

**NEWCASTLE PRIDE INC 2019 DRAFT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**



<b>MINUTES</b>	<b>DRAFT 2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes</b>
<b>VENUE</b>	<b>The Belford Function Centre, 35 Belford Street, Broadmeadow, NSW 2292.</b>
<b>DATE</b>	<b>10:00AM Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019</b>
<b>Present:</b>	Lee-Anne McDougall, Ivan Skaines, Geoff MacFarlane, Edward Abbott, Jay Bellamy, Hellen Richards, Cassandra Campbell, Cheryl Smythe, Chris Hepple, Dani Moore, David Hillier, Donna Southam, Emilia Slowik, Jessica Page, John Witte, Joshua Yelds, Judy Nadin, Narelle Lamb, Peter Egan-Lee, Philippa Blackley, Ryan De Sanary, Sally Franco and Tory Curran.
<b>Apologies</b>	NIL
<b>Actions from the last Annual General Meeting</b>	N/A
<b>Item 1: Committee Report</b>	<p>Lee-Anne McDougall addressed the attendees and presented the Committee Report attached:  <a href="https://newcastlepride.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Newcastle-Pride-Committee-Report-2019.pdf">https://newcastlepride.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Newcastle-Pride-Committee-Report-2019.pdf</a></p> <p><i>Motion:</i> Lee-Anne McDougall moved the acceptance of the Committee Report  <i>Seconded:</i> Judy Nadin                      Voting majority in favour, Chair declared the motion carried.</p>
<b>Item 2: Financial Report</b>	<p>Ivan Skaines presented the attendees with the Financial Report attached:  <a href="https://newcastlepride.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Newcastle-Pride-Financial-Report-2019.pdf">https://newcastlepride.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Newcastle-Pride-Financial-Report-2019.pdf</a></p> <p><i>Motion:</i> Ivan Skaines moved the acceptance of the Financial Report  <i>Seconded:</i> Dave Hillier                      Voting majority in favour, Chair declared the motion carried.</p>

<p><b>Item 3: Committee Members Election</b></p> <p>+</p> <p><b>Special Resolution</b></p>	<p>Members were elected to their respective positions as follows:</p> <p><b>President:</b> Lee-Anne McDougall (Up for Re-Election at the 2022 AGM)  <b>Vice-President:</b> Ivan Skaines (Up for Re-Election at the 2021 AGM)  <b>Secretary:</b> Tory Curran (Up for Re-Election at the 2020 AGM)  <b>Treasurer:</b> Joshua Yelds (Up for Re-Election at the 2021 AGM)</p> <p>Jay Bellamy, Hellen Richards, and Edward Abbott received equal votes at 30 each. As per the rules outline in the Constitution, this consequently resulted in a lot being carried out whereby Ivan Skaines wrote the name of each candidate on a piece of paper, and then randomly pulled out a piece of paper, one by one, out of the hat to determine the respective tranche allocated to each Ordinary Committee Member (see below). Ryan De Sanary received one vote.</p> <p><b>Ordinary Committee Members:</b>  Jay Bellamy (Up for Re-Election at the 2022 AGM)  Hellen Richards (Up for Re-Election at the 2022 AGM)  Edward Abbott (Up for Re-Election at the 2021 AGM)</p> <p>This means that the Tranches for the Newcastle Pride Committee are as follows:</p> <p><b>Tranche A:</b> Tory Curran (Secretary) + two (2x) additional Ordinary Committee Member positions which will come into being at the conclusion of this AGM and are up for Election at the 2020 AGM.  <b>Tranche B:</b> Ivan Skaines (Vice-President), Josh Yelds (Treasurer) and Edward Abbott (Ordinary Committee Member).  <b>Tranche C:</b> Lee-Anne McDougall (President), Jay Bellamy (Ordinary Committee Member) and Hellen Richards (Ordinary Committee Member).</p> <p><b>Special Resolution:</b>  The Special Resolution Motion to amend the Newcastle Pride Constitution which was proposed to the membership at the AGM was overwhelmingly accepted and endorsed by the membership (with a 94% final total of the vote). This therefore means Newcastle Pride’s Constitution has now been updated.</p>
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<p><b>Item 4: Additional Business Items</b></p>	<p>Lee McDougall and Ivan Skaines opened the floor to questions:</p> <p><i>Judy Nadin:</i> raised the issue of voting via Proxy / Postal Voting for people that were unable to attend either Prepolling or the AGM for a more democratic process; Ivan Skaines noted that this would be taken into consideration by the Committee, however these options come with additional issues that would need to be safeguarded.</p> <p><i>Dave Hillier:</i> Noted that AGM's can be held up to 6 months after Financial Year has concluded.</p> <p><i>John Witte:</i> Questioned the financial exchange between <i>Hunt &amp; Gather</i> Markets and Newcastle Pride. Ivan Skaines responded that Newcastle Pride and <i>Hunt &amp; Gather</i> have an in-kind relationship and Newcastle Pride does not pay, rather <i>Hunt &amp; Gather</i> receive income through market stall fees at Fair Day. Additionally, he mentioned that each issue / report would need to be voted on, to which Ivan Skaines completed presenting of his report and attendees voted to accept both the Committee and Financial Reports.</p> <p>Lee-Anne McDougall and Ivan Skaines gave special thanks and gratitude to outgoing Committee Members Geoff MacFarlane, Sally Franco and Debbie Hansen.</p>
<p><b>Meeting Closed</b></p>	<p>11:20AM</p>