

Treasurer's Report 2015FY

Let me kick off by thanking Rhys Powell (previous club treasurer) for his time and his advice over the last 4 weeks whilst helping prepare the financial statements of the club for year ending December 31st 2015.

Prior to me taking the role on we also had Debra Phillips undertaking the role and I'd like to thank her also for her time and dedication to a job that can be quite time consuming and thankless.

2015 highlights and challenges

For our 2015 year we had an increase in membership fees and thanks for the detailed work of Franco Pierantoni we also had a significant boost via external funding grants. These grants are critical to keeping the club afloat and allowing us to further give our members benefits and value for money.

For the year we made a \$540 loss, which very well could have been a profit if ALL our members paid their fees.

Our biggest liability is our member's lack of importance or urgency to pay their season fees on time. This is a constant drain on the committee's time and in particular my time in identifying who has and hasn't paid and trying to chase them up.

Because of this reason – from this point forward – we will be implementing the option to pay via bank card or credit card at training via the ANZ FastPay function. Myself, Paul, and DT will all have one of these card readers which we know will allow us to receive payments much quicker and make it easier for both the club and the members.

By having more options for our members to pay, the committee has decided to implement a "Stand down date" – being a particular time in the season by which the season fees must be paid. This date is simply 3 games into the new season (either summer or winter). Non-payment after the 3rd game will result in player(s) not being able to participate in any further games until they are paid in full.

For most of the club members this won't have any effect on them at all, for a minority this will no doubt cause them to make a choice. Pay or don't pay. Don't pay.... Don't play.

2016 outlook

We are really excited to help lead the club for the coming year, we hope to continue to provide you with benefits and know that you all continue to enjoy playing for Dolphinz. We have a few ideas we'd like to implement this financial year, some of which involves money, some of which doesn't. Either way we won't be able to spend as much time on these initiatives if we continue to have to talk about members who haven't paid their fees at our committee meetings.

I'd like to thank those members who normally pay by the due dates, and will see you all out on the court 😊.

Ben Todd – Dolphinz treasurer