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CYC PRESIDENT REPORT 2019

I present the President's Report to members at CYC's Annual General Meeting, 2019.

This has been another busy year for the club and committee, seeing both challenges and successes. In October 2018 we welcomed new Centre Manager, Karyn Clancy, and Business Manager, Diana Lee. Both have brought a wealth of experience and expertise to the club and the club is headed in an exciting direction under their management.

Due to a number of factors, including; a decrease in gymnastics participation across the state (as indicated by Gymnastics Victoria), our capacity limitations, changing recreational interests in our target demographic and an increase in recreational gymnastics suppliers, we have seen a decline in athlete numbers in some areas. Together with management, the committee has spent some time discussing marketing strategies and we are excited by the many new initiatives that are being considered.

Investigations into our facility options continues to be something the club is working on. A facilities meeting was held during the year which was open to all club members to attend. We were given some great tips from a parent at the club who has been through a similar process at a local school – it was encouraging to see that we are doing many of the things he suggested. Karyn Clancy also provided us with detailed insights into what other clubs have done that have resulted in successfully securing council, state and federal funding and support.

The club and committee successfully applied for and received a grant to upgrade our tech infrastructure, special thanks to Sara Vuong for all the hard work she put into that success.

CYC has a new, fresh and more professional website up and running. This makes it easier for potential new members to learn more about the club as well as being a simpler format for existing members, well done to all involved.

The committee operated with two subcommittees this year; Fundraising and Marketing.

Thank you to the Fundraising Subcommittee for their outstanding work this year. They have done an exceptional job of gathering donations for raffle prizes, as well as other fundraising initiatives. The entire committee has worked very hard to ensure that the club's event days, such as the Judge's Invite, Tramp comps, Display Day and the Bunnings sausage sizzle is resourced, manned and (when required) catered. And an extra special mention must be given again this year to Mandy Dawes who, once again, worked tirelessly to ensure all the volunteer rosters were filled and did such exceptional work on the catering!



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The Marketing Subcommittee was involved in the redevelopment of the club's website and have been busy developing ideas to increase athlete numbers and fundraising.

The club had some fantastic results across all disciplines this year. We are so proud of all of CYC's athletes. Whilst the Centre Manager's report will provide all the specifics of the athletes' achievements, I would like to make a special mention of Brock, Sunday, Dani and Sarah's selection for the World Championships in Russia in December 2019.

I would also like to recognise the support and commitment of a group of our members who are instrumental in the ongoing improvement of the facility. Chris Woodbridge, in particular, deserves our acknowledgement and gratitude. He has given the club many, many weekend and evening hours completing unenviable tasks including; installing LED lighting, repairing the flooring, setting up audio equipment for competitions... and any other jobs the club finds for him. Thank you Chris, your continued support is greatly appreciated.

I would like to thank the CYC committee for their energy, support, enthusiasm and dedication to the club. As a not-for-profit club, CYC relies on the commitment of people like our committee members – our club would not be achieving all that it is without their support and the many volunteer hours they put in.

Lastly, I would like to thank all attending our AGM, your support and feedback is valued.

Mel Stone,
CYC President.