



# Lacrosse WA

## 2022 Annual Report



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**VISION:**

*Lacrosse WA aims to be an innovative and well recognized State Sports Association, building and developing a sports system which positions lacrosse as an inclusive, visible, dynamic and successful sport in Western Australia.*

**MISSION:**

*Lacrosse WA aims to provide leadership through the delivery of quality sports services and programs which ensure increasing participation for all level of lacrosse (players, coaches, officials, administrators), and deliver national success.*

### BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE 2022

Chairperson	9
Deputy Chairperson	9
Finance & Governance	7
Development & Growth	9
High Performance	10
Men's Lacrosse & Officiating	9
Women's Lacrosse & Officiating	7
Executive Officer	10

### CLUB MEMBERS ON BOARD 2022

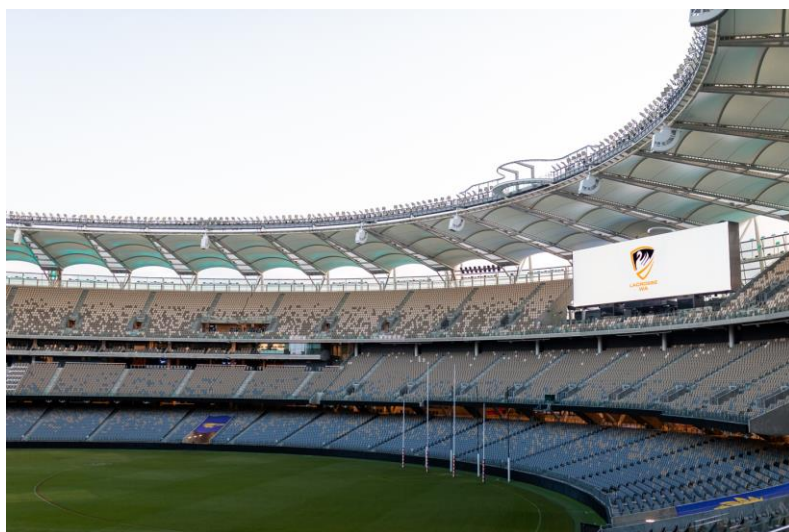
Alkimos	0
Bayswater	0
East Fremantle	1
Phoenix	1
Subiaco	0
Wanneroo-Joondalup	2
Wembley	2

## LACROSSE WA BOARD MEMBERS

CHAIR	Nathan Rainey
DEPUTY CHAIR	Kellie Morley
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & GOVERNANCE	Emmalee Stanton
DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT & GROWTH	Paul Buckman
DIRECTOR OF HIGH PERFORMANCE	Caitlin Ryan
DIRECTOR OF MEN'S LACROSSE & OFFICIATING	Bruce Banyard
DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S LACROSSE & OFFICIATING	Michelle Rohrlach

## LACROSSE WA STAFF

EXECUTIVE OFFICER	Roxanne Leavy
ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT	Caroline Koczvara



*Lacrosse WA held a spectacular 13<sup>th</sup> Senior Dinner and Awards Night at Optus Stadium*

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## CLUBS & TEAMS

Club name	U11 Boys	U13 Boys	U14 Girls	U15 Boys	U17 Boys	U17 Girls	Div 3 Men	Div 2 Women	Div 2 Men	Women's State League	Men's State League
Alkimos	1	1	0.5	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Bayswater	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
East Fremantle	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Phoenix	1	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	1	0	0	1	1
Subiaco	0	0.5	0	0.5	0.5	0	1	0	0	1	1
Wanneroo-Joondalup	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wembley	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1



2022 U11's – EFLC v Black Swans

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## PLAYING NUMBERS

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Senior Men	264	315	265	356	342
Senior Women	171	163	113	180	170
Junior Men	306	314	282	319	280
Junior Women	137	167	105	128	145

## LACROSSE WA LIFE MEMBERS

1932	Mr. I.J Taylor (dec)	1978	Mrs Fay Taylor	1999	Mrs Margaret Morley
1932	Mr. W.B Grace (dec)	1978	Mrs Rose Gaunt	2000	Mr Mark Hickey
1934	Mr. C.E.M. Hickey (dec)	1979	Mr Bill Brown	2000	Mr Peter Smirk
1934	Mr. R.W. Elliott (dec)	1982	Mr Harold Horner (dec)	2001	Mr Chris Milne
1936	Mr. H.J. Carmichael (dec)	1985	Mr Malcolm Stokes	2001	Mrs Mavis Owens
1946	Mr. H.R. Woods (dec)	1988	Mr Peter Reid (dec)	2002	Mr Brian Griffin (dec)
1947	Mr. A. R. V. Page (dec)	1989	Mr Robert Stratton (dec)	2003	Ms Kellie Morley
1949	Mr. W.H. Whiteman (dec)	1990	Mr Colin Mounsey	2004	Mr Laslo Tiszavolgyi
1949	Mr. I. Berry (dec)	1990	Mrs Shirley Allman (dec)	2007	Mr Graham Rose
1952	Mr. R. E. Willot (dec)	1991	Mr Ian Toy	2007	Mr Doug George
1952	Mr. J. L. Carden (dec)	1991	Ms Fiona Clark	2008	Mr Kevin McRae
1955	Mr Cyril Allman (dec)	1992	Mr Murray Redfern (dec)	2008	Mrs Faye Beaman
1955	Mr A. A. Swan (dec)	1993	Mr Don Rudderham	2008	Mrs Helen Goddard
1961	Mr Laurie Turnbull (dec)	1994	Mr Ross Whiteman	2010	Mr Ken Sugars (dec)
1962	Mrs. Beris Johnson (dec)	1995	Mr Robert Ramsay	2011	Mrs Suzanne Kirkby
1965	Mrs Rae Reid (dec)	1997	Mr Roger Smith	2011	Mr Michael Gates
1968	Mr. Eric Biddle (dec)	1997	Mrs Jennifer Townsend	2011	Mr Gary Kennedy
1977	Mrs Dorothy Harwood (dec)	1998	Mr Lloyd Morley	2014	Mrs Peta Hiron
1977	Mrs Velma Vickridge (dec)	1999	Mrs Fran Maunton	2014	Mr John Denic

### LACROSSE WA COMMISSIONER

Men's Competition - Gary Brown

Women's Competition – Vacant

### LACROSSE WA LIFE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Nathan Rainey, Doug George, Kevin McRae, Faye Beaman

### LACROSSE AUSTRALIA LIFE MEMBERS

Harold Horner (dec), Laurie Turnbull (dec), Len Berry (dec), Harold Balinski (dec), A (Russ) Page (dec), William (Bill) Brown, Malcolm Stokes, Don Rudderham, Brian Griffin (dec), Rae Reid (dec), Fiona Clark, Fran Maunton, Faye Beaman, Ian Toy



## HONOURS AND AWARDS

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### 2022 Lacrosse Australia Life Membership

Lacrosse WA was thrilled with the announcement that Subiaco Lacrosse Club's, Ian Toy, had been awarded a Life Membership for Lacrosse Australia.

Ian's service to lacrosse in Australia and Western Australia is significant. Ian was recognised for his dedication and passion to develop and promote the sport of lacrosse at club, state and national levels as a player and administrator.

Ian's achievements as a player on the field were impressive. After starting over 60 years ago at the Subiaco Lacrosse Club in 1959, Ian represented WA at both Junior and Senior levels gaining numerous player awards and captaining his club South Perth to a Premiership in 1973 before working up to captaining the Australian team at the 1974 World Championships in Melbourne. Subsequently some years after he ceased playing in 1986, in 2000 Ian was named to the WALA Team of the Century. Ian was a skilled and tenacious defenseman and he carried that tenacity through into sports administration where he was as successful off the field as he had been on it. Ian has had a number of coaching roles,



mainly at Subiaco across both Junior and Women's versions of lacrosse and he has held too many administrative roles to count but his involvement in establishing the Wanneroo Club with Malcolm Stokes, his work with the Western Australian Lacrosse Foundation and his Presidency of the WALA are probably stand out roles. In addition to this, Ian has an unparalleled knowledge in documenting lacrosse history particularly in WA where he is the author of 'A History of the Western Australian Lacrosse Association 1896 to 2010'.

Further information on Ian's achievements can be found at the following link:

[Ian Toy - Awarded Life Membership — Lacrosse Australia](#)

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## 2022 Lacrosse Australia U15 Boys National Champions

### Braves

After a two year hiatus from high performance competition due to Covid-19, our youngest HP cohort finally had the opportunity to showcase their skills on a National stage at the 2022 Lacrosse Australia U15 Girl's and Boy's National Tournament. The Tournament was held at HBF Stadium, Joondalup hosted by Wembley Lacrosse Club with an amazing 17 boys and girls teams from around Australia, and two girls teams from New Zealand, vying for the title of National Champion.

WA's U15 Boy's Braves were the dominant team all week, getting stronger as the week went on, smashing their way through pool play undefeated before overwhelming their Western Australian counterparts, Thunder, to claim the Joe Downie Trophy for their sixth time.

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## REPORTS – BOARD MEMBERS

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### 2022 CHAIR REPORT

#### **Nathan Rainey**

2022 became a year of renewed opportunities within the Lacrosse landscape, almost seeing the sport and the wider community back to a level of normality, still with its challenges, but an overall better result. It was pleasing to see better communication channels between the board portfolios and the respective clubs around all matters and this is a continual work in progress to strengthen and improve the dynamic and working relationship between the LWA Board and our member clubs.

As we head towards the 2023 season it's becoming increasingly pertinent that the strategic direction of the sport is designed to take advantage of the increasing opportunities available to our members at club, state and international level and is aligned with our development and strategic marketing to drive new members into our clubs. Also allowing existing members access to the different formats now available and how those fit into the overall Lacrosse landscape in WA. I would also like to thank and congratulate the hard working members of the Perth Box League, who have now grown the sport to include our first Womens State Team, and wish the inaugural members of the team the very best at the Tournament and the honour of the new trail blazers into Womens Box Lacrosse in WA.

We have seen some changes to the LA Board this year, with some new appointments and I look forward to maintaining a strong working relationship with all new and continuing members. I would like to personally thank and congratulate Glenn Morley on his term as President of Lacrosse Australia and the hard work and changes that were implemented under his leadership have been very progressive for the improvement of Lacrosse and wish him all the best as he heads into his new endeavours into the future.

I also thank the hard work of our LWA Board this year, with all positions being maintained it offered a level of continuity and consistency that the sport needed. It is now important that we look to become more strategic and offer the best possible future outcomes we can for Lacrosse in WA into future. A special thank you to Roxanne Leavy, Executive Officer, again another year of tremendous commitment to Lacrosse in your role. Always going above and beyond in your role and you offer not just myself, but the whole board and sport a level of support and guidance that we cannot be without. Finally a special thank you to all the club board members, club volunteers, our referees and officials our Kuljak WA members for all your great contributions to our great sport and hours spent ensuring the now and the legacy is maintained.

## 2022 DEPUTY CHAIR REPORT

### **Kellie Morley**

Firstly, thank you to the other members of the Lacrosse WA Board, once again it feels like it has been a long year, full of operational issues that need to be dealt with each and every week. This precludes the current Board Members from following through with the Strategic Plan for Lacrosse WA and we constantly get stuck in the rut of game environment issues. It is my hope that we can all "do better and be better" in season 2023, allowing the Board to move forward with some projects that can develop our game further for the betterment of all clubs and most importantly our members.

A special thank you to our Chairperson Nathan Rainey who has shouldered a heavy burden across the year. There are long hours spent on the telephone and numerous thankless tasks undertaken. Nathan continues to conduct himself in a professional manner and instilled the same requirement for all Board Members.

Secondly, thank you and congratulations to our Executive Officer, Roxanne Leavy who has again gone above and beyond in all aspects of her role. As a member of lacrosse community, it is no doubt difficult for Roxanne to "switch off" with her answering emails and text messages well outside of normal business operating hours. Thank you to Roxanne and Caroline for your work in the LWA Office for everything operationally, talent programs for ensuring our policies and procedures are maintained and relevant along with conducting excellent end of season events which are certainly a highlight for those that attend each year.



*World Lacrosse's Director of Competition, Fiona Clark, presenting 2022 LA Life Membership recipient, Ian Toy.*

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LWA Policies and Procedures, along with our Child Safeguarding practices will continue to be a focus area for Lacrosse WA over the coming years as we strive for continued professionalism and efficiency.

I look forward to working with the Board again over the next year and hope that I can begin work on several projects with our Sub Committees to continue to improve our game day environments along with member enjoyment and safety.

# 2022 DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT & GROWTH REPORT

## **Paul Buckman**

2022 has again been a successful year in the area of growth and development with all clubs committing to:

- a club driven growth program with a focus on the recruitment of junior primary school players and the retention of current club players
- identifying and undertaking proactive engagement with local catchment primary schools to deliver Lacrosse Australia's Quick Stix programs in school delivery via Sport School Australia funding and after school delivery of Quickstix Invade via player pay to play
- providing monthly reporting of age group numbers attending club based programs and Quickstix sessions and the numbers converting to players
- to work with local school clusters to develop and then host interschool carnivals
- support the development of a regional WA lacrosse carnival
- Governance improvements between members, clubs and LWA
- Upholding and delivering improvements to the LWA and Club's Code of Conduct, including sanctions when required
- greater engagement and sharing of lessons learnt between clubs, LWA and LA

The JLC team again recognised and agreed to achieve annual growth their clubs needed:

- to secure separate and additional club resources to drive the growth of new club players, including a Quick Stix co-ordinator
- commitment from their boards for a 5 year rolling growth program with a focus on the growth of the u11 playing group
- to develop their own non-travelling Quickstix/Modcrosse/Sixers competition for new players

By actioning the above commitments during 2022 the achieved Growth and Development outcomes include:

1. Agreement and achievement of closer alignment of men's, women's and junior grades
2. Successful launch of LWA's first World Lacrosse Sixers tournament
3. All clubs undertaking Quickstix programs
4. Continued improvement and delivery of LWA policy and procedure on Child safeguarding

Again, we must decide and commit.

If growth of junior playing numbers is our number one priority, each club, their board and members must reflect on how well this priority is resourced. I will continue to challenge each Club to match this priority of growth with the required sustained resources to deliver results.

I understand it's a privilege to chair this Committee and to work with all of its dedicated members.

# 2022 DIRECTOR OF HIGH PERFORMANCE REPORT

## **Caitlin Ryan**

The 2022 season welcomed the return of national and international competition. LWA were represented on both fronts with some incredibly talented athletes, coaches, and umpires. In addition to attending multiple events, Western Australia also hosted the U15 National Championship in conjunction with the Wembley Lacrosse Club. LWA having so many representatives at these competitions stems from the hours of work our volunteers do to make this possible. A sincere thank you to everyone involved with our high-performance programs this year, without your efforts this wouldn't be possible.

### **International representation**

On the international stage, we saw many years of preparation finally pay off, with our Under 21 Australian Men's Team competing at the World Championships in Limerick, Ireland. LWA were represented by Head Coach Gavin Leavy and players Jaesaya Bidwell-Barton, Daniel Bowater, Lucas Koczwara (co-captain), Ethan Moir, Thomas Richards and Travis Wolfe. The team competed in the bronze medal match, but unfortunately lost 6-10 to Haudenosaunee.

We had a strong West Australian contingent in the Women's Under 23 side, competing at the Vail Shootout and the World Festival Tournament in the US/Canada, with Olivia Antulov, Bailie-Rose Keenan, Erin Mitchell and Shannon Mitchell (Vice Captain) playing and Faye Beaman as team manager. Bailie-Rose Keenan was named in the All-Star Team for the Vail Tournament, where the team finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. In the World Festival the team finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place, losing by a goal in the championship match to the English Lions.

Our Senior Women's team had Ashtyn Hiron and Madison Copeland competing at the World Championship, falling to England in overtime in the bronze medal match. The team then went on to compete at the World Games, in sixes format with Tegan Brown and Ashtyn Hiron (co-captain) as the WA representatives. Ocea Leavy was also selected as the alternate for the World Games team. The team went on to win the bronze medal in a very fast paced, exciting match.

LWA also sent 3 officials to the Women's World Championships, represented by Suzanne Kirkby, Susan Milne and Kellie Morley. For the World Games we were represented by Tim Kennedy who officiated the men's games.

Our Senior Men's side made their debut at the World Games, again in the sixes format. WA had strong representation from Thomas Graham, Tim Stone and Lachlan Walker. With several WA based alternates named; Jordan Gillespie, Ryan Hockey and Brayden Panting. The team finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place, going down to Haudenosaunee 12-19 in their final match.

The 2023 Australian Men's Team has recently been announced with the following WA representatives named in the Team to compete in San Diego in June this year: With Glenn Morley as Assistant Coach, players include Isaac Cahill, Ashby Dennis, Thomas Graham, Brayden Panting, Ryan Spark, Lachlan Walker and Matt Wood with Jae Bidwell-Barton named as an Alternate.

### **National Championships**

Moving on to our state representatives we welcomed the long-awaited return of National Championships in April with our Senior State Teams. Our Women's team were hampered by injuries and finished in third place, and our Men's team made it to the final, falling short to Victoria. We had a strong showing in the All-Star teams with Sam Koczwar, Ashby Dennis, Tegan Brown and Bailey Eastman named.

After several delays the Under 18 Championships were finally held in South Australia. Our Women's side comfortably defeated New Zealand 15-9 to finish in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. While our Men's team fell short to South Australia in the championship game 6-9, ending the tournament in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. We had several WA representatives named in the All Star Teams: Kade Moir, Jack Cooper, Joseph Manning, Ruby Koczwar, Emily Dawson and Holly Plummer.

We finished the year on a high with a fantastic Under 15 Championship, held at HBF Arena Joondalup. For the women's competition, Flames finished in 5<sup>th</sup> spot with a 1 goal win over Ice, and Stars finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place after a hard game against Fire. The men's competition came to a very exciting ending with a final between Thunder and Braves. Braves coming out victors with a 5-goal win.

### **The year ahead**

Looking forward to the 2023 season, we have lots of exciting competition ahead, with the 2023 Men's World Championship in San Diego, and, on the local front, LWA is set to host the Under 18 National Championships. As always, we will rely on our exceptional and dedicated volunteers to make these events and teams possible, and to help our sport flourish within the wider WA sporting community.

In 2023, we will once again be looking for volunteers and I strongly encourage all members of the lacrosse family to consider their skill set and how they may be able to contribute to the success of our state teams. Our ongoing success in a high-performance setting begins with the support we offer locally. Please consider how you could assist the growth of our sport and the development of our athletes moving on to the 2023 season. Any expressions of interest to take on coaching roles can be directed to the LWA Executive Officer.



# 2022 DIRECTOR OF MEN'S LACROSSE & OFFICIATING REPORT

## **Bruce Banyard**

I would like to firstly take this opportunity to congratulate all clubs and participants for their efforts and conduct throughout the 2022 LWA Men's lacrosse season. This was a most difficult season, filled with continuing uncertainty, due to COVID.

Congratulations to this year's Premiers:

- State League – Wembley
- Division 2 – East Fremantle
- Division 3 – Alkimos "Pirates"

Also, individually, congratulations to our Fairest and Best winners:

- State League – Aaron Salter (Subiaco LC)
- Division 2 (tied) - Wayne Curran (East Fremantle LC) and Stuart Walker (Wanneroo-Joondalup LC)
- Division 3 – Andrew Keighrey (Subiaco LC)

Congratulations to those selected in the All-Stars' Team: Rhett Johnstone, Brock Beall, Stuart Bentley, Ashby Dennis, Tyler Redman, Max Sadka, Aaron Salter, Brayden Panting, Josh Polkinghorne, Lucas Wood, Alex Brown (Coach).

The men's lacrosse season generally ran smoothly. Thanks to all those involved in the Men's Lacrosse sub-committee.

One major step forward is the continuing, but slow movement towards a combined group of officials that include both the men and women.

Thanks also to Roxanne Leavy for her support and advice.

I again thank the members of the Board for their assistance during 2022.

This year's finals were hosted by Phoenix Lacrosse Club and the LWA Board thanks them for conducting an excellent finals series.

# 2022 DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S LACROSSE & OFFICIATING REPORT

**Michelle Rohrlach**

Firstly I thank all the clubs and players for participating in the 2022 season. Once again it was a challenging year, but we managed to get a full season in. Our playing numbers were up from 2021 and once again we were able to field 6 teams in the SL division with the new inclusion of Phoenix.

Congratulations to all the award winners this year and the LWA All-star team, very well deserved. Phoenix did a wonderful job this year in hosting the final with the Grand Final being Live Streamed.

This year the women's Sub Committee did a wonderful job ensuring that the 2022 season ran smoothly and we all worked together with the Lacrosse Board to grow and develop Lacrosse in WA. My role also includes Officiating which was very challenging at times, but my main focus was to obtain more club accredited umpires for the future along with all accredited umpires to sit the online test. This was very successful with us gaining a number of new officials for next season along with people retaining their accreditations. Congratulations and thank you to all the officials that umpired throughout the season and the Finals Series.

This year was the first time in a couple of years we were able to travel. Both the U18 and Senior teams travelled while the U15 was here in Perth, Congratulations to all players and staff involved in these teams. We also had an U23 Travelling team tour of the USA prior and during the Senior World Cup. Congratulations to Erin, Shannon, Baillie and Olivia who were selected in this team. I'm sure the experience was valuable, all the best for the future. We also need to make a special mention to Faye who continues to put her hand up to be Manager of Australian Teams.

Along with the U23 team we also had two players represent Australian at the Senior World Cup. Congratulations to both Madison & Ashtyn and Tegan for her representation in the World 6's Tournament following the World Cup. We also had 3 people attend the World Cup as officials with Kellie & Susan attending as On-field and Suzanne attending as Technical Delegate.

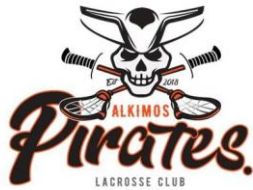
After a couple of terms on the LWA Board as Director of Women's I have decided not to re-stand for this position. I thank all clubs and Board Members for their support during my time on the Board and especially the Womens Sub Committee.

I would also like to thank all the board members for all the hard work we have all put in this year and especially to Roxanne our Executive Officer for all the hours she puts in to Lacrosse WA

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## REPORTS – CLUBS

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### 2022 ALKIMOS "PIRATES" LACROSSE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT Kirrily Hyde – President

#### **Introduction**

Like all community sport across Western Australia, we finally had the impact on the season from Covid that the Eastern states had experienced over the previous two years. Thank you to Lacrosse WA for having multiple contingencies and flexibility to moved or amend games to allow the season to be complete.

The AGM for the 2022 season was held quite late to start the season efficiently, being held in February 2022. At this meeting, a motion was passed to adjust the financial reporting period to conclude at the end of October to allow for an earlier AGM and in turn, a longer and more effective off and preseason.

The AGM saw quite a significant change to personnel both in the committee and club role positions. I would like to thank the members of the outgoing committee for their endeavours and support over the last four years. I would also like to thank and welcome all new committee and club role members for their dedication to assist in the development and progression of the Alkimos "Pirates" Lacrosse Club.

#### **Financial Position**

In an effort to better manage the finances of the club, a new system was implemented for collection of playing fees and equipment hire. The club successfully changed from a direct deposit from members to each member payment being invoiced. This allowed for greater tracking, reporting and recovery of due monies and I am pleased to record that the club had no outstanding payments at the end of the season.

The committee were cautious in spending this season, as our financial position was behind the wanted position due to some unplanned costs towards the end of last season. Even with caution, the club insured all players and support had everything they needed for a successfully season. As

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you will see in the Treasurer report, the club has ended in a much stronger financial position for the upcoming season.

Thank you and congratulations to Kylie Hinkley, Jasmine Hinkley, Chantelle Dine, Ian Todd, Scott Spinley, Lisa Cowley and Darryl Sanders for managing our main income streams.

### **Junior Program**

This season we fielded three junior teams – U11's, U14's and U13's. We may have pushed ourselves by entering an U14's team, but it was required to keep some of junior players.

The U11's are an extremely enthusiastic group who were led by Hamish McKay and Jasmine Hinkley. Between the two of them they managed to balance the fun with skill progression. This group should be together for another couple of years and therefore looking forward to the development of the team as a whole.



*2022 Alkimos "Pirates" U11's*

*Photo credit – WA LAX pics*

Our U13's team had some of last year's U11's age up which resulted in more players not having the bare minimum as per previous seasons. Having three assistant coaches in Luke Thomas, Adam Smedley and Kirsten Smedley a vast amount of knowledge and skill were given to this team. Again, it would be great to see this group develop together to make for a stronger team

This was the first season that we entered a junior women's team and we would like to thank Phoenix Lacrosse Club for merging with us to create the team. Lead by Marah Crane and Beth

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Downsborough, it was great to see that we are slowly developing the women's competition. Many of the players in this team, played both Under 13's and Under 14's. This team was also our first junior team to make the finals, Congratulations!

Across all our junior teams, there are definitely signs of some very talented up and coming players that we need, as a club, to ensure we retain them.

Given the changes at committee level, most personnel had little flexibility in terms of the day to day work that previous committee members had. This did result in us being involved in a lack of school programs, clinics and carnivals. We also struggled to provide an U9's program or QuickStix. For the coming seasons more priority needs to occur in the recruitment and retention of our junior players.

Another area of focus for the incoming committee, and junior subcommittee, is the recruitment and development of an officiating team. Thank you to Nikita and Marah Crane who carried the bulk of the junior officiating this season.

### **Senior Program**

We again fielded two senior teams, Men's Division 3 and Women's Division 2.

There was consideration with the initial number of registrations for the Women's, a second team may be possible. Instead, some players put their hand up to assist Subiaco and Phoenix who were experiencing low player registrations, however, as the season twists and turns occurred the assistance was unable to follow through due to varying numbers available each week.

Whilst in previous seasons a FIFO registration/payment plan was available, we extended the parameters to have a part time playing and fee arrangement. This arrangement was if a player was only playing 8 or less games, their fee was discounted.

The Division 3 men had another successful season, taking out the premiership for the second time. Congratulations to Murray, Ian, Simon, and the team. Whilst there a few on the men's side who are active within the club, going forward it would be beneficial if the club could get more involvement from the senior men with club activities. The way to assist the juniors are to be role models.



*2022 Division 3 Premiers - Alkimos "Pirates"*

*Photo credit – Sam Gosling*

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The Division 2 women, whilst still not recording their first club win – they are getting really close. The margins within the games are much closer with the opposition now not allowing the women the easy gets. The determination amongst the group to continue, grows. Congratulations to Brendan and the leadership group for the continued growth of the team, and to top it off our very own Chelsea Pakenham received LWA Best and Fairest award in her first year back after 10 years away.



*2022 Alkimos/Phoenix U14 Women  
Photo credit – WA LAX pics*

### **Congratulations**

This year saw a few of our players, members and officials as state or national representatives.

Congratulations to:

- Adam Smedley – National Box Lacrosse representative.
- Marah Crane – State Under 18's representative
- Brendan Ballarine – State Under 18's Assistant Coach and Under 15's President Team Coach
- Shayana Torney – Under 15's President Team representative

We would also like to make a special thanks to Suzanne Kirkby who, for the last three seasons, has been our Division 2 Women's official. Suzanne approached the club and we happily accepted her assistance. Suzanne has on numerous occasions officiated in international, national and state tournaments and we have appreciated her contribution to the "Pirates".

### **Summary**

Overall, the "Pirates" have had a successful year both on and off the field. Our juniors love playing the game and we need to keep them enthused. Our club is well known for its social involvement regardless of playing at home or away.

I look forward to what 2023 brings and that the ideas of the incoming committee are followed through particularly surround our juniors and player retention.

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## 2022 BAYSWATER LACROSSE CLUB

### ANNUAL REPORT

**David Jobson - President**

In my last report as President of the Bayswater Lacrosse Club, I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank all our volunteers, coaches, umpires, committee members and the executive team who have provided myself and our club valued service during the year. Many of these individuals do these roles year on year and a lot of it goes under celebrated. Without the hard work and effort from this group, our club and sport would be non-existent. I would like to encourage all of our members to see how they can contribute the club next year whether great or small.

It has been an honour and privilege for me to be President this year and give back a little to the club that has given myself and my family so much joy over 20 years. It has come "full circle" for many of the mums and dads in my age group who now have the pride of seeing their sons and daughters run around in the red and green, playing the game we love.

The effects of Covid-19 still echoes throughout junior sport and Lacrosse and our club is no exception. The momentum BLC had prior to the pandemic was certainly slowed in 2020/21 and provided the club with some challenges to navigate in logistics, engagement and member development and retention. Thankfully, 2022 was less interrupted and by the whole, a normal season was played out. This said, player availability due to Covid-19 was hampered as the virus spread through the community and some games were rescheduled or cancelled.

Our relationship with Bayswater City Council remains healthy as both parties collaborated throughout the year and worked in a transparent and aligned manner. The MetroNet works and park works imposed only a small impact on the club this season.

Discussions took place between the club and COB in March around the future tenure at the club's location, with the infrastructure planning around Bayswater Train Station. I can report there is no immediate to short term plans on the club being relocated.

Glenn Morley, Director of Special Projects, has been working with the COB on a lighting upgrade project, which will provide a greater playing and watching experience at Halliday Park. The current lighting system has had maintenance work done through the year; however, the life expectancy of the current technology is finite. More efficient and reliable technology is now available and will provide a lower running cost and greater stability. A submission for the grant has been applied for

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and I would like to thank Ross Millard and Jon Vines from the COB for their ongoing support. It is exciting to see the City's commitment to supporting our club.

Our junior teams were a standout for the club this year with fantastic team and individual accomplishments to be celebrated. Our U13 boys took out the flag for '22 with the U17 boys awarded minor premiers. The U14 and U17 girls both won their respective grand finals and, yet again, had very successful seasons.

We had great representation at state and national levels and several of our players featured in the state presentation night, receiving LWA awards. It is truly exciting to see the future is in such great hands and that our juniors are so well supported by coaches and managers throughout their junior journey. The season was capped off by a fantastic afternoon at Morley RollerDrome as players, coaches and support staff were recognised for their contribution in 2022.

Three teams represented Bayswater in this year's senior men's division. 2022 was somewhat of a challenging year; however, a lot of positives resulted from it. State League continued to support junior talent development and offered many of the U17 boys' opportunities to develop in training and playing in some senior games. This is exciting to see the next wave of young talent coming through and will provide BLC with a strong future.

Senior women continued to build on the 2021 season and had a positive 2022 season with all grades represented by BLC. With some representation from junior players, it will be exciting to see the upswing in results in the near future. With such talent filling U14 and U17 teams, the future for senior women's is extremely bright for many years ahead.

This year the committee developed a "play book" for international players and will look to potentially host some US or Canadian players in the 2023 season. This playbook and mutual contract between club and guests is crucial in ensuring both parties benefit from the program and our values are adhered to. High level international players will provide the club with not only greater opportunity on the field, but it will also assist in the development of players from all ages. I would encourage the committee to begin the process as early as possible in 2023 and utilise the great foundations created this season.

Financially the club rebounded from the impacted 2021 COVID-19 season. The current year earnings was \$11,319.09 and took our total equity to more than \$85,000. This puts the club in a solid position to spring into 2023 and look to have an even better year as we build momentum of 2022.

In closing, I would like to wish the next BLC President and committee all the very best in continuing the great work done in 2022.

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# 2022 EAST FREMANTLE LACROSSE CLUB

## ANNUAL REPORT

**Tony Martella – President**

2022 was another relatively successful year across the club for several reasons and performance outcomes. The Board of EFLC continues with its ongoing efforts, commitment to the club and willingness to help all club members.

The club was again competitive across all grades with Grand Final appearances by 3 teams, SL Women, Div 2 Men and U15's Men. Special congratulations to these teams for progressing as they did with Div2 Men winning back-to-back premierships. Strong performances and positive results across all teams including coaching, team managers, bench management and officials overall. A number of younger members stepped up into coaching roles this year under the guidance of a more senior coach to improve their skills so they can take on the senior role in coming years. Special focus will be required next year for an increase in umpire participation and officiating with more volunteers required.

And after a couple of years without any interstate competitions it was great to see the number of players from East Fremantle chosen to represent the state in the Senior, U18's and U15's Championships that were held during 2022. In addition, it was also great to see the international scene opening back up with the Womens Senior Championships, the World 6's and Mens U21 World Championships, with EF representing in all.

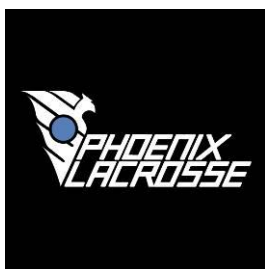
Overall volunteer involvement was good and welcomed and thanks to all concerned for their efforts. The need for more volunteers across all club areas is needed next year to take some of the burden off those regular volunteers who do over and above their fair share of club work.

This year was another important year in which to recognise our club individuals with Certificates of Merit and Life Memberships being awarded to another group of outstanding club members. Congratulations to Michelle Curran and Annabel Wills for their Certificates of Merit and for Tim Kennedy, Wayne Curran and Jessica Kennedy for their Life Member recognition. All worthwhile and deserving members for the club's highest accolade.

A huge thank you goes out to Peter Cann and Neville Delfs who have been the driving force behind the playing field lighting project. This project has now provided for the first time in the club's history the full illumination of Don Rudderham Field (1) and half of Anne-Marie Hall field (2) with the erection of light pole 6 at the end of the season. This project first commenced in 1976 with both Peter and Neville being involved with illuminating the ground for training purposes, so a very long process, and it doesn't stop there with plans in place for two final poles on the other side of field 2 in coming years.

Overall, it was especially pleasing to see the growing number of parents and juniors engaged with and taking part within the club family. Our future lies with our juniors, and it's pleasing to see the steady growth of those new to the club and sport becoming a part of the clubs future.

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# 2022 PHOENIX LACROSSE CLUB

## ANNUAL REPORT

**Colin Moir – President**

2022 has been a year full of highlights, firsts and achievement for our club.

From our new club rooms being built, to new teams and new members being welcomed – it's been great to see our amazing club weave its way through another strong season.

Our Spirit, Values and Sense of Community are alive and well.

### Highlights & Successes

- Our club was awarded the LWA Spirit Award – Sportsmanship and Respect
- Continued progress in fielding another 2 x Women's Teams (State League and U17's) since the re-introduction of our women's program
- Fielding our first U11's team in 4 x years
- Hosting successful LWA Grand Finals Series
- Phoenix Lacrosse Club awarded The Best Medium Sports Club Award at the annual City of Cockburn Awards Night. Such a great achievement, following on from our win for the Best Small Club Award in 2021
- A host of new faces and families that joined our club this year, especially through our junior age groups
- International Recruit – Josh Vetter from Florida Tech who joined our Men's SL program mid-season
- Channel 10 Sport Coverage on their "Around the Grounds" segment

### Challenges

- Our new Clubhouse build began this year. In such an exciting time for our club, it also presented us the opportunity to bring our membership and lax community together in a challenging environment. Working through the season with wet training nights, limited storage and space – it was great to see how everyone pulled together and made it work.

### Acknowledgements

As always, each year we have a number of members who volunteer to help the club in all forms. To our Canteen Crew, Bar Crew, Team Coaches and Managers, Referees, Grounds and Facilities, Uniforms, Equipment, Merchandise, BBQ Crew, Cleaners, Social, General Volunteers. We recognize everyone's input and truly appreciate what you give to our club.

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Our club is extremely fortunate to have an amazing group of people that work tirelessly over the year to lead and guide our club. To our Management Committee, we are fortunate to have your strength and commitment paving the way for the future of our club.

### **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

VICE PRESIDENT:	Cameron Blair
SECRETARY:	Fran Maunton
TREASURER:	Brett Sargent
REGISTRAR:	Matischa Sewell
CLUB MANAGER:	Donelle Smith
DIRECTOR OF MENS:	Aaron Williams
DIRECTOR OF WOMENS:	Glenda Magee
DIRECTOR DEVELOPMENT:	Vacant
DIRECTOR OF OFFICIATING:	Grant Moir

### **Special Acknowledgements:**

City of Cockburn

Lacrosse WA

WA Lacrosse Community

Tam Bakes Cakes

### **On The Field**

This year we were able to field teams in the following grades:

<b>Girl's</b>	1 x U14's, 1 x U17's
<b>Women's</b>	1 x State League
<b>Boy's</b>	1 x U11's, 1 x U13's, 1 x U15's, 1 x U17's
<b>Men's</b>	1 x D3, 1 x State League

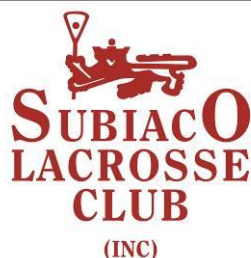
### **Representative Teams**

Season 2022 saw ALL Lacrosse Australia National Tournaments and International Championships back on after a few years of no competition. It was great to have so many members of our club representing their state and country in a big year of Championship Lacrosse.

Whilst we acknowledge our progress in 2022, we now look forward to what 2023 holds for our wonderful club.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to, and supported our club this year. We appreciate you all and look forward to continuing our lacrosse journey together in 2023.

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## 2022 SUBIACO LACROSSE CLUB

### ANNUAL REPORT

**Michael Wann – President**

Our thanks to our faithful volunteers, coaches, parents, members and players who maintained their support of the club's development and operations. We experienced some growth in our player numbers and teams. The commitment and contribution of players, coaches, parents and volunteers maintained our strategic and operational objectives.

With the uncertain commencement of the season with the cancellation of hosting the Anzac Day Game (two seasons in a row) and other fixtures, our club enjoyed many wonderful on and off field successes in 2022. This included 2 Senior Minor Premierships and Grand Final appearances (Women's State League and Men's Division 3) and a Senior Premiership (Women's State League). Additionally, we were very well represented in LWA Senior Awards and All-Star Teams.

Betsy Newman was outstanding in growing our junior player numbers and teams. It has been many years since the clubroom were filled with junior players and parents for a junior presentation event.

We are thankful and proud of the commitment, ongoing development and achievements of our junior players. Extremely grateful to the Phoenix Lacrosse Club for helping make sure we fielded junior teams this past year. In 2022 our U13s, U15s and U17s all teamed with Phoenix to make up numbers.

Our congratulations to Ian Toy for his well-deserved induction as a Lacrosse Australia Life Member.

We are very grateful to our major sponsors Fire Services (Ed Payne) and Hartac (Paul Fischer). Also appreciative of personal donations from Tom Cahill and Luke Arnold.

My thanks to the ongoing support from all the Directors, Coaches, players, parents and volunteers for their commitment and contributions in supporting the operation and development of the Subiaco Lacrosse Club. This ongoing support combined with increasing ownership of senior players across club roles and activities.

#### ***Our highlights included***

- The way we worked through challenges – Anzac Day cancellation and COVID reschedules, Rosalie Park closures, withdrawal of the Women's D2, upgrading of lighting at Rosalie Park and new wall ball area complete with lax goals and finally a new TV.
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- Increase in junior player numbers – Betsy Newman led the amazing growth in player numbers and parent involvement. It's looking bright to have more standalone teams in future years
  - State League Women were very successful in winning the Minor Premiership and Premiership and breaking the 21 year drought.
  - Amazing leadership from Kate Hooper, Dhevan Manu and Kate Churchward
  - Subiaco Women's SL had:
    - 2 x U18's Coaches, Kate Hooper and Dhevan Manu.
    - 5 Senior State Team representatives in Bailey Eastman, Shannon Mitchell, Erin Mitchell, Kate Hooper and Emma Green.
  - To round off the season, Subiaco Women's SL Team also had 5 All-Star recipients, Gavin Leavy, Dhevan Manu, Kate Hooper, Shannon Mitchell, Erin Mitchell.
  - Kate Hooper also received the Kuljak medal for MVP of the Grand Final, Sarah Forbes Trophy for Highest Point Scorer in Women's State League and LWA Runner Up Fairest and Best.
- Division 3 Men – Minor Premiers and unfortunate in the Grand Final. Thanks to Tim Lorian, Ben Reiger, Triso Thomson, David Robinson, Anna Forrest
- Significant number of SLC players achieving LWA Individual Award winners – Andrew Keighery D3 MVP, Aaron Salter (SL MVP), Kate Hooper (Highest Point Scorer and F&B Runner up), Shannon Mitchell (polled high in F&B), All stars in SL Women and Men – Kate Hooper, Erin Mitchell, Shannon Mitchell, Dhevan Manu, Gavin Leavy, Ashby Dennis and Aaron Salter
- Kate Hooper, Dhevan Manu and Ashby Dennis all coached State U18s Women's and Men's Teams
- Gavin Leavy successfully coached and led the Australian U21s Men Team
- Shannon and Erin Mitchell, and Jaesaya Bidwell Barton achieved Australian team representation
- Panel referees including Blair Fraser and Ethan Kentfield (Men)



*2022 State League Women's Premiers  
Photo credit Sam Gosling*



# 2022 WANNEROO-JOONDALUP

## LACROSSE CLUB

## ANNUAL REPORT

**Matt Angwin – President**

Season 2022 was always going to be a tough one for the Wanneroo-Joondalup Lacrosse club with so much pain and heartache still around the club from last year, I was really concerned with how this might affect members coming back to the club this year, but it was really pleasing to see us retain most of our members from the year before as well as some new faces join our community. Most importantly, we started to repair and heal as a club. We had 250 members all up in season 2022, spread all through Juniors, Seniors, Men's & Women's.

Wanneroo-Joondalup had the following teams in season 2022

U11s mixed, 2x U13 Boy's, U14 Girl's, U15 Boy's, U17 Boy's & Girl's, D3 Men's, D2 Men's & Women's and State League Men's and Women's.

Highlights of the season for the club: U13 Boys Blue Runner up, U15 Boy's Winners & Minor Premiers, U14's Girl's Runner up & Minor Premiers, U17's Girl's Runner up, D2 Men's Runner up & Minor Premiers, D2 Women Minor Premiers & Winners, SL Men's Runner up.

For the first time in along time our club had a state league Women's coach who was not a player coach and this gave our senior Women's numbers a huge boost at training out doing the senior Men's numbers at training most weeks.

It was very disappointing to have people affiliated to members of our club, get reported throughout the year. I would like to thank ALRA(WA) and LWA for working with me to make sure we followed the right steps and in making sure the right penalty was served. Hopefully moving forward our members pull their heads in and we do not find ourselves in the same position next year.

For the first time in 3 years, we inducted a new Life Member Stuart Walker at our Senior Awards night which was well received by all in attendance.

All in all, this year was one of ups and downs for the Wanneroo-Joondalup Lacrosse Club, but at the end of it we come out much stronger and better off for it & well placed for season 2023.

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# 2022 WEMBLEY LACROSSE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT

**Amanda Plummer – President**

With Covid impacting the start of the 2022 season, it was nice to see players and clubs all back on board for a full season this year. Thank you to the LWA Board for all of the work behind the changes in relation to the covid impacts. Always challenging dealing with new and constantly changing landscapes, rules and regulations, but LWA was consistently communicating and always prepared to support clubs in their given situations. Thankyou.

Wembley had another year with a full committee contingency. Something we have been working hard on prior to the club's AGM. Volunteering has taken a hard blow following Covid and this is evident all over community sport. Knowing this we are always trying to encourage members to give back, but ensure we work within their means and capabilities to ensure we have members that feel valued and breaking down roles to ensure they aren't too onerous.



*2022 U20 Australian Men's Team Captain  
Lucas Koczwara*

We had a fairly good return to club numbers this year thankfully. We saw that most players wanted to get back into it. A big change to our registration process requiring payment upon registration, helped with time for the finance director having to follow up and contact members down the track. We are still finessing this process and minimising the options for member's payment so that the expectation is to pay up front, and decide early on the commitment to the season ahead.

Our website was given a well over due facelift and brought into the current century. With colourful images from our summer league that celebrated the club, as well as history and an online merchandise store was a good addition.

Income was again affected from the lack of full men's rounds being able to be hosted at home. LWA was very supportive of any changes to enable less interruption to clubs and players.

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WLC was host to the 2022 U15 National Competition at the Joondalup Arena. A 3-year project that was quite a costly option to host at an external venue with such a big brand and reputation. But thankfully with a great support network within the club and working committee, we saw the club make a good profit that was worth the time and effort, that gave this age group a wonderful spectacle and return to high performance.



*The 2022 LA U15 National Tournament is the biggest Lacrosse event on the Australian calendar*

An overall reflection from the season is very positive. LWA worked very well with all clubs and communication was always very constant and clear. Only comments I would have been that I felt Development could have been a little more constant and a few more actions between meeting to ensure clubs are being communicated with and feel a part of a working group with similar focus and interests. Given this is our grass roots and recruit area a strong energy and focus is critical. Building and continuing relations is crucial in this area especially which I think lacked to some degree. We continue to seek information relating to finance. I know LWA's focus a couple of years ago was to ensure finances was sorted prior to end of year, so a projection could be made early for clubs to be able to make decision and their own projections for the new season ahead. However as stated above, we understand the situation faced in a volunteer environment and are extremely appreciative.

With alternative options and platforms of different models for our season, I would love to add to the conversation and to do list, to include another product other than our current winter program. Our sport constantly struggles against the constraints of its volunteer base and funding, and competing against major sports. We are really limiting our growth by only having one season and product on offer that currently competes against all major winter sports and on the same days. I think its imperative we start the conversation about how we can increase the product options we have in the current system and how these can even be administered and run with limited outlay, to increase not only participant numbers, but the avenues we currently have on offer for new players to enrol.

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## 2022 ALRA(WA) ANNUAL REPORT

**Tim Kennedy – President**

The 2022 season proved to be a season which gave rise to as many highs as it did lows for the ALRA(WA). Whilst COVID still managed to have an impact early in the season, it was nice to be able to get back to some normality on the lacrosse field and to be able to reunite with referees outside Western Australia.

On a domestic level, senior referee numbers managed to hold relatively steady from years past with enough referees to be able to meet requirements in the higher grades, but with a number of vacancies still throughout Division 2 and Division 3. To that end, I would like to thank our clubs for their efforts in attempting to address shortfalls. It is hoped that heading into 2023, in conjunction with clubs, we will see the number vacancies decline in senior ranks and look to improve pathways for transitioning players in refereeing and attracting non-players to referee.

Juniors refereeing number were however a significant concern. This year, ALRA(WA) found that very few clubs were able to utilize the same referees on a regular basis with many clubs using different referees from week to week. Whilst I can appreciate the difficulties faced by clubs in finding junior referees, this directly feeds into issues surrounding the application of rules and refereeing quality. If the referees that officiate games changes every week, it is impossible to set a standard and quality suffers, particularly in grades with rule modifications such as U13's and to a lesser extent, U15's. This also becomes problematic in U11's where the difficulty in establishing a cognizant rule book leads to confusion and inconsistency which is not a good look on field. More on this below.

On a National level, the highlight of the year was being able to have our officials participate in interstate and international events. This started at the Seniors with WA well represented across that Championship as well as the 18's. We were represented in Limerick, Ireland this year on-field and off-field, with a particular shout out to Western Australian refereeing legend – Lindsay Scott – who was awarded the 2022 International Officiating Award for making a significant worldwide impact to the growth and development of lacrosse officiating. The year then finished on another high with a number of young Western Australians referees making their debuts at the U15 National Tournament.

2022 also highlighted some concerns for referees moving forward. 2022 saw an increase in poor behaviour towards referees, particularly from spectators. This is an issue that is not unique to

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lacrosse, but it doesn't make it right. Adding to this is the difficulty faced in disciplining poor spectator behaviour. ALRA(WA) attempted to work with clubs to rectify this behaviour and for those clubs who we worked with on this front, I thank you. We have a terrific group of Club Presidents at the moment and their willingness to help address this behaviour was welcomed. Sadly, though reports were still made and it highlights some difficulties in terms of imposing penalties which could act as a deterrent. ALRA(WA) looks forward to working with clubs in this respect.



*2022 "Spirit of Lacrosse" recipient – Phoenix LC*

The other concern, as mentioned above, is the decline in regular junior referees. Whilst not oblivious to the issues, we also can't accept it. ALRA(WA) has moved towards a simplified accreditation model to ensure that referees are able to discharge their obligations competently, but more needs to be done to attract regular referees. Poor, and often uneducated, spectator behaviour is a large deterrent for new referees but it's hoped that we can work with clubs in 2023 to find new ways to attract referees.

Last year, we set ourselves three distinct challenges for 2022. We achieved 2 of them in terms of establishing a new set of rules (which we trust will be formalized in the coming months ahead of 2023) designed to ensure mandatory accreditation. We also created a new series of accreditations for local junior rule variations. Unfortunately, due to commitments elsewhere, the expansion of ALRA(WA) objectives to include Women's officials was unable to be completed.

That leads to 2023 where ALRA (WA) will again look to continue its evolution focusing on the following key objectives:

1. Unifying Men's referees and Women's umpires under a single banner;
2. Finalising and enforcing accreditation requirements for all officials;
3. Working on junior referee numbers by working with clubs to attract new officials to take up refereeing on a regular basis; and
4. Improving collaboration with clubs with a focus on rule knowledge (through training and seminars for all age groups)

Thank you to my committee in 2022 for bearing with me as I looked to work on a few things and I look forward to a productive 2023.

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# KULJAK LACROSSE CLUB (Inc)

## 2022 KULJAK LACROSSE CLUB (INC)

**Peter Ballarine – President**

LIFE MEMBERS - 1989: HAROLD HORNER (Dec) 1995: LUKE PITSIKAS (Dec), ERIC BIDDLE (Dec), 2009: IAN TOY

The 2022 **Kuljak Annual Breakfast** held at the Hillarys Yacht Club on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March was a tremendous success with just under 60 attending. A big thanks to everyone for coming along and especially the 22 guests (friends, partners and wives). It was a most entertaining morning with many stories and reminiscing the order of the day. The venue is brilliant and the breakfast is always delicious. Among the many members who attended was John Hiron who was on holidays from the US.

Thanks again to Ian Toy who is a member of HYC and was able to get the venue at no charge and to Gary Powell for persuading Harvey Deegan to be our guest speaker. This is the third guest speaker Gary has arranged for the club. Harvey gave us an insight into the media world and included many of his radio and life experiences. President Peter Ballarine presented Harvey with a copy of the Kuljak book "A History of the WA Lacrosse Association" as a token of the Club's appreciation.

**The 2022 Kuljak AGM** was held at Bayswater Clubrooms on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022. Many thanks to Bayswater for your support and allowing us to use your clubrooms. Thank you to all those who attended. Members enjoyed a complimentary drink following the meeting.

The position of Vice President was the only position not filled: The committee is: President Peter Ballarine, Secretary Terry Ambler, Treasurer Ian Toy and Committee Member Peter Smirk.

The 2022 Kuljak Annual Dinner was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> August in the new Rivergum Room at the RAAFA, Bullcreek. 50 attended the night which was a roaring success. The **THEME** for the night was to celebrate the 50 year anniversary of the 1972 Men's WA team who won the Australian Senior Men's Championship. President Peter Ballarine was at his best as our MC. Peter Smirk conducted another amusing fines session, the raffle was drawn and thanks to Dave Schomburg from East Fremantle (who supplied the raffle prizes of wine packs) many went home with a prize. The Kuljak All Star Aged Team (made up by the 12 most senior members attending) was another feature of the night.

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*Back row: Graham Rose, Chas Gates, Peter Smirk, Laslo Tiszavolgyi. Middle: Albie Paull, Ian Toy, Harry Matthews  
Front: Roger Smith, Rae Smith, Chris Milne, Don Rudderham, Bob Taylor.*

A special moment for Ian Toy on the night was the presentation of Life Membership of the Australian Lacrosse Council. The award was presented by President Peter Ballarine and long-time Kuljak member Don Rudderham.



**MVP Award** - Kuljak continued its medal tradition by funding and awarding the Kuljak MVP Medal to the players voted the Most Valuable Player in the Men's and Women's State League Grand Finals. The winners were Lucas Wood from Wembley and Kate Hooper from Subiaco.



*President Peter Ballarine & Secretary Terry Ambler presented the Kuljak MVP medal to Lucas Wood and Treasurer Ian Toy presented the Kuljak MVP medal to Kate Hooper*

**Membership** – Welcome to our ten new members: Beth Downsborough, Ed Downsborough, Phil Downsborough, Cheryl Campbell, Nathan Rainey, Craig Wilson, Dave Schomburg, Matthew Borserini, Anthony Smirk and Mark Paull.

Unfortunately four of our members passed away this year: Warren Gaunt, Frank Johnson, Don Hosken and Robert Tailor.

Kuljak membership is open to everyone, both men and women so if you are retired or in your twilight years as a player you are welcome to join up. Stay connected to Western Australian lacrosse and enjoy the company of other like-minded people. The main events for the year are the Annual Breakfast in March and the Annual Dinner in August.

**The Western Australian Government Containers for Change Program.** Kuljak has continued to raise funds via this program allowing it to continue supporting Western Australian Lacrosse. Kuljak has a Scheme ID (C10301354) which can be used when returning eligible containers to a Refund Point.

The Kuljak book “**A History of the Western Australian Lacrosse Association**” is still available and is provided as part of a new membership package. It is also available to purchase.

**Kuljak Whiteman Youth Sponsorship** - As a member of Kuljak, members may have access to this scheme that financially supports members’ children, grandchildren and great grandchildren who achieve under age State and Australian team selection and are currently playing in a WA team. This year Kuljak sponsored East Fremantle player Matthew Borserini who competed for WA in the U18’s Australian Lacrosse Championships.

Kuljak provides four **Newsletters** per year. If you or your club would like to add an article to our Newsletter please send it to The Secretary (kuljakwa@outlook.com).

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## NATIONAL, STATE AND REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

### 2022 U21 Australian Men's Team – WA Representatives

*2022 U21 Men's World Championship, Limerick, Ireland*

Jaesaya Bidwell-Barton	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Daniel Bowater	East Fremantle
Lucas Koczwara	Wembley

Ethan Moir	Phoenix
Thomas Richards	East Fremantle
Travis Wolfe	Phoenix

#### Team Personnel

Gavin Leavy	East Fremantle	Head Coach
Matt Devoy	East Fremantle	State Based Coach

#### Official

Tim Kennedy	East Fremantle	Referee
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*L-R – Connor McDonough, Ethan Moir, Jae Bidwell-Barton, Gavin Leavy, Lucas Koczwara, Thomas Richards, Travis Wolfe and Daniel Bowater*



## 2022 Australian Women's Team – WA Representatives

*2022 Women's World Cup, Towson, USA*

Madison Copeland

East Fremantle

Ashtyn Hiron

Phoenix

### Team Personnel

Rebecca Banyard

Wembley

State Based Coach

### Officials

Suzanne Kirkby

Alkimos

Umpire

Susan Milne

East Fremantle

Umpire

Kellie Morley

Wanneroo-Joondalup

Umpire



*Ashtyn Hiron and Madison Copeland*

## 2022 Australian Women's Sixes Team – WA Representatives

2022 Women's World Cup, Towson, USA

### BRONZE MEDALISTS



Tegan Brown

East Fremantle

Ashtyn Hiron

Phoenix

Alternate

Ocea Leavy

Wembley

*Ashtyn Hiron and Tegan Brown*

## 2022 Australian Men's Sixes Team – WA Representatives

2022 World Games, Alabama, USA

Thomas Graham

Bayswater

Tim Stone

Subiaco

Lachlan Walker

Wanneroo-Joondalup

Alternates

Jordan Gillespie

Wanneroo-Joondalup

Ryan Hockey

East Fremantle

Brayden Panting

Wembley



*Thomas Graham, Tim Stone and Lachlan Walker*

## 2022 U23 Australian Women's Team – WA Representatives

Olivia Antulov	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Baillie Keenan	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Erin Mitchell	Subiaco
Shannon Mitchell	Subiaco

### Team Personnel

Faye Beaman	Bayswater	Team Manager
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## 2022 WA Senior Men's State Team

Brock Beall	East Fremantle
Jean Bronkhorst	East Fremantle
Liam Bryant	Bayswater
Ashby Dennis	Subiaco
Matt Devoy	East Fremantle
Ashby Farrell	Wembley
Jordan Gillespie	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Rhett Johnstone	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Sam Koczwar	Wembley

Ben Muxlow	Wembley
Brayden Panting	Wembley
Jaidyn Rodrigues	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Ryan Spark	East Fremantle
Lachlan Spickett	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Lachlan Walker	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Luke Walton	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Lucas Wood	Wembley
Matt Wood	Wembley

*Game Day MVP's: Jaidyn Rodrigues, Brock Beall, Liam Bryant, Lachlan Walker, Matt Wood*



### Team Personnel

Head Coach	Adam Jorre de St Jorre	Bayswater
Assistant Coach	Glenn Morley	Bayswater
Team Manager	Nathan Forner	Bayswater

## 2022 WA Senior Women's State Team

Julie Ames	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Olivia Antulov	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Natasha Bronkhorst	East Fremantle
Tegan Brown	East Fremantle
Rhiannon Chenoweth	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Madison Copeland	East Fremantle
Demi Czynski	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Bailey Eastman	Wembley

Emma Green	Subiaco
Baillie-Rose Keenan	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Ashtyn Hiron	Phoenix
Kate Hooper	Subiaco
Riley Magee	Wembley
Erin Mitchell	Subiaco
Shannon Mitchell	Subiaco
Holly Plummer	Wembley

*Game Day MVP's: Tegan Brown, Olivia Antulov x2, Shannon Mitchell, Bailey Eastman*



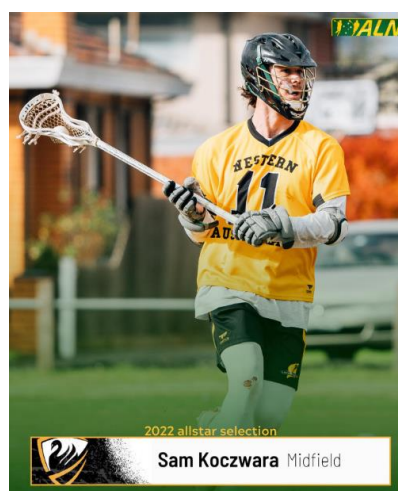
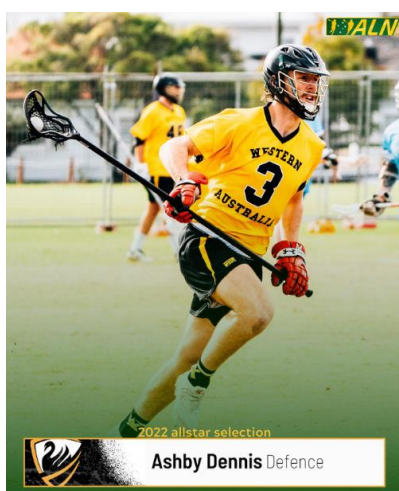
### Team Personnel

Head Coach	Meagan Shanks	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Team Manager	Faye Beaman	Bayswater

## 2022 LA Senior Men's and Women's All Star Teams

Tegan Brown	East Fremantle
Bailey Eastman	Subiaco

Ashby Dennis	Subiaco
Sam Koczwar	Wembley



### Officials

Tim Kennedy	East Fremantle/ALRA(WA)	Referee
David McRae	Wembley/ALRA(WA)	Referee
Ian McRae	Wembley/ALRA(WA)	Officiating Coach
Susan Milne	East Fremantle	Umpire
Kellie Morley	Wanneroo-Joondalup	Umpire
Kim Panton	Wanneroo-Joondalup/ALRA(WA)	Referee



## 2022 WA U18 Boy's State Team

Matthew Borserini	East Fremantle
Clancy Buckley	Bayswater
Casey Burton	Bayswater
Charlie Clarke	Wembley
Jack Cooper	Wembley
Luka Dillon	East Fremantle
Frazer Gill	Wembley
James Grey	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Lachlan Griffin	Wembley
Aidan Holmes	East Fremantle

Brody Leahy	Bayswater
Joseph Manning	East Fremantle
Jed Martella	East Fremantle
Campbell Mitchell	East Fremantle
Kade Moir	Phoenix
John Narbey	Wembley
Riley Pyne	Phoenix
Harrison Summerell	Phoenix
Charlie Warren	East Fremantle

*Game Day MVP's: Charlie Clarke, Charlie Warren, Joseph Manning, Matthew Borserini*



### Team Personnel

Head Coach	Ashby Dennis	Subiaco
Assistant Coach	Chris Warren	East Fremantle
Team Manager	Sara Cooper	Wembley
Assistant Manager	Lara Clarke	Wembley

## 2022 WA U18 Girl's State Team

Summer Buckman	East Fremantle
Bindi Buckman	East Fremantle
Marah Crane	Alkimos
Demi Czynski	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Emily Dawson	East Fremantle
Chloe Duckworth	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Samara Edwards	Wembley
Emma Ee	Bayswater

Charlotte Hogg	Wembley
Hesmarie Husselmann	Bayswater
Veronica Keen	Bayswater
Ruby Koczwarra	Wembley
Wallace Magee	Wembley
Holly Plummer	Wembley
Paige Pownell	Phoenix
Lucy Wills	East Fremantle

*Game Day MVP's: Demi Czynski, Emily Dawson, Holly Plummer, Veronica Keen*



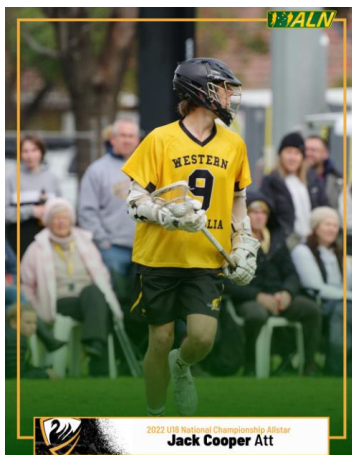
### Team Personnel

Head Coach	Kate Hooper	Subiaco
Assistant Coach	Dhevan Manu	Subiaco
Assistant Coach	Brendan Ballarine	Alkimos
Team Manager	Lisa Bell	Bayswater
Assistant Manager	Todd Keen	Bayswater

## 2022 LA U18 Boy's and Girl's All Star Teams

Emily Dawson	East Fremantle
Ruby Koczwarra	Wembley
Holly Plummer	Wembley

Jack Cooper	Wembley
Joseph Manning	Eats Fremantle
Kade Moir	Phoenix



### Officials

Steph Allen	Wembley	Umpire in Charge
Julie Ames	Wanneroo-Joondalup	Umpire
Nicole McKenna	Bayswater	Umpire
Peter Mulcahy	Wanneroo-Joondalup	Officiating Coach
Michelle Rohrlach	Wanneroo-Joondalup	Deputy Umpire in Charge
Laslo Tiszavolgyi	Wanneroo-Joondalup/ALRA(WA)	Officiating Coach
Mitchell Walmsley	Wanneroo-Joondalup/ALRA(WA)	Referee



## 2022 Under 15's Regional Girls' Team – Flames

Saratha Brandes de Roos	Bayswater
Zia Carlson	Phoenix
Nikilah Carson	Bayswater
Georgia Carter	Bayswater
Abbie Jennings	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Koda Jobson	Bayswater
Claire Lawrance	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Charlotte Macey	Wembley

Sofie McBean	Bayswater
Willow Musca	Wembley
Macy Parker	East Fremantle
Kori Rainey	Phoenix
Addison Riordan	Bayswater
Ella Rose	Wembley
Siobhan Symonds	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Maddison Walters	Bayswater

*Game Day MVP's: Addison Riordan, Abbie Jennings, Nikilah Carson, Kori Rainey, Claire Lawrance, Ella Rose*



### Team Personnel

Head Coach	Matt Angwin	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Assistant Coach	Olivia Antulov	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Junior Assistant Coach	Demi Czynski	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Team Manager	Mel Rainey	Phoenix
Assistant Manager	Tammy Williamson	Bayswater



## 2022 Under 15's Regional Girls' Team – Stars

Chanel Ager	Bayswater
Josephine Barnett	Wembley
Sofia Birighitti	Wembley
Trinity Buckman	East Fremantle
Ashlee Burton	Bayswater
Madison Carroll	Wembley
Alice Dawson	East Fremantle
Tahlia Edwards	Wembley

Isla Emmerson	East Fremantle
Briga Gould	Wembley
Sienna Lewis-Fernandez	East Fremantle
Victoria Narbey	Wembley
Freya Pyne	Phoenix
Charli-Rose Rodwell	East Fremantle
Elizabeth Roost	Phoenix
Mia Taylor	Bayswater

*Game Day MVP's: Tahlia Edwards, Charli-Rose Rodwell, Josephine Barnett, Chanel Ager, Freya Pyne, Madison Carroll*



### Team Personnel

Head Coach	Michelle Dawson	East Fremantle
Head Coach	Sophia Moore	Wembley
Team Manager	Alycia Reynolds	Bayswater
Assistant Manager	Gayle Emmerson	East Fremantle

## 2022 Under 15's Regional Boys' Team – Braves

Oliver Bell	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Christian Beor	Bayswater
Bryn Cureton	Phoenix
Ashton Czynski	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Lachlan Daniel	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Kai Eade	East Fremantle
Aljhier Escasinas	Bayswater
Finn Everall	East Fremantle
William Frencham	Bayswater

Tyler Hill	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Brayden Hogan	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Jared Lance	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Jack McCracken	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Ethan O'Donnell	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Luke Shelton	Phoenix
Lachlan Wills	East Fremantle
Samuel Wilson-Banks	Phoenix

*Game Day MVP's: Lachlan Wills, Tyler Hill, Kai Eade, Brayden Hogan, Finn Everall, Bryn Cureton*



### Team Personnel

Head Coach	Justin Weber	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Assistant Coach	Josh Vetter	Phoenix
Team Manager	Annabel Wills	East Fremantle

## 2022 Under 15's Regional Boys' Team – Thunder

Nicholas Day	Wembley
Tyson Gill	Wembley
Rowan Glass	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Jett Hall	Wembley
Naga Sri Vaishnov Kasarla	Wembley
Reuben Mann	Wembley
Thomas Maschler	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Jake Matheson	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Alexander Mitchell-Lewis	Wembley

Oscar Myhre	Wembley
Hayden Nesbitt	Wembley
Lincoln Plummer	Wembley
Cooper Reiger-Livich	Wembley
Daniel Rodrigues	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Tom Warren	East Fremantle
Mitchell White	Bayswater
Riley Wright	Wanneroo-Joondalup

*Game Day MVP's: Mitchell White, Jake Matheson, Daniel Rodrigues, Tom Warren, Alexander Mitchell-Lewis, Riley Wright*



### Team Personnel

Head Coach	Kim Gillespie	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Assistant Coach	Paul Rosier	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Team Manager	Joy Glass	Wanneroo-Joondalup



## Officials

Ian McRae	Wembley/ALRA(WA)	Referee in Chief
Kellie Morley	Wanneroo-Joondalup	Umpire in Charge
Susan Milne	East Fremantle	Deputy Umpire in Charge
Steph Allen	Wembley	Officiating Coach
Julie Ames	Wanneroo-Joondalup	Umpire
Rachel Anderson	Bayswater	Umpire
Carole Bowland	Bayswater	Umpire
Brianna Curran-Turner	East Fremantle	Umpire
Tayla Danby	Subiaco	Umpire
Antoni Giglia	Phoenix	Referee
Lachlan Griffin	Wembley	Referee
Ethan Kentfield	Subiaco/ALRA(WA)	Referee
Mackenzie Liddelow	Wembley	Umpire
Peter Mulcahy	Wanneroo-Joondalup/ALRA(WA)	Referee/Officiating Coach
Aimee Olofsson	Subiaco	Umpire
Nikolas Sneddon	Bayswater	Referee
Laslo Tiszavolgyi	Wanneroo-Joondalup/ALRA(WA)	Officiating Coach



# WA RESULTS AND AWARDS 2022 – SENIOR COMPETITION

## MEN'S STATE LEAGUE

Premiers  
Minor Premiers  
Fairest & Best Player  
Runner Up  
MVP Grand Final  
Highest Point Scorer

Wembley  
Wembley  
Aaron Salter (Subiaco)  
Josh Vetter (Phoenix)  
Lucas Wood (Wembley)  
Jesse Stack (East Fremantle)  
Brayden Panting (Wembley) (tie)

IJ Taylor Shield  
Lapsley Cup  
Regal Cup  
  
Kuljak Medal  
Cann-Griffin Cup

Spirit of Lacrosse Award

Phoenix Lacrosse Club



2022 Men's State League Premiers and Minor Premiers – Wembley



2022 LWA Men's State League Fairest and Best – Aaron Salter, R/U Josh Vetter & Highest Point Scorer (tied) – Jesse Stack & Brayden Panting  
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## LACROSSE WA MEN'S ALL STAR TEAM

Goalkeeper	Rhett Johnstone	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Defence	Brock Beall	East Fremantle
Defence	Ashby Dennis	Subiaco
Defence	Stuart Bentley	Wembley
Midfield	Tyler Redman	East Fremantle
Midfield	Max Sadka	Wembley
Face Off	Aaron Salter	Subiaco
Attack	Josh Polkinghorne	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Attack	Lucas Wood	Wembley
Attack	Brayden Panting	Wembley
Coach	Alex Brown	Wembley



## LACROSSE WA WOMEN'S ALL STAR TEAM

2022 LWA Men's State League – All Stars

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Goalkeeper	Olivia Antulov	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Defence	Emma Graham	East Fremantle
Defence	Dhevan Manu	Subiaco
Midfield	Madison Copeland	East Fremantle
Midfield	Ashtyn Hiron	Phoenix
Midfield	Baillie-Rose Keenan	Wanneroo-Joondalup
Midfield	Shannon Mitchell	Subiaco
Midfield	Rhiannon Panting	Wembley
Centre	Kate Hooper	Subiaco
Attack	Tegan Brown	East Fremantle
Attack	Erin Mitchell	Subiaco
Coach	Gavin Leavy	Subiaco

2022 LWA Women's State League – All Stars

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## WOMEN'S STATE LEAGUE

Premiers

Minor Premiers

Fairest & Best Player

Runner Up

MVP Grand Final

Highest Point Scorer

Subiaco

Subiaco

Rhiannon Panting (Wembley)

Kate Hooper (Subiaco)

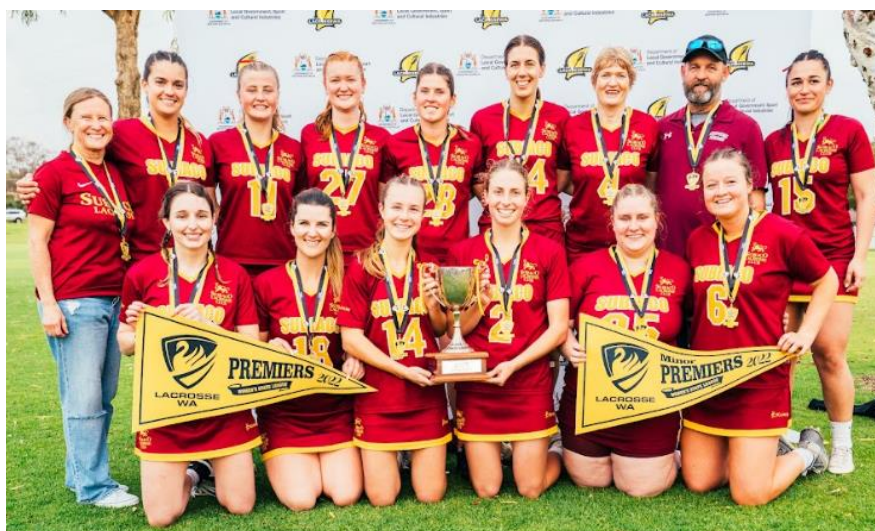
Kate Hooper (Subiaco)

Kate Hooper (Subiaco)

LWA Rae Reid Cup

Kuljak Medal

Sarah Forbes Trophy



2022 Women's State League Premiers – Subiaco Photo credit Sam Gosling



2022 LWA Women's State League Fairest and Best Rhiannon Panting and Runner up Kate Hooper

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Highest Point Scorer and Kuljak Medallist for Grand Final MVP – Kate Hooper



## MEN'S DIVISION 2

Premiers

Minor Premiers

Fairest & Best Player

MVP Grand Final

East Fremantle

Wanneroo-Joondalup

Wayne Curran (East Fremantle)

Stuart Walker (Wanneroo-Joondalup) (tie)

Wayne Curran (East Fremantle)

Jubilee Trophy

Clarke Cup

Morris & Scott Trophy

Cyrrill Allman Medal



2022 Men's Division 2 Premiers – East Fremantle

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2022 LWA Men's Division 2 Fairest and Best (tied) Wayne Curran and Stuart Walker

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## WOMEN'S DIVISION 2

Premiers

Minor Premiers

Fairest & Best Player

Runner Up

MVP Grand Final

Wanneroo-Joondalup

Wanneroo-Joondalup

Chelsea Packham (Alkimos)

Lily Reynolds (Wanneroo-Joondalup)

Ellie Marlow (Wanneroo-Joondalup)



2022 Women's Division 2 Premiers and Minor Premiers – Wanneroo-Joondalup Photo credit Sam Gosling



2022 LWA Women's Division 2 Fairest and Best Runner Up Lily Reynolds and LWA Medal winner – Ellie Marlow



## MEN'S DIVISION 3

Premiers

Minor Premiers

Fairest & Best Player

Runner Up

MVP Grand Final

Alkimos "Pirates"

Subiaco

Andrew Keighry (Subiaco)

Brett Cobb (Wembley)

Josh Kos (Alkimos)

WA Lacrosse Assoc. Trophy

Lloyd Paul Perpetual Trophy

Keenscreen Brine Trophy

LWA Medal



2022 Men's Division 3 Premiers – Alkimos "Pirates"

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2022 LWA Men's Division 3 LWA Medallist - Joshua Kos

## WA RESULTS AND AWARDS 2022 – JUNIOR COMPETITION

### MEN'S U17's

Premiers  
Minor Premiers  
Fairest & Best Player  
Runner Up

Wembley  
Bayswater  
Charlie Clarke (Wembley)  
Clancy Buckley (Bayswater)

Ramsay Trophy  
Greg Wheatley Trophy  
Jeff Kennedy Trophy



2022 Men's U17 Premiers – Wembley

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2022 LWA Men's U17's Fairest and Best  
Charlie Clarke, Runner up Clancy Buckley



2022 LWA Women's U17's Fairest and Best  
Veronica Keen, Runner up Kori Rainey



## WOMEN'S U17's

Premiers

Minor Premiers

Fairest & Best Player

Runner Up

Bayswater

Bayswater

Veronica Keen (Bayswater)

Kori Rainey (Phoenix)



2022 Women's U17 Premiers and Minor Premiers - Bayswater

## MEN'S U15's

Premiers

Minor Premiers

Fairest & Best Player

Runner Up

Wanneroo-Joondalup

Wanneroo-Joondalup

Mitchell White (Bayswater)

Jake Matheson (Wanneroo-Joondalup)

Brian Griffin Trophy

Rob Taylor Trophy

Steve Mounsey Trophy



2022 Men's U15 Premiers – Wanneroo-Joondalup



## WOMEN'S U14's

Premiers

Minor Premiers

Fairest & Best Player

Runner Up

Bayswater

Wanneroo-Joondalup

Ashton Czynski (Wanneroo-Joondalup)

Nikilah Carson (Bayswater)



2021 Women's U14 Premiers and Minor Premiers – Bayswater



2022 LWA Men's U15's Fairest & Best  
Mitchell White, R/U Jake Matheson



2022 LWA U14's Fairest & Best  
Ashton Czynski, R/U Nikki Carson



2022 LWA Men's U13's Fairest & Best  
Will Frencham, R/U Jack McCracken

## MEN'S U13's

Premiers  
Minor Premiers  
Fairest & Best Player  
Runner Up

Bayswater  
Wembley  
Will Frencham (Bayswater)  
Jack McCracken (Wanneroo-Joondalup)

Premiers Trophy  
Minor Premier's Trophy  
Murray Keen Trophy



*2022 Men's U13 Premiers and Minor Premiers – Bayswater*