

**29 September 2019  
Skipping Australia  
Annual General Meeting**

**Waratah Room, Netball Centre,  
Sydney Olympic Park, NSW 2127**





## Skipping Australia Annual General Meeting

**Date/Time:** 1800hrs 29 September 2019

**Location:** Waratah Room, Netball Centre, Sydney Olympic Park, NSW 2127

**Attendees:** See list below

### 1. Attendees - 2018 Committee

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|----|---------------------------|---|
| a. | President:                | Luke Winstanley (Jazzy Jumpers, ACT)        |
| b. | Vice President:           | Taryn Hodgson (Hot Shots, QLD)              |
| c. | Secretary:                | Jo-Anne Oliver (Cleveland Air Magic, QLD)   |
| d. | Treasurer:                | Kirralee Larkin (Jazzy Jumpers, ACT)        |
| e. | Partnerships Coordinator: | Claire George (Pumper Jumpers, NT)          |
| f. | Coaching Director:        | Vacant                                      |
| g. | Chair Rules:              | TK Ogawa (Northbridge Knockouts, NSW)       |
| h. | Rules:                    | Taryn Hodgson (Hot Shots, QLD)              |
| i. | Rules:                    | Kim Rowe/Eliza Pridham (Pumper Jumpers, NT) |
| j. | Rules:                    | Elle Meteyard (Kings Skipperooos, QLD)      |
| k. | Rules:                    | Carolyn Barker (Cleveland Air Magic, QLD)   |
| l. | Rules:                    | Lisa Buchanan (Jazzy Jumpers, ACT)          |
| m. | Music and Technical:      | Corey Mol (Cleveland Air Magic, QLD)        |
| n. | General Support:          | Brendan Davis (Jazzy Jumpers, ACT)          |

### 2. Attendees - Non Committee

- a. See attached list - Annex A

### 3. Apologies - Committee

- a. Government Liaison - Murray Norman

### 4. Apologies - Non Committee

- a. Nil received.

### 5. Meeting Opening and Previous Minutes

The President opened the meeting at 1805hrs. The previous AGM minutes were discussed and it was agreed they were accurate. No amendments were offered.

**Motion Proposed:** Luke Boon

**Motion Seconded:** Jackie Robba

**Outcome:** Carried

### 6. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

The President discussed the actions arising, individually.

- a. Host Clubs to provide assistance in advance to the Music and Technical Director to ensure the professional running of the National Championships:

The President noted the reduced number of music problems on Day 1 and Day 2 of the 2019 National Championships and extended congratulations to all on a job well done.

The President highlighted that in 2020, SA is hoping to streamline this process even further with the implementation of the IJRU competition registration system which includes online music uploads and athlete/pair/team nominations.

b. Development of Coaching Director's position description:

Task not completed. Carried forward to General Business for discussion.

c. Level 1 Anti-Doping Course:

87% of Team Australia athletes completed the course prior to attending the 2018 World Championships. ASADA happy with the completion rate.

d. Skipping Australia newsletters:

Task completed. 2 newsletters sent out since the 2018 AGM. The President asked for a show of hands to indicate receipt of those newsletters. It was noted that SA needs an improved communication channel for information to go direct to athletes, coaches and parents. SA to implement a national database for members to "sign-up" to receive SA communications direct.

e. Skipping NSW to provide information on the 2019 Nationals venue and timings:

Task completed. Information communicated to clubs.

f. Virtual extraordinary AGM re. 2021 National Championships:

SA Executive decided not to progress this until the new year, seeing as there has been lots of activity around IJRU events, age groups etc. 2021 National Championships venue carried forward to General Business for discussion.

g. Team Australia uniforms - 2020 World Championships:

The President spoke about the design concepts that had been displayed at the 2019 National Championships. Feedback received will be considered when producing the final design.

The Agenda for the 2019 AGM is attached as Annex B.

## 7. Agenda General Business

<b>a. President's Annual Report</b>
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The President presented a formal Annual Report which outlined major Association activities and is enclosed as Annex C.

**Motion Proposed: Luke Winstanley**

**Motion Seconded: Jackie Robba**

**Outcome: Carried**

<b>b. Audited Statement of Accounts</b>
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The Treasurer presented the Financial Report, available for review on request, which showed that 2018 was a consolidating year for Skipping Australia with major expenditure for the 2018 FISAC-IRSF World Championships, with a high volume throughput, consistent with previous world championships years.

Overall, the Association made an expected nett loss of \$15,496.

The full Treasurer's Report for the competition year 2018 is enclosed as Annex D.

The President spoke to the forecast expenditure for 2020 and beyond, which brings in the profits from the national championships and looks at how SA is spending those funds for 2020/21 with SA's only income stream being the provision of support that SA gives to its States and Territories (S&Ts) and the SA membership fee S&Ts gather from their members and pass on to SA to offset the costs for grass roots development and the national championships.

The President highlighted that in 2020, IJRU is expecting to roll out their registration, judging and tablet systems, under licence from IJRU and SA are investigating buying those systems from IJRU, under licence, which will give SA a suite of engaging and exciting programs and systems.

The President publicly thanked the Treasurer - Kirralee Larkin for the tremendous job done.

**Motion Proposed: Craig Gilbert**  
**Motion Seconded: Nicole Brown**  
**Outcome: Carried**

**c. Election of Office Bearers**

The President declared all Office Bearer positions vacant and called for nominations. The President advised that the position of Partnership Coordinator was elevated into the Executive section of office bearers positions.

The following people were successful in winning Office Bearer committee positions:

- a. President - Luke Winstanley
- b. Vice President - Taryn Hodgson
- c. Treasurer - Kirralee Larkin
- d. Secretary - Jo Oliver
- e. Partnership Coordinator - Claire George

All positions were nominated, seconded and accepted by members from the floor of the meeting.

**Outcome: Carried**

**d. Election of Ordinary Committee Members**

The President outlined that the Rules Committee is, ideally, made up of representatives from all states to ensure a healthy balance in deliberations and decision making.

The President called for nominations and the following people were nominated and individually accepted their nominations:

- a. Chair Rules - TK Ogawa (NSW)
- b. Rules - Lisa Buchanan (ACT)
- c. Rules - Carolyn Barker (QLD)
- d. Rules - Taryn Hodgson (QLD)
- e. Rules - Elly Meteyard (QLD)
- f. Rules - Eliza Pridham (NT)
- g. Rules - Ella Leyden (VIC)

**Outcome: Carried**

Nicole Brown expressed an interest in joining the Rules Committee. Due to an already large representation from Queensland, it was agreed that Nicole Brown be invited to join in with discussions, without voting rights.

The following people were nominated and individually accepted their nominations:

- a. Government Liaison - Murray Norman (Proposed Craig Gilbert, Seconded Jo Oliver)
- b. General Assistant - Brendan Davis (Proposed Jo Oliver, Seconded Kirralee Larkin)
- c. General Assistant - Kristin Huston (Proposed Carolyn Barker, Seconded Kirralee Larkin)

**Outcome: Carried**

The President extended an invitation to all in attendance, to step forward if they are keen to be a part of the Committee and SA hasn't yet nominated a position for them.

Luke Boon expressed an interest in an education and development position. The President advised that he had had some conversations with Luke Boon of Jump Force International (JFI) about partnerships.

The President said he saw real benefits in utilising JFI as an industry partner to get the Associations message out to a wider community and also to allow SA to gain penetration in to schools and he said that from a commercial and contractual perspective, JFI activities will assist SA in its grass roots development.

Learne Hawkins (Kings Skipperroos) raised the importance of more being done at a school level and suggested that there may be a need for more than one (1) education and development position.

TK Ogawa indicated he had had some discussions with Jeremy English about education and development in NSW schools and that Jeremy had expressed a genuine interest and willingness to be actively involved.

Karen Binns commented that ideally, each S&T would have its own representative for education and development.

The following people were nominated for education and development positions and individually accepted their nominations:

- a. Education and Development - Luke Boon (Proposed Luke Winstanley, Seconded Kirralee Larkin)
- b. General Assistant - Jeremy English (Proposed TK Ogawa, Seconded Karen Binns)

**Outcome:** Carried

Karen Binns also emphasised the need for a Technical Committee working party made up of a representative from each S&T, so that there is a consistent approach to using the IJRU registration, judging and tablet systems when they are rolled out.

### **Coaching Director**

The President highlighted that last year, SA determined it was important to move forward with a Coaching Director's position. The President presented a position description drafted by the Partnership Coordinator and reviewed by the President and said that the incumbent for this position would not necessarily be the best coach or the most senior person, but a person with the skills, drive and aptitude to assist SA to move forward and progress this activity.

The President advised that he had discussed this position with Jackie Robba, and she had indicated a keen interest in talking with SA about this position.

The President acknowledged that the opportunity for SA to grow as a community and an organisation is now, as we start down the IJRU path and the online training becomes available. He also advised that in the first year, the Coaching Director might only offer some recommendations on how we proceed, grow and prosper and Years 2 and 3 might see us bringing in the education and development positions to add further value.

The President nominated Jackie Robba for the position of Coaching Director and he called for any further nominations from the floor. No further nominations were received.

- a. Coaching Director - Jackie Robba (Proposed Luke Winstanley, Seconded Kirralee Larkin)

**Outcome:** Carried

### **a. Music and Technical**

Discussion focussed on the importance of having a representative from each state. For the benefit of those in attendance, the President advised that the responsibilities include coordinating technical and music requirements at SA endorsed competitions.

The following people were nominated and individually accepted their nominations:

- a. Craig Gilbert (Proposed Luke Winstanley, Seconded Corey Mol)
- b. Corey Mol (Proposed Craig Gilbert, Seconded Luke Winstanley)
- c. Karen Binns (Proposed Felix Officer-McIntyre, Seconded TK Ogawa)
- d. Kim Rowe (Proposed Kirralee Larkin, Seconded Jo Oliver)

**Outcome:** Carried

The President thanked everyone for their nomination and welcomed the new 2019/2020 committee.

**e. Appointment of Auditor**

Skipping Australia's Auditor (Brian Tucker) of 15 years retired during the 2018/19 calendar year and handed over to BJ Thomas. SA has accepted that handover and BJ Thomas has been appointed for the 2019/20 calendar years.

**Motion Proposed: Luke Winstanley**

**Motion Seconded: Kirralee Larkin**

**Outcome: Carried**

**f. Australian Sports Commission - National Sporting Organisation (NSO)**

SA's NSO status provides SA with access to the Australian Sporting Commission's clearing house for sport and all of their resources, so we are now able to plug in to more activities. Progressing this further will see our Coaching Director and Head Coach to start talking with the AIS to find out what is available to our sport, i.e. resilience training and physical and bio-mechanical assistance. The AIS has a number of professionals, that are funded, to go out to NSOs at a state level, to attend and run workshops.

Through our NSO status and AIS membership, SA is working with Canberra's Australian University to conduct some medical and bio-mechanical trials, i.e. how our sport is impacting our athletes.

NSO status has given SA and its athletes increased access to grants and funding.

The President provided some information on the Local Sporting Champion (LSC) grant, including:

- a. SA was able to see how many were successful in the previous grant round, but was unable to see how many had applied.
- b. Funding available to athletes across all recognised sports, not just to skippers
- c. Athlete has to firstly satisfy the criteria, and then give compelling reason/s as to why he/she is deserving of being awarded the grant

With our NSO status, SA can now apply for centralised funding for governance, growth, development, equipment and with some good work already done by the Partnership Coordinator, SA is getting closer to submitting its first grant application.

John Roddick (Secretary - Skipping Queensland) asked for an update on conversations SA had with SPORTAUS re. Sporting Schools funding. The President advised that a preliminary conversation had taken place wherein SA has reached out and said we are the National Governing Body for our sport and where do we go next. SA has so far been unsuccessful in finding any information on how this might work. The President extended SA's support to John Roddick if he was working on this and he also invited John to help SA progress this.

**g. 2020 World Championships Update**

The President advised that a number of activities have been finalised but there are still a lot more being worked on:

- a. TK Ogawa and Luke Winstanley meet regularly with the IJRU Transition Working Group.
- b. First IJRU General Assembly held at Norway in July of this year.
- c. BOD (Board of Directors) established.

IJRU is moving rapidly toward Ottawa from 5 - 14 July 2020. IJRU sends out regular communications and coaches, athletes and parents can receive these communications direct by logging on to IJRU.sport and subscribing to all the latest news and updates.

IJRU has already started to discuss 2022 and 2024 and where those locations might be and there are some shortlisted countries.

Leanne Hawkins (Kings Skipperoo) asked if the IJRU might lower the age groups for future competitions, i.e. 9-11 years. TK Ogawa responded that this had been a subject of some discussions and that IJRU needs to consult with different countries, as some countries have difficulty with younger age groups, eg. those countries that are affiliated with gymnastics federations have very strict guidelines on the ages of athletes

for world championships and if IJRU was to support the idea of inviting younger athletes, this could be problematic.

John Roddick (Secretary - Skipping Queensland) asked if SA was considering changing the age groups to align with IJRU, for its 2020 competition calendar. More information is required from IJRU before the Rules Committee can discuss this and make a recommendation.

#### **h. Constitution - Alignment with IJRU**

SA's Constitution needs to be updated to include a preamble that states IJRU as Australia's recognised world governing body.

This was discussed and agreed as very little change would be expected from Skipping Australia when FISAC-ISRF was dissolved in 2020 with IJRU taking lead responsibility for the sport worldwide.

**Motion Proposed: Luke Winstanley**

**Motion Seconded: Kirralee Larkin**

**Outcome: Carried**

Action: In order to achieve full NSO recognition, Skipping Australia needed to migrate its current Organisational structure to one mandated by Sport Aus; ie an organisation that was no longer an Incorporated Association, but an organisation that was limited by guarantee.

The President agreed to investigate the implications and advise Skipping Australia of any potential consequence if one existed.

#### **i. 2020 National Rope Skipping Championships - Queensland - Brisbane (Logan/Crestmead)**

The President referred to the 2018 AGM, wherein it was agreed that Queensland would be the host state for the 2020 National Championships.

At this point in the meeting the President invited Jacqui Smith (Vice President - Skipping Queensland) to the floor to speak to the handouts distributed re. proposed dates and venue for the 2020 National Championships (refer links below):

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/e0y2h54o8389t9n/AAAUkMAOUpRQiYp2p6voU2Nka?dl=0>  
<https://www.loganleisurecentres.com.au/plan-an-event/spaces-available>

Some robust conversations took place on the suitability of the venue for interstate athletes and their families due to the availability of accommodation and suitable transport options. These concerns were addressed in the handouts and from the floor.

As the skipping community was well represented at the AGM, it was unanimously agreed that a decision be made on the dates and venue.

The President proposed that the 2020 National Championships be held on 6, 7 and 8 June, 2020 at the Logan Metro Sports Complex.

**Motion proposed: Luke Winstanley**

**Motion seconded: Jo Oliver**

**Outcome: Carried**

#### **j. 2021 National Rope Skipping Championships - Northern Territory - Darwin**

At this point in the meeting the President invited all members to pause and watch a proposal for the 2021 National Rope Skipping Championships. At the conclusion of the presentation (see link below), the President invited Claire George (NT Skipping) to the floor to speak to the proposal re. proposed dates and venue for the 2021 National Championships (refer link below):

[https://www.dropbox.com/sh/fo2j0ljdi1en3sl/AAC\\_zJz6sbj9frH90uXqdW0oa?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/fo2j0ljdi1en3sl/AAC_zJz6sbj9frH90uXqdW0oa?dl=0)

All in attendance at the meeting indicated overwhelming support for the Northern Territory to be selected as the venue for the 2021 Nationals location - an exciting initiative that our sport has been trying to achieve for a long time - to have the Championships hosted elsewhere than Sydney, Brisbane/Gold Coast region or Canberra. The President congratulated Skipping NT who have received government support to

host the event to make it both a memorable Championships and also keep the costs at an acceptable level.

Some discussion surrounded the proposed dates (2 options) and it was decided that the dates would need to be carefully considered and may need to be altered to align with IJRU changing schedules and the NT weather patterns.

**Note:** 2021 will be a qualifying year for IJRU 2022 in a location yet to be announced.

Claire George proposed that the 2021 National Rope Skipping Championships be held at Darwin at a time and date to be advised, subject to more information.

**Motion proposed: Claire George**

**Motion seconded: Kirralee Larkin**

**Outcome: Carried**

More information will be provided at the 2020 National Rope Skipping Championships Closing Ceremony which will provide all with enough time to plan for the 2020 National Rope Skipping Championships.

#### **k. Skipping Australia Trailer**

Fiona Mol put forward that the SA trailer wrap should be updated to be consistent with SA's new branding. Some discussion took place on the SA trailer, including:

- a. upgrading the SA trailer 'wrap'
- b. trailer requirements may not be the same when SA moves to the IJRU technical system
- c. it is desirable to be able to move the trailer around Australia in other ways so that other regions can take advantage of the contents; i.e. a shippable box/container

It was agreed that Fiona Mol obtain quotes on upgrading the SA trailer 'wrap' and present costings to the SA Executive.

The President proposed that SA commit up to \$1,000 to refresh the trailer and its 'wrap', for its continued use for the next three (3) years.

**Motion proposed: Luke Winstanley**

**Motion seconded: Craig Gilbert**

**Outcome: Carried**

#### **l. IJRU Technical System**

Craig Gilbert proposed that SA move to the new IJRU technical and scoring systems and use SA's existing system as a backup. Craig outlined that the IJRU system is wireless and smaller and will ship easier and he also outlined the music upload systems.

The President highlighted:

- a. that a move to the new IJRU technical and scoring systems is all dependent on SA spending money to buy the kit necessary (i.e. laptops, touch pads, scoring mechanisms and licensing) to buy the IJRU kit and to that end, SA need to fund that.
- b. for previous world championships, SA used a benchmark funding arrangement, whereby those athletes who made Team Australia, depending on their qualifying scores, received an A, B, or C ranking and that came with a funding amount back to the athlete and teams.
- c. Based on benchmark funding, SA has paid between \$7,000 and \$11,000 for every world championship year, because SA did not have the opportunity to get funding through the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) or otherwise and now we do have the opportunity to potentially get funding through the ASC through the grant management applications for people in the 12-18 age category, so there is now an opportunity for SA not to spend that benchmark funding money, and for athletes to get some funding through the ASC grants
- d. as an example, in 2016, Jazzy Jumpers had 3 athletes for a total of \$75.00 in funding, whereas CAM received \$7,000 in funding, because at the time they had better performing athletes and it was based on the benchmark activity



- e. SA needs to be fair across the board in its funding for the entire gamut of SA athletes and SA needs to work out how best to spend its money
- f. SA needs the IJRU technical and scoring systems to bring SA up to standard and the opportunity exists for us to take some of that grant funding out of the ASC and then those people that don't get the funding, like coaches and 18+ athletes - SA look to subsidise them in some fashion.
- g. SA should review the benchmark funding activity with the view to removing it for athletes who fall into the 12-18 category for those attending the international tournaments
- h. SA should still maintain some funding for those (18+ athletes and coaches) that do not fall into the ASC grant funding activity
- i. SA should take the money previously allocated to benchmark funding, and spend it on the new IT equipment that is intended to be used for all of Skipping Australia and it's 300 athletes and not just the athletes (70) that make Team AUS.

The President proposed that SA look to review the entire benchmark funding and potentially remove it, based on a business case that he will write.

**Motion proposed: Luke Winstanley**

**Motion seconded: Nicole Brown**

**Outcome: Carried**

Craig Gilbert advised that SA's take-up of the IJRU system would allow SA to align itself with the governing body (IJRU) making it easier for our athletes and clubs when exposed to the same system at state championships and world championships.

The President proposed that SA spend \$7,000 (approximated at \$7,000 and if SA needs to spend more than this, it will be referred back to the SA committee for a decision) to purchase the IJRU qualification, accreditation judging and training system and access to materials.

**Motion proposed: Luke Winstanley**

**Motion seconded: Karen Binns**

**Outcome: Carried**

<b>m. First Aid/Physiotherapist – National Championships</b>
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Bronwyn Bowdler raised the need for increased muscle/injury support for athletes at the National Championships.

The President highlighted:

- a. Sports Chiropractic Australia had supported us for the past couple of years, but unfortunately they were not able to support SA this year, even with the notice given. Usually, SA has two (2) chiropractic doctors at the National Championships, and instead of that this year, SA had to go with professional services from a first aid provider.
- b. The President, following contact from an athlete's parents voicing concern that they were unable to have some minor strapping done, phoned the company to confirm the service SA had bought from them, i.e. Level 2 First Aid with sports training experience who was able to provide the services for SA and to voice SA's disappointment with the service we had received to date.

Taryn Hodgson proposed that SA engage 2 individuals for future national championships: a First Aid officer and a sport physio/masseuse.

Before voting on the motion, the President put forward that we probably have 100 people sitting up in the stands that have first aid training and if we know someone that has this qualification and they might like to lean in and support, then we should approach them first.

**Motion proposed: Taryn Hodgson**

**Motion seconded: Craig Gilbert**

**Outcome: Carried**

<b>n. Sustainability - National Championships</b>
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Jackie Robba suggested that SA consider doing away with plastic water bottles and instead provide water coolers; and that judges and officials be encouraged to bring their own water bottle to the national championships and use water provided by SA. SA will ask host states to consider this when planning future national championships.

**o. Official Photographer - 2019 National Championships**

Jane Parker (Northbridge Knockouts) advised that each club should receive an email with a link, for wider distribution to their members, so members can register, view and purchase photos.

The President confirmed that the link had already been emailed out to all clubs.

Kirralee Larkin said that there were two (2) other people on the floor taking photos and if anyone would like the photos shared, please forward requests to SA.

**p. 2019 National Championships - elements and presentation judges**

TK spoke about the difficulties presented when drawing up the national championships program, which included:

- a. increased events - particularly with all the pairs events and increased nominations
- b. trying to accommodate judges (skippers) with practice and/or break times
- c. lots of clubs nominated skippers as judges, especially for elements and presentation

With the introduction of IJRU rules for 2020, and knowing that the next national championships competition is in June, TK urged all clubs to quickly move to qualify more parent judges.

Taryn Hodgson advised that Team AUS would be required to supply a certain number of qualified judges for the 2020 World Championships. Taryn advised that she has undertaken IJRU Judge Clinician training and she will be qualified to run live judge training courses in 2020.

**q. Growing Skipping**

Corey Mol asked what plans SA has for growth into West Australia and what programs is SA considering offering to fledgling clubs (school and/or interstate clubs).

The President replied that: with the Coaching Director's position now filled; the work being done by Skipping NT, the work SA is doing with some development activities and the work SA is planning on doing with JFI, together with funding opportunities with the ASC, we have put together a program for growth which includes a school pack and a penetration strategy and it is to the point where it is ready for submission and we are now waiting for the opportunity to submit this proposal to the ASC. This strategy was dependant on SA receiving funding from ASC, and if not received would be incorporated into future plans.

**8. Meeting Closure**

The President thanked all attendees for their efforts and the meeting was closed at 1948hrs.

## 9. Actions Arising Summary

Date Raised	No	Action Assignee	Action Item	Update Comment
29 Sep 19	1	Luke Winstanley	SA to implement a national database for members to "sign-up" to receive SA communications direct.	
29 Sep 19	2	SA Executive	At the 2020 National Rope Skipping Championships, SA to confirm the dates and competition venue for the 2021 National Rope Skipping Championships being held at Darwin.	
29 Sep 19	3	Fiona Mol	Fiona Mol to obtain quotes on upgrading the SA trailer 'wrap' and present to the SA Executive.	

Date Raised	No	Action Assignee	Action Item	Update Comment
29 Sep 19	4	Luke Winstanley	Write up business case for removing all benchmark funding for Team AUS athletes aged 12-18 years, as well as maintaining some funding for those (18+ athletes and coaches) that do not fall into the ASC grant funding activity.	
29 Sep 19	5	SA Executive	Update National Championships planning document to include that 2 individuals be engaged for future national championships: a First Aid officer and a sport physio/masseuse.	
29 Sep 19	6	SA Executive	Update National Championships planning document to include that host state/territory consider the feasibility of providing water coolers for judges and officials to fill their own personal water bottles, instead of plastic water bottles.	

***Skipping Australia AGM Attendees (Non Committee)***

<b><i>Bayside Skippers</i></b>			
Bridgette Logan	Rebecca Theocharopoulos		
<b><i>CAM</i></b>			
Fiona Mol		Clare Stariha	
Kizzy Aspinall	Jackie Robba	John Tucker	Craig Gilbert
Kristin Huston	Jake Eve	Nicole Brown	Luke Boon
<b><i>Earnshaw Eagles</i></b>			
Jacqui Smith	John Roddick	Chris Cruz	
<b><i>Hot Shots</i></b>			
Jessie Bowdler	Danielle Williams	Bronwyn Bowdler	Karen Jones
<b><i>Jazzy Jumpers</i></b>			
Steven Tankovic	Paola Tankovic	Tanya Bucklar	Belinda Turner
Ned Baric	Lyndall Baric	Stef Whyte	
<b><i>Kings Skipperooos</i></b>			
Learne Hawkins	Sonya Roughley	Machelle Myburgh	
<b><i>Loftus Leapers</i></b>			
Bryan Grose			
<b><i>Northbridge</i></b>			
Becky Evans	Denise Chan	Jeremy English	Felix Officer McIntyre
Leila Bowe	Jane Parker		
<b><i>Pumper Jumpers</i></b>			
Hermine Strohmayr	Emma Rowe		
<b><i>Skipz</i></b>			
Ella Leyden	Isabelle Freeman	Kate Hinchcliffe	Ester Herry
<b><i>St George</i></b>			
Rachel Norman	Tom Norman	Karen Binns	Kris McDougall
Chelle Rigby	Katy Moylan	Natalie Clark	Darren Clark
Nathan Chang			



## 2019 Annual General Meeting

1745 - 1845 Sunday 29 September 2019  
Waratah Room, NSW State Netball Centre  
Homebush, Sydney Olympic Park, NSW

### Agenda

1. Attendees and apologies
2. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes
3. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting
4. General Business
  - a. Committee Reports
    - i. President's Annual Report
    - ii. Treasurer's Report – Financial Statements
      1. Funding Support to IJRU WC2020
  - b. Committee Position
    - i. Election of Office-Bearers
    - ii. Election of Committee
      1. Position Description – Coaching Director
    - iii. Appointment of Auditor
  - c. SportsAus - National Sporting Organisation (NSO)
    - i. Progress, status, approach and timings
  - d. Competitions
    - i. 2020 World Championships Update
  - e. Constitution
    - i. Proposals – Alignment with IJRU
    - ii. SportAus Changes – Company Structure (handouts)
  - f. Engagement
    - i. Working Groups
    - ii. Future direction of our sport; growth and support
    - iii. Strategic Plan progression
    - iv. Funding and Grant management
    - v. International Jump Rope Union
  - g. Nationals Timing and Venue
    - i. 2020 – QLD – Presentation from Skip Queensland
    - ii. 2021 – TBA - Presentation from Skip Queensland
    - iii. 2022 - TBA
5. Other Business
6. Close



## **2019 President's Annual Report**

2018 was a great year for Skipping Australia with our sport maintaining a very high profile in the world of Jump Rope/Rope Skipping at both a national and international level. We continued strengthening of our systems and processes leading to formal recognition by SportAus (formerly Australia Sport Commission (ASC) as a National Sporting Organisation.

There have been many achievements in both the domestic and international arenas and I think we remain in a solid period of growth as we continue to move forward as a sport.

Firstly, I would like to thank all the athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers and family members for participating, or providing support, to our members from all around Australia.

Local and state association and club development is key to the future of our sport and I'm heartened to see our numbers grow in both number of Clubs, and participating athletes from 2018.

Thank you to the outgoing committee for your dedication and effort; it has been a long year, but one that has delivered significant improvements for our sport.

Similarly, thanks and congratulations go to the hundreds of volunteers that form the army out there in Club-land. Without the tireless effort of coaches, volunteers and family members we wouldn't have an Association to keep going.

### **International Relations (FISAC, WJRF and IJRU)**

We remain having two Australian members on the FISAC-IRSF Board of Directors, two members on the IJRU BODs and a further two also on the IJRU Technical Committee to ensure Australian issues are well represented on the international scene.

We are well represented and are assisting our sport in leading the way to an Olympic Dream.

### **Public Relations (Website, Facebook)**

As a committee we have continued to develop our formal communication channels and are working to make them more effective with the introduction of WhatsApp chats for our formal communications with Head Coaches (watch out for that in the coming weeks). We are keen to ensure we get information out to clubs and welcome any suggestions you may have.

**Development Documentation** - Our suite of documentation is all hosted on the Skipping Australia website and is updated as required. We invite you to look first to this site if you are seeking any content from the Committee.

### **Grant Access and Funding**

With our recently received accreditation status as an NSO, we are now part of Australia's sporting family and are eligible to apply for grants and funding at the National level. This also means that with an improved status at the national level, state associations/Clubs are able to apply for State Government grants not previously open to us.

We are looking to partner with industry specialists and have some development work underway for medical studies and psychological shaping with Canberra University. We are hopeful of announcing the scope of those activities in the coming months and are keen you will all be a part of that excitement endeavour. Overall, the last 12 months has been very successful and positions us to continue to develop our sport.

We have a number of opportunities coming to us in the next 12 months as we prepare to dominate the world with what looks to be our biggest Team Australia ever attending the first IJRU World Championships.

I look forward to being part of the Organisation in the next 12 months and invite you all to communicate with **your committee** with any ideas for improvement as you see fit.

Thanks for coming along tonight, it shows how healthy our sport is and how much we all care to ensure it achieves everything it can.

Yours in sport,

*Luke Winstanley*

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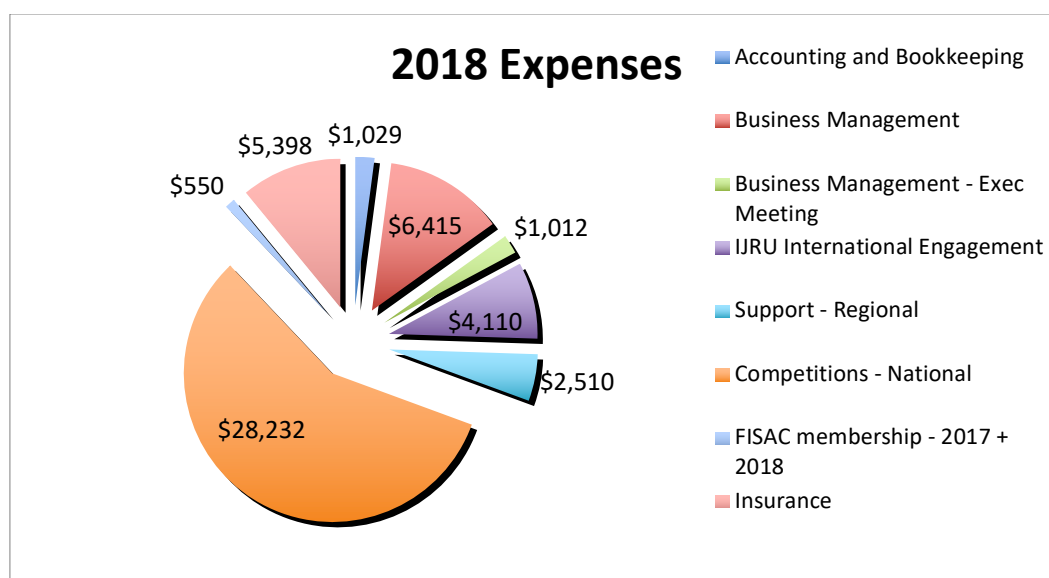


## 2019 Treasurer's Annual Report

2018 was a consolidating year for Skipping Australia with major expenditure for the 2018 FISAC-IRSF World Championships. Our volume throughput in a WC year is always high, and 2018 was no exception.

Skipping Australia introduced electronic accounting packages which saw invoicing and receipting being transferred online and becoming more streamlined. Feedback has been positive and we welcome any other comments where we may be able to improve services.

Overall, the Association made an expected net **LOSS of \$15,496** and included expenditure in planned areas of grass roots development in Victoria and South Australia in accordance with our goals stated at last years' AGM.



Category	Expenses	Income	Profit/Loss
Accounting and Bookkeeping	\$1,029	\$0	(\$1,029)
Business Management	\$6,415	\$0	(\$6,415)
Business Management - Exec Meeting	\$1,012	\$0	(\$1,012)
IJRU International Engagement	\$4,110	\$0	(\$4,110)
Support - Regional	\$2,510	\$2,030	(\$480)
Competitions - National	\$28,232	\$33,598	\$5,366
FISAC membership - 2017 + 2018	\$550	\$0	(\$550)
Insurance	\$5,398	\$0	(\$5,398)
Competitions - International*	\$215,859	\$213,991	(\$1,868)
	<b>\$265,115</b>	<b>\$249,619</b>	<b>(\$15,496)</b>



We have continued and expanded the National Insurance program, saving many thousands of dollars for Clubs around Australia who now use the Skipping Australia policy in lieu of maintaining separate cover; at separate cost. For those who do not use the Skipping Australia Policy, please come and have a chat with us...there may be some financial benefit in doing so for you.

As is always the case, the Skipping Australia Committee is forecasting our expenditure for the next Financial Year and there are changes needed to position our Association for success in 2020 and beyond. The changes are based around the financial support provided to travelling Team Australia and the historical Benchmark funding models used.

If we were to continue our current models, without a significant increase in costs to the athletes and Clubs we will not be able to transition to IJRU processes and systems and improve to the levels we need to remain competitive in an international environment. This will be discussed as an agenda item.

If you have any questions, or need further information, please let me know.

Regards,

*Original Signed*

Kirrilee Larkin  
Treasurer  
Skipping Australia