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The mission of the Australian Lacrosse Association Ltd is to further develop all forms of lacrosse as progressive, widely recognised and popular team sport within Australia, and maintain Australia's position as a leading lacrosse nation.

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2002	Mrs Vivienne Parker-White
2002	Mrs Fran Maunton
2009	Ms Shelley Maher

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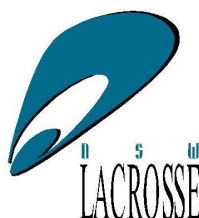
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PRESIDENT – Fiona Clark

Introduction

2009 has been a time of new directions and challenges for the Australian Lacrosse Association (ALA), which has the overall responsibility to ensure there is an effective infrastructure, with the appropriate resources, to deliver and service national lacrosse programs effectively. The ALA agreed that in this first post-transition period it was necessary to allocate Directors specific portfolios whilst also fulfilling their Company Directorship roles. Under this broad management philosophy the ALA's approach to managing its key responsibilities for 2009 are addressed in this annual report.

Board Governance and Management

2009 was marked by some significant changes to the composition of the ALA Board, which started with the passing of a resolution at the 2008 AGM to amend the ALA Board from six to eight Directors. It was pleasing that there were 12 nominations for these positions. At the first meeting in 2009 there was a change to the Chair with Fiona Clark elected to take over from David Fox, and at this time Directors were charged with specific portfolios and responsibilities.

Those elected were Fiona Clark (Chair), Vivienne Parker-White (Administration), David Fox (Finance/Vice Chair), Shelley Maher (Communications & Profile), Jan Jackson and Gary Brown (Competition), Anne Kingston (Coaching & Officiating), and Alan Frederick (High Performance). The last-named subsequently resigned his position in April, and the casual vacancy was filled by Bob Carter.

The 2009 ALA Costed Operational Plan was developed, with the common element across all portfolios being the provision of new initiatives and participation opportunities for competition at National and International level in both Seniors and Juniors, for umpires and coaches to progress their career pathways, and for administrators to advance their administrative skills. This Plan provided the ALA Directors with a framework and clear direction in which to channel our energies this past year.

The Plan is explicitly performance based, with funding geared entirely to performance indicators and outcomes. It identified current priorities and set specific time frames and performance measures. These yearly plans assist the evaluation process by which the ALA's success can be measured.

Member Associations

The work undertaken by ALA's six Member Associations and the contribution they make to the ALA is respectfully acknowledged. October saw the inaugural 'President's Forum' conducted in Victoria in conjunction with the U15 National Tournament and hosted by the ALA. The opportunity for states to converse so openly with the national body was greatly appreciated by all involved, and it is anticipated that such forums will continue to be held on an annual basis, which can only auger well for the future of our sport.

In November 2009 the ALA updated their Member Protection Policy which forms an essential part of ALA's proactive and preventative approach to tackling inappropriate behaviour. This has

been promulgated to Members, as the ALA is committed to ensuring that everyone associated with the sport of lacrosse complies with the policy.

Australian Sports Commission

In April 2009 the ASC announced ongoing Sports Development funding of \$50,000 to the ALA for the 2009/10 financial year. This continuing support by the ASC is tangible evidence of the work the ALA Board is currently undertaking.

The ALA Operational Plan forms the basis of ASC's review of assistance to our sport, and includes agreed key outcomes against which the Commission provides funding. These annual reviews by the ASC are undertaken to assess NSO's Operational Plans to justify the level of assistance from the ASC.

The ALA extends its appreciation to the ASC for their continuing assistance, both financially and by means of support services, and acknowledges the co-operation of the ALA Sports Consultant, Bob Kershaw.

International:

The Federation of International Lacrosse (FIL), formed in August 2008, has now completed its first year of operations. A flexible and supportive approach to participation in International meetings saw Vivienne Parker-White, Jan Jackson, Anne Kingston and Fiona Clark all represent Australia at Women's Committee meetings held in conjunction with the 2009 FIL World Cup. Shelley Maher is to be commended on her first term as a Board Director of FIL, responsible for the Women's Sector. Mike Slattery and Anne Kingston are members of the FIL Men's Officiating and Women's Rules committees respectively.

It is essential that Australia continues to take a global responsibility for the development of our sport in the International arena, whilst working with other countries to optimize what is best for lacrosse worldwide. If we wish, as a nation, to remain successful in lacrosse at the elite level, it is vital that we have a broad and effective base, together with effective pathways for young players to maximize their potential, as this is an essential part of the continuum in sports development.

2009 saw Australia's Women's Senior Team return home with the silver medals, and commends Head Coach Sue Sofarnos and her team of players and support staff on their efforts. The ALA pays tribute to the Czech Lacrosse Association for the undisputed success of this event.

Whilst recognizing that our elite players are one of the cornerstones of the development of our Association, the pursuit of excellence cannot, and is not, limited to our elite. It is about providing the best for all participants, and this will be reflected in future plans.

The ALA discourages the use of performance enhancing drugs, and this year adopted an anti-doping policy for the conduct of drug free participation, which is complementary to the ASC's funding requirements. This policy is binding on all players who receive funding from the ASC.

Closing

ALA, as a non-profit organization, continues to maintain a high level of self-sufficiency through a volunteer workforce, and I take this opportunity to recognize and thank my fellow Directors who have continued to give me their support, their advice and their loyalty to our efforts throughout this past year. I particularly extend my own personal gratitude and appreciation to Vivienne Parker White for her support and her enduring commitment; Vivienne has risen to unprecedented challenges whilst performing the Administration role with professionalism, efficiency and integrity at all times.

The ALA shall continue to work on building an efficient governing body for lacrosse in this country, and in all our activities shall endeavour to continue to provide equal opportunities for men and women, and maximize enjoyment for both participants and spectators.

It has been my pleasure to serve as Chair of the ALA these past twelve months, and I trust this annual report will reflect the shared commitment which we as the ALA Directors are proud to bring to our tasks.



U15 Girls winner – Victoria Fire



U15 Boys winner – WA Southern Braves

COMMUNICATIONS AND PROFILE – Shelley Maher

The most significant achievement in the area of communications and profile in 2009 was the establishment of the ALA website – www.lacrosse.com.au. The websites of the former Women's Lacrosse Australia and Lacrosse Australia were closed, with the majority of information transferred to the new location. While the existing site contains a significant amount of information, there is a need for a more engaging and dynamic appearance. This will be a focus for 2010. In addition, all member Associations currently not using Sporting Pulse will be strongly encouraged to utilise Sporting Pulse in 2010. The ALA will also be pursuing a national database as part of the site re-development.

The ALA logo was created in 2009. Thanks are extended to Greg Hamilton, from Hamilton Kennedy for his work in creating the logo, shown on the front of the report. As time passes, the logo will become more visible, and hopefully more recognisable in the mainstream sports community.

One of the most challenging areas of communications and profile is that of sponsorship.

The 2009 Australian Women's Team remain eternally grateful to Under Armour for their outstanding support, which will continue for the 2011 U19 Australian Women's Team.

The 2010 Australian Men's team would like to thank it's current sponsors: Hamilton Kennedy, Whey Natural Protein and Globetrotter Travel Agency. Securing sponsorship for forthcoming National Teams will continue to be an ALA priority, and any assistance that can be provided from the lacrosse community would be warmly welcomed.

The ALA provided financial support to the National Lacrosse League All Star Series. This resulted in excellent on field exposure of the ALA logo, as well as verbal recognition of ALA. It is anticipated that a one hour highlights program of the NLL All Star Series will be screened in early 2010.

Finally, it is appropriate to acknowledge the establishment of the Federation of International Lacrosse, and particularly it's website – www.filacrosse.com. It is hoped that, with increased traffic to both the ALA and FIL websites, will come increases in both exposure and participation in ALA Member Associations.

COMPETITION – Jan Jackson

All events were conducted under the ALA banner but as an ALA logo had not been finalized, medallions were provided using the Women's Lacrosse Australia logo for Senior and Under 17 women's Championships, and a temporary ALA logo medallion was presented at the Under 15 Tournament.

A review of men's and women's event documents was conducted and the Competition Manual for Under 15 Tournaments was finalised. The Championship Manual has not been completed at this time. Drug testing was not conducted as ASADA elected not to attend any events.

The **4th Southern Crosse Tournament** was hosted by Lacrosse Victoria 3-6 January at Footscray Hockey Centre (artificial turf) with participating teams, New Zealand, Team Australia, Team All Stars, Team USA, Team Koala, Team Victoria.

The **Senior Championship (women)** was held 9-12 April and hosted by Lacrosse Victoria at the Footscray Hockey Centre (artificial turf); Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia and New South Wales participated.

Permits were granted to Western Australia for two New Zealand players and to New South Wales for two New Zealand, a Victorian, and a South Australian player.

Victoria won the Joy Parker Perpetual Championship Trophy, the Mary Pickett Tournament Trophy and the Shaw Cup (Vic v SA). Most Valuable Player medallions were presented after every game and Participation certificates were presented.

The **Under 17 Championship** was hosted by Lacrosse West, 14-18 April, at the Light Street, Dianella grounds (grass fields). Participating teams were Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia and Western Australia Associates.

Victoria won the Camille Hobbs Perpetual Cup, the Janet Jackson Tournament Trophy, the Jeannie Matthews Cup (SA v Vic) and the Mellis Cup (Vic v WA). South Australia won the Rose Gaunt Trophy (SA v WA). Most Valuable Player medallions were presented after every game and all participants received a Participation Certificate.

Under 15 Tournament was hosted by Lacrosse Victoria with Footscray Lacrosse Club co-ordinating the event, 28 September-4 October, on grass fields. This event was held in conjunction with the Under 15 boys' Tournament at the same venue. The participating teams were Red Lightning, Red Storm (South Australia), Victoria Fire, Victoria Ice (Victoria), Western Stars and Western Flames (Western Australia).

Victoria Fire won the Fiona Clark Tournament Trophy. Most Valuable Player medallions were presented after every game and all participants received a Participation Certificate.

The **Under 21 Championship** was not held as it was a World Cup year. This event is held the year prior to, and the year of a Federation of International Lacrosse Under 19 Championship and is listed in the 2010 schedule of events.

It was proposed to establish a **National Competitions Committee**. Progress with this Committee was slower than expected and will be pursued in 2010.

The potential for a **Masters / Non-Contact Competition** will also be explored with Member Associations in 2010.

International

Congratulations are extended to the Australian team and staff for winning silver medals at the 2009 World Cup held in Prague 18-27 June.

Competition – Country representatives gave verbal report and player eligibility was briefly discussed. FIL has adopted an Anti Doping Policy, and potential drug testing of the top four countries at future World Cups/Under 19 Championships may occur. Finalisation of testing parameters will be advised at the 2010 FIL General Assembly. 2013 World Cup bids were requested to be submitted by 1 December 2009.

A presentation was made by Germany for the FIL 2011 Under 19 Championship (women) to be held in Hanover, Germany 2-9 August on grass fields. The FIL Policy on alcohol will be advised and codes of conduct will be introduced to be signed by all players, team staff and umpires.

Rules – Agreed trial rules were approved to be trialled prior to end December 2009. These agreed trial rules are currently played in Australia with the exception of the goalkeeper restarting play inside the goal circle if she is the nearest player to the ball when it crosses the boundary on a shot.



Senior Women - Victoria

COMPETITION – GARY BROWN

Firstly, thanks are extended to Co Competitions director, Janet Jackson, for her work on various portfolio matters.

2009 Competitions Schedule

Lacrosse South Australia hosted the Australian Lacrosse Carnival 2009.

Australian Men's Under 17 Tournament – Adelaide Sunday 5 - Saturday 11 July.

Teams participating, WA (1 team), this is a concern that WA can only generate one regional team. SA (2), Victoria (2) and New Zealand. Having watched the matches, I am firmly of the belief that keeping regional teams in this age group expands participation, fosters the sport and is the right option for lacrosse expansion. Tournament winners were the Eastern Reds (South Australia) defeating the Western Wizards, 19-7.

Australian Men's Under 19 Championship – Adelaide Sunday 5 – Wednesday 8 July.

Teams participating were Victoria, SA, WA and USA West. The National Champion team was Victoria, defeating WA by one goal, 9-8. Tournament winners were USA West.

Australian Men's Senior Championships – Adelaide Sunday 5 - Saturday 11 July.

State teams participating were WA, SA and Victoria along with the national Japanese senior squad. This was a strong competition, with Victoria, ultimately recording a resounding victory in the final over WA – 13-2. Tournament winners were also Victoria.

Lacrosse South Australia has provided a comprehensive report with the finance component yet to be received. From an organisational perspective Lacrosse South Australia is to be congratulated on managing the three events so very effectively.

The Referees continued to meet the challenge thrown up by so many games in such a short time. The referees are acknowledged on their thoroughness in ensuring such a high standard of refereeing was conducted across the age groups. The atmosphere, high level of competition and hospitality provided by South Australia resulted in a very successful carnival in all age groups. Congratulations to thank Lacrosse South Australia for their organisation, management and conduct of the three age group carnival.

Competitions Issues:

Communication is always an issue that requires trust and commitment from all stake holders when dealing by email. The level of cooperation by state associations and organisers in 2009 has been very pleasing.

Australian Boys and Girls Under 15 Tournament Monday 28 Sept – Sunday 4 October.

10 teams competed, 4 from Victoria, 3 from WA, 2 from SA, and 1 from New Zealand. In some instances, numerous contacts were required to enable teams to participate and still protect the integrity of those teams fully compliant with all requirements. The underlying principle at this age level has been participation. Growing team participation and broadening the base of lacrosse at this age level continues to be a driving consideration in all planning. It was disappointing that there was no representation from NSW or Queensland at this age level in

2009. These two states along with Tasmania continue to struggle with domestic competitions and we recognise that there are many challenges faced in trying to establish lacrosse activity in these states.

Ongoing Issues

1. The need to increase the player base of junior lacrosse in all states.
2. Calendar of events combining both singular and joint events for 2010 and beyond.
3. Updating Competition Handbook refinements.
4. The need to increase funding through sponsorship for national lacrosse management, sustainability and future expansion.
5. A refined ALA management structure for 2010. The need to reduce the number of board directors and develop management groups to improve participation in decision making, increases in player participation and improved rankings in the area of high performance.



U15 Boys – Vic Southern Braves v WA Southern Cross



HIGH PERFORMANCE – Bob Carter

The main area of focus in High Performance has been on the development of policies and position descriptions for all the Australian teams/squads that are currently working towards their goals of representation internationally.

The following summarises the existing High Performance Programs with a full list of team/squad members located at the rear of the report:

Men's 2010 Australian Team

Team Selection

The final 23 players and 4 alternates will be selected following a camp in Melbourne 8 – 10 January 2010. Haverford College (USA) will be participating in this camp and will provide competition to enable the selection panel in their task of identification and selection of the team and alternates. The 23 players and 4 alternates will be required to attend a team camp in Melbourne 2 – 5 April 2010.

Selection Camp was held in Adelaide Thursday 9 - Sunday 12 July.

Lacrosse South Australia undertook extensive support in providing resources for the camp, feedback from participants was very positive about both the program and manner it was conducted in. feedback on players as a squad was also exemplary on their attitude to present themselves for national selection in such a professional manner. Thanks go to the team management and coaching team.



Women's 2011 U19 Australian Team

The squad of 73 players attended the first camp in Melbourne 23 – 25 October 2009 with guest coach Gary Gait providing specialist advice to the Coaches and players.

The second camp involving the squad of 73 players took place in Adelaide in December 2009.

The third camp will take place in early January 2010, where the players will compete for the Southern Crosse Vivienne Parker-White Tournament Trophy, in Melbourne 2 – 5 January 2010. Following the tournament the squad will be reduced to 55 players. The proposed next squad meeting will follow the U17/U21 nationals in Sydney April 2010. The Squad will then compete in the Down Under Cup in Melbourne June 2010. The final team selection of 18 will occur in late 2010.

Men's 2011 Indoor Australian Team

Applications for Head Coach and Manager have been called for with a closing date in late January 2010.

Men's 2012 U19 Australian Team

Applications for Head Coach and Manager have been called for with a closing date in late January 2010.

Women's Senior Team 2009

Congratulations are extended to Head Coach, Sue Sofarnos, her staff and the 18 players who represented Australia at the FIL World Cup, held in Prague, Czech Republic from 18-27 June 2009. Australia won silver, being defeated by the narrowest of margins by the USA. This was an outstanding achievement, particularly given the recently released USA participation numbers which reported that there are approximately 16,000 women playing either college or post college lacrosse – compared to the total of 1500 girls and women playing across Australia.



Developmental Teams

Team Koala (women) and the Aussie Roos (U23 men) represented Australia as development teams in the Prague Cup (Czech Republic) and ASPAC 2009 (South Korea) respectively. Both teams competed fiercely, with the Aussie Roos also having to overcome the very challenging experience of several days of quarantine, due to swine flu. These teams are critical in providing our next generation of Australian players with the opportunity of international competition. It is anticipated that the Aussie Roos will participate in the ASPAC 2011 event, and Team Koala at the event running along the 2011 U19 World Championship.



High Performance Director Women's Division

Paul Mollison's appointment to the position of HP Director for the Women's Division has been paramount to the development and standardising of policies used for Australian teams. Paul has continued to contribute so much of his time, experience and knowledge in the area of policy development and his contribution is greatly appreciated.

TECHNICAL (COACHING & OFFICIATING) – Anne Kingston

Club Coach Course Rollout

The first Club Coach presenter training was held in Melbourne, at Williamstown High School on the 21/22 March 2009. Les Bee, Gillian Lee and Nick Bugeja facilitated the training. There were 15 participants in attendance. The participants were from NSW (1), WA (3), Tas (1), VIC (7), New Zealand (2) and Lacrosse Australia (1).

The feedback from the training was positive. Participants were able to provide feedback on the course and manual over the weekend. Thanks to Nick Bugeja for organising the presenter training and Lacrosse Victoria for arranging the venue. The next Club Coach facilitator training will be held in Adelaide in February 2010.

Lacrosse Victoria has conducted one Club Coach Course during April and one in September. There were 27 participants in total that completed the courses.

National Technical Committee

Mike Slattery continued in his role as Referee in Chief. He continues to demonstrate leadership and attention to detail in this position. The National Technical committee met in June, July and September and November via teleconference. The main agenda items have been the provision of referees for Nationals and International Events, the finalisation of the National Grading System and development of officials for Indoor Competition and the selection of referees for the 2010 World Championships. The ALRA AGM was held on the 6th July in Adelaide.

2010 Men's World Championship – appointment of officials

ALA was requested to supply eight referees initially, with a subsequent request for a further two referees, for the 2010 Men's World Championship. These referees will be designated as four in blue division, and four in red division. The Referee Grading System was used to provide the rankings for Australia's nomination.

Selected by ALA for the 2010 World Championship are:

Referees

Don Lovett; Jason Lawrence; Mark Polden; Evan Walters; David Campbell; Michael Goudie; Kelvin Minerds; Ian McRae, John Sedgeway *, Jonathon Kiploks * and Stacey Morse *.

Assessors *

Michael Slattery, Neville Balfour, David Eyre, Dennis Mulroney, Laslo Tiszavolgyi

*These individuals were selected in 2010.

Women's Officiating

Four umpires (Suzanne Kirkby, Martin Kiploks, Kris Palmer & Liz Shields) and two Technical Delegates (Janet Jackson & Anne Kingston) represented ALA at World Cup in Prague.

Suzanne Kirkby was appointed Technical Delegate for the U17 Nationals in Perth. Twelve Umpires officiated at the U15 Nationals in Melbourne. Seven Umpires officiated at the Senior Championships in April.

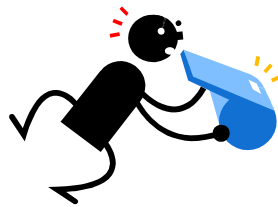
FIL Women's Trial Rules

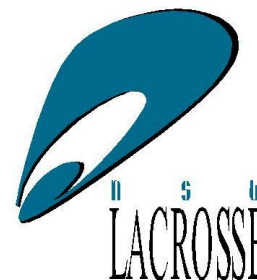
Trial rules were voted upon at FIL Women's Division Rules and Umpiring meetings on Tuesday 23rd June 2009 (Prague). These rules are to be trialled and voted upon in 2010. ALA already plays most of the trial rules at National level.

The new structure for FIL has taken effect, separating the areas of Officiating and Rules. Sandy Goldthorpe is the FIL Officiating chair and Susie Ganzenmuller is the rules chair. Sandy outlined her vision for a tiered International rating and proposed development of International Umpires in countries where lacrosse is developing.

Cost share for Officials at Nationals

It was agreed in principle at the May 2009 meeting that a Cost share process for officials at men's and women's National Championships will be implemented in 2010. The cost of umpires at women's events already operates on a cost share basis.





Board

President	Shaun Ratcliffe
Vice President	Annalie Eccleston
Secretary	Kate Mitchell
Director of Finance	Trish Ratcliffe

The year in review

Key highlights of the 12 month period include:

- NSW senior women's team performance at 2009 National Championship,
- Hosted Boston University touring team, May
- 3 players attended World Championship in Prague, Czech Republic
- Continuation of men's box & field lacrosse competition
- Several successful fundraising initiatives for the world cup players
- Many new local and international players getting involved.

Challenges of the 12 months included:

- Failure to secure sponsorship for potential State Development Officer Alexa Webster to stay in Australia
- Significant reduction in number of accredited coaches working for NSWLI has meant that our exposure in schools has dropped off, despite there still being demand for lacrosse in schools.

Playing numbers

	Women	Men	Total
Senior	30	30	60
Junior	15	10	25
Total	45	40	85

Competitions

The men's competitions operated well this year with consistent participation driven by a few dedicated individuals. Women's numbers peaked during the lead up to Senior Nationals in April but were irregular at other times of year. Both men's and women's competitions are fairly reliant on travelling and casual players to provide enough numbers, and have taken to assessing demand on a week by week basis in order to ensure enough people show for a game.

The men's competition was focused around weekly box lacrosse on Saturdays, supplemented with a season of field lacrosse held in conjunction with the women's season at Killara, on Sundays.

Field Lacrosse was held at two different locations, including an inner city venue and northern suburbs location. Each venue attracted a number of different players. The northern suburbs venue is quite promising in that it has a club house and facilities that we have not had available to us in some time. We are hoping to attract a more regular group of players there.

Moving Forward

Sponsorship

NSW Lacrosse has had no sponsorship in 2008-09, with several tentative arrangements disbanded due to the global financial crisis and subsequent revoking of sponsorship funding budgets.

Individuals Meg Barnet and Lisa Beagley were able to procure some individual sponsorships through their participation in the Australian and New Zealand lacrosse teams, respectively.

New focus

Realistically NSWLI is struggling to maintain regular competitions, and the commitment of individuals to the Board is dwindling, resulting in a reduced Board structure and simplification of our goals.

In time NSWLI hopes to rebuild the structured club system in Sydney, by starting with one club based in the north of Sydney and one in the south. It is anticipated that this will be expanded to a four club competition in the coming years.

The year ahead will pose challenges in re-developing a club structure, sourcing sponsorship to fund the development, promotion and competition activities and generally growing the player and official base, however NSW hopes to use the Junior National Championships to maximise exposure of the sport, and drive recruitment and sponsorship opportunities.

QUEENSLAND LACROSSE



Board, 2009

President	Ralph Hales
Vice President	Hannes Bronkhorst
Secretary	Dearne Fear till October 2009, R Hales to date
Treasurer	Karin Meyers

The Year in Review

The playing numbers in Queensland in 2009 were severely down on 2008. This was due to a lot of senior school players moving on and a lack of new members through the schools ranks. Also a large number of volunteers opted out or decided not to continue participation with their children choosing not to play in 2009.

Therefore this caused a minimal number of registered players. Early on in the year with the poor registrations and low volunteer numbers; a number of things were decided. The first was to find a permanent home for the registered players to form a club and to look at creating a Development officer position for 2010 and organising a school program for 2010.

The year therefore consisted of training / playing amongst the remaining members without a competition. Games were also organised with the Sunshine coast teams on two weekends. We had a very successful seniors evening when the American warship was in dock with 6 Americans playing a social game. During the year we had a very enthusiastic approach from a volunteer to get lacrosse going on the Southern Gold Coast. This has progressed whereby it is anticipated that there will be a competition on the Gold Coast again in 2010.

In addition approaches have been received from the Toowoomba and SW Qld region from PCYC about participation and development of the sports amongst the PCYC members and in particular indigenous Australians.

Player Numbers

Junior Women	7
Junior Men	11
Senior Women	1
Senior Men	2

Competitions

Queensland ran a mixed gender / age roster in the 2009 year, from April through to September. This proved popular despite the lack of team competition in 2009.

Representation

In 2009, Qld had the opportunity to send two girls and two boys to Korea as part of the Australian teams (U/19 and Koala). No representation was made by any Queensland team at the National Level due to lack of numbers and volunteers to assist.

Player Safety

The rules for mixed lacrosse remain mostly the same including everyone wearing a mouthguard and all players using short sticks. Rules modified with respect to contact.

Sponsorship

Unfortunately, Queensland Lacrosse did not secure any sponsorship for the season and it was not pursued in the manner which it should have been. This is to be rectified in 2010. Some assistance will most likely be sought in 2010 by professional means for grants and seeking sponsorship

Supporter Base

For lacrosse to remain viable in Queensland in coming years the supporter base must also increase. It is Lacrosse Queensland's view that support from the sidelines will only add to the player experience, publicity and overall wellbeing of lacrosse in general. Some of the tried and successful methods include the ongoing development of the website, creation of the Development officer position, provision of support for coaching / refereeing training and having a place that Lacrosse can call home. Another possibility not yet explored is the use of facebook groups.

Notable Mentions

- The formation of the Brisbane Eagles Lacrosse Club
- Advertising for the position of the Lacrosse Development Officer
- The granting of Life Membership to Jenni Krause for services to lacrosse
- Re-development of the Queensland Lacrosse website

Queensland Lacrosse would like to thank the following people for ensuring the continuation of lacrosse in Queensland. Without the dedication and support of the following people, QLA could quite possibly have ceased to exist. It must be said that no help has been forthcoming from any source outside the following group of people and Sport and Recreation Queensland (SRQ) to keep the sport of lacrosse in Queensland alive. Indeed there are a number of forces which if allowed to affect the perseverance of the following people which could have undermined and affected the destruction of lacrosse in Queensland. The following people will, if history shows, have caused the modern day foundation of lacrosse in this state. These people are:

Johan Meyer
Hannes Bronkhorst
Karin Meyer
Chris Collier
Pete Everest
Dan Walker
Anna Walker (SRQ)
And their families

LACROSSE SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Board of Management

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Director – Promotions	Lyndal Dinning/Vacant
Director – Development	David Swaine
Director – Officiating	Robin Stevens
Director – Coaching	Jurgen Klus

Staff

Executive Officer	Helen Lewis
Administration Officer	Tiffany Smith
Development Officer	Vacant

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Club	Team
Adelaide University	B-Grade (Combined with Burnside/Sturt), Reserves
Brighton	U8 (2), U11(3), U13, U15, U18, B-Grade, Reserves, Velocity League
Burnside	U8, U11, U13, U15, U18 (combined with Woodville), B-Grade (Combined with Sturt/Uni), Reserves, Velocity League
East Torrens Payneham	U8, U11, U13, U15 (Combined with Sturt), Reserves, Velocity League
Glenelg	U8, U11, U13, U15, U18, B-Grade, Reserves (2), Velocity League
North Adelaide	U8, U11, U13, U18, Reserves, Velocity League
Sturt	U11, U13, U15 (Combined with East Torrens Payneham), U18, B-Grade (Combine with Burnside/Uni), Reserves, Velocity League
West Torrens	U8, U13, U15, Reserves, Velocity League
Woodville	U11, U13, U15, U18 (Combined with Burnside), B-Grade, Reserves, Velocity League

*Under 8’s Competition is Mixed

Best and Fairest (Memorial Medal)

Velocity	Chris Dindler (Burnside), Leigh Perham (Brighton), Stuart Robb (Glenelg) – three way tie
Reserves	Andrew Semmler (Glenelg)
B-Grade	Jason Vorrasi (Woodville)
Under 18	Luke Keesing (Glenelg)
Don Gorman Rising Star	Callum Mortimer (Glenelg)

Premiers

Velocity League	Brighton
Reserves	Glenelg Seahawks
B-Grade	Brighton
Under 18	Glenelg
Under 15	West Torrens
Under 13	Woodville
Under 11	Brighton Tomcats

Player Number

Senior: 359 Junior: 308

Women

Club	Team
Adelaide University	B-Grade
Brighton	U11 (2), U13 (2), U15, U18, B-Grade (2), Reserves, Velocity League
Burnside	U11, U13, U15, U18, B-Grade, Velocity League
East Torrens Payneham	U11, U13, B-Grade (Combined with Wilderness), Reserves
Glenelg	U11, U13, U15, U18, B-Grade, Reserves (2), Velocity League
North Adelaide	U11, U13, U15, U18, B-Grade
Sturt	U11, U13, U15, B-Grade, Reserves
West Torrens	B-Grade
Wilderness	U11, U13 (2), U15, U18, B-Grade (Combined with East Torrens Payneham), Velocity League
Woodville	U11, U13, U15, U18, Reserves, Velocity League

Best and Fairest

Velocity	Cassandra Cursaro (Brighton)
Reserves	Sarah Falcione (Glenelg)
B-Grade	Jackie Barreau (Glenelg)
Under 18	Cassandra Cursaro (Brighton)
Joy Gomer Rising Star	Briony Chamberlayne (Wilderness)

Premiers

Velocity League	Brighton
Reserves	Glenelg (2)
B-Grade	Burnside
Under 18	Brighton
Under 15	Woodville
Under 13	Woodville
Under 11	Brighton Wildcats

Player Numbers

Senior: 226 Juniors: 321

2009 was a particularly busy year for Lacrosse SA, dominated by the Australian Lacrosse Carnival held at Finsbury Reserve/West Torrens Lacrosse Club in July. Locally, the men played a short season of Indoor and a pre-season Super League competition, but the traditional Women's Summer League did not get off the ground in 2009.

The High school competition was re-launched in Term 1, targeting mainly colleges. This proved to be a highly successful introduction to lacrosse for many players – this now needs to capitalise on capturing those potential new club players. The competition ran again in Term 4. Other development activities included the annual Lightning Carnivals and an involvement with the Active After School Community Program.

Prior to the season start, the Senior women headed to Perth for the National Championship where they went down to Victoria by 1 in the Championship Final. This was closely followed by the Under 17 Girls in Melbourne where our girls also went down to Victoria in the final. Well down to WA and Victoria respectively for hosting these events.

The winter field season kicked off on Anzac Day with the Grand finalists from the previous year taking on each other at Woodville Lacrosse Club, and concluded with Brighton defeating reigning Premiers Woodville in the Velocity League Men's Grand Final, and Brighton defeating Burnside in the Velocity League Women's Grand Final. It had been some years since Burnside played in a Women's Grand Final and it was great to see the Bears taking it up to the undefeated Bombers for a good part of the game.

A highlight of our local competition was the introduction of a mixed gender Under 8 competition, which made for some entertaining lacrosse as these youngsters tested their skill for the first time on the field. A final five was also trailed in the Men's League, and it was great to see ETP who finished 5th at the end of the minor round win their way up the ranks to narrowly miss out on making the Grand Final.

The June long weekend saw the return of the Australian Club Championship, generously sponsored by Graham Hobbs via the Eureka Group. We welcomed WA to the event this year, to make it a four team event in men's and women's (3 premiership teams plus a wild card.). The Women's final was won by Brighton Lacrosse Club (SA) and the Men's by Williamstown Lacrosse Club (Vic).

The ACC was closely followed by the Australian Lacrosse Carnival. This was the first time the Senior Men's and Under 19 Men's Championship and the Under 17 Boy's Tournament had been held together, and was a big task, which came together pretty successfully, thanks to the hard work of many volunteers. Great to see some overseas teams competing, and well done to Victoria (Senior Men and U19 Men), and LSA Eastern Reds who took out the U17 Tournament.

We were pleased to send two boy's teams and two girl's teams to the Under 15 Tournament in held in Victoria, and well done to LVA on their organisation of another big lacrosse event.

Once again we are proud of our playing representation at the International level, whether it be in an Australian team, or a developmental squad and of our Officials who also represented SA well at National and International level.

LACROSSE TASMANIA



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The Year in Review

Playing numbers in 2009 were lower than 2008. There were some new faces at the start of each roster, but towards the end of the rosters not many remained. The last two years have had seasons with four teams competing, but 2009 saw competitions with two and three teams.

The makeup of the committee has changed, due to a policy put into place that certain positions cannot be held by the same member for more than three consecutive years. The President, Secretary and Women's Vice President positions required new people in these roles under the policy. The AGM was held in October, and new members were elected.

Player Numbers

Seniors 16

Competitions

LT ran two mixed gender rosters in 2009. The first roster was held in April-May and ran for 4 weeks. This was fairly successful, with some people returning to the sport after a few years, and also bringing in some new people. The second roster was held in Aug-Oct and ran for 10 weeks. The start of the season was delayed for 2 weeks (bad weather), with playing grounds being closed. Some people did not return for the second season, and while there were some new players, by the end of the roster numbers had decreased. This was run with 3 teams, but numbers dropped significantly towards the end of the roster and so for the last 2 weeks only 2 teams were possible.

Representation

Tasmania did not send any men's or women's teams away to national competitions in 2009. It is hoped that in the coming years there will see an increase in numbers.

Player Safety

The rules for our mixed rosters remained almost the same as the past few seasons, including requiring every player to wear a mouthguard.

Sponsorship

No sponsorship was obtained for this year.

Supporter Base

The ongoing use of the Lacrosse Tasmania website and Facebook groups aids in our organisation and the awareness of lacrosse in the community.

LACROSSE VICTORIA



Board of Directors

President	John Harris
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RECORDS: Men

WINTER TEAMS

State League	Altona, Camberwell, Caulfield, Eltham, Footscray, Malvern, MCC, Moreland, Surrey Park, Williamstown
Division 1	Altona, Camberwell, Chadstone, Eltham, Footscray, MCC, Melbourne University, Malvern, Surrey Park, Williamstown
Division 2	Camberwell, Caulfield, Eltham, Footscray, Melbourne University, Moreland, Williamstown
Division 3	Altona, Chadstone, Eltham, Malvern, MCC, Surrey Park
Under 18 Div 1	Camberwell, Chadstone, Footscray, Malvern, Surrey Park, Williamstown
Under 18 Div 2	Caulfield, Eltham, Melbourne High, MCC, Moreland.
Under 16	Altona, Caulfield, Chadstone, Eltham, Footscray, Malvern, Melbourne High School Green, Melbourne High School Maroon, Moreland, Surrey Park, Williamstown
Under 14	Altona, Chadstone, Eltham, Footscray, Malvern, MCC, Moreland, Surrey Park, Williamstown Fearon, Williamstown City
Under 12 Gold	Altona 1, Altona 2, Eltham Durham, Eltham Russell, Footscray 1, Footscray 2, MCC 1, MCC 2, Surrey Park 1, Surrey Park 2
Under 12 Green	Camberwell Buzz, Camberwell Sting, Chadstone Gold, Chadstone Red, Malvern Black, Malvern Red,
Under 12 H	Caulfield, Moreland, Williamstown City, Williamstown Fearon

REGISTERED MEN & JUNIOR BOY PLAYERS

Club	Senior	U18	U16	U14	U12	Total Player
Altona	44	3	16	3	22	88
Camberwell	39	15	3	2	21	80
Caulfield	27	12	7	3	10	59
Chadstone	26	14	11	12	15	78
Eltham	56	13	15	12	17	113
Footscray	36	7	10	11	15	79
Knox			2	2	1	5
Malvern	40	12	7	7	24	90
MCC	49	13	5	11	23	101
Melbourne High		20	26			46
Melbourne Uni	26					26
Moreland	23	7	5	11	10	56
Surrey Park	48	15	11	13	15	102
Williamstown	47	20	16	21	22	126
TOTAL	461	151	134	108	195	1049

RECORDS: Women

State League	Caulfield, Footscray, Newport, Williamstown
A Grade	Altona, Caulfield, Footscray, Newport, Williamstown
B Grade	Altona, Camberwell, Chadstone, Eltham, Footscray, MCC, Melbourne University, Newport, Surrey Park,
Under 17	Altona, Footscray, Newport, Williamstown
Under 15	Footscray, Eltham, Newport 1, Newport 2, Mix n Match, Williamstown 1, Williamstown 2
Under 13	Altona, Chadstone, Eltham, Footscray, Newport, Williamstown Blue, Williamstown Gold
Under 11	Altona, Footscray, Newport, Williamstown 1, Williamstown 2

REGISTERED WOMEN & JUNIOR GIRLS PLAYERS

Club	Life	Senior	U17	U15	U13	U11	Total Players
Altona		19	9	3	3	7	41
Camberwell		14	2	4		3	23
Caulfield		13		4	1		18
Chadstone		15	1	1	4	4	25
Eltham		15		5	10	7	37
Footscray		24	6	7	5	16	58
Knox							
Malvern		3	1				4
MCC		15	1				16
Melbourne Uni		15					15
Newport		28	4	18	15	14	79
Surrey Park		13	1	2	1		17
Williamstown	1	23	12	26	17	28	107
TOTAL	1	197	37	70	56	79	440

SUMMER TEAMS

Senior Women Sun, Heat, Flames, U17 Waves
Senior Men Cavaliers, Raptors, Devils, Magic

COMPETITION RESULTS:

Men

Grade	Premiership
State League	Williamstown 15 d Surrey Park 9
Division 1	Eltham 14 d Williamstown 11
Division 2	Eltham 16 d Williamstown 10
Division 3	Malvern 11 d Eltham 6
Under 18 Division 1	Camberwell 11 d Williamstown Fearon 10
Under 18 Division 2	Melbourne High d Caulfield 9
Under 16	Surrey Park 13 d Williamstown 11
Under 14	Malvern 24 d Eltham 7
Under 12	<i>No premiership competition</i>

Women

WINTER

Grade	Winner
State League – Fearon Cup	Footscray 7 d Newport 4
A Grade – Parker Cup	Newport 6 d Altona 5
B Grade- Cheevers Cup	Chadstone 16 d Camberwell 9
U17 – Kendall/Pearson Cup	Footscray 11 d Newport 9
U15 Vivienne Parker-Grant Cup	Newport 10 d Footscray 7
U13 no finals	
U11 no finals	

SUMMER

Grade	Winner
Senior Women	Sun 6 d Heat 4
Senior Men	Magic 8 d Raptors 6

BEST AND FAIREST: *Men (no awards for U14 and u12)*

STATE LEAGUE	David Spreadborough, Surrey Park
DIVISION 1	Cam McLachlan, Surrey Park
DIVISION 2	Tim Holmes, Camberwell
DIVISION 3	Martin Cobern, Eltham
UNDER 18	Matthew Kerr, Camberwell
UNDER 16	Spencer Davis, Williamstown

BEST AND FAIREST: *Women*

STATE LEAGUE	Stacey Morlang, Newport
A GRADE	Kailey Ryan, Altona
B GRADE	Gabrielle Nichols, MCC

Administration

At the time steps were taken to amalgamate the two genders of the sport in Victoria the decision was taken to overhaul the By-Laws of the Association. A great deal of rationalization took place to achieve workable by laws. These by laws have been in operation for almost two years and have served to make clear the way we operate.

At the time of combining the By-Laws of men's and women's codes it was realized that sometime in the future further correction and refinement of by laws would be required. That time has now arrived and clubs were asked to comment on revisions seen to be now appropriate. At the time of the annual general meeting, member clubs will be asked to vote on the amendments which are considered to be sensible and in keeping with the way we govern ourselves. During this same period (from the formation of amalgamated by laws to the present) we have generally become much more particular about by laws and the Victorian Government has become more vigilant about the rules which govern the operation of sporting associations.

It is noted that while the Association has not yet had to intervene in constitutions and by laws of member clubs, this may become necessary in the future. It would for example be improper for member clubs to have constitutions which are illegal or simply incorrect. Similarly, if clubs choose to ignore their constitutions this would be of concern to Lacrosse Victoria. The Association has responsibility to ensure that member clubs are operating under acceptable rules and that these rules are followed. It is intended that revision of by laws will become a once a year process rather than adjusting by laws continually throughout the year. The By-Laws will become slightly more legal in presentation but will retain a commonsense reading approach. It takes time to write reasonable by laws but even more time to unravel disputation if rules are not clear. (Recent experience with poorly written and executed by laws has compelled the revision of processes to report players.)

It is regrettable that external influences cause the amount of administrative overheads to increase – (we are spending even more time on administrative matters than in the past). Governments, parents and lacrosse players now require more accountability than in the past – and we can anticipate a higher level of accountability in the future. Inevitably there is a cost involved with increasing the amount of time we spend on administration. This will be reflected in this year's budget.

Participating numbers

Unfortunately 2009 saw a slight decrease in participation in the sport. The Board constantly monitors the participation rates and (as far as resources allow) provides support to initiatives which increase numbers. The development of a Bendigo Association is one example. The under 12 rule is another. Generally there is an emphasis on recruiting younger players although recruitment at older age levels has also seen encouraging numbers.

The year long debate about helmets in the under 12 competition diverted energy from promoting the sport for no real gain. During the course of this debate (which was not resolved) it became obvious that arguing about rules became more important for some clubs than getting on with the difficult job of recruiting players. Rulings made by the Association were not accepted by some clubs and the dispute continued.

It is concerning to understand why some clubs are not able to adhere to the rules of the Association and the majority view of other clubs. Continuing disputation when the majority of clubs had other views is poor behaviour.

Despite this, the effort which all clubs give to recruiting is recognised, noting that some clubs have been more successful than others. We live in an era when time for promoting the sport is increasingly difficult to manage – especially at weekends. The work of many people working with junior recruits is gratefully acknowledged.

It is anticipated that recruitment will continue to be a difficult process and we will continue to seek ways of being more effective.

The way we present ourselves

The presentation of a two game series involving the National Lacrosse League of America (NLL) at Hisense Area achieved a number of firsts not seen before in Victorian Lacrosse. Attendance over two games was in excess of 7000 spectators – our normal men's grand final normally attracts 1500 spectators. There were more press articles, radio interviews and television clips than the sport has ever seen. The two matches were the first of a three year cycle which should see continuing exposure for the sport. It was regrettable that there was negative support offered by long term adherents to lacrosse.

As a result of the experience with the NLL series we will attempt to market our premier events (grand finals in both men's and women's lacrosse) in 2010 as commercially viable events. We have recognised that we have an exciting spectator sport which deserves much more exposure. We have also recognised that professional marketing can take us beyond the longstanding arrangements which have served us well in the past. While those clubs which have conducted grand final events in the past have done an excellent job, we need to move on.

Australian Lacrosse Association

The formation of the Australian Lacrosse Association has been of great benefit to the sport nationally. In a short space of time Association office holders have established sound communication with officers of the Federal Government and adopted or prepared a wide range of policies which increase our credibility with funding authorities. In all cases the formulation of these policies would be beyond the resources of Lacrosse Victoria. The down side is that much of the experience of the ALA has been diverted from promoting lacrosse nationally. It should be noted that there are no gaps in the normal cycle of administering national events but rather an absorption of available lacrosse knowledge. Lacrosse Victoria has adopted policies recommended by the ALA and will continue to do so.

The Australian Lacrosse Association operates on an inadequate budget which is mirrored at State level. At State level this will be carefully corrected by Lacrosse Victoria through more efficient use of resources, an increase in the costs to clubs and a careful allocation of funds. It is most regrettable that funds accumulated by the now defunct Lacrosse Australia are being withheld by officers of this defunct body.

Lacrosse Victoria has developed a more businesslike relationship with the Australian Lacrosse Association than has been the case with former national organisations.

Our players and the contribution of Victorian players

Those who attend matches on Saturday and Sunday will know that the skill of players in all grades is continually developing. Participation in national and international competition assists in improving the skills of our players and Victoria has high levels of participation at all levels. The attention which club coaches give to developing young players reflects the high standards which are practiced by teams in our local competition. We often fail to fully realise the contribution which club coaches make to our sport – they are the people who make things happen on the field week after week.

Office Staff and the Board

The Association is fortunate to have office staff who contribute to the administration of the sport well beyond their specified duties. It becomes quite difficult to address issues raised by member clubs when such issues are often presented in an aggressive manner. The people who staff the office are obliged to follow the rulings of the Board of Lacrosse Victoria but often receive unreasonable comment from some office bearers of some clubs.

The Board of Lacrosse Victoria has worked continually to be consistent in its decision making and 2009 has been relatively free of major issues. The Board has supported developments in Bendigo and will continue to do so. Finally, tremendous thanks for the dedication of all staff as they work in often trying situations.

Events 2009

Southern Cross Tournament (January)

This annual event was played at Footscray Hockey Centre from 3rd January to 6th January. This is a women's event with 4 teams competing with USA, New Zealand, Team Koala Australian development team and a combined Victorian team. The Bronze medal game was played between New Zealand 7 def Team Koala 5 and the Gold Medal game being won by the USA team 14 def Victoria 8

Summa Comp (February)

This event was held at the Hawthorn Hockey Centre from 30th January to 27th February 2009. We had 4 women's teams playing, including the U17 girls trialling for the U17 Victorian Team. We also had 4 men's teams with all women's and men's teams divided by the draft system. This system again proved successful for both the men and women but unfortunately no novice teams were formed.

Down Under Cup (June)

This annual event held at the Footscray Hockey Centre didn't see as many overseas teams visiting but the competition was still a huge success with 1 USA team playing against 3 Victorian based teams in the women's section. In the men's section Japan and the USA entered one team each playing against the U19 Men's Aussie Roos and a mixed Victorian team.

Hosted National Events

Senior Women's National Championships

This event was held at the Footscray Hockey centre from 9th April to 12th April 2009. This was played earlier in the year due to the Women's World Cup being played in Prague during June. We had 4 state teams competing from New South Wales, South Australia, Western Australia and Victoria. Victoria was again national champions in a very close game by defeating South Australia 10 - 9

Under 15 Boys and Girls Nationals

In September, Footscray lacrosse club hosted the Under 15 Boys & Girls National tournament in a magnificent fashion. The quality of organisation and facilities were a credit to the club members. The girls had 6 teams competing (2 x Victorian teams, 2 x South Australian Teams and 2 Western Australian teams). Victoria Fire and Victoria Ice made it into the final with Victoria Fire winning 9 – 4. The boy's competition had a total of 10 teams competing, 4 x Victoria, 2 x South Australia, 3 x Western Australia and 1 from New Zealand. Victoria's Southern Crosse team was runner-up in the final against WA Southern Braves.

In other national events, Victorian teams were victorious in the Senior Men's, Under 19 men's and Under 17 women's competitions.

Club Conference

The annual Club conference was again held in conjunction with the Lacrosse Victoria AGM late in February. The new ALA Coach Accreditation course was advertised during the meeting, encouraging as many club coaches as possible to undertake the course later in the year. The aim for 2010 is for all club coaches to be accredited through this course.

Presentation Night (September)

This year the venue for this end-of-season celebration was the Victoria Life-Saving Centre overlooking Port Phillip Bay. The setting was excellent for such a status event for lacrosse in the State; the decorations and the presentation were a credit to the organization skills of Meegan James. With the support of all Clubs, this event could prove a worthwhile event to which VIPs can be invited as a means of publicizing the sport.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

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Director Higher Performance	Gavin Leavy
Director Promotions	Vacant
Director Development	Vacant
Director Officiating	Mitchell Walmsley

MANAGERS

Development	Vacant
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OFFICERS

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Minutes Secretary	Ellen Kennedy
Web Master	BCM (Brian Chalmers)
Membership Recorder	Ellen Kennedy
LA Rules Co-ordinator	Mark Hickey
Finals & Awards Co-ordinator	Chris Milne
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Senior Lacrosse Council	Mitchell Walmsley

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Awards

Australian U15 Tournament Southern Braves (Champions)

Award Nominations: 2008

Sports Star of the Year	Alex Brown
Junior Sports Star	Lachlan Walker
Junior Sports Star	Daniel Kennedy
Team of the Year	U15 Southern Braves Team

Results and Awards 2009

State League

Premiers	Wembley	IJ Taylor Shield
Minor Premiers	Wembley	Lapsley Cup
Best Player	Alex Brown (Wembley)	Regal Cup
MVP Grand Final	Alex Brown (Wembley)	Kuljak Medal
Highest Goal Scorer	Alex Brown (Wembley)	55 Goals

Division 2

Premiers	Wembley Yellow	Jubilee Trophy
Minor Premiers	Wembley Yellow	Clark Cup
Best Player	Michael Mills (EF)	Morriss & Scott Trophy
MVP Grand Final	Steven Stojkos (Wy)	Cyril Allman Medal
Highest Goal Scorer	Michael Mills (EF)	48 Goals

Division 3

Premiers	Wanneroo	WA Lacrosse Ass
Minor Premiers	Wembley	Loyd Paul Perpetual Trophy
Best Player	Graham Palmer (Wy)	Keenscreen Brine

Under 17

Premiers	Wanneroo	Ramsay Trophy
Minor Premiers	Wembley	Greg Wheatley Trophy
Best Player	Lachlan Walker (Wn)	Jeff Kennedy U17 Trophy
Highest Goal Scorer	Lachlan Walker (Wn)	55 Goals

Under 15

Premiers	East Fremantle	Brian Griffin Trophy
Minor Premiers	East Fremantle	Rob Taylor Trophy
Best Player	Daniel Kennedy (EF)	Steve Mounsey U15 Trophy
Highest Goal Scorer	Daniel Kennedy (EF)	120 Goals

Under 13

Premiers	Wembley Yellow	Premiers Trophy
Minor Premiers	Wembley Yellow	Minor Premiers Trophy
Best Player	Connor Davies (We)	Murray Keen U13 Trophy
Highest Goal Scorer	Connor Davies (We)	61 Goals

Spirit of Lacrosse (2009) Subiaco

Centenary Shield (2009) Wembley and Subiaco

As the 2009 year winds to its completion another chapter in the history of lacrosse in Western Australia (WA) closes and a new exciting chapter will begin. The Western Australian Lacrosse Association (WALA) will cease to exist and the newly formed Lacrosse WA (LWA) will become the new governing body for men's and women's lacrosse in WA.

Congratulations to the successful clubs in the 2009 final series with Wembley taking out the State League, Div 2 and the under 13s, Wanneroo the Division 3 and 17s and East Fremantle the 15s, also congratulations to Phoenix for a well run final series.

Clubs should also measure their success through the growth and retention of player and supporter numbers as well as the way your club is viewed by others, is it a place that you would invite family and friends to and be proud of? If the answer to these questions is positive then your club is the road to developing a very successful club.

At the national level the Southern Braves again took out the nationals for the second year in pretty comprehensive fashion maintaining a very good record by the WA teams over the past decade congratulations to Murray Gates, his players and staff for an outstanding job. The state senior team which was well under manned (3 players from under 17 competition represented the seniors team) due to a number of senior player being unavailable made the final well done to Gavin Leavy and his crew. The under 19s came within a whisker of winning the title leading with only minutes remaining once again well coached by Andy Roy. The under 17s struggled to field a team but through the dedicated work of Murray Gates we fielded a team which also finished second. We also fielded two other teams in the under 15s tournament the Thunder and the Lightning and both teams gained great experience and things look very promising for the future.

This year the board in conjunction with some clubs (including Kuljak) ran the preseason competition, the Kuljak picnic day, the pre season shootout, the North V South All Star game and the senior and junior windup. Unfortunately this event were not supported by all clubs and raise the question, is this what the lacrosse community want or are we wasting peoples valuable time running around putting these events on? This question needs to be answered by the lacrosse community through you club presidents to assist the new board in planning for the future.

The 2009 season saw the re-introduction of the division 3 competition and while some people did not see the benefit in this competition those that participated thoroughly enjoyed it and allowed new players to get into the game at a level they could compete and allowed some of the older players to stretch out those aging muscles without being harassed by those young enthusiastic up and coming stars.

We welcomed the new Baldivis lacrosse team under the guidance of East Fremantle, thank you to East Fremantle for their efforts and to all clubs for the support in playing games at the Baldivis ground. The feedback from the parent group in Baldivis is very positive and has the potential to expand the competition to a new area which has been the goal of WALA for many years and will need plenty of support from all clubs. There is a great number of opportunities in the outer regions of the metropolitan area and club needs to explore these opportunities.

The very successful junior wind up was run this year, put together by the Wanneroo Lacrosse Club at late notice and did an outstanding job. The event was well supported by the juniors and their parents and congratulations to the winners.

The senior windup eventually was well supported but due to a lack of support early by some clubs it became very difficult to cater for. Next year the windups are planned to be a joint events with the women and men, this will require plenty of planning could clubs please consider what they would like to see at this event.

Thank you to ALRA WA for their efforts in 2009, this is one of those jobs that everyone has a comment about but when it's time to pick up the whistle many hesitate and do not want to put themselves under the scrutiny that the ref's go through every week. Referee's like players are an integral part of the game and we need to encourage them to continue on in the role "NO REFEREE NO GAME". This season has seen the recruitment of some new referee's from outside the sport solely due to the efforts and mentoring of Laslo Tiszavolgyi.

Thank you to all the club presidents for their support over the 2009 season without their support and feedback there would not be the good working relationship that exists between WALA and the clubs.

Thanks to all the board members for their tireless efforts throughout the year especially Ellen Kennedy who has taken up the role of all the vacant directors over the year and has done an outstanding job.

Here's to a new and exciting 2010 season with all the challenges that will come.

In finishing, thanks are extended to all those previous WALA boards and presidents for their efforts in developing the solid foundation that WALA has been established on.

LACROSSE WEST

In important ways, 2009 was year of change for Women's Lacrosse in Western Australia. As we all know, State Government policy required the unification of women's and men's lacrosse in Western Australia, as has already happened internationally, nationally and in other States. To this end, Fiona Clark, Karen Mau and Michael Ferguson attended meetings with representatives of WALA Inc with a view to refining the process towards unification. A protocol was agreed, documented and approved by each Board.

WALA Inc passed resolutions agreeing to unification, a change of name to Lacrosse WA and adopting an amended constitution. Lacrosse West voted to unify with Lacrosse WA in September 2009. The final moves towards unification are proceeding and at the AGM of Lacrosse WA, a Board that will be responsible for women's and men's lacrosse in Western Australia, will be formed. Details of the final meeting of Lacrosse West Inc, which will include a celebration to mark its will be circulated in due course.

The recently completed Lacrosse season demonstrated the strength of, and the issues facing women's lacrosse, in Western Australia. At the national level, the Under 17's were very competitive in the Under 17's Championship held at Light Street early in the year. Each of the State teams was equal on games won and pints scored at the end of the qualifying round. The national body determined the finishing order to be Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia. Our team lost a close fought game to South Australia to finish third, but the team and its coaches deserve great credit for the way in which they played throughout the Championships.

In the middle of the year, for the first time in a number of years, a Western Australian team competed in the Senior National Championships in Victoria. Unfortunately, a number of players were unable to participate, but the team that travelled played to the best of its ability and enjoyed the experience. It is imperative that we continue to work to develop our sport so that we can field competitive teams at every Senior National Championships in the future.

Most recently, at the end of September, we were able to send two teams to the Under 15 National Tournament held in Victoria. The Western Australian teams finished third and sixth and each of them played well. Each of the players improved during the Tournament, with the newer players in particular becoming valuable contributors as they adjusted to the standard of competition. We need to ensure that we have sufficient numbers of junior players coming through to always send two teams to this Tournament.

Thanks are extended to the coaches and managers of each of the teams – Tegan Brown and Jen Kerford, Coaches and Carole Bowland and Adele Ackland, Managers of the Under 17s; Dennis Banyard, Coach and Karen Mau, Manager of the Seniors; and Anne Marie Hall, Coach, Susan Milne, Manager, Lyn Johnson, Coach and Peta Hiron, Manager of the Under 15s teams. Also, thank you to the umpires who participated at each of the events and to the selectors for each of the teams.

The number of players who participated in this year's competitions unfortunately decreased and this is a trend that we must reverse quickly, to ensure that women's lacrosse continues in

this State. The Board is aware of the issue and will do what it can, but as always the Clubs need to work to keep regular players, convert occasional players into regular players and to recruit new players to ensure the future of our sport.

D Grade played in a more structured format with a premiership table and finals being played. We will review the season before deciding on the format and structure of the competition next year. This is a very important grade for our sport and each Club must ensure that they field a team. Without a solid base of junior players, our sport will not grow. Congratulations to Subiaco who were minor Premiers and Premiers in this grade, and Bayswater who were runners up.

C grade was a close competition throughout the year. It was disappointing that Wanneroo and Bayswater were not able to field teams. While the combined team proved to be competitive, but obviously it would be preferable for each Club to field a team. East Fremantle and Phoenix were increasingly competitive throughout the year and demonstrate how quickly teams can come together and improve. Subiaco were minor Premiers and Premiers and Wembley were runners up.

Wembley was successful in A Reserve with Bayswater, who were the standard setters throughout the season, pipped in sudden death overtime. The grand final was a fitting conclusion to a closely fought competition, played in good spirit throughout the year. I hope that each of the Clubs continues to encourage players to continue beyond juniors with a view to making the A Reserve competition a good solid base for those players who want to progress to the highest level.

Throughout the year, the A grade competition was closely fought with most teams capable of beating any other team on a given day. Despite some losses during the year, Wembley were Minor Premiers and Premiers, proving to be too strong for East Fremantle in the grand final. With work over the summer, it is hoped that Bayswater will be in a position to more comfortably field a team in next year's A Grade competition. It is also hoped that it won't be long before Phoenix is in a position to field a senior team, perhaps in A Grade.

Thank Karen Mau, Carole Bowland, Peta Hiron, Kellie McBean, Angie Sommerville, Faye Beaman, Suzanne Kirkby, Adele Ackland and Dennis Banyard, Board members for 2009, for their support and hard work throughout the year. While it can be at times a difficult task to be a Board member, it is not without its rewards and it is easily possible to have a little fun along the way.

Although the sports will be combined, there is still a need for people to sit on a committee for women's lacrosse to ensure that it continues to run. The committee will report to the Director of Women's lacrosse on the Board and is responsible for 'operating' women's lacrosse. Portfolios such as development, administration and finance will be conducted at the Board level, but officiating, rules and the day to day running of women's lacrosse will be in the hands of the committee. Members are urged to give serious consideration to assisting in the running of our sport.

Senior and Junior Teams and Grades:

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
A GRADE	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
A RES	5	8	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	5	6
C GRADE	4	4	4	4	5	6	6	4	4	5	6	5
D GRADE	-	-	2000	-	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	4

Club Registration and Team Nominations:

Club	Sen	Junior	Guest	A Grade	A Reserve	C Grade	D Grade	Total Teams
Bayswater	22	14	1	1	1	1/2	1	3 1/2
East Fremantle	24	9	2	1	1	1	1/2	3 1/2
Masters	11	-	-	-	½			½
Phoenix	-	22	-	-		1	1	2
Subiaco	9	24	-	1	½	1	1	3½
Wanneroo	16	8	4	1	1	1/2		2 1/2
Wembley	27	17	9	1	2	1	1/2	4 1/2
Total	109	94	16	5	6	5	4	19

A GRADE

Premiers/Minor Premiers: Wembley
 Runner Up: East Fremantle
 Fairest and Best: Melanie Goddard (EF)
 Runner Up: Tegan Brown (WE)
Grand Final **Wembley 13 d East Fremantle 7**

A RESERVE GRADE

Premiers: Wembley Rays
 Minor Premiers: Bayswater
 Runner Up: Bayswater
 Fairest and Best: Kellie Socratous (B)
Grand Final **Wembley Rays 12 d Bayswater 11**

C GRADE

Premiers/Minor Premiers: Subiaco
 Runner Up: Wembley
 Fairest and Best: Louisa King (EF)
Grand Final **Subiaco 15 d Wembley 9**

D GRADE

Premiers/Minor Premiers: Subiaco
 Runner Up: Bayswater
 Fairest and Best: Laura Thomas (WE)
Grand Final **Subiaco 8 d Bayswater 6**

INTERNATIONAL TEAMS/SQUADS AND RESULTS

SENIOR WOMEN - FIL 2009 World Cup – Prague, Czech Republic

18 June

Austria d Denmark 16 : 7 (10:4, 6:3)
Australia d Canada 16 : 11 (10:4, 6:7)
Wales d Germany 11 : 3 (5:0, 6:3)
Scotland d Czech Republic 8 : 6 (5:3, 3:3)
Ireland d South Korea 22 : 0 (15:0, 7:0)
USA d England 17 : 8 (6:6, 11:2)

20 June

Haudenosaunee d Denmark 16 : 2 (8:2, 8:0)
Canada d England 10 : 9 (4:6, 6:3)
Netherlands d South Korea 24 : 1 (15:0, 9:1)
USA d Japan 26 : 12 (16:7, 10:5)
Scotland d New Zealand 22 : 0 (22:0, 0:0)
Czech Republic d Germany 8 : 4 (4:1, 4:3)

22 June

Denmark d South Korea 15 : 2 (8:2, 7:0)
Ireland d Haudenosaunee 12 : 6 (3:1, 9:5)
Netherlands d Austria 17 : 2 (7:2, 10:0)
England d Japan 20 : 3 (16:0, 4:3)
Wales d Scotland 10 : 6 (6:3, 4:3)
USA d Australia: 10 : 9 (4:9, 6:0)
Czech Republic d New Zealand 15 : 3 (6:1, 9:2)

24 June

Canada d Wales 10 : 6 (4:4, 6:2)
New Zealand d Austria 18 : 0 (10:0, 8:0)
Australia d Scotland 17 : 4 (11:2, 6:2)
Germany d Denmark 24 : 1 (12:1, 12:0)
USA d Ireland 22 : 5 (15:4, 7:1)
Czech Republic d South Korea 23 : 0 (16:0, 7:0)
England d Japan 19 : 12 (10:8, 9:4)
Haudenosaunee d Netherlands 16 : 2 (6:1, 10:1)

26 June

Denmark d South Korea 17 : 3 (11:3, 6:0)
Japan d Scotland 11 : 7 (6:4, 5:3)
Haudenosaunee d New Zealand 18 : 6 (9:3, 9:3)
Czech Republic d Germany 15 : 5 (7:1, 8:4)
Netherlands d Austria 14 : 3 (5:1, 9:2)
Ireland d Wales 12 : 7 (4:3, 8:4)

19 June

Haudenosaunee d Austria 20 : 0 (10:0, 10:0)
Australia d Japan 24 : 6 (11:2, 13:4)
Scotland d Germany 18 : 3 (14:1, 4:2)
USA d Canada 11 : 4 (3:4, 8:0)
Ireland d Netherlands 23 : 13 (14:4, 9:9)
Wales d New Zealand 19 : 5 (11:3, 8:2)

21 June

Austria d South Korea 18 : 0 (9:0, 9:0)
Australia d England 15 : 4 (5:3, 10:1)
Netherlands d Denmark 18 : 4 (8:1, 10:3)
Canada d Japan 23 : 12 (12:5, 11:7)
Germany d New Zealand 11 : 7 (8:3, 3:4)
Wales Czech d Republic 12 : 8 (10:4, 2:4)

23 June

Ireland d Czech Republic 21 : 10 (13:5, 8:5)

25 June

Wales d Scotland 11 : 8 (5:5, 6:3)
Austria d Denmark 10 : 9 (7:7, 3:2)
Ireland d Japan 15 : 13 (6:7, 9:6)
Netherlands d South Korea 28 : 1 (17:1, 11:0)
USA d England 20 : 3 (15:2, 5:1)
Czech d Republic d Haudenosaunee 12 : 7 (6:3, 6:4)
Australia d Canada 12 : 10 (8:5, 4:5)
Germany d New Zealand 15 : 4 (5:1, 10:3)

27 June

Bronze Medal game
Canada d England 14 : 9 (9:4, 5:5)
Gold Medal game
USA d Australia 8 : 7 (3:3, 5:4)



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| 7 | ADAMS Jen (SA) | 14 | MCSOLVIN Sue (Vic) |
| 10 | BARNET Megan (NSW) | 9 | MOLLISON Sarah (Vic) |
| 24 | BROWN Tegan (WA) | 15 | MOODIE Alicia (Vic) |
| 1 | CARRE Meredith (SA) | 21 | MORLANG Stacey (Vic) |
| 2 | CURSARO Cassandra (SA) | 20 | MORPHETT Cath (Vic) |
| 23 | FORBES Sarah (WA) | 13 | MORTON Karen (SA) |
| 22 | INGE Courtney (SA) | 8 | NIELSEN Hannah (SA) |
| 11 | LAMONICA Sonia (SA) | 6 | PATON Marlee (Vic) |
| 16 | MCLEOD Tess (SA) | 4 | WILLIAMS Melissa (Vic) |

Staff

SOFARNOS Sue	HEAD COACH
GANDY Sue	MANAGER
INGE Peter	ASSISTANT COACH
KEEN Murray	ASSISTANT COACH
PORTELLI Peter	MEDICAL OFFICER
ROOST Travis	ASSISTANT COACH
TAYLOR Rob	STRENGTH & CONDITIONING COACH

Alternates

BANYARD Rebecca (WA)
NORMAN Dani (Vic)
THREADGOLD Kate (SA)

World Team 2009 - AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVES

Goalkeeper	Defence	Midfield	Attack
Sue McSolvin	Sarah Forbes	Stacey Morlang	Hannah Nielsen Jen Adams

STORM AWARDS

Best goalie: Sue Mc Solvin

CHANCE AWARDS

Most assists: Jen Adams

Most points: Jen Adams

SENIOR MEN - FIL 2010 World Championship – Manchester, England

Squad members as at end 2009

South Australia

Anson Carter
Shane Gilbert
Ross Hamilton
Jason Mackinnon
Stephen Mortimer
Leigh Perham
Will Pickett
Brad Sheldon
Brendan Twiggs

Victoria

Sam Bullock
Jakob Egan
Matt Garnsworthy
Ryan Garnsworthy
Andrew Ham
Marty Hyde
Steve Mackey
Michael McInerney
Ben Newman
Darren Nicholas
Keith Nyberg
Bradley Ross
Rob Stark
Daniel Stiglich
Chris Tillotson
John Tokarua
Adam Townley

Western Australia

Gareth Allen
Blair Bentley
Alex Brown
Glenn Morley
Adam Sear
Ryan Spark
James Watson-Galbraith
Sam Williams

Staff

Rod Sear Executive Director
General Manager
Finance Coordinator
State Manager - WA
State Manager - VIC
Head Coach
Coach
Coach
Strength & Conditioning - Head Coach
Strength & Conditioning - Physiotherapist
Strength & Conditioning - Masseuse
Executive Assistant
Coaching Coordinator - VIC
S & C Coordinator - WA
S & C Coordinator - VIC
Scout-Analyst
Team Liaison Manchester

Rod Sear
Greg Hamilton
David Fox
Randell Hall
Libby McHarg
John Denic
Gavin Leavy
Mark Mangan
Ben Hitchens
Ric Tillotson
Amy Basile
Mareena Sear
Darren Gibson
Jono Reedyk
Melanie Rainey
John Hiron
Paul Smeeton

TEAM KOALA – Prague Cup 2009 – Prague, Czech Republic

New South Wales

Amy Barnes

South Australia

Leah Duthy
Kahli Evans
Tiffany Smith
Claire Wright

Queensland

Jasmine Everest
Tammy Fountain



Victoria

Rosie Awad
Chloe Amantea
Jacinta Fuzy
Shae Godley
Vicki Ryan Teckla Jackson

Western Australia

Elizabeth Hinkes

Staff

Coach: Claire Kingston
Manager: Meegan James

AUSSIE ROOS – ASPAC 2009 – Suwon, South Korea

Queensland

Jean Bronkhurst
Steven Collier

South Australia

Matt Falloon
Jarrad Hinds
Dylan Nangle
Jessie Whinnen

Western Australia

Adrian Koh
Jaden Mellick
Steven Stojkos
Lucas Wood

Victoria

Taylor Berrington
Jay Coster
Sage D'Costa
Tim Lane
Hayden Lee
Malcolm MacGregor
Troy Martin
David Oliverio
Michael Pendock
Chris Plumb
Josh Robinson
Kade Robinson
Jessie Stone
Tristan Tomasino

Staff

Executive Director
Head Coach
Assistant Coach
Manager
Administration Assistant
Trainer

Garth Elliss
Bob Carter
Greg Mollison
Andrea Robinson
Eunah Kim Elliss
Chris Hinds

NATIONAL EVENT RESULTS - WOMEN

SENIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

Thursday 9 April

Vic 15 d SA 12
NSW 20 d WA 17

Friday 10 April

Vic 20 d WA 1
SA 17 d NSW 6
Vic 18 d NSW 2
SA 16 d WA 6

Saturday 11 April

Vic 19 d WA 1
SA 21 d NSW 8

Sunday 12 April

Bronze Medal game
NSW 15 d WA 11

Gold Medal game

Vic 10 d SA 9

U17 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP, ADELAIDE, S.A.

Tuesday 14 April

SA 10 d Vic 9
WA 16 d Associates 4

Wednesday 15 April

Vic 8 d WA 7
SA 15 d Associates 3

Thursday 16 April

Vic 12 d Associates 0
WA 9 d SA 8

Friday 17 April

Victoria 22 d Associates 1
South Australia 10 d Western Australia 9

Saturday 18 April

Bronze Medal Game
WA 18 d Associates 2

Gold Medal Game

Victoria 11 d South Australia 8

SENIOR, U19 AND U17 MEN'S RESULTS

	Senior	U19	U17
Sun 5th July			Eastern Reds 17 d Western Wizards 6 SE Titans 18 d NW Knights 4 Western Reds 8 d New Zealand 4
		USA West 12 d SA 9 VIC 14 d WA 7	
Mon 6th July	VIC 18 d WA 7 SA 10 d Japan 7 WA 13 d Japan 8	USA West 11 d WA 5 SA 10 d VIC 8	Western Wizards 18 d NW Knights 8 Eastern Reds 20 d Western Reds 3 SE Titans 15 d New Zealand 2
Tues 7th July	VIC 10 d SA 9 Japan 12 d Presidents 7	USA West 12 d VIC 7 WA 16 d SA 9	Western Wizards 11 d SE Titans 10 Eastern Reds 19 d New Zealand 2 Western Reds 17 d NW Knights 12
Wed 8th July	VIC 13 d Japan 5 WA 13 d SA 12 Presidents vs USA West Bronze Medal: SA 13 d Japan 8	Bronze Medal: USA West 12 d SA 8 Gold Medal: VIC 9 d WA 8	Western Wizards 16 d Western Reds 8 Eastern Reds 15 d SE Titans 10 NW Knights 20 d New Zealand 2
Thurs 9th July	Gold Medal: VIC 13 d WA 2		Western Wizards 15 d New Zealand 9 NW Knights 10 d Eastern Reds 8
Sat 11th July			SE Titans 24 d Western Reds 5 NW Knights 14 d New Zealand 7 Bronze Medal: SE Titans 16 d Western Reds 5 Gold medal: Eastern Reds 19 d Western Wizards 7

U15 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

Girls

Monday 28 September

SA Red Storm 9 d SA Red Lightning 8

Vic Ice 14 d WA Western Stars 8

Vic Fire 15 d WA Western Flames 6

Tuesday 29 September

Vic Fire 7 d Vic Ice 6

SA Red Storm 10 d WA Western Flames 9

WA Western Stars 12 d SA Red Lightning 9

Wednesday 30 September

Vic Ice d 15 WA Western Flames 6

SA Red Storm 8 d WA Western Stars 7

Vic Fire 12 d SA Red Lightning 7

Thursday 1 October

SA Red Lightning 12 d WA Western Flames 6

Vic Ice 13 d SA Red Storm 6

Vic Fire 14 d WA Western Stars 5

Saturday 3 October

Vic Fire 7 d SA Red Storm 5

Vic Ice 10 d SA Red Lightning 6

WA Western Stars 9 d WA Western Flames 6

Sunday 4 October

SA Red Lightning 10 d WA Western Flames 7

Bronze medal game

WA Western Stars 14 d SA Red Storm 13

Gold medal game

Vic Fire 9 d Vic Ice 4

Boys

Monday 28 September

WA Southern Braves 13 d SA Western Reds 3
SA Eastern Reds 11 d WA Northern Thunder 4
New Zealand 11 WA d Westcoast Lighting 1
Vic Southern Crosse 10 d Vic Eastside Kings 2
Western Metro 15 d Vic Northern Warriors 9

Tuesday 29 September

Vic Western Metro 10 drew Vic Eastside Kings 10
Vic Southern Crosse 12 d WA Northern Thunder 1
SA Eastern Reds 11 d New Zealand 5
WA Westcoast Lighting 9 d SA Western Reds 5
WA Southern Braves 16 d Vic Northern Warriors 4

Wednesday 30 September

SA Eastern Reds 13 d SA Western Reds 2
Vic Southern Crosse 13 d New Zealand 1
Vic Eastside Kings 12 d WA Northern Thunder 9
Vic Northern Warriors 9 d WA Westcoast Lighting 2
WA Southern Braves 14 d Vic Western Metro 6

Thursday 1 October

WA Southern Braves 12 d WA Westcoast Lighting 0
Vic Southern Crosse 14 d Vic Northern Warriors 3
New Zealand 7 d WA Northern Thunder 5
Vic Western Metro 12 d SA Western Reds 3
SA Eastern Reds 12 d Vic Eastside Kings 4

Friday 2 October

Vic Northern Warriors 12 d SA Western Reds
Vic Western Metro 14 d WA Westcoast Lighting 4
Vic Southern Crosse 14 d SA Eastern Reds 2
Vic Eastside Kings 9 d New Zealand 8
WA Southern Braves 12 d WA Northern Thunder 1

Saturday 3 October

Vic Eastside Kings 12 d WA Westcoast Lighting 2
WA Northern Thunder 15 d SA Western Reds 3
Vic Southern Crosse 19 d Vic Western Metro 6
Vic Northern Warriors 7d New Zealand 6
WA Southern Braves 14 d SA Eastern Reds 6

Sunday 4 October

WA Northern Thunder 11 SA Western Reds 6
New Zealand 5 WA d Westcoast Lighting 2
Vic Eastside Kings 14 d Vic Northern Warriors 11
SA Eastern Reds 17 d Western Metro 6

Gold Medal game

WA Southern Braves 16 d Vic Southern Crosse 8

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The directors present their report together with the financial report of Australian Lacrosse Association Limited (the Company) for the year ended 30 June 2009 and the auditor's report thereon.

Directors

The directors of the Company at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

Fiona Clark	(appointed 15/03/2007)
Shelley Maher	(appointed 15/03/2007)
Gary Brown	(appointed 20/02/2009)
Vivienne White	(appointed 20/02/2009)
Janet Jackson	(appointed 20/02/2009)
David Fox	(appointed 15/03/2007, resigned 08/06/2010)
Allan Frederick	(appointed 15/03/2007, resigned 24/04/2009)
Paul Mollison	(appointed 15/03/2007, resigned 20/02/2009)
Mavis Owens	(appointed 15/03/2007, resigned 20/02/2009)
Robert Carter	(appointed 20/02/2009, resigned 09/03/2010)
Anne Kingston	(appointed 20/02/2009, resigned 08/06/2010)

The directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Company Secretary

The following person held the position of Company Secretary at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

David Fox	(appointed 15/03/2007, resigned 06/05/2010)
Janet Jackson	(appointed 06/05/2010)

Officers who were previously partners of the audit firm

There were no persons who were officers of the Company during the financial year and were previously partners of the current audit firm, MGI Perth Audit Services, at a time when MGI Perth Audit Services undertook an audit of the Company.

Principal activities, operating and financial review

The principal activity of the Company during the course of the year was that of a National Sporting Organisation. There were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the Company during the year.

The profit of the Company for the financial year amounted to \$124,761 (2008: profit of \$465).

Significant changes in the state of affairs

There have been no significant changes in the Company's state of affairs during the financial year.

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

Environmental regulation

The Company's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of a state or territory.

Events subsequent to reporting date

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company, in future financial years.

Dividends

No dividends were declared or paid since the start of the financial year. No recommendation of payment of dividends has been made.

Options

No options over issued shares or interests in the Company were granted during or since the end of the financial year and there were no options outstanding at the date of this report.

Information on Directors and Company Secretary**Fiona Clark**

Position	Director - 2007-2008; 2009 Director & Chairman/President
Qualifications	Registered Nurse
Experience	25 years

Shelley Maher

Position	Director
Qualifications	B. Education, Master Business (Sports) Management
Experience	17 years

Gary Brown

Position	Director
Qualifications	B. Education
Experience	3 years

Vivienne White

Position	Director
Qualifications	Worked in Administration for approximately 30 years
Experience	35 years

Janet Jackson

Position	Director (and Company Secretary-2010)
Qualifications	None; Secretary-The Royal Society of Victoria Inc
Experience	42 years

David Fox

Position	Director/Chairman 2007-2008; Director 2009-2010; Company Secretary 2007-2010
Qualifications	B. Education; Registered Auditor
Experience	35 years

Allan Frederick

Position	Director
Qualifications	Business Development Manager - Leighton Contractors Pty Ltd
Experience	8 years

Paul Mollison

Position	Director
Qualifications	Plumber/Gasfitter; Pipeline Design Certificate
Experience	19 years

Mavis Owens

Position	Director
Qualifications	Not Known
Experience	Minimum 5 years

Robert Carter

Position	Director
Qualifications	Supervisor, Aust Customs & Border Protection services
Experience	5 years

Anne Kingston

Position	Director
Qualifications	B. Arts; Post-Grad Dip in Psychology
Experience	16 years

Meeting of Directors

Attendances by each Director during the year were as follows:

Name	Board Meetings	
	Number eligible to attend	Number attended
Fiona Clark	11	11
Shelley Maher	11	11
Gary Brown	3	3
Vivienne White	3	3
Janet Jackson	3	3
David Fox	11	11
Allan Frederick	10	9
Paul Mollison	8	8
Mavis Owens	8	8
Robert Carter	1	1
Anne Kingston	3	3

Likely developments

Likely developments in the operations of the Company and the expected results of those operations in future financial years have not been included in this report as the inclusion of such information is likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the Company.

Directors' interest in shares of the Company or related bodies corporate

There are no shares held by the Directors of the Company in the Company or in related bodies corporate which are required to be declared in the register of Directors' shareholding.

Directors' benefits

No Director has received or become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year, a benefit because of a contract made by the Company or related body corporate with a Director, a firm which a Director is a member or an entity in which a Director has a substantial financial interest.

There are no salaries paid to any full-time employee of the Company or related body corporate.

Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

Indemnification

No indemnities have been given or agreed to be given or insurance premiums paid or agreed to be paid, during or since the end of the financial year, to any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Company

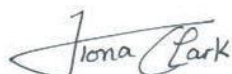
Proceedings on behalf of the Company

No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Company or intervene in any proceedings to which the Company is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Company for all or any part of those proceedings.

Lead auditor's independence declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 51 and forms part of the Directors' Report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors, made pursuant to section 298(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fiona Clark". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'F'.

Director – Fiona Clark

Dated at Melbourne this 14th day of October 2010

Auditors Independence Declaration



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Lead auditor's independence declaration under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

To the directors of Australian Lacrosse Association Limited

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to our audit of the financial report of Australian Lacrosse Association Limited for the year ended 30 June 2009, there have been:

- i no contraventions of the auditor's independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- ii no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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MGI Perth Audit Services

Amar Nathwani

Amar Nathwani
Director

Perth, 14 October 2010

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- Forensic services
- Litigation support
- Corporate governance

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

	Note	2009	2008
		\$	\$
Revenue	2	192,077	50,000
Interest income		132	456
		192,209	50,456
Less:			
Directors Meetings		14,845	2,597
Officiating Fees		25,300	-
Coaching Expenses		8,108	5,000
Audit Fees		6,000	-
Sports Development Expenses		-	37,802
Other Expenses	3	13,195	4,592
		67,448	49,991
Surplus before income tax		124,761	465
Income Tax	1c	-	-
Surplus for the year after tax		124,761	465

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2009

	Note	2009	2008
		\$	\$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	111,680	69,017
Accounts receivable		39,359	37,649
Other assets		1,849	-
TOTAL ASSETS		152,888	106,666
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables		8,500	2,500
GST payable		19,162	7,250
Loans		-	96,451
TOTAL LIABILITIES		27,662	106,201
NET ASSETS		125,226	465
EQUITY			
Accumulated funds		125,226	465
TOTAL EQUITY		125,226	465

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

	Share Capital	Accumulate d Funds	Total
	\$	\$	\$
At 1 July 2007	-	-	-
Surplus for the year	-	465	465
At 30 June 2008	-	465	465
At 1 July 2008	-	465	465
Surplus for the year	-	124,761	124,761
At 30 June 2009	-	125,226	125,226

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Grants from sponsors and other contributors		188,518	72,351
Payments to suppliers and employees		(49,536)	(40,241)
Interest received		132	456
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	5	139,114	32,566
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payment for property, plant and equipment		-	-
Net cash generated from/(used in) investing activities		-	-
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds/(Repayment) of borrowings		(96,451)	36,507
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities		(96,451)	36,507
Net increase in cash held		42,663	69,073
Cash at the beginning of the year		69,017	(56)
Cash at the end of the year		111,680	69,017

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements cover Australian Lacrosse Association Ltd as an individual entity. The Company is limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

Financial Reporting Framework

The entity is not a reporting entity because there are unlikely to be users of the financial report who are unable to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. Accordingly, a special purpose financial report has been prepared.

Basis of Preparation

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*, and the recognition and measurement aspects of all applicable Australian Accounting Standards adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

The financial report does not include the disclosure requirements of the following pronouncements having a material effect:

AASB 7	<i>Financial Instruments: Disclosures</i>
AASB 112	<i>Income Taxes</i>
AASB 114	<i>Segment Reporting</i>
AASB 117	<i>Leases</i>
AASB 119	<i>Employee Benefits</i>
AASB 124	<i>Related Party Disclosures</i>
AASB 136	<i>Impairment</i>
AASB 137	<i>Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets</i>

Basis of Measurement

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

Functional and Presentation Currency

These financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the entity's functional currency.

Use of Estimates and Judgement

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

Accounting Policies

a. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and deposits held at call with banks.

b. Revenue

Revenue is recognised when the entity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Revenues are recognised net of the amounts of goods and services tax (GST) payable to the Australian Taxation Office.

The Company's activities are mainly supported by grants received from the Australian Sporting Commission. Grants received on the condition that specified services are delivered, or conditions are fulfilled, are considered reciprocal. Such grants are initially recognised as a liability and revenue is recognised as services are performed or conditions fulfilled. Revenue from non-reciprocal grants is recognised when received.

Membership fees are recognised when received.

Interest revenue is recognised on an effective rate basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customers. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

c. Income Tax

The entity has received an endorsement from the ATO confirming that it is exempt from income tax.

d. Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the balance sheet.

Cash flows are presented in the cash flow statement on a gross basis, except for the GST components of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

e. Payables

Accounts payable are recognised when the entity becomes obliged to make future payments resulting from the purchase of goods and services.

f. Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

g. New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

The following standards, amendments to standards and interpretations have been identified as those which may impact the Company in the period of initial application. They are available for early adoption at 30 June 2009, but have not been applied in preparing this financial report.

AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements (revised)

The main change made by this standard is the specification of a new structure for financial statements under which:

- The "balance sheet" will revert to its former title "statement of financial position" and the "cash flow statement" will revert to its former title "statement of cash flows";
- A "statement of comprehensive income" will be required showing revenues and expenses recognised in profit or loss and directly against equity. Alternatively, an income statement may be presented showing revenues and expenses recognised in profit or loss and, separately, a statement of comprehensive income showing net profit or loss and revenues and expenses recognised directly in equity; and
- A "statement of changes in equity" showing total comprehensive income, transactions with owners in their capacity as owners and the effect of retrospective applications or restatements.

The application of this standard is not expected to have a material impact of the financial results or position of the Company as this standard is only concerned with disclosure. The standard is applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 October 2009.

AASB 2007-8

This standard makes technical amendments to a number of Australian Accounting Standards arising from the revised AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements that was applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. No material impact on the Company is expected. AASB 2007-8 is applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 October 2009.

Note 2: Revenue and Other Income

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Revenue		
Australian Sports Commission Grant	50,000	50,000
Membership Fees	60,330	-
Coaching and Officiating Income	13,254	-
Player Contributions	4,540	-
Miscellaneous Income	63,953	-
	192,077	50,000

Note 3: Expenses

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Logo and Branding	5,400	-
Directors' Admin Expenses	644	3,228
Senior Mens' Expenses	3,844	-
Other Expenses	3,307	1,364
	13,195	4,592

Note 4: Cash and cash equivalents

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Main Trading Account	99,998	69,017
Womens' Senior Team Account *	7,529	-
Womens' Under 19 Team Account *	1,480	-
Mens' Senior Team Account *	673	-
Mens' Under 19 Team Account *	500	-
Womens' Development Team Account *	500	-
Mens' Development Team Account *	500	-
Mens' Indoor Team Account *	500	-
	111,680	69,017

* - These accounts can only be used to fund the activities of the applicable team.

Note 5: Cash Flow Information

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit after income tax		
Profit after tax	124,761	465
Operating profit before working capital changes	124,761	465
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(3,559)	22,351
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	17,912	9,750
Cash Flow from Operating Activities	139,114	32,566

Note 6: Member Guarantees

Every member of the Company undertakes to contribute to the property of the Company in the event of the same being wound up while he is a member, or within one year after he ceases to be a member, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Company contracted before he ceases to be a member, and for the costs, charges, and expenses of winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves, such amount as may be required not exceeding \$1.00.

Note 7: Auditor's Remuneration

Details of the amounts paid to the auditor of the Company, MGI Perth Audit Services for audit services provided during the year are set out below.

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Auditors Services		
Audit of financial report (MGI Perth Audit Services)	6,000	-
Audit of financial report (Noel Melville & Associates)	-	-
	6,000	-

The Directors of the Company declare that:

1. the Financial Statements and Notes, as set out on pages 7 to 16 are in accordance with Corporations Act 2001 and:
 - a. comply with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
 - b. give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2009 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the Company;
2. in the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable. Without qualifying this statement, please refer to Note 1 which discusses the basis for this statement.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jona Park". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and 'P'.

Director

Dated at Melbourne this 14th day of October 2010



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**Independent Audit Report
To The Members of Australian Lacrosse Association Limited**

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Australian Lacrosse Association Ltd (the Company), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2009, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration.

Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members.

The directors' responsibility also includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies, and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting obligations under the *Corporations Act 2001*. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Auditor's opinion

In our opinion the financial report of Australian Lacrosse Association Ltd is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- a. giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2009 and of its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1; and
- b. complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and complying with the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

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Amar Nathwani

**Amar Nathwani
Director**

Perth, 14 October 2010

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