

# ALBION CRICKET CLUB Inc.

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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ALBION CRICKET CLUB INC HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2025, COMMENCING AT 5.40PM

### PRESENT:

Michael Sumner (President), Nick Beard (Vice President), Tony Buchanan (Secretary/Treasurer), Grant Ford, Hamish Rutherford, Tony Branks, Drew Carmody, Brian Dixon & Jason Marshall

### APOLOGIES:

Richie Buchanan, Josh Cuttance, Shaun Wheeler, Brett Hamilton & Jim Todd

It was moved that the apologies be accepted.

Moved – H Rutherford/J Marshall – Carried

### PREVIOUS MINUTES:

It was moved that the Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 8 October 2025 be taken as a true and correct record with the addition of Tony Branks as being present at the meeting.

Moved – H Rutherford/J Marshall – Carried

### MATERS ARISING:

#### *Earthquake Report*

This has been submitted to the DCC and as result the building has been removed from the Earthquake Prone Register.

#### *Aerial Photograph*

Scott Steel has been contacted and will get this underway.

#### *Club Nets*

DCC have completed the runup repairs and laid the net asphalt – just awaiting the new artificial cover to be installed.

#### *Glenavy Visit*

Due to the weather this event was postponed until the New Year – Scott McCormack organising and approved funds will now be expended when Glenavy visit.

### ***Club Subscriptions***

Treasurer reported that invoices have been sent to Eagles & Turkeys players. Just awaiting confirmation of Kilda players to be invoiced.

Action: Treasurer/S McCormack

### ***Bar Prices***

Michael Sumner has provided updated costings – new price list has been published, will till also updated. Net result prices have in the main remained the same, in fact a number have been slightly reduced.

### ***Sponsorship***

President apologised that this is still outstanding – but he plans to make contact with sponsors later this week and will advise Treasurer details for invoicing and having the Sponsors Board updated.

### ***Grant Application***

Awaiting outcome of application to Aotearoa Trust re Cricket Balls

### ***Food at Club***

Tony Buchanan reported that the air fryer has been purchased along with initial food supplies. Instructions for air fryer use are in the kitchen. Updated price list is displayed in the Clubrooms.

### ***Bar Manager Training***

Michael Sumner reported that he is hoping to have this course run on Sunday 23 November 2025 in the clubrooms.

### ***Junior Coach Developer***

Luke Marsh has been appointed to this position. Contract with Luke/Otago Cricket and the Club has been completed.

### ***Club Hoodies***

Order has been placed and delivery is expected in December. Treasurer will chase up outstanding payments.

### ***OCA Community Training***

Unfortunately, this was not completed as scheduled on 12 November 2025 – Club President to contact OCA and reschedule.

Action: President

### ***Club Security***

A further update will be provided as next meeting

### ***Grant Application***

Awaiting outcome of application to Grassroots Trust re Team Fees

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

### ***Inward***

Letter from DCC re Earthquake Prone Building dated 16 October 2025

### ***Outward***

Letter to Aotearoa Trust (Resolution) re Cricket Balls dated 5 October 2025

Letter to VP's Welcome to Season dated 8 October 2025

Letter to Grassroots Trust Central re Affiliation Fees dated 14 October 2025

Letter to Grassroots Trust re Affiliation Fees dated 15 October 2025

Letter to Grassroots Trust (Resolution) re Cricket Balls dated 15 October 2025

Noting most correspondence is via email and is dealt with at time of receipt by the Club President & Secretary

It was moved that the outward correspondence be approved and the inward tabled for action as necessary.

Moved – B Dixon/G Ford – Carried

## **FINANCE:**

The Treasurer presented the financial report for the period ending 30 November 2025 (copy attached).

A quiet few months with no major expenses – invoices for 2025\_26 subscriptions have been sent out.

It was moved that the Financial Report be accepted.

Moved – D Carmody/J Marshall – Carried

In accordance with our new Constitution the Treasurer requested approval to pay the following accounts:

Kings High School, Net Hire – \$2k

Dynasty, Cap Purchase - \$937.25

Otago Cricket, Team Entry Fees – \$11,873.76

Club Coach - \$4k

It was moved that the above payments be approved

Moved – G Ford/D Carmody - Carried

## **HEALTH & SAFETY:**

Tony Branks raised the issue of helmet guards – this is to be looked into and reported back to the Committee.

Tony Branks will also arrange for the heat pump cover to be re-attached.

The repairs to the nets and surroundings are progressing well – the DCC have relaid the turf on the runup and have re-asphalted the right-hand net and completed some general repairs to the netting. Only the relaying of the artificial matting is outstanding.

The President asked if there were any additional new H&S issues to be raised – no new issues were raised.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

### ***Junior Baggies***

Shaun Wheeler stated the Junior committee wanted a way to reward Section 1 players and also to provide something that in the future may make these players decide to return to Albion post High School. After a short discussion it was agreed that the Club would assist with these purchases.

It was moved that 50% of the cost of Section 1 baggies be paid by the Club.

Moved – M Sumner/S Wheeler – Carried

### ***Club Coach Reimbursement***

It was generally agreed that the Club needed to fund the club coach. It was also agreed that the Club should assist the coach in gaining further coaching qualifications.

To that end the Secretary is to ascertain what stage Kurt Johnston is currently at and then ascertain the net step and report back to the Committee.

It was moved that Kurt Johnston, Club Coach be paid \$4k for the 2025\_26 season. Payment to be in two parts, \$2k now and \$2k in the New Year.

Moved – M Sumner/T Buchanan – Carried

### ***Junior Coach Developer***

Luke Marsh has been appointed to this position and a contract between Luke/Otago Cricket and the Club has been completed. Within the contract remuneration is set at \$3k - \$2k from Otago Cricket and \$1k from the Club.

It was moved that the Club remunerate Luke Marsh \$1k as its share of the 2025\_26 contract - \$500.00 to be paid before Christmas and the remaining \$500.00 post-Christmas.

Moved – T Buchanan/M Sumner – Carried

The Treasurer is to communicate with Otago Cricket regarding the \$2k payment and when paid the Club share is to be added.

### ***Junior Caps – New Players***

For a number of seasons new junior players registering for the first time have been given an Albion playing cap – this has never been formalised.

It was moved that each newly registered junior player is to be provided an Albion playing cap.

Moved – T Buchanan/M Sumner – Carried

### **Weekly Newsletter**

Tony Buchanan stated that this newsletter is sent to a wide range of club supporters and for the past few seasons Josh Cuttance, in conjunction with the Secretary, has produced this newsletter via 'Mailchimp' – unfortunately Josh Cuttance is no longer in a position (due to workload) to produce this newsletter.

This newsletter allows the Club to promote sponsors as well as provide both a short scoreboard and also a written report on weekly games. It is also one of the methods to pass information to Club Members, so it is vitally important that this continue.

As an interim measure Tony is happy to take this role on – Josh has indicated he will assist with training so we can continue to produce the newsletter.

Action: J Cuttance & T Buchanan

### **Social Calendar**

After a short discussion it was agreed that the following events would take place.

Michael Sumner will allocate taskings for each event as they draw closer

Half Season Junior Prizegiving – Saturday 13 December at 4.30pm

Club Christmas BBQ – Saturday 13 December from 6.30pm

Bingo Night – Friday 30 January 2026

Bottle Auction – Saturday 7 March 2026 from 7.00pm

### **Future Meetings**

There was general agreement that a Wednesday is the best time to hold Committee Meetings – to that end the following dates have been set:


Wednesday 21 January 2026

Wednesday 18 February 2026

Wednesday 18 March 2026

There being no further business, the Club President declared the meeting closed at 6.45pm.

The next committee meeting will be held on Wednesday 21 January 2026.



Tony Buchanan  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Albion Cricket Club



Michael Sumner  
President  
Albion Cricket Club

Dated: 5-12-25