

**Apex Australia**

**National Convention**

 **&**

**Awards**

**2021**

**via Zoom**

**Link**  <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86991815160>

**8:00 am WA**

**9:30 am NT**

**10:00 am Qld**

**10:30 am SA**

**11:00 am NSW, ACT,**

**Vic & Tas**

Hosted by

**Apex Australia National Board**

# 2021/2022 NATIONAL BOARD

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| **NATIONAL PRESIDENT** | Adam Stewart  | QLD |
| **NATIONAL SECRETARY** | Simon Grant | VIC |
| **NATIONAL TREASURER** | Gavin Mingay | QLD |
| **NATIONAL RC CO-ORDINATOR**  | Tara Spotswood | QLD |
| **NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS** | Ben Curnow | VIC |
| **NATIONAL AWARDS & INNOVATION** | Emma Jackson | WA |
| **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS &** **IMMEDIATE PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENT** | Bethany Paterson  | SA |
| **NATIONAL LEGAL MANAGER**  | Leon Budden | SA |
| **NATIONAL BURSARY MANAGER** | Greg Youngberry  | QLD |
| **NATIONAL COMPLIANCE MANAGER** | Michael Godfrey | WA |
| **NATIONAL OFFICE MANAGER**  | Craig Martin  | QLD |

# FOUNDERS

**We pay tribute to the Founders of Apex and whilst they have**

**passed from us, their ideals will never be forgotten:**

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# MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

***Please join us for the 2021 National Apex Convention via Zoom!***

Hello Apexians, as I started to pen this introduction, I thought I could focus on the negative or I could start with some things that we are grateful for

* We are privileged to be part of an amazing organization and we have the benefits of being able to help people in our local communities
* We have an excellent program planned for this year’s convention and though it would be great to be together, unfortunately that is just not possible
* I challenge you all to think about three things you are thankful for and have access to because someone asked you to join Apex
* Who do you know that could be given this opportunity?

You are encouraged to distribute the motions to your club members, discuss the motions at your next club meeting and vote on the motions as a club. Please note, if you have any questions or concerns about the AGM motions, you need to address your concerns **PRIOR TO THE CONVENTION** via the admin@apex.org.au email address so that the appropriate board member can address your questions or concerns and so that you may make an informed vote on your postal voting form. Your National Board members will be more than happy to discuss the motions with you. Voting will close on Sunday 7th November and results of the postal/email AGM will be announced on Saturday 13th November.

 I know that we would all prefer to be meeting in person in Bundaberg Qld, enjoying the wonderful fellowship that is unique to Apex, however one thing that Apexians do well is adapt and thrive under difficult circumstances. The show must therefore go on, and I encourage as many clubs as possible to link in as a group, or even better, get together as a region and make a regional event of it. We have a few speakers that we probably have never heard and I’m sure will challenge the status quo. Let’s encourage our Apex colleagues so we can celebrate our award nominees and winners and congratulate outgoing President Bethany Paterson on a fantastic year.

Let’s gather together in a virtual sense from every corner of the country, so that we can continue to do what we do best: grow, learn and make friends while helping others.

Yours in Apex,



Adam Stewart

**National President 2021-2022**

**Apex Australia**

# NATIONAL CONVENTION PROGRAM

**Saturday 9th October, 2021**

**item order is subject to change, all times are shown as Qld time.**

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| **TIME** | **ACTIVITY** |
| **10:00 – 10:10 am** | **Welcome and Overview** |
| **10:10 – 10:15 am**  | **Ideals, Invocation and Loyal Toast** |
| **10:15am – 11:00am** | **Delegates Briefing regarding AGM motions** |
| **11:00am – 11:20am** | **National Project Proposals: Bear Cottage and Gribbo Spirit** **5 minute presentation each plus questions.** |
| **11:20am – 12:00pm** | **Apex Speakers****Tony Wilshire - *What the Apex Foundation can do for you* (15 min)****Greg Youngberry - Bursary Program (15 min)****Tara Spotswood - Bundaberg National Convention 2022 (10 min)****Ben Curnow – Apex Podcast (5 min)** |
| 12.00pm – 12:40pm | Lunch  |
| **12:40pm – 1:45pm** | ***Guest Speaker – Kaitlyn Harasym from Polished Man*** ***How young people became leaders and began global change.*** ***15 min presentation plus questions***[**https://polishedman.com/**](https://polishedman.com/)**Guest Speaker – Louka Parry from Learning Future*****The future of Leadership in Australia and the importance of developing yourself as a leader.*** **15 min presentation plus questions**[**https://www.thelearningfuture.com/**](https://www.thelearningfuture.com/) |
| **1:45pm – 2:15pm** | **AWARDS:** **Bethany Paterson & Emma Jackson** **Club Awards****Apex Australia Newsletter Award** **Apex Australia Publicity Award** **Apex Australia Service Project Award** **Apex Australia Citizenship Initiative** **Apex Australia Club of the Year** **Individual Member Awards** **27 Year Service Award****Apex Australia Regional Communicator of the Year** **Apex Australia Best First Year Apexian** **Apex Australia Young Apexian of the Year** **Apex Australia Apexian of the Year**  |
| **2:15pm – 2:45pm** | **Life Governor Jim Hughes, AM – *Mission Possible*** |
| 2:45pm – 3:15pm | Afternoon Tea Break |
| **3:15 – 4:00pm** | **Outgoing President’s Address** **President’s Changeover****Incoming President’s Address** **Convention Close** |

**2021 AGM MOTIONS**

# Motion 1. MINUTES OF 2020 agM – national board

An electronic copy of the 2020 Apex Australia AGM Minutes is located in the Resources section of the Apex Australia website [www.apex.org.au](http://www.apex.org.au)

**Motion:**

***“THAT the 2020 Apex Australia AGM Minutes be accepted as displayed on the Apex Australia website*** [***www.apex.org.au***](http://www.apex.org.au)***”***

**LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMENT:**

Simple Majority Required.

# Motion 2. National directors – National Board

**Motion 2A:**

***“THAT the election of the following directors of The Association of Apex Clubs of Apex Australia Ltd (acting as the 2021-2022 Apex Australia National Board) be endorsed”;***

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| **DIRECTOR – SECRETARY**(and Deputy Chairperson) | Simon Grant  | VIC |
| **DIRECTOR - TREASURER** | Gavin Mingay  | QLD |
| **DIRECTOR – RC COORDINATOR** | Tara Spotswood  | QLD |
| **DIRECTOR – COMMUNICATIONS** | Ben Curnow | VIC |
| **DIRECTOR – AWARDS & INNOVATION** | Emma Jackson  | WA |

**LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMENT:**

Simple Majority Required

**Motion 2B:**

***“THAT Adam Stewart be confirmed as a Director of The Association of Apex Clubs of Apex Australia Ltd and endorsed as 2021-2022 Apex Australia National President”;***

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| **DIRECTOR - NATIONAL PRESIDENT** | Adam Stewart | QLD |

**LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMENT:**

Presidential Nomination received in time and in order. No other nominations received. Members to endorse by simple majority vote.

# Motion 3 – 2020-2021 Apex Australia Accounts – National Board

An Electronic copy of the 2020-2021 Apex Australia Accounts is located in the Resources section of the Apex Australia website [www.apex.org.au](http://www.apex.org.au)

**Motion:**

***“THAT the 2020-2021 Apex Australia accounts be accepted as displayed on the Apex Australia website*** [***www.apex.org.au***](http://www.apex.org.au)***”***

**LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMENT:**

Simple Majority Required.

# Motion 4 – Proposed Budget - National Board

An electronic copy of the 2021-2022 National Budget is located in the Resources section of the Apex Australia website [www.apex.org.au](http://www.apex.org.au)

**Motion;**

***“THAT the proposed budget for the Apex Association for 2021-2022 be accepted as displayed on the Apex Australia website*** [***www.apex.org.au***](http://www.apex.org.au)***”*.**

**LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMENT:**

Simple Majority Required

# Motion 5 – Appoint 2021-2022 AUDITOR – National Board

**Motion:**

***“******THAT the Apex Clubs of Australia appoint auditor Jessica Galvin of JG Audit for the 2021-2022 audit”.***

**LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMENT:**

Simple Majority Required.

# Motion 6 – National Project: Give to Keep the Gribbo spirit Alive – Beaufort Apex Club

**Preamble/Introduction**

**Give to Keep the Gribbo Spirit Alive**

Hello Apexians,

I am writing to you all to put forward an Apex Australia National Project for the 2021-2022 that fits in with the ideal of Building Better Communities, this project should cost the Association a minimal amount of money as I would think the parties that we are raising awareness for would be able to supply all pamphlets etc.

This Project is named after the 2000 – 2001 National President Steve Gribbin who passed away on the 29th of February 2020 Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia (ALL), Steve was an inspirational Apexian who gave everything his all no matter what people thought of the idea. He also was a great support and role model for me during my term as National President.

The project will promote organ donation through Donate Life Australia, an organisation for which Steve was a community volunteer doing media interviews, promotion of organ donation, donor registration and education through telling of his own transplant experience. In addition, the project will also promote blood and plasma donation through the Red Cross. Due to Covid19 the Blood Bank is experiencing record downfalls in donations and as a community group we should be leading the way. Apexians will be encouraged to record their donation as a donation for ‘Apex Australia’, so that statistics can be gathered nation wide.

Below are some links to some of the media Steve was involved with:

* [Organ donation demands better bush healthcare | Farm Online | Australia](https://www.farmonline.com.au/story/4857874/no-transplanting-regional-healthcare/)
* [The Champion #82 - March 2020 | Hepatitis NSW](https://www.hep.org.au/the-champion-82-march-2020/)
* [Hepatitis C drugs wait for Medicare funding despite Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee recommendation (smh.com.au)](https://www.smh.com.au/national/nsw/hepatitis-c-drugs-wait-for-medicare-funding-despite-pharmaceutical-benefits-advisory-committee-recommendation-20150826-gj7x4c.html)

It is of my belief if we contacted both Donate Life and the Red Cross that they would be more than willing to get someone to record an interview to help the National Board promote the project to the clubs.

The project would require each club to hold one donation information community session in conjunction with Donate Life and the Red Cross during Donate Life Week 2022 as well as hold 10 stalls throughout the year promoting the awareness of both organisations. If the associations gets 2,000 extra donors to match the year that Gribbo was our National President that would be an awesome result but even just one person signing up is a great result because that is one person who will save the lives of people within the communities where our Apex clubs operate.

Donate Life Resource Page

* [Resources | DonateLife](https://www.donatelife.gov.au/resources)

Australian Red Cross Team Results (Type Apex Australia into search bar)

* [Lifeblood Team Results (donateblood.com.au)](https://my.donateblood.com.au/app/red25_tallies?_ga=2.21118783.503520265.1630994718-723358368.1630994718)

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Mat O’Donnell

On Behalf of the Beaufort Apex Club

**Motion:**

***“THAT the Apex Clubs of Australia implement a national service project for 2021-2022, to promote organ donation and donor registration, and blood and plasma donation.”***

**LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMENT:**

Delegates’ options are this project or the Bear Cottage Project, therefore clubs must vote for one OR the other, and cannot vote in favour of both. Projects run for a 12 month period and club participation is voluntary. Simple majority required.

# Motion 7 – National Project BeaR Cottage – Albury Apex Club

**Preamble/Introduction**

Bear cottage was built entirely from community support in 2001. The facility was an initiative of the Westmead Children’s Hospital in Sydney providing respite, support, and end of life care for children with life limiting conditions. Unlike most hospital facilities, Bear Cottage aims to provide a more home like environment for children and their families.

The facility provides specialised therapy assisting the children from art, music to social work, they provide special camps allowing families to spend more time together during treatment and more therapeutic facilities based around children’s needs.

Goals of Bear Cottage:

* To give the best care possible to these special children
* To provide temporary respite care to give families a much needed break.
* To develop rapport and provide support to families as their child’s condition progresses.
* To provide end-of-life care and bereavement support, sensitive to the needs of the individual families.

Facilities Include:

* Individual children’s rooms
* Family suites
* Multi-sensory room
* Sensory garden
* Beautiful gardens with ocean views
* Spa
* Multi-media/games room
* Wheelchair accessible play areas
* Parent’s retreat and quiet area
* Commercial kitchen and dining room
* Clifton Gardens -end-of-life room

Same as the Apex Magic Castle, Bear Cottage was established by community support to provide hope for disadvantaged and vulnerable children.

<https://bearcottage.schn.health.nsw.gov.au>







 **Fundraising Suggestion - 200 Club**

Event Summary

A 200 Club is a social event aimed at fundraising for a set cause. It is a ticketed event based around sales. A 200 club would be set for 200 guests where a 300 club would be set for 300 guests, all depending on sales capability. The ticket includes a bar tab, barbeque lunch and a chance to win the major cash prize. For the major prize, the ticket holder does not have to be in attendance to win, allowing for more profits due to a smaller catering fee. To make maximum profit from the event, the host would need at least 3 months of sales and keep a ticket book register to monitor sales from the ticket book holders.

Apex Options

For Apex Clubs to host a 200 Club there are two options to consider. One is to host the event at a licensed venue, where a bar tab would have to be monitored throughout the event and meals would have to be catered for within budget affecting profit to the event. The second option would be Apex Clubs host the event in their own space needing to apply for a temporary liquor license (exemptions available) and follow liquor and gaming state laws. The club would be able to cater meals on the day based on attendance and run their own bar facility allowing smaller costs of liquor.

Cost and Run Sheet

To determine the cost of the event would be based on the size of the event and the capability of the club to make sales. An Apex club of 15 members would be more suited to a 200 club selling tickets at $50.00 than a football club of 150 members selling 300 tickets at $100.00. The prize money and catering cost would also vary based on what the club decides to offer. I have provided a previous budget based on a 200 Club held at a licensed venue, which after hosting the event still made over $3000.00 profit in a day as it was not a sold-out event. To cater for the bar, only beer, wine and soft drink were available.

200 tickets @ $50.00 $10000.00

Printing @$50.00 (full colour, perforated) = 1 ticket -$50.00

Cash prize @ $1000, $250 & $100 = 27 tickets -$1350.00

Bar tab @ $3000.00 = 60 tickets -$3000.00

Lunch @ $1000.00 = 20 tickets -$1000.00

**Total Profit $4600.00**

Based on this budget, the event is profitable after selling 108 tickets.

**Motion:**

***“THAT The national project for 2021-22 be that Apex Clubs host a 200 Club or general fundraiser (depending on the club and community) with proceeds going to the Bear Cottage facility of the Westmead Children’s Hospital.”***

**LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMENT:**

Delegates’ options are this project or the ‘Give to Keep the Gribbo Spirit Alive’ Project, therefore clubs must vote for one OR the other, and cannot vote in favour of both. Projects run for a 12 month period and club participation is voluntary. Simple majority required.