

**Chewton Pool Inc.  
Annual General Meeting**

**Monday 12 September, 2022 7.30pm  
Online**



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Guest Chair – Sandy Joffe

Acknowledgement of Country

“We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land on which we meet today. We pay our respects to the Elders - past, present and emerging. We also acknowledge other Aboriginal people who may be present with us today.”

## **MINUTES**

	<b>Item</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
1.	Acknowledgement of Country: Sandy acknowledged the Dja Dja Wurrung people, elders past present and emerging. Present: Sandy, Sera-Jane, Sally, Nick, Liz Douglas, Jess Carter. Gloria, Jen, Monica, Jim, Remy, Jacki Heath, Jodi Oakman, Cath Ryan, Frog Peck (7.45pm) Apologies: Christine Henderson, Sarah Myles, Caroline Scott, Lily Fermer.	Sandy Joffe, Chair
2.	Welcome and introduction to the 2021/22 Annual General Meeting from the Committee of Management	Sera-Jane Peters, President
3.	Minutes from the 2021 AGM Adoption of minutes as true. Phillip Walker raised a motion that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the 2020/21 AGM. Monica seconded the motion. No objections.	Wendy Hopkins, Secretary

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4.	<p>Presidents Report</p> <p>The 2021/22 season was the 11<sup>th</sup> season as Chewton Pool Inc and one of the best seasons I can rem3mber after a shaky start due to covid. Memborable for large number of new ligueuards, fabulous weather and...</p> <p>The COM is consistent this year, however we have one member retiring and a new committee member.</p> <p>Wendy Hopkins steps down after 5 years</p> <p>Sarah Myles has offered to step into the secretary role and Caroline Scott joins as a new committee member.</p> <p>The committee has done enormous amounts of work and I thank them for that.</p> <p>This year the Life Saving Victoria audit was a big task. Staffing changes and shortages has meant some of the LSV tasks were not updated and we got a disappointing</p> <p>Staffing shortages were a major issue however the community rose to the callout for new lifeguards.</p> <p>Big thanks to Mt Alexander Council. With increased funds from them we were able to operate with 2 trained LGs on every shift; the biggest change for a while. Needing to source and train all these LGs meant we opened later than usual.</p> <p>We had record attendance – our casual entry was the highest we’ve ever recorded and there were lots of new visitors; through recommendations from others and through Chewton Swim. The quality of the teachers have brought new users of the pool and brought a valuable source of income; a big thanks to Frog for running Chewton Swim and to the swim teachers.</p> <p>We will continue with the 2 LG supervision plan and hope we can attract enough junior LGs</p> <p>Pool Operations Manager, Deputy Pool Manager and Life Guards in the coming weeks.</p> <p>We also rely heavily on volunteers and welcome your input.</p> <p>Last year we were told we’d need to spend \$50,000 to update the pool coating. We’ve been fundraising for this and to be ready when large grants are available. This was one of the recommendations from the Strategic Plan and it’s been a focus of Sally and myself.</p> <p>We’ve launched a Sponsor a Piece of the Pool Campaign and I encourage you all to get behind it.</p> <p>Thanks everyone for coming.</p>	Sera-Jane Peters, President
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5.	2021/22 Annual Report – it was agreed the President’s report covered the annual report.  Jacki moved that we accept the President’s Report and seconded by Sally.	Sera-Jane Peters, President
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<p>6. Finance Report – including setting cost of memberships Auditors report The 2021/22 season was rather less challenging and kinder weather 6412 people came through the gate. Income \$144,000; an increase of \$18,000 and \$12,000 carried over. 42 to 75 had the biggest impact and we thank Mt Alexander Shire Council; it helps us comply with \$14,000 membership \$9000 casual entry. Also raised money, received donations, had primary school bookings and received 16,000 income from Chewton Swim (5900 profit). The transition to using Square Point of Sale has meant a more detailed description of our income has not been possible and we are working on improving this system. I thank all our sponsors and donors.</p> <p>108,600 expeditirue cf 129000 the previous financial year. More money in and less money out than the previous year. Bookkeeper was a new cost and POS and admin for the pool and Chewton Swim all increased this year. Chewton Swim admin is now similar to the time of the teachers. 15400 on maintenance and increased water costs. Power costs reduced. 6300 on chlorine alone. 4600 on training and equipping our staff; up from last year. Major plumbing and electrical costs were down.</p> <p>Creditors outstanding: Mattioli.</p> <p>Net income profit 35900 cf 3500 net loss from last year. Better than last year mostly due to the increased operational grant from Mt Alexander Shire Council.</p> <p>The auditor has reviewed this financial review.</p> <p>Mt Alexander Shire Council have committed to another 3 yrs funding with no change, and they have approved the 3yr cycles. Sera-Jane has asked for CPI increase and they will let us know.</p> <p>Frog Peck mentioned that the work that was done on the pump 2 seasons ago has really helped keep the maintenance down and kept the pump open every day because the pump worked. More people were inducted and trained in how to get the pump back on line and more would be good. Castlemaine Primary School have indicated they'd like to do swimming lessons at Chewton Pool.</p> <p>Membership fees. We've agreed the current membership prices will stay the same as they were last season. There will be minor changes to names of categories. Family membership will still include up to and including 4 children.</p> <p>We will increase casual entry fees due to inflation.</p>	<p>Sally McCarthy, Treasurer</p>
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7.	<p>Election of Committee Members</p> <p>Current committee standing for election: President – Sera-Jane Peters – Jacki and Sally. Vice-President – Phillip Walker – Sera-Jane and Sally Secretary – Sarah Myles – Sally and Monica Treasurer – Sally McCarthy – Jacki and Wendy General Members – Jacki Heath, Liz Douglas, Jess Carter, Nick Haslam Sera-Jane and Phillip New committee members nominating from the membership: Caroline Scott – General Member – Sera-Jane and Phillip.</p> <p>All present to confirm the election of standing committee and /or new members</p>	Sandy Joffe, Chair
8.	AGM official business closed at 8.15pm	Sandy Joffe, Chair
9.	<p>Discussion of the new Chewton Pool Strategic Plan ~\$50,000 for the water proofing is due to the faulty waterproofing done by Mattioli during Pick My Project. The Council paid for an Engineer’s Report done in March 2022 while they were getting them done on their pools. It’s due to Council this month. A lot of regional pools are in a similar position. Ladders into the pool no longer meet regulations and we now need a separate first aid room. State Govt is looking at funding for upgrading pools that typically opens in Nov and closes in Feb. We need to be ready with 10% counter funding. Toilets are close to 200,000. Then kiosk and first aid room. 500,000 over next 5 years is the guess. We’re</p> <p>Frog mentioned there’ll be money due to the upcoming Commonwealth Games.</p> <p>Pump, solar panel unit and filters have put us in a good position for the future.</p> <p>Sera-Jane reiterated that the committee is committed to raised money and putting that aside so we’re ready for when grants become available.</p> <p>Sandy asked whether we have DGR status and Frog said he remembers we looked into it in the past and it’s an arduous process and the rules of association need to be changed. Sandy and Frog both said it helps get bigger amounts of money if we had DGR status so the donations are tax deductible.</p>	Phillip Walker and Sera-Jane Peters

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10.	Setting 2023 AGM date First week of September in 2023. Frog mentioned that In the past 5% discount for early memberships and perhaps that can happen at the AGM in 2023 and Wendy suggested it could possibly happen early in this season... the new committee can decide, and Sera-Jane said the Pool Operations Manager can work things like that out once they're appointed and it'll be great to have them on board in good time.	Jacki Heath
11.	Meeting closed at 8.30pm	Sera-Jane Peters