

**Porirua City United
Softball Club Inc.**



Annual Report

2005/06

Porirua City United Softball Club Inc.

2006 Annual General Meeting

Annual Report and Financial Statement

Date: 6 August 2006

Venue: RSA, McKillop St, Porirua

Time: 11:00am

Agenda

- 1 Apologies**
- 2. Present**
- 3. Minutes of previous AGM**
- 4. Annual Report**
- 5. Financial Report**
- 6. Election of Officers**
- 7. General Business**

PORIRUA CITY UNITED SOFTBALL CLUB INC.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Porirua RSA on 28 August 2005

Meeting opened at 11.00am

Present: Bob Hutchinson, Julie Elliott, Max Elliott, Jan Ryan, John Ryan, Sandi Wetere, Mark Hailwood, Betsy Bishop, Jean Hutchinson, and Pauline Ryan
Jane Swinton (late) and Manu Shields (late).

Apologies: Donald and Elizabeth Higgins, Alofa Aiono, Elizabeth Kerekere, Les Bishop and Kiri Waterreus.

Bob Hutchinson welcomed everyone to the meeting and expressed thanks to members of the committee for their efforts this season.

In referring to the club's constitution, it was determined that a quorum had been established and the meeting proceeded.

Minutes of the previous AGM

Circulated to members prior to the meeting and taken as read.

Minutes moved and seconded as being a true and accurate record.

Moved

Julie Elliott

Seconded

Betsy Bishop

Carried

Club Captains Report

Bob Hutchinson spoke to his report.

In summary:

- PCU as a club is now in its 18th year and the club's 20th anniversary being only 2 years away it is a timely reminder that we keep this in mind should we wish to celebrate this in some shape or form.
- Availability of funds is not as prevalent as in past years. PCU along with other clubs, are aware of this and will experience to some extent the effects.
- WSA is looking at initiative to alleviate some of the financial strain on clubs by (especially clubs such as PCU who foster and encourage the children's active participation in the sport) utilising some of their accrued funds through reduced fees and other incentives.
- Representative Players featured strongly again this season.
- Premier 2 Men's team had another successful season reaching the semi finals. The introduction and development into this team of 'younger' players (having come up through the grades) to play along side the established 'mature' players has created a good learning environment. The success of these younger players reaching representative honours is testament to this.
- NZCT donated significantly to our children's club.
- Gratitude and appreciation extended to NZCT and other contributors of funding, to key personnel for their continued efforts administratively. Thanks extended to Jean Hutchinson for auditing purposes.

There being no further comments/business to address on the Club Captain's report, John Ryan moved that the report be accepted

Moved Julie Elliott
Seconded Mark Hailwood Carried

School Children's Report

Julie Elliott spoke to her report reiterating on PCU achievements in her written report. In summary:

- Made mention of U13 Girls team disbanding.
- Acknowledgement to our sponsors.

There being no further comments/business to address on the School Children's report, Bob Hutchinson moved that the report be accepted

Moved Jean Hutchinson
Seconded Sandy Wetere Carried

Financial Report

Circulated to members and taken as read.

It was moved that the Financial Report be accepted.

Moved John Ryan
Seconded Betsy Bishop Carried

Election of Officers

It was moved to fill essential/key positions with people able, willing and committed.

Moved John Ryan
Seconded Betsy Bishop Carried

President: None deemed necessary

Club Captain: Bob Hutchinson

Moved Mark Hailwood
Seconded Max Elliott Carried

Secretary: Pauline Ryan

Moved Jan Ryan
Seconded Julie Elliott Carried

Treasurer: Elizabeth Higgins

Moved Sandy Wetere
Seconded Max Elliott Carried

Schoolchildren's

Convenor: Julie Elliott

Moved Mark Hailwood
Seconded Bob Hutchinson Carried

Management Committee (Constitution states maximum of 10 persons)

Mark Hailwood

Betsy Bishop

John Ryan

Kiri Waterreus (t.b.c)

Max Elliott

Jan Ryan

General Business
Club Day

Discussion to hold monthly club/clinic days for players and coaches in the junior part of the club. Senior members and coaches could assist. These could be more beneficial conducted and held in our area rather than travel into Wellington to attend.

Trust Porirua Park

Meeting arranged with Mayor Jenny Brash and other key Council Personnel to discuss playing grounds and facilities for our sport. Issues related to number 1 diamond. (Copy of letter to be attached to minutes for referral).

Endorsement of Premier Club: (to continue or not)

- Some urgency required in this matter. WSA need confirmation.
- Bob Hutchinson gave an overview of the season.
- Premier Club gives our younger players a goal to strive for.
- Necessary to have a pathway for our younger players to go, say, Premier 2, especially for players on the 'fringes'.
- Management Committee is made up of two representatives from each club:
PCU: Bob Hutchinson and Mark Hailwood
Paremata-Plimmerton: Gil Spencer and Mike Bleakley

It was discussed that a fair and due process in selecting players to attend tournaments needs to be initiated and managed fairly and consistently so as not to lose sight of original objectives as outlined when this venture was first started.

- A full discussion to further endorse the continuation of a Premier Club or not to continue resulted in the following:

Recommendation: That, Porirua City United Softball Club Inc. continues our joint initiative with Paremata-Plimmerton Softball Club to promote Premier Softball in the Porirua Region.

This agreement is on a year-by-year basis and will be reviewed at the Club's AGM annually.

In addition, Porirua City United Softball Club Inc. has no financial obligation to this arrangement and that any Premier Team(s) under this joint initiative are self-funding.

Moved	Julie Elliott	
Seconded	John Ryan	Carried

Note: 10 votes for the recommendation and 2 votes against the recommendation.

PCU Representations onto Premier 1 Management Committee

Bob Hutchinson and John Ryan

Moved	Pauline Ryan	
Seconded	Jean Hutchinson	Carried

Coaching Nominations

Separate List attached and to be further discussed at the committees next meeting.

Before the meeting closed, Bob Hutchinson thanked everyone for his or her contributions and attendance.

The meeting concluded at 12.14pm

Signed as a true and correct record

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Club Captain

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Date

Club Captains Report

A couple of years ago I included a poem in the annual report called – *I Believe in Softball*. Two years later nothing has changed - I believe in Porirua City United Softball. I believe in our Club, I believe in the people who keep it going, I believe in the players, I believe in our community, and I believe we have a great future.

Last season saw the fruition of many years of hard work and planning by many people. I guess the highlight had to be the winning of the Wellington Premier Men's softball competition and the Inter-city competition by our franchise Premier Men's team. This is a first for any club north of the Wellington railway station and certainly a first for Porirua softball. There are many who will recall some close seconds but never the main prize.

Winning the competition gives softball in Porirua credibility, great visibility and recognition. It also presents us an opportunity to use this to our advantage in promoting the game and the Club. Porirua is a maturing city and this is proven by the success that other codes are also experiencing. Our city is the cradle of sporting talent for the region. It is our mission to maintain the momentum by continuing to succeed, ensuring we have top class facilities for our players and visitors, and to provide access to the game for Porirua people.

Last season was also a success with the return of Premier Women's softball to Porirua City United. Even better, was that in their debut season the team, a mixture of young and experienced players, reached the top 4 in domestic play and secured a position in the top section of the Inter-city competition. This team, through Betsy and the experienced players, fostered the young talent in our Club and a number went on to succeed at representative level.

The Premier 2 men also had a very successful year by making the final of the Wellington Premier 2 men's competition and tying for 3rd in the Miramar tournament. This season saw a little bit of the changing of the guard for the team with the emergence of the younger talent stepping up from morning grades to show their ability and flair at a higher level.

The younger talent that we have fostered through the school children grades are now coming to the fore and rising to the top echelon of not only our Club but Wellington and New Zealand softball. These are the players that will carry us forward in our Premier Men's and Women's teams. (See the school children's report for representative list)

Of course young talent doesn't just come from nowhere. It is the behind the scenes work of the school-children's convener, the enthusiastic coaches, and encouraging parents that harness and hone the skills of our children. As can be seen from Julie's school children's report, our Club can quite easily boast being the most successful in the Wellington region. We fielded a team in all but one age group and had 4 teams winning their competition. In addition, we contributed a large number of representative players to both Western Bays and Wellington teams. Congratulations to all those children. I would

especially like to thank Julie for the long hours of hard work that goes into keeping the children's side of the club going and so successful. Thanks also to the coaches and parents for your support.

I believe we have a future, but there are still many things to do to ensure our continued existence, continued financial support, and success on the diamond. As a Club we need to consider:

- our involvement with the Premier 1 franchise arrangement with Paremata- Plimmerton softball. The concept has been a success not only on the diamond but by providing top level softball in Porirua. Aspiring youngsters in the area no longer have to look outside of the area for top level softball – it is here at their doorstep. We have to consider that it is increasingly difficult for clubs to sustain Premier level softball both financially and player base wise. By having a City based franchise sustainability is made easier
- that we cannot lose sight of the rest of our Club in the blur of success of the Premier 1 men. We need to continue to increase our player base and provide playing opportunities for all. The inclusion of a social team or two will add vibrancy to the Club along with attracting people back to the game
- having a web site
- having a long-term plan stating our vision, goals and objectives
- preparing annual budgets so that we can be proactive, prepared and fiscally sustainable in an increasingly difficult funding market
- our coaching depth and how we improve qualifications and experience to appropriate levels
- working closer with the WSA and Porirua City Council to ensure the facilities provided for our players and club members reflect the professionalism and status of our Club.

Congratulations to all those players who made representative teams both regionally and nationally and special thanks -

- to the Premier 1 Men – thanks for the memories
- to the New Zealand Community Trust and Unison Trust – thank you for your generous grants that allowed us to provide good gear and equipment
- to the coaches and managers – unsung heroes
- to her worship the Mayor of Porirua, Jenny Brash – for making our prize-giving extra special

- to some key people in the Club without whose dedication, support and foresight we wouldn't be where we are - Betsy and Les Bishop, Julie and Max Elliott, Pauline and John Ryan, Elizabeth Higgins, the committee, and Jean. Thanks.

I believe there is no off-season, just a longer wait until the next game.

Bob Hutchinson
Club Captain

School Children's Convenor's Report

The PCU Children's softball club fielded eight teams in the 2005-2006 season:

- U9 Tee ball team coached by Shayne Grennell & Tara Waerea
- U9 Tee ball team coached by Andrew Flint
- U9 Tee ball team coached by Scott Meredith
- U11 Boy's team coached by Seamus McAndrew & Tony Hailwood
- U13 Girl's team coached by Jan Ryan
- U13 Boy's team coached by Jane Swinton
- U15 Girl's team coached by Alex Carter
- U15 Boy's team coached by Joe & Lewis Temarama

We were represented in every grade except the Under 11 girl's grade of the Western Bays competition and I'm delighted to report that four out of our eight teams won their grade. This is an outstanding achievement not only for those teams - the players, the coaches, managers and the supporters - but also for the club. No other club in the Western Bays competition were able to match this. The teams who won their grade were the U9 Tee ball team (Tigers), the U11 boys, the U15 girls and the U15 boys. The remaining teams varied in their competition placing however a number of them were playing in grades where the majority of their players were still eligible to be playing in a grade below so my expectation is that this coming season will see them achieving higher honours.

As in previous years this had a positive flow-on effect with PCU children being selected as Western Bays and Wellington representatives. We also had three PCU coaches taking on representative coaching positions for Western Bays – Shayne Grennell (Under 9 Boys) and Andrew Flint (Under 14 Boys) and Joe Temarama (Under 15 Boys).

Representative honours for the 2005-06 season were awarded to:

Western Bays U9 Boys Tee ball	Temuera Southern, Patrick Ahnau & Nathanael Morgan
Western Bays U11 Girls Development	Edan Taufitu-Moses
Western Bays U11 Girls	Terina Higgins & Georgia Flint
Western Bays U11 Boys Development	Caleb Tiatia
Western Bays U11 Boys	Kemara Hauiti-Parapara, Jared Elliott, Sam (Baker) Leota, Kerehoma Taiatini, Aaron Askew, Daniel Adams & Te Kahui Bishop
Western Bays U13 Girls	Brodie Parker & Lydia Koko
Western Bays U14 Boys	Liam Basher, Aaron Elliott, Ces Ron Lupo-Samoa, Te Wera (Bo) Bishop & Jordan Temarama
Western Bays U15 Girls	Teanna Tipa, Jardine Tipa, Lydia Koko,

Wellington U15 Girls Development	Brodie Parker & Morgan Tainui Siobhan Carter, Brodie Parker, Lydia Koko & Morgan Tainui
Wellington U15 Girls National	Teanna Tipa & Jardine Tipa
Western Bays U15 Boys Central Region	Te Wera (Bo) Bishop, Jarrad Tibbitts & Jordan Temarama
Wellington U15 Boys Development	Te Wera (Bo) Bishop, Jordan Temarama & Ces Ron Lupo-Samoa
Wellington U15 Boys Nationals	Jarrad Tibbitts, Byron Farrow, Thomas (TJ) Perenara, Terence Hepetema & James Pickering

At the end of the season prize giving all players were awarded with a certificate as valuable players of their team, and Most Improved and Most Valuable trophies were awarded to the following children:

Under 9 Tee ball (Pumas)	MIP MVP	Eli Berkland Keegan Flint
Under 9 Tee ball (Panthers)	MIP MVP	Shay Meredith Matai Wetere
Under 9 Tee ball (Tigers)	MIP MVP	Kimberley Lake Patrick Ahnau
Under 11 Boys	MIP MVP	Dalton McAndrew Kerehoma Taiatini
Under 13 Girls	MIP MVP	Ojarn Lucas Katie McAndrew
Under 13 Boys	MIP MVP	Aidan Crawford Larsen Temarama
U15 Girls	MIP MVP	Bijan Tiatia Kiani Taiatini
U15 Boys	MIP MVP	Aaron Elliott Jordan Temarama
Junior Female Player of the Year		Teanna Tipa
Junior Male Player of the Year		Patrick Ahnau

In my report last year I wrote about my disappointment at the lack of commitment by some players. The level of commitment vastly improved this season and I believe this contributed to teams succeeding.

The challenge for the junior club this coming season is to support and assist both players and coaches in up-skilling in their roles. I'd like to see more "in-house" coaching clinics for the children on batting, sliding, etc. We will continue to limit the number of teams in our club so that our resources aren't stretched beyond what we are able to provide. While we might be a small club in terms of team numbers, our focus on staying small to achieve quality rather than quantity is paying off - some of our junior players are now playing for New Zealand.

I'd like to thank the following sponsors for their support with the children's club:

- New Zealand Community Trust
- Unison Trust
- Porirua RSA
- Pak n Save Porirua
- McDonald's - Cobham Court, Porirua

In times when funding is becoming harder to obtain, their continued assistance is most appreciated.

Thanks to Elizabeth Higgins for continuing to act as Treasurer for the children's club and to Jean Hutchinson for her yearly auditing role. Thank you also to the committee for their hard work and support which helps me do my job.

I deliberately choose to leave the best until last – the coaches. I thank them all sincerely for the wonderful job they do. I know I say this every report, but without their tireless energy and commitment there simply would be no children's club. I look forward to working with all of you again this coming season.

Julie Elliott
PCU Children's Convenor

PORIRUA CITY UNITED SOFTBALL CLUB

**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2006.**

2004/05

2005/06

INCOME:

0	Subscriptions Previous Year	0
0	Subscriptions Current Year	1300
0	Net Subscriptions	1300
14827	Sponsorships/Grants	17000
0	Premier 1 Grants	0
5	Interest	9
13537	ASPAC Games	0
0	Tournaments	300
0	Fines	0
0	Raffles	0
0	Equipment	195
	School Children's loan written-off	642
0	Uniforms	0
28369	TOTAL INCOME	19446

EXPENSES:

0	Secretarial	80
0	WSA Fees	1398
92	Advertising	0
12514	ASPAC Games	0
0	Tournament	225
	Transfer NZCT Grant to School	
11616	Children	0
3656	Uniforms	9566
0	Umpires	340
0	Bank Fees	0
97	Equipment	6335
0	Premier 1	0
	First Aid Equip	500
	Storage of Equip	476
27975	TOTAL EXPENSES	18920
394	NET INCOME/(DEFICIT)	526

PORIRUA CITY UNITED SOFTBALL CLUB

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MAY 2006.**

2004/05		2005/06
	ACCUMULATED FUNDS	
	Opening Balance	
-434		-40
	Add Profit/(deficit) for year	
394		526
	Closing Balance	
-40		<u><u>486</u></u>
	REPRESENTED BY:	
	CURRENT ASSETS:	
602	Main Bank Account	486
	TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	
602		486
	CURRENT LIABILITES	
	Loan from Schoolchildren's Account	
642		0
	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITES	
642		<u><u>0</u></u>
	NET ASSETS	
-40		<u><u>486</u></u>

PORIRUA SCHOOLCHILDREN'S SOFTBALL
DRAFT INCOME/EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2005.

<u>04/05</u>		<u>05/06</u>
	<u>INCOME:</u>	
2850	Subscriptions (current year)	3115
75	Subscriptions (previous year)	165
11	Interest	
11616	Grant	
828	Photos	55
	Sponsorship	
217	Gear Sales	
269	Refunds (storage/trophies)	
15866	TOTAL INCOME	3335
	<u>EXPENSES:</u>	
135	Western Bays Fees	160
1187	W S A Fees	968
4613	Gear	
478	Prize giving	146
6325	Uniforms	278
	Cheque Book	2
125	Rental (PO Box/Hall)	125
26	Stationery	15
4	Postage	
370	Storage	140
	PCC Sports membership	30
927	Photos	176
	Coaches training	60
	Advertising	40
150	Donations	
	Trophies	1054
5	Refund Subs	
1844	Main Club - Subs	
16189	TOTAL EXPENSES	3194
-322	INCOME/(DEFICIT)	141
-322		141

THIS IS REPRESENTED

BY:

Bank Statements

1049	Opening Balance	727
<u>727</u>	Closing Balance	<u>868</u>
<u>-322</u>		<u>141</u>

2005/06 Prize-giving Recipients

U17 Girls

Most improved – Stephanie Fairweather

Most Valuable – Bethany Anderson

U17 Boys Pop's Pride

Most Improved – James Pickering

Most Valuable Player – Bradley Young & Sam Morris

U17 Boys John Ryan Plumbing

Most Improved – Patrick Lees

Most Valuable – Sam Bishop

Razza Premier 2 Men

Most Valuable – Max Elliott

Player of the year – Tony (Bones) Hailwood

Premier 1 Women

Most Valuable Player – Saffron Lupo-Samoa

Most Outstanding – Kate Allan

Top Batter – Kiri Waterreus

Premier 1 Men

Top Batter – Thomas Makea

Most Valuable Player – Rick Manson & Dave Bishop

Young Sportswoman

Lisa Rauhihi

Young Sportsman

Sam Bishop

Club Sportsperson

Les Bishop