

MINUTES OF THE 106th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ICE SKATING VICTORIA

Saturday February 9th, 2019 at 9:00am O'Brien Group Arena – 105 Pearl River Road, Docklands

Chair	Lexi Wooderson, Vice President				
Minute taker	Andrew Taylor, Councilor				
Attendees	Appendix I				
Apologies	Appendix II				
Proxies	Appendix III				
Welcome	Lexi Wooderson welcomed all present to the meeting and read the list of submitted apologies.				
	28 persons were present (including 5 guests)				
	There were a total of 36 votes including proxies				
	Confirmation was made that the Quorum was met, with a minimum of 10 members physically present.				
Minutes of previous meeting	The Minutes of the 105th Annual General Meeting of Ice Skating Victoria Incorporated, held Saturday February 24, 9am were reviewed as distributed.				
	Resolution that the minutes of the 105th Annual General Meeting are approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.				
	Proposed: Lexi Wooderson Seconded: Wendy Meik				
	The resolution was carried unanimously.				

Council reports	President's report - presented by Lexi Wooderson				
	Appendix IV				
	 Treasurer's report - presented by Wendy Meik Appendix V 				
	 Comment from the floor on financials from member 				
	Nicholas Frazer (1819#95): "If ISV is to run at a loss, I'd				
	prefer for the activities that are run to be more inclusive"				
	Motion that the Treasurer's report and financials be				
	accepted				
	Proposed: Wendy Meik Seconded: Jane King				
	Carried.				
	Test Convenor report - presented by Lexi Wooderson				
	Appendix VI				
	Competition Convenor report - presented by Wendy Meik				
	Appendix VII				
	Officials Conveeoner report - as files				
	Appendix VIII				
	Grants report - as filed				
	Appendix IX				
	Motion that all remaining reports are accepted				
	Proposed: Lexi Wooderon				
	Seconded: Wendy Meik				
	Carried.				
Election of Office	President				
Bearers and Council members for 2019/2020	Uncontested. Mark Storton was declared President				
	Vice President				
	Wendy Meik withdrew her nomination for Vice President. As only one nomination remained, Lexi Wooderson was declared Vice President				
	Treasurer				
	Uncontested. Michael Thacker was declared Treasurer				

	Secretary				
	Uncontested. Diane DiGemma was declared Secretary				
	Council Lexi Wooderson's nomination for a general council position was				
	withdraw. Six nominations remained:				
	Wendy Meik Dhil Bissot				
	 Phil Bisset Andrew Taylor 				
	Therese Caravetta				
	 Anezka Sero Tricia Moritz 				
	A vote was held. Results were calculated by guest Dragan				
	Avtoroski and Michael Kho. Michael Kho abstained from voting.				
	After a close vote, five nominees were elected to council:				
	 Wendy Meik Phil Bisset 				
	 Phil Bisset Andrew Taylor 				
	Therese Caravetta				
	Tricia Moritz				
	Ice Skating Australia delegates				
	Three nominations were received for the three positions. No vote was required. The delegates were declared as:				
	Lexi Wooderson				
	Phil Bisset				
	Andrew Taylor				
	Lexi Wooderson thanked all nominees for putting their names forward.				
Appointment of the honorary auditor	Motion that JPH Taxation & Accounting are appointed as Auditors for 2017/2018				
	 It was noted that Wendy Meik advised that the selected company was owned by member Sharon Hedley's husband a nominal fee of \$1.00 will be paid for the auditing service. 				
	Moved: Wendy Meik Seconded: Andrew Taylor				
	Carried unanimously				

Other items	 Comments from the floor: Request from member Nicholas Frazer (1819#95) to consider fundraising options including financial donations to the association for specific causes. 		
	Life Membership awarded to Wendy Meik Appendix X 		
Meeting closed	9:45am		

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE & CORRECT RECORD

..... President

..... Date

Appendix I: Attendees list

- Victoria Alcantara 1819#15
- Amy Avtoroski 1819#15
- Tania Avtoroski Guest
- Dragan Avtoroski Guest
- Phil Bisset 1819#97
- Therese Caravetta 1819#194
- Fiona Cull Guest (on behalf of member Sarah Cull 1819#70)
- Alice Fader 1819#157
- Louisa Fader 1819#195
- Nicholas Frazer 1819#95
- Cindy Kang Guest (on behalf of members Patrick Hardy 1819#105, and Kelly Hardy 1819#106)
- Jasmine Harrison 1819#31
- Sharon Headley 1819#242
- Michael Kho 1819#255
- Jane King 1819#193 (also represented Holly King 1819#191 and Joshua King 1819#192)
- Mia Lee 1819#136
- Michelle Leon Guest (on behalf of member Chantal Leon 1819#25)
- Wendy Meik 1819#1
- Kathy Molnar 1819#140
- Irene O'keefe Guest
- Merry O'keefe 1819#121
- Pamela Reid 1819#125
- Courtney Reid 1819#89
- Anezka Sero 1819#251
- Andrew Taylor 1819#247
- Michael Thacker 1819#109
- Lexi Wooderson 1819#248
- Juan Camilo Gaviria Yusti 1819#141

Appendix II: Apologies

- Mark Storton, President -
- Dianne DiGemma, Secretary -
- Catherine Taylor -
- Karen Dukes -
- Tahlia Kloprogge
- Eliza Hall
- Joshua King
- Holly King
- Emily Walton
- Georgia Wooderson
- Cherry Lau
- Katherine Molnar
- Kelly Hardy
- Patrick Hardy
- Sarah Cull
- Alice Fader
- Chantel Leon

Appendix III - Proxies

Nominated Proxy		Principal
Wendy Meik	1)	Catherine Taylor
	2)	Karren Dukes
Andrew Taylor	1)	Tahlia Kloprogge
	2)	Eliza Hall
Jane King	1)	Joshua King
	2)	Holly King
Michelle Walton	1)	Emily Walton
	2)	
Lexi Wooderson	1)	Mark Storton
	2)	Georgia Wooderson
Kathy Molnar	1)	Cherry Lau
	2)	Katherine Molnar
Tania Avtarovski	1)	Amy Avtarovski
	2)	
Cindy Kang	1)	Kelly Hardy
	2)	Patrick Hardy
Fiona Cull	1)	Sarah Cull
	2)	
Louisa Fader	1)	Alice Fader
	2)	
Michelle Leon	1)	Chantal Leon
	2)	
Maria Alcantara	1)	Victoria Alcantara
	2)	

Appendix IV - President's Report

Dear Skating Community,

I would like to welcome everyone to the 106th Annual General Meeting of Ice Skating Victoria

(ISV) and thank you all for your participation this year. We come here to elect a council that will

carry on the good work of the previous council and continue to be innovative in the representation of our broad cross section of members.

It has been my absolute pleasure to be President of a council that genuinely works very hard to

create the best possible environment for our skaters. To a person we are trying to create a vibrant and exciting atmosphere that both challenges our skaters and pushes them to be their

very best. Members of the Council who are responsible for portfolios have done an outstanding

job in bringing out the very best from the time and resources available.

I would like to congratulate our athletes, without whom this is all meaningless, on their improvements over the 2018 competition season. Victorian athletes are regularly finishing in the

top half of their fields and even moving to the podium. All athletes across the full range are improving and skating better programs with harder elements, it is very encouraging.

The technical improvements have been very visible with quite a few working on the double axels

and small triples. Spins and footwork are all improving with our athletes often doing better than

Base or Level 1 and the components are starting to show a greater maturity and depth which is

being reflected in scores. Congratulations must also go to our coaches who are developing their

athletes and being receptive to feedback as well as keeping an appraising eye on the competition, both domestically and interstate.

Our utilisation of the Qualifying Score system for athletes attending AFSC has been very successful with ISV being in the delightful position of having to argue with ISA about allowing more of our athletes to compete. Our athletes mostly cruise past their divisional qualifier in the

first event or so which leaves them in good shape to work on harder elements for a big block of

the season. This is in stark contrast to when it was brought in and highlights the improvement in

our competitive group. ISA are looking at implementing this qualifying idea across all states for

AFSC participation in an effort to make it a stronger and more prestigious event. I have personally had quite a few discussions with administrators and judges from other states and had

conversations as to what Victoria's methods for success are.

Andrew Taylor has continued to improve our judging system (IJS) and has got it to a very efficient level. We managed to run all events with an absolute minimum of technical interruption

and we look forward to another strong year of improvements in this area.

ISV's State Squad program has been very successful and has allowed our athletes to have access to good ice and strong, timely feedback from knowledgeable judges.

My thanks go to our affiliated clubs, Melbourne Figure Skating Club, Oakleigh Figure Skating Club and Victorian Synchronized IceSkating Club and their volunteers for making this season's

events a wonderful experience for our athletes and officials.

My thanks also go to all members of the 2018 committee who have contributed so well all year

and indulged my rantings from the soapbox. They are very committed to making Victoria a very

strong skating state. It truly has been a pleasure to have worked with you all and thank you for

the laughs.

I wish all our athletes and their support teams the very best for the new season and I look forward to them competing at a higher level in the 2019 season and know they will continue to

strive for their goals and make Victoria proud.

Mark Storton President, ISV

Appendix V - Treasurer's Report

We ended the year with \$72,497 in the bank and loss for the year of \$17,461.

The income streams for Ice Skating Victoria are:

- Membership fees Affiliation fees from our clubs
- Uniforms (we try to keep these cost neutral)
- Test payments Competitions Victorian Championships and Southern Cross Trophy, and ANZAS

Contributing to the loss is:

- \$7,650 AFSC expenses carried into the 2018 year Judges payments (\$4,850) and Skater Reimbursement for AFSC 2017 (\$2,800).
- \$7,840 investment in our athletes with in Vic Squad
- \$4,000 towards the Megan Duhamel and Eric Radford camp
- \$3,000 being held in uniform stock
- \$5,000 investment in our test sessions.

The investment in our athletes was supported by the excellent results at AFSC 2018.

Wendy Meik Treasurer Ice Skating Victoria

Balance Sheet [Last Year Analysis]

September 2018

ASSETS

Ice Skating Victoria Inc P.O. Box 667, Carnegie Vic 3163 ABN: 41 317 072 095

Email: wendy.meik@iceskatingvictoria.org.au This Year Last Year

ISV Funds General Cheque Account \$33,806 \$38,265 Maxi-i Direct \$38,692 \$38,767 Total ISV Funds \$77,032 \$72,497 Trade Debtors \$118 \$0 Total ASSETS \$72,615 \$77,032 LIABILITIES Monies Owed \$14,110 \$0 Monies owed to Clubs \$750 Olym Fig Skat Club \$1,115 Melb Fig Skat Club \$1,910 \$2,650 \$435 Vic Synchro \$685 ISA Registration/Member \$25Fee \$3,400 \$3,475 Monies held for Judges Mark Storton \$800 \$825 Kim Wilson \$0 \$110 Total LIABILITIES \$21,655 \$8,610

Net Assets	\$50,960	\$68,422
EQUITY		
Retained Earnings	\$68,422	\$15,462
Current Earnings	(\$17,461)	\$52,960
Total EQUITY	\$50,960	\$68,422

This report includes Year-End Adjustments.

Profit & Loss [With Last Year]

October 2017 To September 2018

Ice Skating Victoria Inc P.O. Box 667, Carnegie Vic 3163

This Year Last Year

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INCOME		
MEMBERSHIP RECEIPTS	\$23,600	\$31,990
Merchandise Sales	\$0	\$11,376
Test Payments	\$10,794	\$8,495
RECEIPTS FROM CLUBS	\$1,820	\$1,941
VICTORIAN COMPETITION RECEIPTS	\$28,924	\$12,332
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT RECEIPTS	\$2,500	\$0
AFSC RECEIPTS	(\$195)	\$197,028
ISV UNIFORM RECEIPTS	\$8,617	\$10,488
Interest Income	\$8	\$19
Disney Tix Sales	\$0	\$50
Fund Raising Income	\$1,043	\$1,733
Total INCOME	\$77,111	\$275,452
Cost Of Sales		
Early Bird Discount	\$0	\$902
Gross Profit	\$77,111	\$274,551
EXPENSES		
ISV GENERAL EXPENSES	\$16,901	\$26,993
TEST EXPENSES	\$15,340	\$6,363
ISV UNIFORM EXPENSES	\$11,396	\$3,528
ISA GENERAL PAYMENTS	\$2,336	\$1,787
VIC CHAMPIONSHIP EXPENSES	\$11,864	\$0
AFFILIATION FEES PAID	\$595	\$270
VIC SQUAD	\$7,840	\$1,280
AFSC EXPENSES	\$7,650	\$181,611
ANZAS	\$17,075	\$0
National Squad/Junior Workshop	\$4,000	\$0
Total EXPENSES	\$94,997	\$221,831
Operating Profit	(\$17,886)	\$52,719
Other Income		
Interest Maxi- Account	\$425	\$241
Total Other Income	\$425	\$241
	(\$17,461)	\$52,960

This report includes Year-End Adjustments.



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5 February 2019

Mrs S Hedley Email: <u>sharonhedley@westnet.com.au</u> Ice Skating Victoria

Dear Sharon

RE: ICE SKATING VICTORIA INC

I reviewed the financial statements & information for Ice Skating Victoria Inc. and believe they present a fair financial position in accordance with applicable Accounting standards.

Please find enclosed the auditor's report and signed financial reports for Ice Skating Victoria Inc. as at 30 September 2018.

If you have further queries please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Regards

NICK PERRETT

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The audit of Ice Skating Victoria

Independent auditor's report

To the members of Ice Skating Victoria

Report on the financial report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Ice Skating Victoria, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30th September 2018, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity/statement of recognized income and expenses for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the committee declaration.

The responsibility of managing committee for the financial report

The managing committee of the entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of the financial report are appropriate to meet the financial reporting requirements of the constitution and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The managing committee's responsibility also includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; band making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These auditing standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the managing committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the Ice Skating Victoria financial reporting responsibilities under the constitution. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

Auditor's opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, gives a true and fair view of the financial position of managing committee as of 30th September 2018 and if its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in the financial statements.

Nick Perrett CA JPH Group Pty Ltd Chartered Account

Dated this day 5 February 2019

Appendix VI - Test Convenor report

In 2018 a total of 10 Test Sessions across the year, with 8 of those being held at OBGA & 2 at the Olympic Figure Skating Rink. The two sessions held at Olympic had the lowest attendances of all sessions, and these were only made viable with overflow tests from the OBGA sessions.

For 2019 it is not intended to hold sessions again at Olympic, until such time as there are sufficient numbers to warrant it. ISV will continue to review this situation, along with the need to include test sessions at the newly opened rink in Reservoir.

ISV has conducted a total of 146 tests over the 10 sessions. With a pass rate of 90% this is slightly down on previous years, but is consistent across all test streams. The larger % of higher level tests being undertaken is likely to have impacted this performance metric.

2018	TEST TYPE			
RESULT	Dance	Pattern	Program	Total
Pass	19	76	37	132
Fail		8	4	14
Total	21	84	41	146
Pass Rate	90%	90%	90%	90%
% of Tests	14%	58%	28%	

2018	TEST RESULTS			Grand
Test Sessions	Fail	Pass	-	Total
Interstate Tests	-	0		-
9th March 2018	0	16		16
6th April 2018	1	<u>1</u> 4		15
20th April 2018	2	16		18
21st April 2018	4	6		10
11th May 2018	-	15		15
20th July 2018	3	15		18
24th August 2018	1	10		11
26th October 2018	1	12		13
16th November 2018	1	23		24
17th November 2018	1	5		6
Grand Total	14	132		146

Dance is continuing to have good levels of support and engagement, with it making up 14% of all tests undertaken. Patterns form nearly 60% of all tests, illustrating the continued trend for individuals to undertake these tests, separate to the program tests.

When reviewing the test data in more detail, you can see that we have strong numbers, entering the IJS system (with 28 preliminary pattern tests being undertaken this year). It is pleasing to see that we have had 12 Junior & 2 senior patterns and a further 6 junior & 2 senior programs (singles) with a further 4 Junior Dance Tests.

Finally, the test schedule for 2019 has been prepared. Ice time at OBGA has been confirmed & test dates reviewed against known benchmark events & the local competition schedule (albeit that is still in draft).

Unfortunately, the test program for this year ran at a loss overall, with costs exceeding revenue by \$4,546. This has been driven by the mix and type of tests being undertaken and has necessitated a full review of our test fee structure. We will see increases applied in 2019 with those tests that require a larger allocation of time seeing the greater amount of increase.

We have delivered a consistent and standardised approach to the announcing of test sessions and the process is well understood and respected by the skating community. We have shown some flexibility during this period also, many thanks to our volunteers and judges, with test sessions being extended to meet demand in some instances & rescheduled to accommodate club, or other conflicts in others. This has removed much of the negativity experienced in prior years.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those involved, it is through working in collaboration with the club convenors, our technical support and our judges we have been able to deliver a great service to our skating community.

2018 Test Data		RESULT -		
TEST TYPE 🛛 🔻	TEST LEVEL 🛛 🔽	pass	fail	Grand Total
🗏 Dance	Elementary	9		9
	Junior	2	2	4
	Pre-Primary	3		3
	Advanced Novice	1		1
	Basic Novice	3		3
	Advance Novice	1	-	1
Pattern	Elementary	11		11
	Junior	10	2	12
	Preliminary	25	3	28
	Senior	2		2
	Basic Novice A	8		8
	Basic Novice B	2		2
	Advanced Novice	7	3	10
	Basic Novice	8		8
	Advance Novice	3		3
Program	Elementary	9		9
	Junior	6		6
	Preliminary	6	1	7
	Senior	1	1	2
	Basic Novice A	7	1	8
	Advanced Novice	4		4
	Basic Novice	4	1	5
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Grand Total		132	14	146

Lexi Wooderson Test Convenor Ice Skating Victoria

Appendix VII - Competition Convenor report

Victoria conducted 2 benchmark events Crystal Challenge and Victorian Figure Skating Championships to assist our athletes in attaining National Scores.

We also ran the inaugural ISU International Novice competition, and Cubs and Chicks event in conjunction with Ice Skating Australia, and New Zealand Ice Figure Skating Association.

In 2019, Ice Skating Victoria will again be assisting with the 2nd ISU International Novice Competition in May, and at the end of November – beginning of December we are running the Australian Figure Skating Championships in Melbourne.

Victoria is still a leader in technology for running our events thanks to Andrew Taylor. Andrew videoed the Brian Orser Coaches' Seminar in May for the ISU – they were very impressed and want to use the video for training purposes.

The 2019 Calendar of Events is available on the www.iceskatingvictoria.org.au website. However ISV has noticed that the competition scene is changing with the expense of the sport. Athletes are being more selective about the events they enter – choosing larger competitions that are Benchmark events.

Wendy Meik Competition Convenor Ice Skating Victoria

Appendix VIII - Officials Convenor report

Thank you to all officials who were able to volunteer their time for competitions, test sessions and judges' feedback sessions. ISV do not have the number of officials that the bigger states have but your commitment to our athletes and your knowledge development make my role a much easier one. I know it means a lot to our athletes, coaches and families that you continue

to volunteer your time and I thank you.

I was involved in a few test and judges' feedback sessions this season and would like to acknowledge the coaches for the generally high level of applicants they are putting forward. It is

encouraging to see our athletes moving through the divisions and competing in divisions that represent their standard. I am a proponent of challenging our athletes but also respect the coaches' need to pace them with where their abilities lie.

Sharon Hedley and Anja Faustein started some refereeing duties and Brian Duckworth and Melanie Carrington completed their first TS roles. We also welcomed Anezka Sero and Pam Reid to the judging group, I hope we can make their education process an enjoyable one. Once again I have been arm-twisting people to move into the roles required on the panels for

competition. It is very important that we maintain the strong knowledge base across all roles as

it takes the burden off those who continually volunteer and it also increases the knowledge and

enjoyment of those who learn new things related to skating. I honestly believe that your understanding and enjoyment of skating increases dramatically once you have been exposed to

the various roles we undertake.

ISA held a seminar in Sydney covering the new ISU +5/-5 GOE principles which quite a few of

our officials attended. The purpose of this change is to give judges more flexibility in assigning a

score per element and has been well received.

Some of our officials were available to attend AFSC 2018 in Sydney, NSW. It was a great competition with the Novice Ladies division probably the pick of the field. It was very encouraging to see quite a few Double Axels cleanly landed and is a testament to what ISA are

trying to achieve and the APSA coaches working with their athletes. Our officials covered all roles on the panel and some also attended the ISU Singles and Pairs Seminar held in conjunction with the competition.

We continue to provide strong panels for our marquee events, such as Crystal Challenge and

VFSC, and ISV are thankful to Susan Lynch (QLD), Clarence Ong (WA), Liz Cain (NSW) and

Tara O'Connor (SA) for their help in making our Benchmark events very strong for the athletes

and a learning opportunity for officials.

For another year Andrew Taylor has looked after and refined our IJS and has it absolutely humming along. Our big events of ANZAS, Oceania, Crystal Challenge and VFSC proceeded

without incident and our system is the envy of most other states. Andrew has an encyclopedic

knowledge of how our system works and its requirements and is always pushing the limits of what we can do to make events better for our officials and athletes.

Kim Wilson has followed a long held dream and moved to Hobart, TAS. She will come and judge with us from time to time as work permits and we wish her well on this new venture.

Our ISV officials who completed international assignments in the calendar year were as follows:

- Cathy Taylor Reykjavík International Games, World Championships (Milan), JGP Slovenia
- Mark Storton Four Continents (Taipei), Finlandia, NHK Trophy
- Tricia Moritz JGP Vancouver
- Dr Elizabeth Ryan OWG PyeongChang, Japan Open

At the last ISV AGM, ISV very generously awarded me life membership to ISV. I was honoured

to receive this but my work is made much easier due to working with a great group of motivated

people. I thank ISV for their nomination.

On behalf of the officials, I would like to thank both MFSC and OFSC for looking after us at the

various events and for their kind hospitality. It can be tough concentrating for those long sessions and the food and beverages make it all the easier.

I feel like this year has been a strong consolidation year for our athletes. Programs have greater

depth and maturity and more athletes are doing harder elements. It is exciting to see a higher

standard all the way through the competitive divisions and I wish all athletes, coaches and families continued success for 2019.

Mark Storton

Convenor of Officials Ice Skating Victoria

Appendix IX - Grants report

I was invited to join ISV as a councillor in June 2018 and assigned the role of Grants Co-ordinator for 2019 events and beyond.

There are currently active Grant's on offer by State Gov Vic that are applicable To ISV. Specifically, one for significant sporting events.

Grant Applications are now drafted pending adding financial items in regard to AFSC 2019, VFSC 2019 and ANZAS 2020. Applications are subject to certain timeframes and will be lodged at the appropriate times.

I will continue my research on other sporting Grant's in the year to come.

Michael Thacker Councilor Ice Skating Victoria

Appendix X - Life Membership (Wendy Meik)

ISV would like to take this surprise opportunity to acknowledge one of the stalwarts of skating in this state. Wendy Meik has been a ceaseless and tireless volunteer in this sport we all love so much and has devoted an enormous portion of her time to it and ISV are proud to offer her life membership in thanks.

We wanted this to be a surprise for Wendy, and as Wendy normally organises the plaques, we couldn't really have one ready and not spoil the effect! We will take the opportunity at Crystal Challenge or VFSC to acknowledge Wendy again and present her with a plaque.

And now to some history and background to fill you in on Wendy's achievements as both a competitor and an administrator.

In her skating capacity, she has competed as an adult skater in singles, pairs, artistic singles and duos and Synchronized. She has also competed overseas many times in the Adult events and is now a regular face at the Oberstdorf competition.

That is exceptional if that was the extent of it, however Wendy's greatest contribution to skating in Victoria has been as an administrator. First at the OFSC club, then ISV and she now also wears an ISA hat. She is still actively involved in all those avenues and continues to make a huge difference. Wendy has been a first rate Competition Convener running club events, organising many VFSC events and co-ordinating a couple of AFSC events along with last season's Oceania event. Wendy has also been exceptionally generous mentoring new clubs, committee people and event coordinators.

Wendy, at various times, has filled the roles of President, Vice President, Treasurer and councillor on ISV and is a strong advocate for both the Adult and Synchronized skating communities. She is actively engaged with the discussion and decision making processes on council and is a strong contributor in many facets that come under the ISV purview.

Volunteers are the backbone of sports like ours and Wendy's contribution has been nothing short of exceptional. ISV would like to thank her for her previous contributions and all those she will undoubtedly help us with in the future.