

2023 APEX AUSTRALIA NATIONAL CONVENTION & AGM - Agenda



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2023/2024 National Board

2023/2024 NATIONAL PRESIDENT ELECT	Ben Curnow	VIC
NATIONAL SECRETARY	Emma Jackson	WA
NATIONAL TREASURER & VICE PRESIDENT	Tara Spotswood	QLD
NATIONAL RC CO-ORDINATOR	April Lancaster-Smith	QLD
NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP & CULTURE	Tyson Campbell	QLD
NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS	Daniel Lascelles	SA
NATIONAL OFFICE MANAGER	Gavin Mingay	QLD
RCC SUPPORT & TRAINING MANAGER	Luke Corkett	NSW
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS MANAGER	Simon Grant	VIC
BURSARY MANAGER	Greg Youngberry	QLD

Founders

We pay tribute to the Founders of Apex and whilst they have passed from us, their ideals will never be forgotten:



Sir John Buchan



Ewan Laird



Langham Proud

2023 National Convention Program

**All events are at the Geraldton Multipurpose Centre (248 Marine Terrace) unless otherwise stated.

Day	Time	Activity
Thursday 5th Oct	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	National Board Meeting – Geraldton Multipurpose Centre
	4:30pm onwards	Fellowship & Dinner – Geraldton Multipurpose Centre
Friday 6th October	7:00 am	Pick up Belair Gardens Caravan Park
	7:30 am	Breakfast
	8:30 am	RC Training – Geraldton Multipurpose Centre
	10:30 am	Morning Tea
	10:50 am	Rising Stars Meeting / Individual RC training if required
	12:30 pm	Lunch
	1:30 pm	Interactive Canva & Social Media training
	2:30 pm	Tour / Activity
Saturday 7th October	5:00 pm onwards	Friday Night Social – Geraldton Multipurpose Centre Dress up Theme – Pirates & Sea Monsters - Great Debate & live music - Apex Bar – Cash and Card Facilities Available Bus runs till 11:00 pm back to accommodation.
	7:30 am	Bus to Multipurpose Centre
	8:00 am	Breakfast at Multipurpose Centre & Delegates Registration
	9:00 am	Official Convention Opening Welcome to Country & Smoking Ceremony
	9:30 am	Convention Business Session and AGM Presentations interspersed throughout business session
	10:45 am	Morning Tea
	11:00 am	Continuation of AGM
	1:00 pm	Lunch
	2:00 pm	Continuation of AGM (if required) & Awards Presentation
	3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Afternoon Tea & Fellowship
Sunday 8th October	6:00 pm	Gala Dinner – Held at Geraldton Yacht Club - Keynote Speaker & Auction - Presentation of Awards - Official National Presidents Handover - Live entertainment Bus running till midnight
	7:30 am	Bus to Multipurpose Centre
	8:00 am	Breakfast at Multipurpose Centre
	9:00 am	Early bus departs for Perth ** booking required by 4th Sept.**
	9:00 am	National Convention Local Service Project
	12:00 pm	Lunch
	1:30 pm	Main bus departs for Perth ** booking required by 4th Sept.**
		National Board only
		National Board, RC's and Rising Stars



2023 Convention Agenda Items

Business Session Commences

Saturday 7th October at 9:00 am

(Order of Agenda items is subject to change during the Convention)

Business Session

1. Welcome
 - 1.1. Convention open and attendees welcomed
 - 1.2. One Minute Silence (to remember those Apexians who have left us) Ideals of the Association of Apex Clubs of Australia
 - 1.3. Charge to the Delegates
2. Roll Call
 - 2.1. Attendees
 - 2.2. Proxies
 - 2.3. Introduction of Guests
 - 2.4. Apologies
3. Appointments
 - 3.1. Sergeant at Arms
 - 3.2. Scrutineers
 - 3.3. Appointment of Timekeeper
4. Announcements
 - 4.1. Fixation of Time Limits
 - 4.2. Motion to confirm proxies
5. Previous Minutes
 - 5.1. Confirmation of the Minutes from the 2022 National Convention in Bundaberg.
 - 5.2. Matters Arising from the previous minutes.
6. Reports
 - 6.1. Immediate Past National President Report 2022/2023 – Simon Grant
 - 6.2. 2023/2024 National President Report – Ben Curnow
 - 6.3. Presentation of 2022/2023 Apex National Accounts – Gavin Mingay
 - 6.4. 2023/2024 Budget – Tara Spotswood
7. Agenda Items / Motions
Association of Apex Clubs of Australia Inc.
 - 7.1. Motion 1 – Endorse the 2023/2024 National Executive and Board
 - 7.2. Motion 2 – Apex Australia Accounts
 - 7.3. Motion 3 – 2023/2024 Apex Australia Budget
 - 7.4. Motion 4 – National Project – Young Citizen Award
 - 7.5. Motion 5 – National Project - Apex Community Kindness
 - 7.6. Motion 6 - Change to Apex Ideals



Apex Australia Charitable Fund Inc

- 7.7. Motion 1 – Endorse the 2023/2024 Executive and Directors
- 7.8. Motion 2 – Apex Australia Charitable Fund Accounts
- 7.9. Appointment of auditor

8. Presentations

- 8.1. Welcome & Acknowledgements of Country
- 8.2. Apex Foundation Presentation
- 8.3. 2024 National Convention
- 8.4. Bursary Presentation
- 8.5. Rising Stars Initiative
- 8.6. 2023/24 National Projects
- 8.7. Insurance
- 8.8. Marketing Plan

NOTE - Presentations will be interspersed throughout the business session

9. National Awards

- 9.1. Apex Australia Newsletter
- 9.2. Award Apex Australia Publicity Award
- 9.3. Apex Australia Convention/AGM Travel Award
- 9.4. Apex Australia Service Project Award
- 9.5. Apex Australia International Service Award
- 9.6. Apex Australia Citizenship Initiative Award
- 9.7. Apex Australia International Convention Attendance Award
- 9.8. The Golden Stirrer

NOTE – above awards will be presented during the AGM

- 9.9. 22 Year Service Award
- 9.10. 27 Year Service Award
- 9.11. Apex Australia Club of the Year
- 9.12. Apex Australia Best First Year Apexian
- 9.13. Apex Australia Young Apexian of the Year
- 9.14. Apex Australia Apexian of the Year
- 9.15. Apex Australia Regional Communicator of the Year

NOTE – above awards will be presented during the Saturday Night Gala Dinner

10. Fines Session

- 10.1. Fines Session
- 10.2. Motion for Donation of Fines Money

11. Meeting Closure



Delegate's Responsibilities

1. Important Rules and Responsibilities

You represent your Club's Members at this National AGM. The responsibilities of being the Representative of your Clubs are as follows:

- I. You must not consume intoxicating liquor during the Business Session.
- II. Any proposed amendment to the Budget or any proposed alternative must be in writing and given to the National Secretary (or Fine Sergeants for delivery to the National Secretary) before being verbally moved on the floor.
- III. If any Club is unfinancial (i.e. owes money to the Association) then they may not be entitled to vote. This matter will be dealt with at the National Board Meeting and unfinancial Clubs will be named at the beginning of the Convention Business Session.

2. Delegate's Discretion

The question sometimes arises as to how Delegates should regard the view of their Members on various items on the Agenda. It is recommended that members discuss the AGM/Convention Agenda Items and indicate their views to their Club Representative (Delegate). Delegates should be free to vote according to their conscience after completion of the debate at AGM/Convention.

Delegates should have regard for the opinion expressed by the members, but in addition, should consider further information made available at AGM/Convention and further argument advanced during the debate. They should determine the matter on all information available to them at the time the vote is cast. At all times, Delegates should be prepared to change their vote if the information presented is good enough. Delegates will be expected to report the result of all Agenda Items at the conclusion of the AGM/Convention, advising if they did not follow the instruction of the majority of members in their club, and why.

3. Seeking Views

- I. Ensure that all members in your club have received the Agenda, as it was mailed to all Clubs prior to the AGM/Convention.
- II. Seek input from Club Members on how they feel about the Agenda Items, elections, and the proposed National Budget.
- III. Discuss all Agenda Items at your club meeting and seek your club's view.
- IV. Remind the members that at the AGM/Convention you may possibly vote differently to their direction, as a result of the discussion on the AGM/Convention floor. If delegates had to follow the Clubs direction we could do without the AGM/Convention and have a simple mail vote.



4. Preparation

- I. Take time to read the enclosed Minutes of the previous National Convention. This will help you to understand the sequence of business and the manner in which the Agenda Items are presented.
- II. It will assist if you fully acquaint yourself with the Associations existing Constitution and Apex Manual under which this Meeting will be conducted.
- III. Familiarise yourself with the Rules of Debate and Meeting Procedure followed by the Association. Discuss any Rules you may not understand with more experienced Apexians.
- IV. Assess your own ability as a public speaker. It may assist if you visit a debate and objectively compare your own delivery etc.
- V. Obtain knowledge of the procedure and the atmosphere present at a National AGM by talking with previous Delegates and others who have attended the AGM.
- VI. Study the items being presented from all angles - Member, Club, Association, both for and against. This will give you a better appreciation of the Agenda Items and possibly an idea of the arguments that may be presented. Ensure you gain as much background material as possible.
- VII. The Agenda should be read in detail. The preparation of written notes will assist your preparation for the debate.
- VIII. Don't be afraid to contact the mover of an Agenda Item and ask why they want it passed.

5. Whilst at the National Convention / AGM

- I. Delegates will be given ample time to ask questions during the Delegates Briefing. **The Business Session is a period for debate and not for questions and clarification that should have occurred at the Delegates Briefing.**
- II. At the Delegates Briefing, and on other occasions, take the time to compare notes with other Delegates.
- III. If you have a subject to introduce, ensure that you have assembled all the necessary information beforehand so that nothing is missed.
- IV. Remember, the time for speaking is limited and you cannot have several attempts to get the message across. After introducing your Agenda Item, you only have one other opportunity to speak - the right of reply - and this is normally limited to two minutes, and this closes the debate.



6. Your role as Delegate

- I. As a Delegate, you will normally move any Agenda Items submitted by members in your club and speak in support of them. Make certain that you are fully prepared when the item is called, because it may well be called at a different time than that first printed in the Agenda.
- II. When voting is required on Agenda Items on which you have been given a club opinion, you should have regard to that opinion. However, where new material, Amendments or Late Agenda Items are introduced, you should always vote in what you consider is in the best interest of Apex as a single Association.
- III. It is important to be aware that you will be required to report back to your club on the discussion and decisions made at the AGM/Convention. There is a page at the end of each Motion to summarise your clubs direction, your vote, and the result of the Motion, amendments and any pertinent arguments and comments that were raised during the debate.
- IV. Be short, sharp and concise when speaking. Get to the point, don't preach or grandstand.

7. Candidates for National Board

It is your responsibility to seek out and talk to all candidates for National Board. There will be no election for National President, there being only one nomination for this position.

8. Finally

The cooperation of everyone in attending to matters in the Agenda will ensure that the Business of this National AGM/Convention is dealt with in an efficient manner.

This is important as the National AGM/Convention provides the direction for our Association, at a critical time in our Association's history. You are an integral part in this process. While the National AGM/Convention is the critical decision-making process for our Association, which demands our serious and considered opinions, it is also an annual celebration for Apex. While all of the rules, the dos and don'ts might sound officious, they are designed to expedite the business of the AGM/Convention. By observing them, we will all enjoy the celebration of Apex fellowship, and continue to grow, learn, make friends and have fun!



National Convention Procedures

1. Attendance

Delegates must attend all sessions of the National Convention, unless expressly excused by the National President.

2. Absence

Clubs not personally represented at the National Convention will only be entitled to a proxy vote if a correctly completed and signed proxy form is provided at the delegates briefing.

3. Agenda Items

All Agenda Items appearing on the Agenda, or added to the Agenda, whether or not they emanate from Reports, must be moved formally.

The proposer will be called upon to move the Agenda Item and a seconder will be called for. The proposer will then be called upon to speak to the Agenda Item, and then the Agenda Item will be open to the floor for debate. Debate on all Agenda Items will be on a "for" and "against" basis unless the Chairperson sees fit to vary this procedure.

The proposer of each Agenda Item will be afforded the right of reply. No further debate will thereafter be allowed, and the matter will immediately be put to the vote.

There is no right of reply on an amendment; however the mover of an original Agenda Item, which has subsequently been amended, does maintain the right of reply to the amended Agenda Item in accordance with Apex Meeting Procedure.

4. Amendments

Any Delegate, other than the mover or seconder of an Agenda Item under discussion, shall be entitled to move an amendment.

A seconder shall be required for all amendments. Amendments will be dealt with one at a time, subject to the foreshadowing of further amendments.

5. Reports

Committee and other Reports will be introduced by the Business Session Chairperson in the first instance.

The responsible Committee Chairperson may update the Report if new information is to hand, following which questions from the floor will be invited. A Report may be formally moved for adoption, seconded and voted upon for acceptance, rejection or referred back to the Committee for further report.



6. Voting

Voting on all matters before the meeting is restricted to Delegates only. All voting will be by a show of voting sticks, or by written ballot [Poll Vote]. Voting sticks are to be held in such a manner as to allow the gallery to observe the voting.

The result of all votes will be announced by the Chairperson, and will be recorded in the Minutes, if required.

The Chairperson does not have a casting vote in the event of a tie.

All Constitutional Amendments, including amendments of existing clauses and addition of new clauses, will require a 3/4 majority of those entitled to vote and who vote. No Constitutional changes may be introduced as late agenda items.

All other matters will be decided by a simple majority, including voting for the admission of late Agenda Items to the Meeting.

All elections shall be determined by written ballot. All elections are preferential and require every Nominee to be voted upon in sequence (1, 2 etc).

7. Late Agenda Items

No late business items shall be admitted to the Agenda, unless notified in writing to the National Board before the close of the delegates briefing. Any late agenda items that are not in the best interests of the Association will be ruled as such by the Chairperson of the meeting (usually the National President in consultation with his/her advisors). A late agenda item which is in the best interests of the Association but has good reason to be introduced to the members late, will be put to the floor for acceptance. The members will then decide by simple majority if the motion should be debated.

No document can be distributed to Delegates unless prior permission is received from the National President.

8. Quorum

A quorum is one half of the total number of Delegates entitled to attend the AGM.

9. Drinking and Smoking

Consumption of alcohol and smoking is forbidden in the Business Session at all times.

10. Dress Standards

Delegates are to be appropriately dressed for the occasion. Thongs, board shorts, singlets or other inappropriate dress will result in the delegate being refused entry to (or ejected from) the venue.

11. General

All speakers must wait to be recognised or called upon by the Chairperson (except that a point of order may be raised at any time). Speakers must stand, introduce themselves and identify the club that they are representing before speaking.



Apexians and guests in the gallery are invited to speak on any matter before the Chair. To be recognised by the Chair, they should move towards one of the microphones in the gallery and await the call from the Chairperson. However at all times, priority in speaking will be given to Delegates.

Speakers are requested to be brief and to the point. Time allocated to speakers will be strictly controlled by the Sergeants at Arms, on instruction from the Chairperson, who will retain discretion at all times.

Speakers invited to address the AGM are to be afforded the respect of all in attendance.



Motions – Association of Apex Clubs of Australia Inc.

Motion 1. National Directors – National Board

Motion 1A:

“THAT the election of the following directors of The Association of Apex Clubs of Apex Australia Ltd (acting as the 2023/2024 Apex Australia National Board) be endorsed”;

NATIONAL SECRETARY	Emma Jackson	WA
NATIONAL TREASURER (and Vice President)	Tara Spotswood	QLD
NATIONAL RC CO-ORDINATOR	April Lancaster-Smith	QLD
NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP & CULTURE	Tyson Campbell	QLD
NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS	Daniel Lascelles	SA
NATIONAL OFFICE MANAGER	Gavin Mingay	QLD

Legal and Compliance Comment

Simple Majority Required

Direction of Region

For

☐

Against

☐

Comments from Region

Notes of Discussions

Vote: For / Against

Result: Carried / Lost



Motion 1B:

“THAT Ben Curnow be confirmed as a Director of The Association of Apex Clubs of Apex Australia Ltd and endorsed as 2023/2024 Apex Australia National President”.

Director - National President

Ben Curnow

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Legal and Compliance Comment

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

Direction of Region

For

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Against

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Comments from Region

Notes of Discussions

Vote: For / Against

Result: Carried / Lost



Motion 2. Apex Australia Accounts – National Board

An electronic copy of the 2022/2023 Apex Australia Accounts can be found in the Reports & Financials section of the Resources page on Apex Australia website apex.org.au/reports.

“THAT the 2022/ 2023 Apex Australia accounts be accepted as tabled at the AGM (and as displayed on the Apex Australia website www.apex.org.au/reports)”

Legal and Compliance Comment

Simple Majority Required

Direction of Region

For

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Against

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Comments from Region

Notes of Discussions

Vote: For / Against

Result: Carried / Lost



Motion 3. Proposed Budget – National Board

An electronic copy of the 2023/2024 National Budget can be found in the Reports & Financials section of the Resources page on Apex Australia website apex.org.au/reports.

Motion:

“THAT the proposed budget for the Apex Association for 2023/2024 be accepted as tabled at the AGM)”

Legal and Compliance Comment

Simple Majority Required

Direction of Region

For

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Against

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Comments from Region

Notes of Discussions

Vote: For / Against

Result: Carried / Lost



Motion 4. National Project – Young Citizen Award (Apex Club of Toowoomba)

Overview: The Apex Australia Young Citizen Award is awarded to a male and a female year 12 student who has performed exceptional service to their community through extra-curricular activities. Secondary School Principals nominate candidates, before being shortlisted by a committee. The club will vote on a male and female winner from the shortlist. The winner will be presented with a certificate and a prize of \$200 and two tickets to the club's changeover dinner, at their school's annual award ceremony.

Criteria:

1. Is a year 12 or equivalent student at a Secondary School within an Apex Club's Local Government Area.
2. Has performed exceptional service to their community through extra-curricular activities, which can be verified.
3. Is nominated by the school principal or authorised representative. A school may nominate only 1 Male and 1 Female student. Single-sex schools may only nominate 1 student.

Implementation:

February 2025: Contact Secondary School Principals and ask them to nominate a male and a female student for the award.

July: Last year's winners attend Changeover Dinner.

August: Assemble a committee to shortlist award recipients.

September: Committee meets to shortlist award recipients. Committee presents shortlisted candidates to the club.

October: Club votes on shortlisted candidates. Club notifies the principal of the winning student. Certificate and prize posted to school.

November: Students are presented with certificates and prizes at school's award ceremonies.

July 2024: Students and Guests are invited to attend Changeover Dinner. The club covers the cost.

Cost:

Prizes \$400 (2*\$200)

Changeover Dinner \$300 (4*\$75)

Admin costs \$50

Admin costs include printed certificates, fees for prepaid Visa Cards, envelopes. Publicity includes an email to school principals and promotion on social media. Clubs may also choose to promote via traditional media.

Total \$750



Time: Admin 1 person 6 hours, Committee meeting 3 people for 2 hours, meeting time for vote 20 minutes, award ceremonies 2 people for 2 hours

The Apex Club of Toowoomba successfully presented two Toowoomba Students with its own Young Citizen Award in 2022. While not all schools participated, the nominations received were of a high standard. The number of schools participating was 7 out of 20 and would likely increase in future years. The amount of effort required from schools is small, as most schools present their students with awards for their achievements.

Motion:

“THAT the Apex Clubs of Australia accepts the Young Citizen Award project as the 2023/2024 Apex Australia National Project”.

Legal and Compliance Comment

Delegates' options are this project or the Apex Community Kindness project. Projects run for a 12-month period and are voluntary participation by club.
Simple Majority Required

Direction of Region

For

☐

Against

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Comments from Region

Notes of Discussions

Vote: For / Against

Result: Carried / Lost



Motion 5. National Project - Apex Community Kindness (Apex Club of Milton Ulladulla)

Background

Recently, the Apex Club of Milton Ulladulla acting in support of our local teenage 'A to Z Group' have embarked on what we have coined the MUCK Up initiative – inspired by the nation-wide “Do It For Dolly” campaign targeting bullying through the promotion of positive social interactions. I should note that the idea for this came about from the community camp we ran with the A to Z Group earlier this year which was funded as an Apex Association Project for 2022-23.

To first provide some background – “Do It For Dolly” day is held in May each year (12th May for 2023) and is inspired by the story of Amy Jayne “Dolly” Everet who was lost to suicide as a result of bullying in 2018. Since then, her family have established the “Do It For Dolly” campaign aimed toward bringing communities together, spreading kindness and uniting everyone in helping to break the silence around bullying.

As for the MUCK Up theme itself - MUCK stand for Milton Ulladulla Community Kindness and the MUCK Up moniker refers to the need to create a positive ripple effect through the promotion of positive social interactions/experiences of everyone (particularly teenagers) within our community. We think that through the Apex National Project we can expand this across the country.

For some more background there were two strands to our initial efforts here – starting in May 2023 where, in partnership with local businesses we painted the town blue so to speak in support of “Do It For Dolly” day and to raise awareness of our cause as well as to raise money for Do It For Dolly services including the support line they have established and various anti-bullying workshops they run across the year. This culminated in an anti-bullying forum attended by young people, teachers, parents and business people on “Do It For Dolly” Day where we came up with a number of initiatives to be run under the MUCK Up and Apex banners for 2023.

Project Proposal

The main strand of this has been the commitment that Apex will help to promote inclusion and kindness across our community through the running of various “community kindness” events across the remainder of 2023 and beyond. These are still in the process of being planned but would include events around sports, food, arts and culture where locals can be shown firsthand just how wonderful it can be to interact with fellow locals in a positive way.

This could be rolled out on behalf of Apex nationwide under the banner of “Apex Community Kindness” initiatives. Areas could form their own sub-committees to over see this as we have or within their own Apex clubs. We could even go so far as to add information to “welcome to” signs as people come into local areas such as “Welcome to Milton Ulladulla – an Apex Community Kindness Partner”.

Alternatively, we could run a “Kind Towns” type initiative (similar to “Tidy Towns” concept that Rotary has run for many years) where Apex names a particular town the “kindest” town in Australia based on what they did each year – both off their own bat and funded



through the national project. By partaking in these events you could also have an addition to the welcome sign saying "Welcome to Milton Ulladulla – An Apex Kind Town". Open to suggestions on this but these are good ways to promote our efforts to all locals.

In regards to the initiatives themselves we have already run our first pilot event under the MUCK Up banner which was a major success which was held on the 2nd of July 2023. This event was entitled 'Cooking with Kindness – a Junior MasterChef event' which paired local young people with the top chefs from our area. More details at - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4lARAYJzesI>

Ideally these events will be run at a cost neutral perspective with the aim of having either inexpensive or free entry to the events for young people. Limited fundraising can be undertaken locally including BBQs and trivia nights to try and raise funds to support these events but a larger commitment as part of Apex Association Project would be ideal to support these efforts.

The event calendar for our local efforts are currently being set however we can list some ideas for the promotion of kindness for local areas below (including indicative costs for clubs to consider)

- (a) Cooking with Kindness - \$1500 (covers equipment hire, apron purchase, venue hire, prizes)
- (b) Learn to Surf - \$1000 (covers teaching fees, prizes and food for BBQ on the day)
- (c) 3-3 Basketball tournament - \$500 (covers food for BBQ on the day, prizes and court hire)
- (d) Mural Painting (painting a butterfly mural in a central location in recognition of Dolly's Dream) - \$1500 (covers paint expenses, food for BBQ on the day and cost of securing artists for the day)
- (e) MUCK Up Choir (Choir night in local theatre as a means of showcasing local singing and dance crews and bringing young and old people together in a "pub" choir type atmosphere) – *this event would likely make money if ticket pricing set correctly. We anticipate this would make in excess of \$2000 locally*
- (f) Do It For Dolly Round in local sports competitions for 2024 - \$500 (covers purchase of materials and prizes for local sports teams to reward players demonstrating kindness to one another)
- (g) Circuit Training (local trainers run young people through their paces demonstrating the advantages of fitness and working with each other) - \$500 (covers food and fee for trainers)
- (h) Do It For Dolly Event 2024 (this will be the culmination of our efforts and will allow each club to demonstrate to the local community what we have achieved across the year) – \$1,500
- (i) Kindness training – provision of "Youth Mental Health First Aid" training to local sports coaches and business owners who deal with young people on a regular basis. \$1000 for a cohort of 20 participants.

Note: In addition to these events providing positive spaces for young people to interact with each other we have also obtained the support of local counsellors and mentors to attend and lead engaging discussions with young people, parents, grandparents and



interested locals around ways to combat bullying and would encourage other clubs to do the same.

In regards to meeting the ideals of the Apex association and related rules this project covers these in a number of ways detailed below:-

- Amounts estimated above but these could be more formally itemised in need
- Our efforts regarding Apex Community Kindness for 2023-24 will culminate on Do It For Dolly day 2024 (May 10)
- We have already garnered significant business support both through individual businesses and Community Connect Southern Shodlhaven. Given the current financial environment however we haven't been asking for financial support from these businesses – more assistance in promotions etc. We would more envisage this initiative supporting them by us purchasing prizes for the events (which will be handed out to the kindest participants)
- We have already set-up a small committee for this initiative locally which could be expanded for any national efforts including long time Apexian Matt Dell as Treasurer and myself as President
- The support for this initiative has been wonderful to this point including a strong turnout at our anti-bullying forum and our 30 places for "Cooking with Kindness" filling up within 24 hours of being placed online
- Our ultimate aim is to have young people associate being 'Australian' with kindness and conduct themselves accordingly. The atmosphere from these events will hopefully be a catalyst for them to take that spirit of co-operation and collaboration into the school environment and beyond

Happy to provide any further information that you would deem necessary. More information around what we have already achieved can be found at our Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/muckup2023> or website <http://muckup.miltonulladulla.com/>

Motion:

"THAT the Apex Clubs of Australia accepts the Apex Community Kindness project as the 2023/2024 Apex Australia National Project".

Legal and Compliance Comment

Delegates' options are this project or the Young Citizen Award Project.
Projects run for a 12-month period and are voluntary participation by club.
Simple Majority Required

Direction of Region

For

☐

Against

☐



Comments from Region

Notes of Discussions

Vote: For / Against

Result: Carried / Lost

Motion 6. Change to Apex Ideals (Apex Club of Busselton)

Motion.

"That subject to Apex Global approval the current ideals listed in the Apex Constitution that read,

4 IDEALS, OBJECTS, MISSION AND CORE VALUES

4.1 The Ideals of the Association are:

To make the ideal of service the basis of all enterprise;

To develop by example a more intelligent and aggressive citizenship;

To provide a means of forming enduring friendship, rendering altruistic service and building better communities;

To promote international understanding and friendship.,

Be changed to now read;

4 IDEALS, OBJECTS, MISSION AND CORE VALUES

4.1 The Ideals of the Association are:

To make the ideal of service the basis of all enterprise;

To develop by example a more intelligent and aggressive citizenship;

To provide a means of forming enduring friendship, rendering altruistic service and building better communities;

To promote cultural understanding and international friendship."

Preamble.

The general idea of this motion is to change the fourth ideal with some simple rewording to bring it more in line with the general community standards of today. We want to maintain our international relations, but we want to blend cultural understanding along with international friendship to create the new fourth ideal. We believe that if we can gain more cultural understanding, we will also be more receptive and accepting of the different cultures that surround us and that will help our communities become a better place.

Reasons For

This Ideal was written a long time ago when times were different and to add the word, cultural along with International will bring the ideals more in line with modern thinking,

When this ideal was written Australia wasn't the multicultural nation that we are today, so the main way to forge friendships with different cultures really did mean going international, but now Australia has a huge mix of cultures living next door, and with us, in our communities.

The thinking that to forge friendships with someone of a different culture you had to go overseas just isn't relevant anymore we have so many different cultures living among us, an example would be one of the primary schools in Katanning a small rural town in Western Australia, with a population of under 4000, has 27 different nationalities in the



school. The town itself has 45 different nationalities. There is communities around Australia with a similar prevalence.

We don't want to lose the international element of Apex; the aim is to shift our (Apex Australia) thought pattern so that we increase our efforts to forge friendships with the people of different nationalities and cultures that include those that are already living in this awesome country as well as internationally.

Most Apex clubs don't really do any International Relations, it can be difficult and costly to do real IR projects, but for a club to come up with a Cultural Relations project, can be a lot more practical and basically a lot easier to do, as well as having a positive consequence on their communities.

The Apex ideals have been changed a number of times over the last 92 years but we believe unchanged since the 1970's and this simple change will the ideals more purpose and value and more relevance in todays society.

Reasons against

This could upset our international friends; it could lead them to think that Apex Australia is forgetting about our International Friendships

Changing the ideals is a big issue, The ideals are the guts of what we do and who we are and some people do not like change.

Implementation-

There would need to be a rewrite of rule books (normally happens after National Convention anyway) changing the wording of the fourth ideal to "cultural understanding and international friendship".

The clubs and members would need to change the mindset of "International Relations" to be about "Cultural Relations" whether that's internationally or in your backyard.

The Portfolio of IR would become Cultural/International Relations, CIR

Clubs and Members should then contact their local Multicultural Group and organise a social event.

National Board could take the lead and develop different programmes and ideas of possibilities for Apex Clubs to take up the challenge of fitting Cultural understanding into the Apex Triangle of Citizenship, Service, and fellowship.

Cost-

The cost to the Apex Association would be minimal as the rule books etc are reprinted after the National Convention and all Apex Resources are electronic now anyway, there would be a small cost to clubs in producing copies of the new Ideals.

Why is this motion subject to Apex Global approval?

All Apex Nations including Apex Australia have signed an MOU with Apex Global which states that:



"Every Association and every individual member of every Association shall follow the Ideals and Objectives of Apex Global."

The Ideals of Apex Global are:

- To make the ideal of service the basis of all enterprise;
- To develop by example a more intelligent and aggressive citizenship;
- To provide a means of forming enduring friendship rendering altruistic service and building better communities;
- To promote international understanding and friendship.



Motions – Apex Australia Charitable Fund Inc

Motion 1. Board of Directors – National Board

“THAT the election of the following directors of The Apex Australia Charitable Fund Inc (acting as the 2023/2024 Apex Australia National Board) be endorsed”;

PRESIDENT	Ben Curnow	VIC
SECRETARY	Emma Jackson	WA
TREASURER	Tara Spotswood	QLD
DIRECTOR	April Lancaster-Smith	QLD
DIRECTOR	Tyson Campbell	QLD
DIRECTOR	Daniel Lascelles	SA
DIRECTOR	Gavin Mingay	QLD
DIRECTOR	Greg Youngberry	QLD

**Legal
and**

Compliance Comment

Simple Majority Required

Direction of Region

For

☐

Against

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Comments from Region

Notes of Discussions

Vote: For / Against

Result: Carried / Lost



Motion 2. Apex Australia Charitable Fund Accounts – National Board

An electronic copy of the 2022/2023 Apex Australia Charitable Fund Accounts can be found in the Reports & Financials section of the Resources page on Apex Australia website apex.org.au/reports.

“THAT the 2022/ 2023 Apex Australia Charitable Fund accounts be accepted as tabled at the AGM (and as displayed on the Apex Australia website www.apex.org.au/reports)”

Legal and Compliance Comment

Simple Majority Required

Direction of Region

For

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Against

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Comments from Region

Notes of Discussions

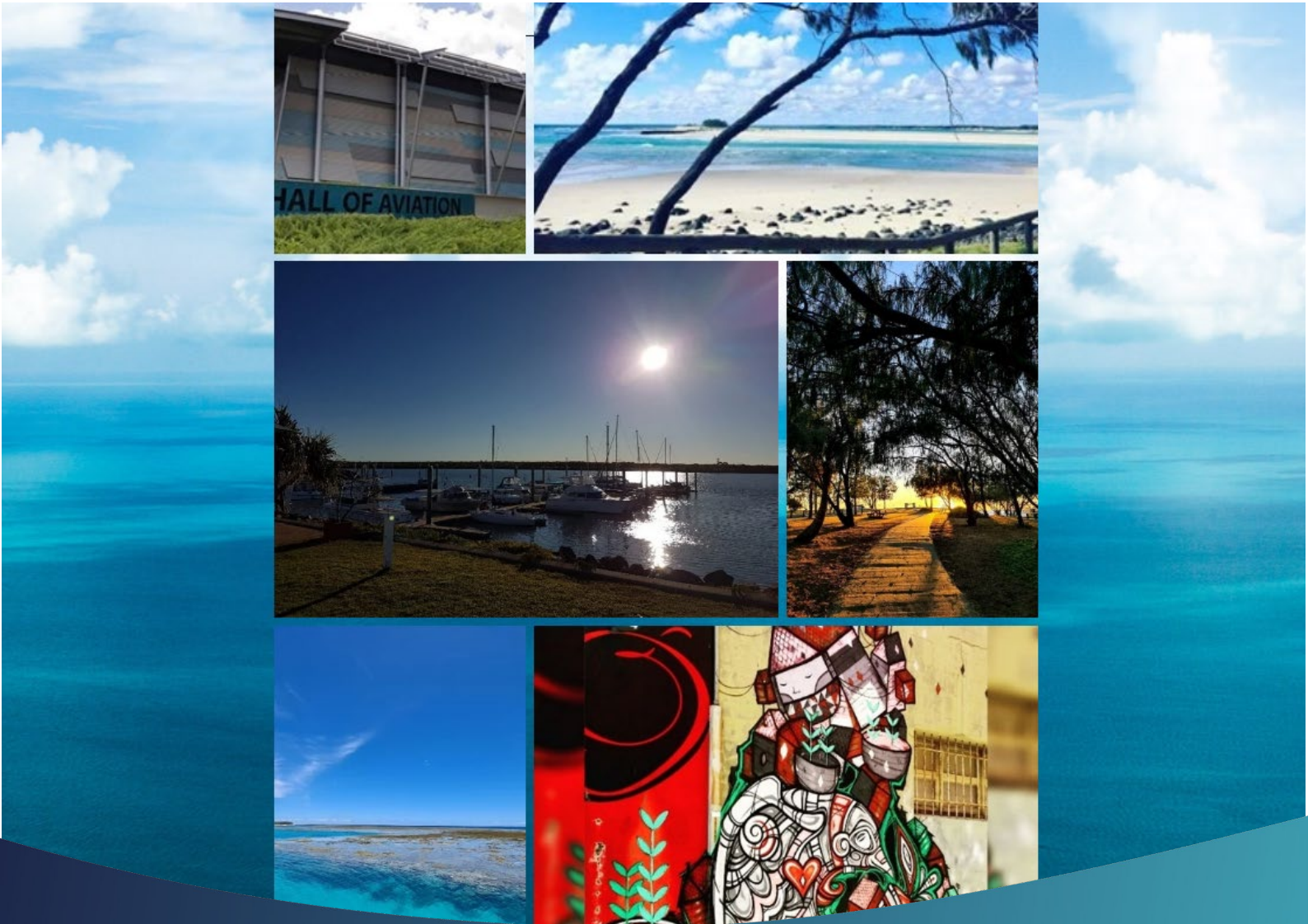
Vote: For / Against

Result: Carried / Lost



Appendix 1 – 2022 National Convention Minutes

2022 APEX AUSTRALIA NATIONAL CONVENTION & AGM - Minutes



Hosted by
Apex Club of Bundaberg

6-9th October 2022





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2022 Convention Minutes

Business Session

1. Welcome

- 1.1. **Acknowledgement of Country** given by Incoming National President Simon Grant
- 1.2. **Convention officially opened** by Tony Wilshire, Chairman of the Apex Foundation at 9:18 am and attendees welcomed.
- 1.3. **Ideals of the Association of Apex Clubs of Australia:** led by Jacob
- 1.4. **One Minute Silence** (to remember those Apexians who have left us) Ideals of the Association of Apex Clubs of Australia
- 1.5. **Charge to the Delegates**

2. Roll Call

2.1. Attendees

National Board Elected Directors

Simon Grant	2022/2023 National President Elect
Emma Jackson	National Secretary & Vice President
Ben Curnow	National Treasurer
Tara Spotswood	National RC Co-ordinator
Tyson Campbell	National Membership & Culture
Daniel Lascelles	National Communications
Gavin Mingay	National Office Manager

National Board Managers

Luke Corkett	RCC Support & Training Manager
Craig Martin	International Relations Manager
Greg Youngberry	Bursary Manager

Regional Communicators

John Davis	1 North QLD
Trevor Simpson	2 Central Coast QLD
April Lancaster-Smith	3 South West QLD
Brett Doig	4 South East QLD Northern NSW
Andrew Mellowship	5 NSW North Coast
Luke Corkett	6 NSW South Coast
Elise Malberg	7 East Victoria
Tim Glenton	9 West Victoria
Tara *	10 Tasmania
Leon Budden	11 East SA
Bronte Rhodes	12 West SA
Dylan Fryer	13 South WA
Mick Godfrey	14 North WA

*Tara has agreed to take on an additional region as a non-resident RC

2.2. Proxies

Clubs Present/represented: 48 clubs present out of 89 eligible clubs.

Delegate	Club Name	Proxy	Count
	APEX CLUB OF ALBANY	Kate Huth	1
	APEX CLUB OF ALBANY CREEK	Brett Doig	2
Luke Corkett	APEX CLUB OF ALBURY		3
Elise Malberg	APEX CLUB OF BAIRNSDALE		4
	APEX CLUB OF BALLARAT- EUREKA		
Chris Hariss	APEX CLUB OF BEAUFORT		5
	APEX CLUB OF BEROWRA		
Elose Wattie	APEX CLUB OF BIGGENDEN		6
	APEX CLUB OF BILOELA INC		
Mark Bonello	APEX CLUB OF BLACKTOWN		7
	APEX CLUB OF BRAIDWOOD INC		
Kelly Buchanan	APEX CLUB OF BRISBANE CITY		8
Dylan Fryer	APEX CLUB OF BUNBURY/KOOMBANA		9
Terry Harlick	APEX CLUB OF BUNDABERG		10
	APEX CLUB OF BUSSELTON		
	APEX CLUB OF CABOOLTURE	Brett Doig	11
Cassie Newby	APEX CLUB OF CAP WEST		12
	APEX CLUB OF CENTRAL AUSTRALIA		
Amy Patterson-Kane	APEX CLUB OF CHINCHILLA		13
	APEX CLUB OF CLARE & DISTRICT APEX CLUB	Bronte Rhodes	14
	APEX CLUB OF COBRAM/BAROOGA		
	APEX CLUB OF COROWA	Luke Corkett	15
	APEX CLUB OF CORRIGIN APEX CLUB		
	APEX CLUB OF DALBY	April Lancaster- Smith	16
	APEX CLUB OF DELORAINE WOMEN'S		
	APEX CLUB OF DOWERIN/GOOMALLING		
	APEX CLUB OF DROUIN		
	APEX CLUB OF ECHEUCA/MOAMA		
	APEX CLUB OF EUROA		
	APEX CLUB OF FINLEY		
	APEX CLUB OF FRASER COAST		
Jackob Hercberg	APEX CLUB OF GAWLER		17
	APEX CLUB OF GERALDTON	Mick Godfrey	18
	APEX CLUB OF GOONDIWINDI		
	APEX CLUB OF GOROKE INC	Tim Glenton	19
Luke Sckelly	APEX CLUB OF GUNNEDAH		20
Katrina Riethmuller	APEX CLUB OF GYMPIE		21



Delegate	Club Name	Proxy	Count
	APEX CLUB OF HERBERT RIVER	John Davis	22
	APEX CLUB OF HOPPERS CROSSING	Tim Glenton	23
	APEX CLUB OF HORSHAM INC		
	APEX CLUB OF INVERELL	April Lancaster-Smith	24
	APEX CLUB OF JAMESTOWN	Bronte Rhodes	25
	APEX CLUB OF JERILDERIE		
Bronte Rhodes	APEX CLUB OF KADINA		26
	APEX CLUB OF KARRATHA	Mick Godfrey	27
	APEX CLUB OF KATANNING		
	APEX CLUB OF KEITH		
	APEX CLUB OF KIMBA	Bronte Rhodes	28
	APEX CLUB OF KINGSBOROUGH		
	APEX CLUB OF KOJONUP INC.		
	APEX CLUB OF KUNUNURRA	Mick Godfrey	29
	APEX CLUB OF LATROBE		
	APEX CLUB OF LOXTON	Leon Budden	30
	APEX CLUB OF MAITLAND	Brett Doig	31
	APEX CLUB OF MALENY	Brett Doig	32
	APEX CLUB OF MANJIMUP	Dylan Fryer	33
	APEX CLUB OF MANSFIELD		
	APEX CLUB OF MILTON/ULLADULLA INC		
	APEX CLUB OF MOE		
John Davis	APEX CLUB OF MOUNT ISA		34
	APEX CLUB OF MOURA INC		
	APEX CLUB OF MURGON		
	APEX CLUB NAMBOUR	Brett Doig	35
	APEX CLUB OF NARACOORTE INC		
	APEX CLUB OF OBERON		
	APEX CLUB OF PADTHAWAY	Leon Budden	36
	APEX CLUB OF PERTH		
	APEX CLUB OF PINGELLY INC.		
	APEX CLUB OF PORT AUGUSTA	Bronte Rhodes	37
Tyson Cambell	APEX CLUB OF ROMA		38
	APEX CLUB OF RUTHERGLEN		
	APEX CLUB OF SINGLETON		
April Lancaster-Smith	APEX CLUB OF SOUTH TOOWOOMBA		39
Neal Molineaux	APEX CLUB OF SOUTH WAGGA		40
	APEX CLUB OF SOUTHPORT	Brett Doig	41
	APEX CLUB OF ST GEORGE		
	APEX CLUB OF TARA	April Lancaster-Smith	42
Jordan Martin	APEX CLUB OF TOOWOOMBA		43
	APEX CLUB OF TOWNSVILLE INC		
	APEX CLUB OF TRARALGON INC		



Delegate	Club Name	Proxy	Count
	APEX CLUB OF ULVERSTONE	Luke Corett	44
Ross Stiller	APEX CLUB OF WANDOAN		45
	APEX CLUB OF WARIALDA		
	APEX CLUB OF WARRACKNABEAL INC		
	APEX CLUB OF WAUCHOPE INC.	Andrew Mellowship	46
	APEX CLUB OF WHYALLA	Bronte Rhodes	47
	APEX CLUB OF WODONGA		
	APEX CLUB OF WONGAN HILLS	Mick Godfrey	48
	APEX CLUB OF YARRAM INC		

3. Introduction of Guests

3.1. Apologies

Jim Hughes – LG & PNP
Mark Tramby – President of Apex 40s
Donnie Harris – Chair of Apex Camps Qld
Carolyn Dare – PNP 96/97
Ollie Dowd – PNP
Wane Hosier - LM
Melanie Godfrey – LM
National IRO Bangladesh -Arman Cowdrey

4. Appointments

- 1.1. Sergeant at Arms – Moses Abraham
- 1.2. Scrutineers – Mark Ballin and Chucky
- 1.3. Appointment of Timekeeper – Dale Sawley

5. Announcements

5.1. Fixation of Time Limits

Motion 1A:

“That the following time limits be used during the AGM:

- 4 mins speakers for a motion
- 3 mins speakers against the motion
- 2 mins for a right of reply.”

Moved: National Board

Seconded: Wongan Hills

Vote: Carried

5.2. Motion to confirm 28 proxies

Motion 1B:

"That the received proxy forms be accepted for the AGM"

Moved: National Board

Seconded: Mt Isa

Vote: Carried

5.3. Previous Minutes

5.3.1. Confirmation of the Minutes from the 2021 National Convention hosted virtually via zoom.

Motion 2:

"That the minutes of the 2021 Apex Australia National AGM be accepted as true and correct."

Moved: National Board

Seconded: Geraldton

Vote: Carried

5.3.2. Matters Arising from the previous minutes.

None

6. Presentations

6.1. 60 yr Plaque

Mark Bonello (President of Apex Club of Blacktown, 22 yr service award winner)
Presentation of a Plaque in recognition of 60 yrs of service to the community.

6.2. Apex Podcast

Ben Curnow - Podcast launched at the convention last year, thank you McGregor for creating the Dunk. Its an opportunity for someone to share their story of Apex. Expanding presenters from Ben to Elise. Thank you to the podcast guests. Available via Spotify, Audible and I heart radio. Looking for episode sponsorship and new interviewees. Share the love. Thank you to Billy John Caledon who has been doing the editing, approximately 12 hrs each.

6.3. Apex Foundation

Tony Wilshire - Foundation has 3 parts:

- Underprivilege Children's trust supports the properties we manage including the Magic Castle, the SHACK and the Copper Coast.
- Medical Trusts – wanting to get more hands on with dis
 - Children's Cancer – just awarded a \$50k research grant for an Apex PhD student
 - Autism Trust
 - Diabetes
 - Melanoma
 - Craniofacial
- Community Fund – to help communities and clubs on the ground



- Fine Arts Trust – help a young Australia better themselves in the arts.
- Civilian Widows Trust – in WA, QLD and NSW to help underprivileged children in your community.

6.4. 2023 Apex National Convention 2023

Emma Jackson - Geraldton National Convention in 2023, 5-8th October come for convention, stay for a holiday! Aim to provide a family friendly event to encourage Apexians to stay for a holiday. Information coming soon to the convention website <https://www.apexconvention.com.au/>.

7. Introduction of RCs

Presentation of badges and RC pins

8. Reports

8.1. Presentation of 2021/2022 Apex National Accounts – Gavin Mingay

- Finalised 3 year's audited accounts and were able to provide the accounts to members prior to NC.
- One question with notice from Brisbane City – re letter to the auditor re high, moderate and low risk. Asked to explain 'Moderate risk' for reimbursements. The Auditor identified where we can improve, NB has procedures and processes in place to handle reimbursements. NB also now needs to be approved by NB prior to expenditure.

8.2. Immediate Past National President Report 2021/2022 – Adam Stewart

Overview of his year as National President. Thank you to his NB, RCs and mentors. Really proud of the achievements over the last year including Ben and Gavin's work on the Rising Stars, Ben's work on the Podcast and the Flood Appeal.

8.3. 2022/2023 National President Report – Simon Grant

Overview of what he has achieved so far and where he wants to see his year progress to.

- Promoting Apex through the Gympie Muster
- Formation of an Audit and Risk Committee in partnership with the Apex Foundation
- Improving Coms, image
- Planning for the next 3, 5, and 10 years.

8.4. 2022/2023 Budget – Ben Curnow

It is the operational budget for the running of Association.

What are the per capitas? = \$63, \$1400 per club (a 5% increase) to reflect the current economic climate and CPI.

Insurance – budget of \$90,000 however, it will most likely be under this.

Admin / National Office – the national office manager is now a directorship, saving the Association money. However, we still have wages around bookkeeping and admin.

International travel - we need to attend Global Conventions to kick start the Association post COVID. NB allowances has changed as we now have the full contingent of directors and have significantly increased the workload of our Managers. There are now KPIs

associated around those positions. The budget is just a proposal, we don't have to spend it all if it is not required.

Question – Should IRO and Bursary receive an honorarium? – NB response – yes as those positions are now asked to undertake additional tasks for the Association and there are significant additional costs involved with these roles.

Question – Can the budgets align between years and be easier to understand? Unfortunately, it is hard to keep it line items the same as expenditure changes, and we need to meet accounting standards. However, we are happy to talk to individuals one to one and share the learning.

Question – How many F2F meetings are planned to be held? Monthly zoom meetings with face-to-face meetings planned for March and June/July.

9. Presentations

9.1. 2022/23 National Project – Giving to keep the Gibbo Spirit Alive

- Promoting blood and organ donation
- Each club will hold their own event, Matt will be in contact with all clubs in the next two weeks.
- Organise guest speakers – to address clubs and events.
- It only takes one person to sign up as an organ donor to make a difference and save up to 7 lives.
- Karen Jenner (nurse) and Ron Span (recipient) – guests
 - Only about 2% of people who pass away are able to donate organs, individuals need to pass away on a ventilator. So education is critical!
 - One organ donor can save 7 lives and help more through bone and tissue donation.
 - Currently 14,000 people in Australia on kidney dialysis waiting for a kidney.
- Ron – the number one contributor to kidney disease is weight, you need to get active. Kidney is the most successful transplant.
- Organ donation can be one of the only positive and lasting difference from tragic events.
- Go and see your doctor and get checked.
- Donatelife.gov.au, life blood.
- It takes 23 seconds to register

9.2. Rising Stars Initiative

- Assisted the team in gaining new skills and gaining perspective into how the Association can be improved.
- Volunteer membership comparison: Rotary 53%, Lions 45% and Apex 2%
 - Need to promote our activity on social media and use #
 - Campaign #ApexAust to help users find content
- Apex Rising Stars Academy – creation of virtual education series to strengthen Apex
 - Excel – using excel to track service areas – first draft is now available
 - OneNote – to track member information
 - Canva – online marketing package
 - FB and Instagram – scheduling posts

- Office 365 – how to use this effectively
- Photography training and guidance
 - A picture is worth a thousand words - Training package in progress,
- Attracting New members
 - Most people don't know what Apex is.
 - The Apex spectacle (a striking performance or display) – using this to promote our brand. Signage, dunk and monuments – finding a physical display of the brand.

10. Agenda Items / Motions

10.1. Motion 3 – Endorse the 2022/2023 National Executive and Board

Motion 3A:

NATIONAL SECRETARY	Emma Jackson	WA
NATIONAL TREASURER (and Vice President)	Ben Curnow	VIC
NATIONAL RC CO-ORDINATOR	Tara Spotswood	QLD
NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP & CULTURE	Tyson Campbell	QLD
NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS	Daniel Lascelles	SA
NATIONAL OFFICE MANAGER	Gavin Mingay	QLD

“That the election of the following directors of The Association of Apex Clubs of Apex Australia Ltd (acting as the 2022/2023 Apex Australia National Board) be endorsed”;

Moved: National Board

Seconded: Gympie

Vote: Carried

Motion 3B:

“That Simon Grant be confirmed as a Director of The Association of Apex Clubs of Apex Australia Ltd and endorsed as 2022/2023 Apex Australia National President”.

Moved: National Board

Seconded: South Toowoomba

Vote: Carried

10.2. Motion 4 – Apex Australia Accounts

Motion 4A:

“THAT the 2021/ 2022 Apex Australia accounts be accepted as tabled at the AGM (and as displayed on the Apex Australia website www.apex.org.au/reports)”

Moved: National Board

Seconded: Toowoomba

Vote: Carried

Motion 4B:

"THAT the 2020/ 2021 Apex Australia accounts be accepted as tabled at the AGM (and as displayed on the Apex Australia website www.apex.org.au/reports)"

Moved: National Board

Seconded: Mt Isa

Vote: Carried

Motion 4C:

"THAT the 2019/ 2020 Apex Australia accounts be accepted as tabled at the AGM (and as displayed on the Apex Australia website www.apex.org.au/reports)"

Moved: National Board

Seconded: Blacktown

Vote: Carried

10.3. Motion 5 – 2022/2023 Apex Australia Budget

Motion 5:

"That the proposed budget for the Apex Association for 2022/2023 be accepted as tabled at the AGM)"

Moved: National Board

Seconded: South Wagga

Vote: Carried

10.4. Motion 6 – Appointment of Auditor

Motion 6:

"That Jessica Galvin from JG Audit & Assurance be appointed as the 2022/2023 auditor and Synergy Accountants & Business Advisers - Chartered Accountants be appointed as our accountant for 2022/2023."

Moved: National Board

Seconded: Beaufort

Vote: Carried

11. Presentations

11.1. The Shack and The Magic Castle

We should be very proud of what these two facilities have achieved. Over 40,000 children have visited the Magic Castle and benefitted from the experience.

The SHACK was open on 12 July 1952, and was the brainchild of Mr Ray Vincent, to provide an affordable holiday for sick kids and their families. The SHACK needs some support in terms of work parties and new beds. The Foundation will be asking clubs to sponsor a bed, or a room and Gavin will be helping to co-ordinate work parties.

11.2. International Work Party

Work party is happening in 2023!

11.3. Bursary Presentation

The Bursary program supports students in the Philippines to achieve their academic potential. It costs \$399/yr to support a scholar and is a four-year commitment, 100% of that money goes directly to the scholar.

12. National Award Winners

Award Name	Winner	Club
Convention/AGM Travel Award - The Whopper Gavel	Apex club of Albany WA	
The Golden Stirrer	Brett Doig	
VIPs	Graeme Stephenson Jade van Hooydonk Malia Stephenson Kathryn Gunn Dennis Remmer Georgia Ward Violet Pfitzner	Bairnsdale Bairnsdale Bairnsdale Bunbury Koombana Brisbane City Goondiwindi South Toowoomba
Newsletter Award	South Toowoomba Apex Club	
Publicity Award	Apex Club of Brisbane City	
Service Project Award	Apex Club of Bairnsdale	
International Engagement Award – The Kava Bowl	Chinchilla Apex Club	
Club of the Year	Apex Club of Gawler	
Best First Year Apexian	Georgie Ward	Roma
Young Apexian of the Year	Chris Harris	Beaufort
Apexian of the Year	Ben Curnow	Beaufort
Regional Communicator of the Year	Brett Doig	Brisbane City
22 Years' Service Award	Leith Hall	Brisbane City
27 Years' Service Award	Tim Troon Greg Dickens	Muswellbrook Corowa

13. Fines Session

13.1. Motion for Donation of Fines Money

Motion 7:

"That the fines money be donated to The Shack."

Moved: Tyson Campbell

Seconded: South Wagga

Vote: Carried



14. Presentation

14.1. Apex Camps – Luke Skele

Mudjimba and Magnetic Island started in 1983 and now has 54 staff, hosts 1200 young people at the camps over the year. Five capital works projects coming up. How you can help - Become a financial member as in individual (\$20) or a club (\$100).

15. Closing Statement – National President Simon Grant

Challenge – go home and tell your fellow Apexians what you have learnt today and get amongst it at the Geraldton 2023 Convention.

Acknowledgements – Thank you to the National Board for all their hard work in making this happen. Jim Hughes LG, for his professional development advice and training provided to the board, also the support from the Apex Foundation. Mark Balin, in his support for helping to organise the 91st celebration and organising the show for the presentation for his life governorship.

16. Meeting Closure 3:11 pm