceased

# 2022 Committee Members

**President: Damian Anderson**

**Vice President: Trav Stemper**

**Treasurer: Nic Ford**

**Secretary: Theresa Shortt**

**General Member: Ken Ray**

**General Member: Terry Southwell**

**General Member: Aengus Taylor**

**General Member: Eden Taylor**

# 2022 Membership List

First Name	Last Name	First Name	Last Name	First Name	Last Name
Joshua	Abfelter	Michael	Heinrichs (L)	Liam	Ramsay
Zahir	Ali	Alex	Hudson	Michael	Raso
Damian	Anderson	Sam	Hurford	Ken	Ray (L)
Trevor	Anderson	Lance	Hutt	Mark	Rendell (L)
Nick	Angelos (L)	Justin	Jarvis	Sean	Richardson (L)
Matthew	Baigent	Adrian	Jones	Matthew	Roach
Cam	Barr	Dylan	Jones	Emily	Rose
David	Bell	Paul	Jones	Ben	Russell (A)
Garry	Bentancor	Wayne	Jones	Andrew	Scovell (L)
Liam	Boxall	Zachary	Joseph Wood	Andy	Smyth
Chris	Brackenrig	Frank	Kalayzich (L)	Tim	Somerville
Jason	Bradley	Will	Kay	Terry	Southwell
Mitchell	Bradley	Kristopher	Kellett	Tony	Spain
Andrew	Burton	Sanjaya	Koirala	Joel	Spain
Jeni	Button	Jason	Lee	Emily	Stavropoulos
Sam	Button	Jordan	Lee	Trav	Stemper
Amy	Button	Morgan	Lee	Matt	Stevenson
Chris	Carlaw	AJ	Levett	Bradley	Stewart
Renaë	Castle	Angus	Levy	Alex	Strassberg
Gemma	Chmielewski	Anton	Lewis (L)	Abbey-Kate	Styan
Timothy	Cook	Owen	Lonsdale	Robert	Tait (L)
Richard	Cornish	Taylor	Mattioli	Aengus	Taylor
Richard	Cox (L)	Adam	McAllister	Theresa	Taylor (A)
John	Curran	Lachlan	McDonald	Eden	Taylor (A)
James	Davidson	Angus	McKenzie Wills	Robert	Taylor (L)
Dan	Field Read	Patrick	McMahon (L)	Craig	Terry
Matthew	Folkes	James	McSweeney (L)	Ashley	Thomas
Nic	Ford	James	Napper	Kelan	Thompson Andrews
Gary	Forster	Steven	Nguyen	Orlando	Vaiante
Malachi	Foxsmith	Joseph	O'Brien	Angela	Vassallo
Dean	Garroway	Nash	O'Bryan	Christopher	Vassilopoulos
Timothy	Goulden	James	O'Dwyer	Steven	Wallbank (L)
Joshua	Graeve	Eamon	O'Loughlin	Jed	Wesley Smith
Harrison	Greenlees	David	Panagopoulos	Patrick	Wilson
Caitlin	Gurney	Benjamin	Papandrea	Nathan	Wrigley
Phillip	Hamilton	Aaron	Parker	Fulin	Yan
Ashton	Hanna	Tim	Pinzone	Hayley	Yeomans
Scott	Hansford	Tim	Pow	Tom	Yeomans
Harrison	Hansford	Charles	Powell	Joshua	Young
David	Harding (A)	Alysha	Ramsay		

(A) Associate member (L) Life member

# President's Report

After two heavily COVID impacted seasons, the primary objective of the NSWAFUA in 2022 was to re-build relevance by building membership numbers and re-engaging umpires. That said, for the 2022 season we agreed again to continue a 20% reduction in match fees to again support AFL Sydney Clubs through the final financial impact of COVID. AFL Sydney umpires have supported Clubs over the past three years by saving circa \$200,000 in umpire fees since early 2020. Current MoU negotiations are underway to return to pre-COVID rates as soon as is reasonably possible now all COVID restrictions have been lifted.

A revision of membership options saw 119 people sign up to become members in 2022. Not only did we see a doubling of active membership numbers compared to last year, but was the largest number of active members since the end of compulsory membership.

From a social engagement point of view, we ran nine events with a total of 285 attendees.

Seven of these social events were held on training nights (free of charge). A huge thank you to Theresa Shortt and Eden Taylor who supported these events with outstanding catering. Our Funlympics event raised \$130 for Fight MND, while our Sports Colours event raised \$170 for the Cancer Council NSW.

The first major social event was the Past & Present Members event; the first time in a number of years we have run an event specifically for our past members. A number of people travelled from far and wide and it was a great opportunity to re-connect with old friends and connect with new friends. We plan to run this event again in 2023 and hope even more past members may be able to attend.

The End of Season Celebration & Awards event also returned in 2022. A new look format provided attendees the opportunity to network and celebrate in a less formal and more interactive environment. Congratulations to all award winners and those that achieved significant milestones in 2022. The evening concluded with the AGM.

Other initiatives in 2022 included new NSWAFUA training tops and a regular electronic newsletter "Beyond the Boundary" to keep everyone informed.

Financially, our net overall financial position was +\$754.51. This is a pleasing result considering our priority was to re-engage members and umpires by running regular free and/or affordable social events to encourage umpires to attend. We will continue to work towards our financial objective to build financial capacity and sustainability.

*Damian Anderson*

# Treasurer's Report / Financials

Opening balance: \$4877.37

## INCOME

Membership	Membership subscriptions	\$	3,448.10
Social	Past & Present Members event	\$	968.60
	End of Season Celebration & Awards event	\$	3,388.50
General Store	General store income	\$	744.21
	Garmin watch sales	\$	355.21
Fundraising	Toyota Good for Footy Raffle	\$	142.23
Engagement Grant	AFL Sydney engagement grant	\$	4,500.00
		\$	<b>13,546.85</b>

## EXPENSES

Membership	Training tops	\$	695.00
	Membership promotial material	\$	159.97
Social	Season launch/pizza nights	\$	158.10
	Pasta nights for Fight MND	\$	411.79
	Burger nights for Cancer	\$	200.11
	PD Grand Final announcements	\$	306.35
	Past & Present Members event	\$	2,999.00
Awards	End of Season Celebration & Awards event	\$	4,402.68
	Trophies & engraving	\$	1,389.00
	Life membership badges	\$	94.60
General Store	Pull up banner	\$	220.00
	General store stock	\$	156.72
Technology	Website development	\$	960.00
	Historical photo scanning	\$	199.00
	Dropbox subscription	\$	184.67
	Square	\$	59.00
	Website domain	\$	43.89
Committee	Committee meeting expenses	\$	153.00
		\$	<b>12,792.88</b>

Closing balance: \$5,631.34

# Secretary / Social Report

2022 Was a busy season for the NSWAFUA, with lots of social events to organise. We look forward to continuing this in Season 2023. Here is a recap of 2022 events.

With the Season Launch, we supplied pizzas for all our umpires at North Sydney Oval (NSO) on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, due to wet weather, Blacktown Olympic Sports Park (BISP) had to wait for theirs until April 20<sup>th</sup>.

The Legendary Ken Ray celebrated 600 Premier Division matches in April, which called for cake for everyone. We delivered them in the shape of 600. Congrats Ken.

Community Umpiring Week was celebrated with Green Doughnuts.

May 31<sup>st</sup> at NSO and June 2<sup>nd</sup> at BISP, we ran our version of fun Olympics (“Funlympics”); a fun games night held during training which was finished with umpires eating hot pasta before heading home. An optional gold coin donation saw us raise money for Fight MND.

In August, we had Burger Night for Cancer, again at both senior venues on training nights, to make sure no one missed out.

On September 18, we headed to the city for our Past & Present Members event. An afternoon of revisiting memories, catching up with friends and fantastic food and drinks at the Paragon Hotel.

Grand Finals Appointment Announcements had to be big. Pasta followed by fudge slices for all. Congrats to everyone who got appointed. During the Final Series, many of our umpires were treated to sports drinks and slices on match day.

Many of our umpires reached important milestones and where possible, we delivered sweet treats to help them celebrate.

The final event for the year was the End of Season Celebration and Awards night held at the Ranch in North Ryde. We went a bit more casual this year in the hope that everyone got to work the room and mingle. We had finger food and fun. A huge congratulations to all who received awards on the night.

*Theresa Shortt*



# 2022 Award Winners

Award	Description	Winner
Barry Fielding Trophy	100m sprint	Ashton Hanna & Alysha Ramsay
Trainers Award	AFL Sydney umpire most dedicated to training	Bradley Stewart
AFL Umpire of the Year	Best NSW based AFL listed umpire	Dan Field-Read
Golden Whistle Award	Best NSW based VFL listed field umpire	Chris Brackenrig
Peter Hampshire Award	Best NSW based VFL listed boundary umpire	Sam Button
Michael Heinrichs Award	Best NSW based VFL listed goal umpire	Taylor Mattioli
Mark Rendell Shield	Best first year umpire	Abbey Styan
Frank Kalayzich Award	Most improved AFL Sydney field umpire	Tom Yeomans
Shane McSpeerin Award	Most improved AFL Sydney boundary umpire	Liam Ramsay
Ken Ray Award	Most improved AFL Sydney goal umpire	Chris Vassilopoulos
The AFL Award	Most promising umpire	Ashton Hanna
AFL Sydney Best Field Umpire	Best AFL Sydney field umpire	Joey O'Brien
AFL Sydney Best Boundary Umpire	Best AFL Sydney boundary umpire	Nathan Wrigley
AFL Sydney Best Goal Umpire	Best AFL Sydney goal umpire	Aengus Taylor & Alex Strassberg
Umpire's Umpire	Best team player as voted by AFL Sydney Umpires	Sam Hurford
Barbara McSweeney Spirit of Umpiring Award	Outstanding commitment to umpiring	Theresa Shortt & Amanda Ramsay
Jim McSweeney Spirit of Umpiring Award	Outstanding commitment to umpiring	Kris Kellett
AW St Clair Award	Best All Rounder	Terry Southwell

