



Annual Report

2018-19

Presidents Report

In comparison to the last few years we have had a fairly quiet 12 months. After the success of Paris we have had a rest period that has resonated through all aspects of the club. This has seen us pave the way for new members and re focus on the reason why Melbourne Spikers exists.

Our tournaments continue to grow year on year. The participation has extended beyond the Spikers, Adelaide and Sydney and tapped into Universities, local clubs in the Western suburbs and extended into sister clubs through Melbourne. The growth is a testament to the work put in in the past and present to set us up to grow sustainably.

Our biggest area of opportunity has been fund raising. Whilst our trivia night continues to be a successful evening it is important that all members endeavour to assist as best they can to continue to keep Spikers affordable and afloat. Traditionally, the fundraising has relied on a small cohort depending on who is on the committee and really should rely on the greater constituency.

I would like to thank the current committee for the last year for all their efforts and work that has gone into Melbourne Spikers. It is important to recognise the hours and time that goes into keeping our great club functioning week to week.

Lastly, it is with mixed emotions that I have chosen to stand down from the presidency and committee of Melbourne Spikers. For the last 10 years this incredible club and its members have given me a place to belong in this harsh LGBTIQ landscape. I have made the most amazing friends, I have had the most inspiring mentors and I have enjoyed changing lives of people within the community. What we do in the sporting community is special and necessary. It is a safe space for everyone and anyone who wants to be part of it. I would like to thank those that came before us and started this great club and those in the future that will continue fly the flag for Melbourne Spikers. Like every great organisation there comes a time for fresh blood. I am proud of what I have achieved and even more proud that I was able to do it with an amazing group of people. Melbourne Spikers will truly always be in my heart and mind and I can not wait to see what is next

Regards

Sebastian Delfino

Melbourne Spikers President

Treasurer's Report

I hereby present the financial report for the year ended 30th June 2019.

It has been a challenging year for the club this year. In order to sustain the club's move to the Artemis Centre at Melbourne Girls Grammar, the committee has been conducting additional fundraising to make up for the short fall in revenue. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members who have volunteered throughout the year with such a positive manner.

The club recorded a net loss of \$4298.88 for the financial year. Our total cash reserves now stand at \$7238.30. This result is represented by:

Revenue

Fundraising: Karaoke and trivia night where our major fundraising event for the year. Additionally, we continued to sell sausages at Bunnings and the Laird Hotel.

Training: Our members attending training is the lifeblood of the club. Training fees accounted for one third of our total revenue for this financial year. Once again, thank you for continuing to attend our training sessions here at South Yarra.

Tournament: There were two tournaments in this financial year, the Winter Whack 2018 and Summer Slam 2019. Capacity, 33 teams, was reached again and prompted the move to the new Eagle Stadium.

Banking & Finance

The club is currently running at a loss we may be forced to look at increasing the fees moving forward, we are looking at ways to engage our members to increase member our base, we have we will now utilise team app for memberships.

Expenditure

The move to the Artemis Centre at Melbourne Girls Grammar resulted in a significant increase in venue hire fees, however the club has tried to keep the fees affordable for all our valued members

The club invited all members to contribute to our fellow sporting clubs events subsidised buy us and regular activities such as our Christmas picnic, the Midsumma / pride march and our tournaments contributed to the club's expenses for the year.

2019-20 Financial Year

As I write this report, I am hopeful that the club will return to Collingwood high school this will make it easier for our members to attend. I am also hopeful that the financial position of the is looking favourable as we have increased the fundraising events. And hope our valued members will support us in volunteering at these events.

The ongoing challenge for the new financial year is to increase membership and attendance at training in order to achieve breakeven at the Artemis Centre. Unfortunately, we are not quite there yet.

Lastly, I would like to thank my fellow committee members, Seb, Dean, Jesus, Mark, Ian, Charles, Offie, Leigh for their efforts in what has been very difficult circumstances at times, for my

Stephen Chelo

Treasurer

Melbourne Spikers Inc.


Financial Declaration

To meet requirements of Sections 94 (2)(b), 97 (2)(b) and 100 (2)(b) of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*.

Annual statements give a true and fair view of financial performance and position of incorporated association

We, Sebastian Delfino and Stephen Chelo, being members of the committee of Melbourne Spiker Inc. certify that:

“The statements attached to this certificate give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the above named association during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending 30 June 2018.”

Signed:  _____

Sebastian Delfino, President

15 August 2017

Signed:  _____

Stephen Chelo, Treasurer

15 August 2017

Membership Report

In recognition of the time and generosity of members in joining Melbourne Spikers and completing membership forms, this report shares some of the data we collect to give you a snapshot of our club.

Membership grew by 25 per cent in the 2016-17 financial year, with renewal rates steady. The proportion of women in our club decreased slightly. Members are most often aged in their twenties and thirties, with the median age just over 33. Cultural diversity is a strength of our club, with members having at least 42 different cultural backgrounds.

Melbourne Spikers members live all over Melbourne, with 25 of the 31 metropolitan municipalities represented. Over one in five members live in the City of Yarra, where our Collingwood training facility is located. The surrounding areas of Melbourne, Port Phillip, Stonnington, Darebin and Moreland are also strongly represented.

Membership statistics at 30 June

	2017	2016
<i>Number of members</i>	197	157
<i>Renewal rate (%)</i>	47%	47%
<i>Gender (% women)</i>	11%	15%
<i>Median age</i>	33 years, 3 months	32 years, 11 months

Local government area of residence

Local government area	Proportion of members	
	2017	2016
<i>City of Yarra</i>	21%	17%
<i>City of Melbourne</i>	11%	18%
<i>City of Port Phillip</i>	10%	9%
<i>City of Stonnington</i>	10%	8%
<i>City of Darebin</i>	7%	9%
<i>City of Moreland</i>	7%	7%
<i>Other LGA</i>	34%	32%

Age profile

Age group	Proportion of members	
	2017	2016
<i>Up to 29</i>	35%	38%
<i>30 - 39</i>	40%	39%
<i>40 - 49</i>	21%	18%
<i>50 +</i>	4%	5%

Cultural diversity

Melbourne Spikers members recorded 42 different cultural backgrounds: American, Australian, Belgian, Brazilian, Cambodian, Canadian, Cantonese, Catalan, Chilean, Chinese, Columbian, Croatian, Dutch, English, Fijian, Filipino, French, German, Greek, Hong Konger, Indian, Indonesian, Irish, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Lebanese, Malaysian, Mexican, New Zealander, Portuguese, Russian, Samoan, Scottish, Singaporean, Spanish, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, Thai, Venezuelan, and Vietnamese.

Committee members

2016-17 financial year

President

Sebastian Delfino

Vice-President

Ethan Dai (until July 2016)

Jesus Ibarra (from July 2016)

Secretary

Llewellyn Reynders

Treasurer

Paul Bowen

General Committee Members

Doug Mulitalo (until July 2016)

Frederick Spitsin (until July 2016)

Lachlan Wells (until September 2016)

Dean Karanikos (from July 2016)

Leigh Hamilton (from July 2016)

Robert Eres (from July 2016)