



St Matthews Netball Club – Baulkham Hills
Gooden Reserve Netball Association

To:	All members of St Matthews NBC 2024 and prospectives for 2025
From:	The Club Committee
Date:	4 th November 2024
Subject:	Outcomes from 2024 AGM and call for new Committee Members

Hello netball community

Just wanting to provide an update following our Annual General Meeting which was held on Tuesday 15 October.

The meeting had a small number of people in attendance.

The committee roles voted in at the meeting were as follows:-

Club President/Coordinator - remains vacant

Registrar - remains vacant

Club Secretary - Helen Olley

Club Treasurer - Belinda Schuster (replacing Greg Cunningham)

Uniform coordinator - Verity Le Grande

Webmaster - Verity Le Grande

Equipment Officer - Kavitha Dey

GRNA representative(s) - Helen Olley, however still looking for additional interested people to volunteer

Other Committee members who have offered assist throughout the season - Stuart Tyler

I would like to acknowledge and thank several committee members who are stepping down from their roles.

Firstly, a huge thank you to David Hood who has been our Club president/Coordinator for the past 2 years, also his wife Shaumya who supported David in this role during this time. David stepped up into this role 2 years ago so the club could continue to run. David's commitment to our club and also on the GRNA committee has been invaluable over the past 2 years. David has offered to stay in a "caretaker only capacity" until end of November to assist the new President/Coordinator with handover and will then remain on the committee in a support capacity only.

Greg Cunningham, has been our club Treasurer for a number of years now and is now stepping down from this role. I would like to say a huge thank you to Greg who carried out the job of club Treasurer, ensuring our bills paid and financial records were maintained to a high standard. Thank you Greg, for your commitment and dedication over the past number of years.

Kelly Graham, has been one of our Equipment offers for 2 seasons now and is also stepping down from this role. Kelly together with Kavitha organised purchasing new equipment for



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team coaching kits, ensuring we have sufficient kits and arranging the distribution of kit bags to teams at beginning of seasons and from teams at the end of each season. Thank you Kelly for all your time and commitment to ensuring teams have kits and equipment for training and games each week.

Some roles on a committee sometimes go unseen, but they just happen and are crucial for keeping a club running during the season.

The committee are now asking our netball community parents and players to seriously consider offering your time and skills to fill **one or both** of the important vacant committee roles. We find ourselves in a very familiar position yet again, and unless the role of Club President/Coordinator is filled the running of the club for next season will not happen. If you are interested in volunteering but you feel it might be a little overwhelming for you, we are very open to having 2 or 3 people sharing the role. You will be supported and guided by a number of experienced netball committee members as you step into this role.

This position must be filled before the end of November as preparation for the start of 2025 season begins in December.

If you would like to know more about the role or are offering to volunteer for this role, please send an email to the club and we will contact you to discuss further.

The continuing future of both St Matthews Netball Club and the GRNA competition is now up to you.....our netball community!!!

Thank you

Helen Olley
Club Secretary
St Matthew's Netball Club



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Post Script

The following role descriptions basically explain what the vacant committee positions entail.

Club Co-ordinator / President

This role entails basically being the face of St Matthews in dealing with members of the club, NUNC and also GRNA.

The president basically oversees week to week operation of the club and guides and assists the other members of the committee in their roles as required. This includes on the club's rostered duty days being on site for the games.

Though not mandatory the president is usually present on game days even when St Matthews is not the duty club. This permits interaction with GRNA and NUNC where matters may come up that require input from St Matthews, or where our members may wish to raise something with our club.

The president is involved in disciplinary matters or complaints that involve St Matthews members and can be asked by GRNA to physically monitor games as a match official.

The president usually chairs club meetings, acts as the returning officer at the AGM and responds to correspondence from GRNA with the secretary.

The president assists with organisation of the club's presentation day including interacting with the clubs awards provider (Castle Trophies) and any venues which may be used. The Gala Day activities though usually run by GRNA are also scrutinised.

Interaction with GRNA means being a member of the group representing St Matthews, though not strictly a committee member. The activities there include discussing the upcoming competition season, changes in processes or rules and relevant dates.

The last role that falls to the president is the role of Member Protection Officer which does require some online training through the Office of the Childrens Guardian (OCG).

This role is open to any member of the club, though they need to be over 18 years of age. This is related to certain aspects such as dealing with OCG (Member Protection), any licenced venues, and if required to become a signatory to the clubs bank accounts.

Registrar

The registrar is responsible for regularly checking the online registration system and club email for player registrations when the registration is formally opened until closed. With the webmaster, the registrar maintains the online platform used.

The registrar examines the registrations to check details and then assist in the formation of teams in February for submission to GRNA.

The busiest time for the registrar is between early January and mid February, though late registrations can occur till mid season. Typically the time load is a few hours a week in the registration period.

Note that the registrar receives confidential information which must be handled properly, stored securely and not allowed to be given to unauthorised persons.

David Hood

Acting club President