



**ELTHAM REDBACKS FOOTBALL CLUB INC.**

**ABN** 34 394 819 801, **Reg No.** A0008940Y

**Correspondence to:** PO Box 236, Eltham, VIC 3095

**Home ground:** Cedar Ave, Eltham North

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Date:** 3/12/2019

**Start time:** 7:35pm

**Location:** Eltham North Reserve, Cnr Wattletree Road and Cedar Ave Eltham North.

**Attending:**

Rachel Cummins	Michael Kouranos	George Ohanian	Regan Carr
Justine Stojanovski	Laurie Alonzo	Andrew Lamers	Ivan Dalla Costa
Birgit Maurer	Ben Lafford	Cameron Lockhart	Danielle Kibell

**Apologies:** David Freeman, Con Christov, Gabby Montagnese, Kyle Luu, Kirsten McNally, Grant Peden, Tariq Hashimi, Sue Cartledge

A quorum is in attendance in accordance with 11.4 of the Constitution

**Minutes:**

**1. Welcome members and guests (Declaration under SECT 206B)**

- All solvent

**2. Football Update - Trial update, numbers, summer program, coaching appointments.**

Girls

- Girls – went really well.
- Lots of inquiries still coming in every day.
- At this stage running 12 teams, but still confirming.
- Currently 2 more teams than in 2019.
- Provisional teams to be sent out this week.
- All coaching positions filled, except in u12 and u14B

Summer Program

- Program now finished
- Good feedback from parents.
- Some teenage coaches stepped up, great to see.
- There are around \$3k owing in coaches payments.
- Numbers – approx. 30 per age group per night.
- It was noted that the Summer and Holiday programs are an important revenue stream for the club and also keeps players engaged with the club/sport.



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MiniRoos Boys

- U8 and U9 age group – numbers were down. It was noted that many had gone to other sports (AFL competes for players on a Sunday morning), moving overseas etc. We expect 3 teams in each of these age groups. These age groups will be left open – as we may pick up extra players in the new year.
- U10 age group had a huge increase in numbers – 64 players. Looks like 5 teams. Teams will be locked away now – we don't expect more players in this age group.
- U11 down in numbers. Teams will be locked away now – we don't expect more players in this age group.
- U12 also strong in numbers - 47 players. Teams will be locked away now – we don't expect more players in this age group.
- Pat still confirming coaches.
- Mistake we made last year was expecting new regos in the new year, this didn't eventuate to make a meaningful difference. Justine will keep a waiting list.
- Provisional teams to be sent out this week via Pat.
- It was discussed and agreed that we should have a physical pamphlet to give out to school rather than just relying on EDM's
- Community board should be installed outside club in February to advertise u3-u8 programs

Community Boys (U13-U18)

- Lots of interest in the u18's
- 2 x U13 teams
- 1 x U14 team
- 0 x U15 teams
- 1 x U16 team
- Potentially an U17 team

JBNPL

- All teams filled except U16
- Training in December – this was unscheduled and will impact pitch rental fees

Senior Men

- Preference by the Senior Men is to play on a Friday night. More revenue may come via the canteen. It will however impact the Over 45's. No resolution reached.
- Their preference is to train on Monday and Wednesday nights

**ACTIONS:**

Danielle to supply uniform requirements to Ivan /Michael by 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2019

Rachel to arrange community board for February

Rachel to advertise for more U16 JBNPL players via social media

Ivan and Ben to discuss training schedules for Senior Men

Ivan to circulate consolidated number of teams, players for pitch allocation etc.



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**3. Equipment – ground allocations**

- Ben requires final number of teams and age groups before locking in ground allocations
- Looking to start pre-season 1<sup>st</sup> week of Feb for Community Teams.
- NPL – will resume training 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January.
- NPL – currently training up till XMAS – this will impact budget for grounds allocation. Pitches are being underutilised for NPL training. ie only ½ pitches being used.

**ACTIONS:**

All age coordinators to supply Ben with final number of teams/age groups asap

**4. Pre-season**

- Equipment will be available to collect once everyone advised Ben teams.
- Stocktake – Ben will do in New Year.
- It was noted that a lot of equipment (balls) were not returned from 2019 season
- Coaches – starting pre-season training without a coach is problematic – coordinators to pro-active communicate this to parents. A decision needs to be made in February if teams without coaches are folded.

**ACTIONS:**

All age coordinators to supply Ben with final number of teams/age groups asap

**5. Refunds**

- Treasurer to review policy, no other members had any concerns.

**ACTIONS:**

Kirsten to review **DRAFT Refund Policy.docx** and advise Committee

**6. Fees 2020**

- Deposits were time consuming for Registrars in the 2019 season and did not prove to ‘financially commit’ families.
- Deposits for 2020 - NO
- Treasurer to circulate proposed 2020 fees to Committee for vote.

**ACTIONS:**

Kirsten to circulate proposed fees for 2020 season to Committee. If any Committee members disagree on proposed fees, speak up.

Kirsten to email JBNPL fee structure to George.

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## **7. Uniforms**

- Kappa requires final numbers asap due to Chinese New Year factory closures in China.
- Michael is finalising now.
- The committee agreed that all teams will receive both a long sleeve blue and grey GK top (even if they don't have a dedicated GK)

## **8. Moving into new clubrooms**

- Council and Aus New are currently estimating electricity to be connected by Friday 13th December.
- Plastic goals are in danger of being stolen and/or damaged over summer. Crew required Saturday morning 7th December to move goals into new storage cage.
- New nets required for some goals – Ben to order in new year.

### **ACTIONS:**

Regan to coordinate crew to lock up goals on Saturday morning 7th December – volunteers required.

## **9. Club room Xmas event & official opening**

- Potentially 1st weekend in February –
- There will be 2 openings – club and council

### **ACTIONS:**

Birgit to lead openings

## **10. Sponsorship**

- “Support your club - Fit out the clubroom’ sponsorship by members
- Ivan to encourage over 45’s to sponsor.

### **ACTIONS:**

After all teams have been announced Rachel to post on social media ‘Support your club – Fit out the clubrooms’ messaging

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## **11. Website & Team App**

- Website needs an update
- Danielle's husband may be able to do it for us
- Kirsten mentioned in an earlier Committee Meeting that an organisation called 'Connect Up' may be able to assist non-profit organisations in website design.
- Investigating using 'Team App' for whole of club. This would ensure there's 1 central list of our members, rather than several circulating. Good for promoting social events, attendance and payments. Coaches, TM's, Committee, Teams etc all have access to their own groups.
- If Team App is introduced there should be 1 dedicated contact within committee that parents/TM's can ask questions until they become familiar with the app.

### **ACTIONS:**

Danielle to speak to Justin

Kirsten to investigate Connect Up

Rachel to circulate Team App information for feedback by Committee.

## **12. Other Business**

- Eltham Twilight Christmas Market – Thursday 12th December. 4pm-8pm
- We have a 20m x 30m space. Bring small goals, bibs and balls.
- Matt Maurer and Ethan Kibell, and perhaps Alec Christov to assist Andrew.
- Market will be used to promote our U3-U8 programs

### **ACTIONS:**

Andrew to coordinate

Andrew to bring flyers

Con – is Alec available to assist?

## **13. Next committee meeting**

Tuesday January 14<sup>th</sup> 2020

**Meeting closed 9.05pm**

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