



Porirua City United Softball Club Inc.

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2008 Annual General Meeting

Annual Report and Financial Statement

Date: 10 August 2007

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**

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Porirua RSA on 5 August 2008

Meeting opened at 11:15am.

Present: Sue Allan, Glen Allan, Betsy Bishop, Les Bishop, Beau Bishop, Jan Ryan, Julie Elliott, Bob Hutchinson, Max Elliott, John Ryan and Pauline Ryan.

Apologies: Steve Basher, Tracy Flint, Dave Bishop, Kiri Waterraus, Sam Bishop and Christine Bishop.

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

Bob acknowledged the passing of Eric McKenzie (Life Member).

It was determined that a quorum had been established and the meeting proceeded.

Minutes of the previous AGM

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

Matters arising from the minutes.

It was indicated that the agenda for today's AGM showed the incorrect date of **3** August 2008 instead of **5** August 2008.

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

Moved Jan Ryan

Seconded Max Elliott **Carried**

Club Captains Report

Bob Hutchinson spoke to his report, acknowledging the continued support and work of the committee, other volunteers throughout the season. Further mention made in acknowledging our sponsors.

Bob further spoke about the need to work on our strategic goals, applications for funding need to be more refined and exacting.

Porirua Park lights and ground is better developed and it is hoped that this is maintained throughout the season. It was hoped that secondary grade could be established to give our youth locally another avenue to showcase their skills. The club would be reaching its 20 year celebration and this could be used as a platform to entice old and new prospects to the club – celebrations could include an *Old Timers/Club Day*. This could be further discussed at the incoming committee's first meeting.

Moved Julie Elliott

Seconded Jan Ryan **Carried**

School Childrens Report

Julie Elliott spoke to her report highlighting that at least 30% of those making representative honours regionally and nationally were from PCU. It was hoped that this season would see jackets provided for coaches and if funding was adequate possibly for the childrens grade teams.

Julie further spoke to her report making special mention to the U11 PCU Padre's Team. This team won the Hutt Valley Tournament and she apologised for the oversight of not having this mentioned in the school childrens report.

Moved Bob Hutchinson

Seconded John Ryan **Carried**

Financial Report

Circulated to members and taken as read.

It was moved that the Financial Report be accepted.

Moved Les Bishop

Seconded Betsy Bishop **Carried**

Election of Officers

Key/essential positions to be filled.

Club Captain: Bob Hutchinson

Moved Jan Ryan

Seconded Max Elliott **Carried**

Assistant Club Captain: Steve Basher

Moved Bob Hutchinson

Seconded Max Elliott **Carried**

Secretary: Pauline Ryan

Moved Jan Ryan

Seconded Betsy Swinton **Carried**

Treasurer: Bob Hutchinson

Moved Julie Elliott

Seconded Max Elliott **Carried**

Assistant Treasurer: Elizabeth Higgins

Moved Julie Elliott

Seconded Betsy Swinton **Carried**

School Childrens Convenor: Julie Elliott

Moved Bob Hutchinson

Seconded Jan Ryan **Carried**

Assistant School Childrens Convenor: Jan Ryan

Moved John Ryan

Seconded Bob Hutchinson **Carried**

Management Committee: (Constitution states maximum of 10 persons)

Betsy Bishop, John Ryan, Les Bishop, Kiri Waterraus (t.b.a), Max Elliott, and Andrew Flint (t.b.a).

Moved Bob Hutchinson

Seconded Julie Elliott **Carried**

Auditor of Accounts: Jean Hutchinson (t.b.a)

Jan Ryan to investigate other options that may be available.

Moved Bob Hutchinson

Seconded Max Elliott **Carried**

General Business

Life Membership Nominations

Open discussion on how this process works.

Julie Elliott proposed that the following people; Bob Hutchinson and Elizabeth Higgins be considered for Life Membership. Requested that the meeting endorse these names and that it be followed up and confirmed at the next meeting.

Bob Hutchinson thanked Julie for her proposal, however, in terms of the constitution there needs to be at least 30 people present.

A suggestion from the floor that a *Special Meeting* of current members (especially from teams) and old members be looked at.

To be further discussed at the next incoming committees meeting(s).

Constitution

Our current constitution needs to be reformatted and updated. In its current form it is rather tired looking and there are some aspects of it which will require attention by persons knowledgeable in these matters.

Jackets

Discussion on when and if we can facilitate the purchase of jackets for: Coaches/Managers to begin with and then possibly our school grade players.

PCU ID Cards

Bob presented an example of what possibly could be part of the future of fee paying members within our club (school children = adults). This would present an ideal way of tracking our members financial status, another form of ID and possibly adding to an already growing database for the club.

Club Coaches

No names received. Any names received after this meeting would be tabled at the following committee meeting and/ or meetings.

WSA AGM

The WSA AGM will be held on Monday 14 August 2007.

Discussion on how many votes PCU have and how they should be used.

There are two nominations up for the position of Vice President: Claire Landon (Miramar Softball Club) and Lee Keating (Kapiti Softball Club).

PCU have already nominated Bob Hutchinson to be the PCU representative on the WSA Executive.

PCU are to further endorse the name of Lorena Stevens to the WSA Executive.

Jane Ryan and Pauline Ryan will attend the AGM as the PCU representatives.

The Last Word

Before the meeting was closed, Bob Hutchinson thanked everyone for their contributions and attendance.

The meeting concluded at 12:40pm.

Signed as a true and correct record

Club Captain

Date

President's / Club Captain's Report

Each annual report is an opportunity to look back and reflect on the previous year's successes and accomplishments. I also see it as an opportunity to look forward, plan where we are going and hopefully improve on what we have. To sit still and rest on our laurels is a recipe for mediocrity and the potential demise of our Club.

Wellington softball is littered with many examples of Clubs that have come and gone and in fact over Wellington Softball's history there is literally dozens of them. There are also numerous examples of clubs you have enjoyed short term success only to be relegated to being just a name on a trophy or struggling to remain active. Porirua City United has been there, survived, and in my opinion, has become one of the most successful clubs in Wellington and New Zealand softball. But we can't stop moving forward, being innovative and using all our resources to continue to succeed.

To continue to be successful is the responsibility of everyone in the Club from players, coaches, administrators, whanau, and residents of Porirua. It can no longer rest with just a few doing the work so it is pleasing to see more people willing to come onboard and help out whether it's with one of our junior teams or fund-raising for our Premier 1 men.

Some areas that I see as challenges for us as a club in the coming years:

- retaining our talented young players in the Club. Many of our younger players that have come through the grades have tasted the success of making representative sides and playing at a higher level. Some will want to continue and if they can't be accommodated within our top sides will naturally look to move on;
- finances have always been a challenge and the future suggests that nothing will change. With more teams, any sponsorship or grant money we manage to secure is spread more thinly. With successful premier teams there is an expectation, and rightly so, that they will compete in the top echelon of tournaments provided around the country – this is not cheap. Cost will rise for ground hire and maintenance, equipment, uniforms, and subscriptions – all areas where we have to recover a significant proportion from individuals;
- all sport, including softball, is coming under increasing pressure of the current financial environment. Continually rising petrol prices will require clever management of playing draws by the association. This will be particularly relevant to junior teams and “social” players. Premier “night” games may need to be played more in the suburbs in a twilight situation with local clubs playing each other to reduce travel;
- increasing our player base particularly at the junior level so that we can maintain a talent pool to move through the Club to the top level. A lesson from our past is that we cannot rely on things staying as they are or

players necessarily staying with the Club. Retirements, enticements from other Clubs, work commitments, family needs, and finances can all impact on our top teams. The steady build-up of our junior teams and our plan to move out to some of the schools for recruitment may help. We also need to ensure that our players receive top coaching and management. Many other clubs have boasted record numbers of junior teams but don't see the reward of players coming through the grades because of "limited" coaching and fostering of talent;

- improving our facilities at Porirua Park with the potential for lighting, which will provide for better utilisation of the ground (and reduce travel for locals), and provision of seating for spectators

Some achievements this past season

- Club made it to 20 years!
- The Club fielded 7 senior teams this year with the addition of our 2A women
- Community pride in our achievements continues to grow thanks to team successes and Kiri Bishop's marketing efforts with the Kapi-Mana News
- As you'll see from the financial report it is not cheap to operate the Club. It cost approximately \$35000 to run the Club this year
- Web site continues to improve with more photos and video footage added
- We ran a very successful U13 boys competition
- Team successes –
 - 4 from 7 teams made finals
 - Premier 1 Men Second Intercity, Second Wellington competition
 - Premier 2 Men – Runners-up Wellington competition and runners-up in Miramar tournament
 - 2B Men – won their grade first round and were promoted to top section
 - U17 Boys – runners up
 - Presidents – won the competition
- There were also 7 school children's teams with two teams winning their grade. There was also approximately 35 children from the Club who made representative teams (U15 down)

Thanks

There are lots of organisations and people who helped out during the year that hopefully we thanked along the way but I'd like to take this opportunity to thank them on behalf of the Club.

Thanks to the sponsors and organisations that granted us generous financial assistance:

- Mana Community Grants Foundation
- Hutt Mana Charitable Trust
- McDonald's Porirua
- Pac 'n Save Porirua
- All the Presidents Men

Thanks once again to the Porirua RSA for their generous hospitality in letting us use their clubrooms to celebrate our wins and hold our prize-giving's for both the morning and afternoon grades.

Thanks to the coaches and managers who keep it all going and give the players the opportunity to reach their potential. Congratulations to all those that made representative honours – you have done us proud.

And lastly, thanks to the committee for their work and commitment and especially to Pauline Ryan as Secretary, Julie Elliott as School Children's convenor, and Kiri Bishop as media contact for all your tireless efforts in making it all work.

I look forward to the coming season and know that we will improve further on last years successes and continue to be a leading softball club within Porirua, Wellington and New Zealand.

Good luck to all for the 2008/09 season.

Bob Hutchinson

School Children Convenor's Report

The PCU Children's softball club fielded 7 teams in the 2007-2008 season:

- U7 Tee ball team coached by Kate & Wayne Tibbitts
- U7 Tee ball team coached by Rebecca Algar & Selina Carter
- U11 Girls team coached by Craig Symons
- U11 Boy's team coached by Shayne & Tara Grennell
- U13 Girl's team coached by Gary Rauhihi
- U13 Boy's team coached by Tony Hailwood
- U15 Girl's team coached by Jan Ryan

Two teams won their grade – the U11 Boys and the U13 girls with most of other teams making the top four of their grade.

Representative honours for the 2006-07 season were awarded to:

Western Bays U9 Girls Tee ball	Meihana Taufitu-Moses
Western Bays U11 Girls Development	Cassidy Symons, Courtnie O'Donnell, Sarah Murphy-Simmons & Trey Teo
Western Bays U11 Girls	Danielle Wairau-Grennell & Mereana Tangatataia
Western Bays U11 Boys Development	Hawaikii Eden, Matai Wetere & Shay Meredith
Western Bays U11 Boys	Dante Matakatea, Kemara Hauiti-Parapara, Luke Cummings, Patrick Ahnau, Reilly Makea & Tristan Davis
Western Bays U12 Boys	Dalton McAndrew & Jared Elliott
Western Bays U13 Girls Development	Edan Taufitu-Moses
Western Bays U13 Girls	Emily Rauhihi, Georgia Flint, Ngaire Hauiti-Parapara, Osheanya Kopa & Terina Higgins
Western Bays U13 Boys	Nikau Te Paiho
Western Bays U14 Boys	Iranui Holthausen, Larsen Temarama & Te Kahui Bishop
Western Bays U15 Girls Central Regions	Gemma Cassidy, Katie McAndrew & Riki-Lee Tanoa
Western Bays U15 Boys Central Regions	Iranui Holthausen & Larsen Temarama
Wellington U15 Girls Development Nationals	Gemma Cassidy & Katie McAndrew
Wellington U15 Girls Nationals	Riki-Lee Tanoa
Wellington U15 Boys Development Nationals	Iranui Holthausen, Larsen Temarama & Beau Bishop

At the end-of-the-season prizegiving 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:

Under 7 Tee ball	MIP MVP	Paris Davey Faenza Bishop
Under 7 Tee ball	MIP MVP	Vienna Jermyn Elijah Resch
Under 11 Girls	MIP MVP	Sarah Murphy Jessica Lyons
Under 11 Boys	MIP MVP	Tristan Davis Dante Matakatea
Under 13 Girls	MIP MVP	Ngaere Hauiti-Parapara Georgia Flint
Under 13 Boys	MIP MVP	Toa Alexander Kemara Hauiti-Parapara
U15 Girls	MIP MVP	Eleanor Craig Riki-Lee Tanoa
Junior Female Player of the Year		Riki-Lee Tanoa
Junior Male Player of the Year		Dante Matakatea

A highlight of the season was holding an Under 13 boys tournament that was open to teams playing in the Western Bays competition. Unfortunately we weren't able to attract any teams to play against our girls, even when invitations were opened up to Wellington and Hutt Valley clubs. I suspect that the reputation of our formidable Under 13 girls team may have scared off any competition! The idea of holding the tournament came from the Western Bays Junior Advisory Board (club convenors) and each club was given an age to host. I'm happy to report that only PCU and Paremata-Plimmerton took on the challenge and actually held their tournaments. Hopefully we've led the way for other clubs so that tournaments can be held for all the age grades in the future. The inaugural tournament was played on a gloriously hot day in December and was won by Kotuku who played against Kapiti in a thrilling final. I'm pleased to report also that the feedback was extremely positive and encouraging. My thanks goes to all the volunteers on the day – the umpires, U7 teeball team for doing the sausage sizzle and committee members.

To our sponsors - Porirua RSA and McDonalds Cobham Court Porirua - thank you for your continued support and assistance with the children's club.

Thanks again to Elizabeth Higgins for continuing to act as Treasurer for the children's club and to Jean Hutchinson for her yearly auditing role.

Finally, a big thanks to the coaches for the wonderful job you do. Without your commitment we couldn't do any of this and I look forward to working with all of you again. And, the promised jackets have arrived at last and will be handed out at the beginning of the coming season!

One of the goals for the junior club this season is to invite a limited number of schools to enter a tee-ball team into the Western Bays competition under the umbrella of PCU. I believe this will have numerous benefits for both PCU and the schools. It will ensure that PCU has a wider pool of players from the community and in return we will assist the schools with uniforms, playing equipment and coaching. The goal is to ensure that we attract players and continue to grow at a sustainable level that the club can resource.

The biggest challenge for the junior club is supplying coaches – we need more players and ex-players, or even non-players willing to learn, to stand up and give something back to ensure the club's survival.

Julie Elliott
PCU Children's Convenor

Team Reports

PCU Premier 2 Men

This was a season of almost for the Premier 2 Men. We were runners-up in both the Wellington competition and the Miramar tournament, both times losing out to Royals in close finals.

The team is made up of young players who will be the future of PCU and some will reach even higher honours for both Wellington and New Zealand. We played 22 games over the season, winning 17 and losing 5. Of those 5 loses, 4 were to the Royals team in the two finals. We managed to beat them once in the first half of the season and were foiled by rain when leading the Miramar Tournament final.

We had some good wins throughout the year and the quality batting from the team was reflected in the team batting average of .360. The top batter for the year was Johnson Rahihi with a very impressive average of .470. Second highest was Bradley Young on a very respectable .397.

Our MVP of the year was Teariki Pokoati who stepped up as captain and lead from the front. Teariki showed growing maturity as a softballer and had the respect of the other players. His switch to lead off and batting from the left-hand side was one of the major reasons behind the teams success.

The other success stories were the players that made representative honours:

Beau Bishop – U19 team and NZ Junior Development team

Tony Bishop – U19 team

Bradley Young – U19 team

Glen Allen – U19 team

Thanks to Jean for keeping the scorebook and stats for us at to Max Elliott for his assistance when required.

Good luck to all the guys for next season.

Bob Hutchinson
Coach

PCU U15 Girls Team – “Diamonds”

Keeping players in the game has always been a challenge for any club, this season we carried over 10 players from the previous season. We also welcomed 3 new players to our team, Riki-Lee Tanoa, Danielle Tanoa & Eleanor Craig – all of whom made an impact on the diamond.

In the first half of the season we had mixed results. In the second half of the season the U15's and U17's girl's teams were combined, this saw the PCU girls become more competitive and proactive softball players. They won several games and the games that we lost were by a very slim margin. An excellent all-round team effort.

Three of our players made representative teams this season:

Wellington U15 Girls Softball Riki-Lee Tanoa

Wellington U15 Girls Softball Gemma Cassidy & Katie McAndrew
Development Team

Of the major highlights for this season was Gemma Cassidy being named top batter at the Central Regions Tournament in Hastings, 2007. It is envisaged that more players will be trialling for the reps in 2008/2009 season.

Three of our team members also stepped up this season and filled in for the Premier 1 Women's team, this proved a positive experience for these players and we hope to see a repeat next season.

Recipients of the Awards for the U15 girl's team:

Most Valuable Player – Riki-Lee Tanoa

Most Improved Player – Eleanor Craig

Most Consistent Player (Team Award) – Jamie Nelson

PCU Junior Sportswomen –The skills displayed on the diamond by Riki-Lee Tanoa saw her becoming the recipient of the PCU Junior Sportswomen award, congratulations to Riki she did an outstanding job in her capacity as pitcher.

I wish to acknowledge and thank Lorena Stephen for her support this season, it was much appreciated.

To the parents and supporters thank you for being present week in, week out, your support is awesome.

Jan Ryan
Coach

**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2008.**

2006/07

2007/08

INCOME:

0	Subscriptions Previous Year		625
	Subscriptions Current Year Morning Grade		2211
	Subscriptions Current Year Senior		
<u>5030</u>	Club		<u>8777</u>
5030	Net Subscriptions		11613
	Club		
12600	Sponsorships/Grants/Donations	<i>Note 1</i>	23700
16200	Premier 1 Grants/Sponsors	<i>Note 2</i>	900
4210	Premier 1 Fundraising	<i>Note 3</i>	260
18	Interest		62
	U13 Boys Tournaments		150
1730	Tournament prize-money	<i>Note 4</i>	350
50	Misc		34
0	Raffles		
135	Equipment		500
<u>420</u>	Uniforms		
40393	TOTAL INCOME		37569

EXPENSES:

125	Secretarial		231
5931	WSA Fees		7765
	Western Bays Fees		140
	NZ Fees	<i>Note 5</i>	2000
0	Advertising		44
595	Prize-giving		975
375	Photographs		168
	Tournament		
	5318	Accommodation	0
	4714	Air fares	0
	1350	Fees	510
		Costs (travel	
15751	<u>4369</u>	etc)	<u>16</u>
			526
12234	Uniforms		15616
950	Umpires		1020
57	Bank Fees		0
240	Dishonoured cheques		0
210	Misc Costs		0
3198	Equipment		5027
0	First Aid Equip		0
0	Refund Unspent Grant	<i>Note 6</i>	1500
338	Storage of Equipment		214
40004	TOTAL EXPENSES		35226
389	NET INCOME/(DEFICIT)		2343

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MAY 2008.**

2006/07		2007/08
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
486	Opening Balance	878
389	Add Profit/(deficit) for year	2343
3	Error in closing balance 2006	0
878	Closing Balance	3221
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REPRESENTED BY:		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
878	Main Bank Account	3271
878	TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	3271
CURRENT LIABILITES		
	Black Rose Florist unrepresented cheque	50
0	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITES	50
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878	NET ASSETS	3221
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The Porirua City United Softball Club acknowledges the following funding, sponsorships and grants:

Note 1:

Club Sponsorships/Grants/Donations	
Mana Community Grants Foundation	20000
Community Trust Wellington Airport Award	500
Mana Community Grants Foundation NZ Junior Reps)	1400
PCU Pressies Men sponsorship of U7's	300
Hutt Mana Charitable Trust (for 20th Anniversary Tournament)	1500
	23700

Note 2:

Premier 1 Grants/Sponsors	
Ministry of Health Premier 1 Grant	900

Note 3:

Premier 1 Fundraising	
Garage sale (additional \$2000 included in subs)	260

24860

Note 4:

Tournament Prize-money	
Premier 1 Men (Kapiti Tournament)	100
Premier 2 Men (Miriamar Tournament)	250
	<u>350</u>

Note 5:

NZ Fees (Towards Junior Representatives)	
Mana Community Trust	1400
PCU	600
	<u>2000</u>

Note 6:

Refund Unspent Grant	
Hutt-Mana Charitable Trust (no 20th Anniversary Tournament)	1500
	<u>1500</u>

PORIRUA SCHOOLCHILDREN'S SOFTBALL*
INCOME/EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2008.

<u>06/07</u>		<u>07/08</u>
	<u>INCOME:</u>	
2435	Subscriptions (current year)	
	Subscriptions (previous year)	
	Photos	
730	Main Account	
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3165	TOTAL INCOME	0
	<u>EXPENSES:</u>	
160	Western Bays Fees	
1888	W S A Fees	
97	Prizegiving	
642	Uniforms	
	Cheque Book	
	Rental (PO Box/Hall)	
	Stationery	
171	Storage	
	PCC Sports membership	
	Photos	
	Coaches training	
42	Advertising	
175	Trophies	
35	Subs Dishonoured	
150	Web design	
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	TOTAL EXPENSES	
3360		0
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	INCOME/(DEFICIT)	
-195		0
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	<u>THIS IS REPRESENTED</u>	
	<u>BY:</u>	
	Bank Statements	
868	Opening Balance	673
673	Closing Balance	673
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-195		0
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***Note** This account has not been operated and has been used as a holding account.

2007/08 Senior Prize-giving Recipients

WSA Bassant Trophy

Wellington Softball Association Club Champions

Wellington Airport Regional Community Award

Porirua City United Softball – Sports Section

Barry Farrow Memorial Cup (PCU vs PCI)

President Men

Buck Laws Memorial Trophy (PCU vs Johnsonville)

PCU Premier 1 Men

GJ Daley Cup – Winners of WSA President's Competition

PCU President Men

U17 Boys

Most Valuable – Jordan Temarama

Player of the Year – Tony Bishop

2B Men

Player of the Year – Karl Gay

2A Women

Player of the year – Angie Connell

Presidents Men

Player of the Year – Vern Lemama

Premier 2 Men

Most Valuable – Te Ariki Pokoati

Player of the year – Johnson Rauhihi

Premier 1 Women

Top Batter – Betsy Bishop

Most Valuable Player – Mere Tikitiki

Premier 1 Men

Top Batter – Dave Bishop

Most Valuable Player – Tane Richardson

Merit Awards

Sam Bishop – NZ U19 World Series team

Thomas Makea – Black Sox team

Young Sportswoman

Danielle Tanoa (NZ Junior Women's Development Team)

Young Sportsman

Sam Bishop

Club Sportsperson

Kiri Bishop

Ross Kelly Trophy Porirua Sports Administrator of the Year

Bob Hutchinson



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Promoting the welfare and remembrance of
those who have served their country

Porirua RSA