

CHARTER OF THE GREENWICH VILLAGE GAMES ORGANISING COMMITTEE

PREAMBLE

In 1988, as part of the bi-centennial celebrations, the inaugural Greenwich Village Games was held as a friendly competition between eight teams drawn from the local Greenwich community. The event has been held every four years since, becoming bigger and more varied each time, as the participation rate has grown. The focus of the Games continues to be that of inclusiveness, to provide a vehicle to unite members of the Greenwich community across the age, sex and occupation identities that might otherwise preclude their interaction.

1. NAME OF THE COMMITTEE

The name of the Committee is “The Greenwich Village Games Organising Committee”.

2 STATUS AND TERM OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee is formed under the *Local Government Act (NSW) 1993*. It is constituted to achieve the objective stated hereunder.

The Committee commences on the date it was established by this Charter by the Council and continues unless dissolved by the Council.

3 OBJECTIVE

To co-ordinate preparations for the staging of the Greenwich Village Games on a four year cycle, ensuring that the following founding principles are upheld:

- There should be equal male and female representation in each team;
- team membership should be drawn mainly from the Greenwich community;
- people of all ages should be able to participate on as equal a basis as can be contrived;
- the event shall be self-financing;
- the whole games should be directed more to having fun than to winning; and
- the teams should be actively involved in the event organisation.

4 FUNCTIONS

The Committee has the following functions:

- To define the program of events for each staging of the Greenwich Village Games;
- to undertake the booking of facilities and services and liaison with required authorities, as necessary to ensure the safety and comfort of participants;
- to manage the expenditure and income of the event on a revenue neutral basis;
- to advertise the event in an extensive manner to encourage wide participation within the Greenwich community; and
- to manage the execution of the event itself, including supervision of events, their scoring and adherence to the rules of competition.

5 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

Whilst the Committee is a permanent Committee of Lane Cove Council, the membership is appointed for the duration of a specific staging of the Greenwich Village Games. The members are appointed in the following manner:

General Committee Members

- Up to twenty [20] Greenwich residents with an interest in volunteering their time drawn from expressions of interest to Council.

Team Captains

- Up to three [3] individuals to represent each of the eight [8] Greenwich Village Games teams, as nominated by the membership of each team.

Council Members

- All three East Ward Councillors.

6 EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

Chair

The chair will be one of the General Committee members. The chair is the only member of the Organising Committee that cannot also be a member of a team. The functions of the Chair are to:

- a) Chair meetings;
- b) supervise overall progress of the Committee in fulfilment of their tasks and timetables;
- c) ensure the Agenda and Minutes are distributed by the Committee Secretary prior to each meeting; and

- d) convene sub-committees to address specific aspects of the Games.

7 MEETING PROCEDURE

- Decisions of the Committee are made, generally, on a consensus basis. However, at the discretion of the Chair, formal voting may be called.
- The Minutes of the Committee shall be kept by the Committee Secretary.
- A copy of the Agenda and the Minutes shall be sent to the Council.

8 REPORTING RELATIONSHIP

Where necessary, the Committee may request the General Manager to place a report to a meeting of Council.

After the staging of a Greenwich Village Games, the outgoing Committee will submit a summary of the event, including recommendations for the planning of the subsequent staging.