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DSA Annual General Meeting A Success!

It was a blistering day in Adelaide when Deaf Sports Australia hosted their 33rd Annual General Meetings in the new Clubrooms of Deaf Community & Sports South Australia in Modbury on Saturday 29th November 2014.

The following are the results of the Board of Directors election:

- * Alex Jones has been elected for a one year term;
- * Rick Bryan has been elected for a three year term.

Ricky and Alex join the following current and ongoing directors;

- * Kathryn O'Brien's term finishes in 2015;
- * Phil Harper term's finishes in 2016;
- * Marnie Kerridge's term finishes in 2016.

Darren Howell continues as a Board elected director with his term finishing in 2016.

At the completion of the elections the DSA Board had five elected Directors and one appointed Director.

As the Board can have up to six elected Directors, this result meant there was one vacancy.

At the DSA Board of Directors meeting on Sunday 30th November, the Board appointed Dean Barton-Smith to fill the vacancy for a three year term.

In addition current DSA Vice President Phil Harper will be at the Acting President / Chairperson until the first Board Meeting of 2015 at which the Board will decide to appoint the new President.

Anthony Gorringer was given Life Membership to Deaf Sports Australia due to his outstanding contribution to Lawn Bowls for over 25 years. It is a well deserved recognition for Anthony whose passion still remains today with his involvement with Australian Deaf Lawn Bowls Association.

At the conclusion of the Meeting, David Peters was presented with gifts from Deaf Sports Australia

for his retirement from the DSA Board, as well as both Phil Harper and Anne Bremner provided moving speeches recognising David's excellent contribution to DSA for the past 30 years. Deaf Sports Australia warmly wishes David all the very best in the many years to come.

A copy of Deaf Sports Australia's 2014 Annual Report can be downloaded by clicking [here](#).



David Peters presenting his President's Report



Bruce Muller & David Peters



Anthony Gorringer & David Peters



Life Members L-R: Cindy-Lu Fitzpatrick OAM, Jill Lovett, Bruce Muller AM, Anthony Gorringer, Anne Bremner & David Peters



DSA Members during the presentations



Time for a break between the presentations!

Want to be part of NSW Deaf Sports Committee?

Deaf Sports Australia together with NSW Deaf Sports Committee are searching for dedicated and passionate people who are willing to volunteer their time in contributing to the well-being of deaf and hard of hearing sportspeople in New South Wales.

We are looking for skilled and enthusiastic people to join on the Committee. Deaf Sports Australia will be working closely with the Committee to plan, prepare and deliver sporting programs such as the Active Deaf Kids program as well as organise teams for the 2016 Australian Deaf Games being to be held in Adelaide.

For more information on the NSW Deaf Sports Committee and on how to apply for an Expression of Interest, please click [here](#).



Deaflympians Reunion & Sports Awards

The month of January 2015 will mark the 10 year anniversary since the 2005 Deaflympic Games were held in Melbourne. Deaf Sports Australia will be

hosting a Deaflympians Reunion and Sports Awards to commemorate this event.

All Deaflympians including their families, partners, friends and colleagues are invited to celebrate this special occasion. All M2005 Staff and Volunteers who took part in ensuring the Melbourne Games were one of the best are also invited.

The Deaflympians Reunion and Sports Awards will be held at Bell City in the East Wing Room on Saturday 7th February 2015 in Preston, Melbourne.

Light and hearty roving dining will be provided throughout the evening and beverages can be purchased at bar price. We will also have presentations and Guest Speakers.

Bell City is also a premier accommodation facility especially for those travelling from interstate for the event. Bell City have offered our potential guests discounted accommodation. Please note discounted accommodation offers ends on 19th December so be quick to book!

For more information including the flyer, ticket order form and accommodation offer details, click on the link: [Deaflympians Reunion & Sports Awards](#)



DSA Festive Season Office Closure

Deaf Sports Australia will be closed for the Festive Season from 19th December 2015 at 5:00pm, and will re-open on Monday 6th January 2015 at 9:00am.

We thank you for your support throughout the year and look forward to a prosperous and successful 2015.

The Board and Staff of Deaf Sports Australia warmly wishes you a Merry Christmas and a happy, safe New Year!



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