



Leeming Sports Association

A history of the LSA 1986-2013

Brian Waterer/Graeme Ashley

A history of the LSA from inception in 1986 to 2013, including ten years in the new Complex

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On the completion of the sporting complex at Connell Reserve in Dimond Court Leeming the Melville City Council invited several possible tenants to a meeting with a view to forming an association to be responsible for the complex. The invited groups were :-

Bowmen of Melville
Bullcreek and Leeming Progress Association.
Bullcreek Spartan Cricket Club.
Leeming Lions Club.
Melville Allemania Soccer Club.
South Perth Baseball Club.

Ultimately only the cricket and soccer clubs showed any positive interest so they were invited to form the Leeming Sports Association. A steering committee was formed between the two clubs to draft a constitution and to take the necessary steps to apply for incorporated status for the new association. This committee was:-

Ms B.Hoffman	MASC
G.S.Mazzini	BSCC
D.Minter	MASC
D.Powell	MASC
P.A.Read	BSCC
B.M.Waterer	BSCC

The Leeming Sports Association became a legal body on the 1st March 1986. The two clubs pooled their furniture to equip the premises and the soccer club's liquor license was also transferred from Shearer Reserve their previous home ground.

The initial office bearers were:-

<i>President</i>	D.Powell	MASC
<i>Vice President</i>	B.M.Waterer	BSCC
<i>Secretary</i>	Ms B.Hoffman	MASC
<i>Treasurer</i>	D.Minter	MASC
<i>Committee</i>	G.S.Mazzini	BSCC
	P.A.Read	BSCC

To comply with the constitution the Association's first general meeting was held in November with the elected committee being :-

<i>President</i>	D.Powell	MASC
<i>Vice President</i>	B.M.Waterer	BSCC
<i>Secretary</i>	Ms B.Hoffman	MASC
<i>Treasurer</i>	P.A.Read	BSCC
<i>Committee</i>	D.J.Blight	BSCC
	H.Gaschk	MASC

During 1987 a Montessori school hired the premises from 9am to 4 pm Monday to Friday and their rent went a long way towards establishing the clubrooms as a viable concern.

At the 1987 November A.G.M. the same committee was returned.

In 1988 an After School Child Care Centre replaced the Montessori School as tenants.

An area to the south of the clubrooms, and only some thirty metres from the clubhouse, was cleared and the land graded and planted with grass to establish greens for the newly formed Leeming Bowling Club. It was hoped the greens would be ready for competition by February 1989. It was first estimated that the Bowling Club would not get their own clubrooms for two to three years and that in the meantime they would become part of the LSA and share their premises. However the bowling Club purchased a school demountable building and adapted this to their needs so they became an independent body from the LSA.

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The 1988 A.G.M. saw quite a change in personnel due to a change in the soccer club's executive. The cricket club had also changed their name from *Bullcreek* to *Leeming Spartan Cricket Club*

<i>President</i>	B.M.Waterer	LSCC
<i>Vice President</i>	G.G.Gaschk	MASC
<i>Secretary</i>	G.Endres	MASC
<i>Treasurer</i>	P.A.Read	LSCC
<i>Committee</i>	D.J.Blight	LSCC
	H.Gaschk	MASC

The 1989 A.G.M. Saw more changes to the committee but this time it was due to changes in the cricket club structure.

<i>President</i>	B.M.Waterer	LSCC
<i>Vice President</i>	G.G.Gaschk	MASC
<i>Secretary</i>	G.Endres	MASC
<i>Treasurer</i>	N.R.Wood	LSCC
<i>Committee</i>	W.L.Farmer	LSCC
	H.Gaschk	MASC

A dancing school had joined the Child Care centre as sub-tenants which helped meet most of the LSA's bills.

The 1990 A.G.M. saw the following committee elected:-

<i>President</i>	B.M.Waterer	LSCC
<i>Vice President</i>	H.Gaschk	MASC
<i>Secretary</i>	G.G.Gaschk	MASC
<i>Treasurer</i>	N.R.Wood	LSCC
<i>Committee</i>	R.Barnes	MASC
	W.L.Farmer	LSCC

The 1991 A.G.M. saw the same committee re-elected. The dancing school folded due to lack of pupils so they were lost to the LSA as tenants and to compound the problems this caused the Child Care Centre moved to another venue. This meant that the two clubs now had a much increased financial responsibility towards the LSA which was to mount into quite a problem.

The Soccer Club amalgamated with the Corinthian Soccer Club and changed their name to *Melville Corinthians*. The 1992 A.G.M. elected the following committee:-

<i>President</i>	B.M.Waterer	LSCC
<i>Vice President</i>	H.Gaschk	MCSC
<i>Secretary</i>	G.G.Gaschk	MCSC
<i>Treasurer</i>	N.R.Wood	LSCC
<i>Committee</i>	W.L.Farmer	LSCC
	G.Jordan	MCSC

The ground facilities were improved by the addition of two more sets of practice wickets. Plans were in place to upgrade and shift the soccer training lights to the eastern end of the playing arena. Negotiations were also taking place between the LSA and the MCC to extend the playing area towards the eastern end by sixty metres to allow for an extra oval. Commonwealth Government funding enabled a children's play park to be built at the northern end of the clubhouse.

The 1993 A.G.M. elected the following committee:-

<i>President</i>	B.M.Waterer	LSCC
<i>Vice President</i>	H.Gaschk	MCSC
<i>Secretary</i>	R.Carroll	MCSC
<i>Treasurer</i>	N.R.Wood	LSCC
<i>Committee</i>	G.Jordan	MCSC
	W.L.Farmer	LSCC

The 1994 -95 A.G.M. saw little change in the committee although Mr R.Carroll had to resign as secretary due to business reasons. The President acted as secretary until the 1995 A.G.M.

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The 1995-96 and 1996-97 A.G.M 's saw little change in the executive:-

President	Brian Waterer	LSCC.
Vice President	Heinz Gaschk	MCSC.
Secretary	Brian Waterer	LSCC
Treasurer	Noel Wood	LSCC
Committee	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
	John Deans	MCSC.
	Geoff Jordan	MCSC

The president / secretary roles were combined as there was considerable overlap in the two positions in terms of negotiations with council and other associated bodies.

There was a change of direction for the soccer club as they changed from professional status to amateur status. The result led to a sound playing performance and a magnificent year off the field with them restoring their finances to a much better position.

There was also a change of direction for the cricket club as they moved from the F&DMCA to the South Suburban Cricket Association before the 1996-97 season. They had been a member of the F&DMCA for 67 years but as that body was declining in club numbers it was felt that the club had a more secure future in the SSCA.

The association became the permit holder for computerised gambling machine at the Bullcreek Tavern which it was hoped would put the association on a more secure financial footing.

The soccer seeking new directions and a change of image changed their name to become the *LEEMING STRIKERS*. Both the cricket and soccer clubs now had royal blue and light blue as their colours. For the first time the LSA was becoming to become a more united and professional operation which was reaping great benefits for the clubs and for the first time the LSA was getting into a better financial position as the back log of debts were slowly but surely cleared up. In fact it was hoped that the association would be operating in credit by the November A.G.M. 1998.

1997-98	President	Brian Waterer	LSCC
	Vice President	Heinz Gaschk	LSSC
	Secretary	Brian Waterer	LSCC
	Treasurer	Noel Wood	LSCC
	Committee	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
		Geoff Jordan	LSSC
		John Deans	LSSC.

The Soccer club finished the 1997 season in a sound position both on and off the field. To retain First Division status they had to form an alliance with Perth City to be known as *Perth City Leeming Strikers* for the 1998 season. The Cricket club won three premierships and Minor Premiership in the 1997-98 season and returned a trading profit of \$2000 so they too were performing very well.

In July of 1998 negotiations were commenced with the Melville City Council to :-

1. Extend the ground so that it would fit two cricket ovals in the summer and four soccer grounds in the winter.
2. Extend the function room and update the facilities (kitchen, toilets etc) of the clubrooms.

However, negotiations were turned on their head when the council came up with a counter proposal which involved the Leeming Bowling Club joining the LSA and the Council combining the LSA building and a new set of clubrooms for the bowling club. It was envisaged by the council that the building would be modelled on the recently completed Tompkins Park facility and would cost in the vicinity of \$2-3 million. The negotiating committee comprised

	Brian	Waterer	President	LSA and LSCC.
	John	Deans	President	LSSC.
	Peter	Middleton	President	LBC.
	Graeme	Ashley	Secretary	LSCC.
	Geoff	Jordan	Secretary	LSSC.
	Noel	Wood	Treasurer	LSA.
	Don	Hall	Chairman	LBC Building Committee.
	Bob	MacDonald		LBC Building Committee.
Steering Committee Chairman	Ron	Hurst		Melville City Council.

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<u>1998-99</u>	<i>President.</i>	Brian Waterer	LSCC.
	<i>Vice President</i>	John Deans	LSSC.
	<i>Secretary</i>	Noel Wood / Brian Waterer	
	<i>Treasurer</i>	Noel Wood	LSCC
	<i>Committee</i>	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
		Geoff Jordan	LSSC
		Tom Miller	LSSC.

At the Annual General Meeting it was decided to invite the Leeming Bowling Club to join the LSA and to offer the LBC three positions on the committee. This was accepted by the LBC and their representatives to the LSA were :-

Peter Middleton	President LBC.
Richard Tobin	Secretary LBC.
Ed Facius	Treasurer LBC.

The development of the concept for the new complex took a number of meetings as follows.

1. September 1st 1998 at MCC Civic Centre. LSA and LBC with Mr R.Hurst (MCC.)
2. October 9th 1998 at MCC. As above.
3. November 11th 1998 at John Connell LSA, LBC, Mr Hurst and Mr James Alexander from James Christou and Partners (Architects.)
4. December 22nd 1998 at MCC. LSA, LBC, Mr R.Hurst and Architects.
5. January 11th 1999 at MCC. LSA, LBC, Mr Hurst and Architects.

In March the proposal proceeded to the finance committee of the Melville City Council with this committee approving a grant of \$1 million towards the estimated cost of \$1.8 million. The LSA was to seek grants and loans as part of their commitment to the project.

<u>1999-2000.</u>	<i>President.</i>	Brian Waterer	LSCC.
	<i>Vice-President.</i>	John Deans	LSSC
	<i>Secretary</i>	Noel Wood / Brian Waterer	LSCC
	<i>Treasurer</i>	Noel Wood.	
	<i>Committee</i>	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
		Ed Facius	LBC
		Heinz Gaschk	LSSC
		Geoff Jordan	LSSC
		Rob MacDonald	LBC
		Peter Middleton	LBC

There were numerous meetings between the LSA and the Melville City Council regarding loans, building plans and grants. There were numerous meetings with Melville City Council regarding the development of John Connell Reserve. LSA interest centred on the addition of an extra oval, another bowling rink and an archery range.

There had been dialogue between the Bowmen of Melville and the LSA regarding the Bowman becoming members of the LSA.

Despite all the meetings by the time of the 1999-2000 AGM little progress had been made with either the building or the reserve.

<u>2000-2001</u>	<i>President</i>	Brian Waterer	
	<i>Vice President</i>	Peter Middleton	LBC.
	<i>Secretary</i>	Noel Wood, Brian Waterer	
	<i>Treasurer</i>	Noel Wood	LSCC
	<i>Committee</i>	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
		John Deans	LSSC
		Heinz Gaschk	LSSC
		Geoff Jordan	LSSC
		Rob MacDonald	LBC
		Richard Tobin	LBC

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Building Sub Committee

Don Hall
Peter Read

LBC
LSCC

After many months of frustration when the new work projected for the John Connell complex seemed to have ground to a halt events began to fall into place. After some differences of opinion between the LSA through its President and the officers of the Melville City Council the building project took off in a hurry.

Plans went to tender on 29th October 2001.

Sub contractor tenders were advertised on 4th November 2001.

Successful tenderer was to be appointed after Melville City Council meeting of 4th December 2001.

New oval complex plans also started to get underway with the Technical Department of the Melville City Council applying to Council for \$1m to get initial planning and ground works underway.

The status of the three bodies within the LSA was steadily on the improve.

The Bowling Club had an outstanding year and gained First Division Status as well as winning an Association Award as the most progressive club in the Association.

The Cricket Club made the finals in four of their six grades winning two Premierships. The junior club of 11 teams had an outstanding season.

The Soccer Club finished third in Division One and their juniors also were very successful.

<u>2001-2002.</u>	<i>President.</i>	Brian Waterer.	LSCC
	<i>Vice-President.</i>	Peter Middleton	LBC
	<i>Treasurer.</i>	Noel Wood.	LSCC
	<i>Committee.</i>	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
		Heinz Gaschk	LSSC
		Don Hall	LBC
		Geoff Jordan	LSSC
		Rob MacDonald	LBC.

The tender for the new complex was granted to Charnley Brice at the Council meeting of 18th December 2001.

However the Western Australian Planning Commission had to approve of the building plans because it was to be built on an "A" Class Reserve (John Connell Reserve.) This took an incredible amount of time as the person at the Commission responsible for approving the plans was on eight weeks holiday and no-one else was authorised to sign in his place. To March 31st 2002 the plans were still not approved so the builders were still waiting for the go ahead.

Work had commenced on developing the tip site—but at the opposite end to that where the new soccer / cricket oval was to be developed.

Cricket and Bowls completed successful seasons.

The building license was granted on the 6th May 2002. The builders commenced on-site in August 2002.

The development of the tip site was put on hold with the rather gloomy projection from the Council that it might be 10-15 years before any development took place.

Since its inception 23 members of the three bodies under the wing of the LSA had served on committee as follows:-

Brian Waterer	Cricket	16 years.
Heinz Gashck	Soccer	14 years
Noel Wood	Cricket	12 years
Geoff Jordan	Soccer	10 years
Graeme Ashley	Cricket	7 years
John Deans	Soccer	6 years
Laurie Farmer	Cricket	5 years
George Gaschk	Soccer	4 years
Peter Read	Cricket	4 years
David Blight	Cricket	3 years
Don Hall	Bowls	3 years
Barbara Hoffman	Soccer	3 years
Rob MacDonald	Bowls	3 years
Peter Middleton	Bowls	3 years
Dave Powell	Soccer	3 years
Rob Carroll	Soccer	2 years
Gunther Endres	Soccer	2 years
T. Barnes	Soccer	1 year
Ed Facius	Bowls	1 year
George Mazzini	Cricket	1 year

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Tom Miller	Soccer	1 year
C. Minter	Soccer	1 year
Richard Tobin	Bowls	1 year

<u>2002-2003.</u>	<i>President.</i>	Brian Waterer
	<i>Vice President.</i>	Peter Middleton
	<i>Treasurer</i>	Noel Wood
	<i>Committee.</i>	Graeme Ashley
		Heinz Gaschk
		Don Hall
		Geoff Jordan
		Bob MacDonald.

The building construction getting underway with its proliferation of meetings - which were not always cordial- between the LSA /Melville City Council Officers / Architects and builders etc, meant that this particular LSA executive was the hardest working in the history of the organization. It was also probably the most stressed!

However the building went up and turned out to be far grander than any of us had envisaged. There were problems with the soccer club's floodlights due to the cable to the lights because it was running across the new building site. The problem was solved but not in a very satisfactory manner costing the LSA / LSSC \$16000 (50% of which was ultimately paid by Melville City Council.)

The LSA received the keys on June 1 2003 although there was still some \$100,000 to be spent on landscaping the site.

2003-2004 With the new complex being granted a full liquor license the LSA Constitution had to be re-drawn and the executive expanded to spread the workload engendered by the new complex. The building servicing the cricket / soccer ground was retained as part of the LSA's responsibilities. The first executive of the re-constituted LSA was as follows:-

<i>President</i>	Brian Waterer	LSCC
<i>Vice-President</i>	Peter Middleton	LBC
<i>Secretary</i>	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
<i>Treasurer</i>	Noel Wood	LSCC
<i>Halls Bookings</i>	Don Hall	LBC
<i>Security –Cleaning</i>	John Kelly	LBC
<i>Committee</i>	Heinz Gaschk	LSSC
	Leny Glendinning	LBC
	John Kelly	LBC
	Roger Male	LSSC
	Alan Moore	LBC
	Alan Morrison	LSSC
	Verna Williams	LBC.

The LSA received the keys on June 1st 2003 and operations commenced with the bowls and soccer moving into the function lounge and members lounge. Cricket took over the members lounge on the 29th of September to co-incide with the summer season.

The complex was officially opened on October 5th 2003 by the Mayor of Melville Katherine Jackson before an invited assembly of 100 people which included Melville Councillors, club committees and past presidents of the three clubs.



President's Report – AGM – June 2004

Ladies and gentlemen,

We have completed twelve months of operations in the new complex and there are many positives but unfortunately a number of negatives to report.

It is a marvellous set up with great comfort and a splendid view of the grounds and greens. The situation lends itself to attracting both sponsors and new members. The prestige of the three sports has been lifted considerably and will no doubt continue to be the case. The facility is starting to attract people wanting to hire it for functions and this hopefully is a situation that will develop further.

On the down side has been the ongoing disputes with Council over things that are not quite right with the complex – bollards, sound systems, hidden costs and promises not kept. Certain Council officers seem to think the LSA is a bottomless pit when it comes to money Apart from Mick Doyle very few seem to understand that we are a voluntary organisation who have to protect the member's interests by keeping costs down.

The last few meetings between the LSA and the Council have not been pleasant and quite frankly the last one has left me concerned that I am the LSA's best option as President.

Hopefully we can clear the situation in the next few months and get down to what we are supposed to be doing and that is running the LSA without being hindered by the Melville City Council.

I wish to incoming committee a successful and progressive twelve months.

Brian Waterer

28 June 2004

Now that the complex is opened and up and running the valuable contributions to the buildings completion by Brian Waterer, Peter Middleton and Mick Doyle from the Melville Council should be noted. Brian and Peter spent many many hours during the construction phase on site meeting with Council and builder personnel, trying to obtain the best outcome for the LSA.

2004-05

<i>President</i>	Brian Waterer	LSCC
<i>Vice-President</i>	Peter Middleton	LBC
<i>Secretary</i>	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
<i>Treasurer</i>	Noel Wood	LSCC
<i>Halls Bookings</i>	Don Hall	LBC
<i>Security –Cleaning</i>	John Kelly	LBC
<i>Committee</i>	Bob Blyth	LBC
	Heinz Gaschk	LSSC
	Leny Glendinning	LBC
	John Kelly	LBC
	Roger Male	LSSC
	Alan Moore	LBC
	Alan Morrison	LSSC
	Verna Williams	LBC.

The committee remained fairly stable over the next few years, only changing club representatives as the clubs changed their office bearers. The President, Secretary and Treasurer remained the same until July 2010, when Noel Wood retired as Treasurer, having held the Treasurer's position continuously from August 1989 until July 2010.

Ken and Marlene Davies took over from Don Hall as hall booking co-ordinators in September 2004.

Now that the day to day operations of the complex have been established things proceeded fairly smoothly.

One constant issue has been the number of break ins. With the building being so isolated and with so much external glass break ins have been experienced on a regular basis.

On a positive note the LSA was invited on a couple of occasions to host the MCC Christmas Party. This not only provided a financial bonanza, but was a great opportunity for the three clubs to work together to make the day a success. Over two hundred people attended these functions.

President's Report – June 2006

We have completed another year in this building and I must confess it has been a tough one. We have become the target of a local band of misfits and have suffered both damage and loss of stock. We have been broken into on five occasions since January which has been a drain financially and on the time of those volunteers who help run the place. I thank Heinz Gaschk, Kerry Hart and Tom Caldwell for the support they have given me while waiting for police, glaziers and forensics.

To this point the gang has only attacked the members lounge but they are getting bolder with each attack and it is only a matter of time before they tackle the function lounge. I have had discussions with Kelton Hincks, the MCC Building Supervisor, to make the bar doors more secure and install a camera.

In most other aspects of our operation we are doing well. The respective clubs have been successful in their various sports and the functions being held in the building have been successful. Once again thanks to the volunteers who run the clubs and the LSA. A special mention to Ken Davies, Graeme Ashley, Noel Wood, Alan Moore and Peter Middleton for the many extra hours they have put into the place.

Let us hope the coming year sees less unwanted intrusions and more use made of the building by outside groups to help pay the bills

Brian Waterer
President

In July 2007 Alex Anderson took over as President of the Bowls Club and became the Vice President of the LSA. Richard Newton took over from Marcel Kempe as President of the Soccer Club and became a member of the LSA.

Extract from LSA minutes 27th August, 2007:

As there were a number of new people at the meeting, President Brian Waterer provided a brief history of the LSA and where it fits in the overall scheme of things.

- Clubs responsible for their own internal activities
- LSA responsible for overall management of the building and facilities on behalf of the MCC
- Common areas for use by all clubs include office, meeting room and kitchen.
- Concerns regarding these areas should be addressed through the LSA.

Mick Doyle (Community Liaison Officer MCC) re-enforced these comments, noting the Council has leased the building to the LSA and whatever internal arrangements in terms of specific use of the building are the province of the LSA. Contact with Council regarding LSA matters should be made by the various clubs through the LSA.

President's Report – June 2008

The LSA has managed another successful year albeit on a very tight budget. The building remains in excellent shape and Melville City Council is very pleased with the care we are taking of the premises. The MCC has been holding up the LSA management and its operation to other councils as being the flagship that other councils and sports organisations should be following.

The individual clubs within the LSA are performing well on and off the sporting arenas though as always the managing of finances is the major task facing all of us. A situation that will become even more difficult as Council funds continue to dry up. We need to investigate avenues by which we can access grants – state and commonwealth.

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Many thanks to Graeme Ashley for the enormous amount of work he does for the LSA, both as secretary and maintaining the building. Noel Wood has once again carried out a very clever balancing act with the finances, while a glance at the financial statement shows the value of the work done by Ken Davies.

I would also like to thank the committee members of the Association whose advice and support has been of great value. I will be standing for President for 2008-09 and if elected will be my final role as my commitment to the cricket club will finish in March 2009 and a replacement delegate from their committee will be taking my place. That will complete fifty years on the cricket committee and twenty one years as LSA President. Thank you to all those who have made the experience both enjoyable and interesting.

Brian Waterer

New synthetic greens for Bowling Club:

Following a great amount of work by President Alex Anderson and others the Bowling Club officially opened their two new synthetic greens on the 18th of October 2009. This will assist the Club in financial terms and make playing bowls any time a reality.

Old Building Hire:

Since moving out of the old building previously used by the cricket and soccer clubs numerous attempts to find a long term tenant for the building to assist income for the Association had proved unsuccessful.

This all changed in January 2012, when the LSA was able to secure the Deo Gloria Reformed Church as long term tenants. The Church has since made internal improvements to the facility and co-operation between the two groups has been excellent in forming an arrangement which is to the benefit of both groups.

End of an Era:

At the Annual General Meeting held 25th July, 2013 Brian Waterer retired as President after twenty five years in the job. Brian was the inaugural Vice President of the LSA from 1986-87 and assumed the top job in 1988. Brian was instrumental in guiding the Association to its new facility which was completed in 2003, following extensive negotiations with the Melville City Council.

2013-14	<i>President</i>	Alex Anderson	LBC
	<i>Vice-President</i>	Amy Ashton	LSSC
	<i>Secretary</i>	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
	<i>Treasurer</i>	Noel Wood	LSCC
	<i>Committee</i>	Alan Daddow	LBC
		Heinz Gaschk	LSSC
		Brian Waterer	LSCC

Items of interest:

August 2005 – Roto wash machine purchased for scrubbing kitchen floor and toilet floors.

July 2006 – Melville/Cockburn Community Security appointed to be first response in event of break in

May 2007 – New Liquor Laws requiring bar staff to obtain RSA accreditation

July 2007 – John Ipsen became Cricket Club President

July 2009 – Ron Tomlinson took over as Bookings Officer

October 2009 – Katie Ashton became Soccer Club President and a member of the LSA committee. New Secretary Alex Barry also joined the LSA.

June 2010 – Noel Wood retired as Treasurer after over twenty years of service. Andrew Walker became the new Treasurer

October 2010 – Alex Barry became Soccer Club President

October 2011- Amy Ashton became Soccer Club President

June 2012 – Andrew Walker resigned as Treasurer – Noel Wood resumed as LSA Treasurer

Alan Daddow became President of the Bowling Club and joined the LSA.

October 2012 – Carpets replaced throughout the building. Carpet squares used for better maintenance control.

May 2013 – Shayne Hersey became Cricket Club President

May 2014 – Adam Seaward became Cricket Club President

May 2015 – Peter Coombs became Cricket Club President

June 2015 – Colin McCavana became Bowling Club President

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June 2013 marked ten years we have been in the new complex. Pleasing to report co-operation between the clubs is now extremely high and our on-going relationship with the Melville Council is on a sound footing. The Association is in a reasonable position financially, although increasing utility and Council charges means we must continually monitor all costs. Thanks to ongoing support from a number of volunteers the building is in excellent condition.

2014-15	<i>President</i>	Alex Anderson	LBC
	<i>Vice-President</i>	Amy Ashton	LSSC
	<i>Secretary</i>	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
	<i>Treasurer</i>	Noel Wood	LSCC
	<i>Committee</i>	Alan Daddow	LBC
		Heinz Gaschk	LSSC
		Brian Waterer	LSCC

The Committee decided to investigate the installation of solar power to reduce the ever increasing power bills and in May 2015 the new solar system was commissioned.



2015-16	<i>President</i>	Alex Anderson	LBC
	<i>Vice-President</i>	Amy Ashton	LSSC
	<i>Secretary</i>	Graeme Ashley	LSCC
	<i>Treasurer</i>	Noel Wood	LSCC
	<i>Committee</i>	Colin McCavana	LBC
		Heinz Gaschk	LSSC
		Shannon Davies	LSCC

Adendum:

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OVERVIEW:

The following is an overview of the operation of the LSA as it relates to the John Connell Joint Use Facility and the member clubs.

1. The LSA is responsible to the Melville City Council for the good order and running of the joint use facility.
2. The LSA is the conduit between the members clubs and the Council. Clubs should raise matters of concern with the LSA, who, through the appropriate LSA officers will negotiate on their behalf with the Council. The Council policy has always been that contact regarding the joint use facility should be with officers of the LSA and not individual clubs.

Clubs do negotiate with the Council of matters that directly relate to their club activities.

The LSA does not involve itself in the day to day running of the clubs, except to assist where specifically requested by a club.

The LSA is the Licensee and owns the Liquor License. All clubs must ensure they are in compliance with the Liquor

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Licensing Act in regard to having appropriately trained personnel serving at their respective bars.

3. The LSA meets quarterly and all clubs are members of the LSA. Urgent matters are dealt with on an "as needed" basis between meetings, or a special meeting will be called if a matter requires the input of all Clubs. Clubs are encouraged to make sure their representatives on the LSA are conversant with the current thinking of their respective committees in order to make decisions in an orderly manner.

The LSA has an Annual General Meeting each year in July where office bearers are elected and clubs are invited to nominate members to be on the LSA.

4. Each of the Clubs has an area of the joint use facility for their use during normal club operational times.
Bowling Club – Function Lounge and Bar

Cricket Club/Soccer Club – Members Lounge and Bar

Cricket – 1st October – 31st March

Soccer - 1st April – 30th September each year

(subject to negotiation between the clubs as to appropriate hand over time)

5. Common areas for use by all clubs are: Kitchen, Office, Committee room

It is essential for the smooth running of the joint use facility that all clubs maintain these areas in a clean and tidy condition after each use.

6. Outside bookings - Apart from their designated club times which clubs have the first right of refusal in regard to use, all areas of the complex are available to the LSA to hire as appropriate. Any outside bookings assist in the revenue to the LSA and help keep the levy to the clubs to a minimum.
7. Finance - Members clubs are not authorised to incur expenses on behalf of the LSA. Any proposed expenditure must be cleared with the President in advance.
8. Security – all clubs are responsible to ensure the building is completely secure on leaving each night.

LSA COMMITTEE
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