

MOORABBIN RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB

The inaugural meeting of the Moorabbin Rugby Union Football Club was held at the Moorabbin Town Hall, Nepean Highway, Moorabbin on Tuesday, January 26, 1965. at 8 p.m.

AGENDA

The business of the meeting was as follows:-

(1) To form a Rugby Union Football Club in the Moorabbin area.

(2) To decide a name for the club.

(3) To decide a set of club colours.

(4) To discuss a likely constitution, but not to decide upon its content at this time.

(5) To elect a 'pilot' committee to organize the basis upon which the club, if formed, can become operable.

(6) To select two representatives to attend the A.G.M. of the Victorian Rugby Union to be held at the Amateur Sports Club, Melbourne, Wednesday, January 27th.

ATTENDANCE

Approximately ~~80~~ people attended the meeting, some ~~60~~ of these being players in the age group Under-18 to Second Grade V.R.U. competition.

APOLOGIES

Jack Mc Davitt

Fergus Mackie

Gerry Grimwade

David van Lowe

Brian Wilson

Les Bradbury

Treasurer V.R.U.

Secretary V.R.U.

ex Kiwi Club and Melbourne

GENERAL
BUSINESS

1. It was moved and seconded that Mr. Len Baggott be the Chairman of the meeting. Mr. Baggott agreed to do so and the motion was passed.

2. Mr. Baggott made a brief speech of thanks and proceeded then to outline the reasons behind the attempt to form a Rugby Union Football Club in the Moorabbin area. He spoke of the persons and clubs (namely, the Marlins, the Kiwis and St. Kilda) desirous of forming this club. Also of the history of the rise and possible decline of the major R.U.F.C. clubs, in the central Melbourne area and finally of the tremendous prospects that a new club formed in a young and vigorous area such as Moorabbin, could expect if the foundation members and the committee set their whole efforts in this direction.

3. Mr. Baggott outlined quite emphatically the problems that would be ahead of any new club and was most adamant that a committee of non-players would be essential for the success of such a club. This point was well received by the audience.

4. It was moved and seconded that this meeting be minuted as the inaugural meeting of a Rugby Union Football Club to be formed in the Moorabbin area. The motion was unanimously carried by an enthusiastic show of hands.

5. It was moved that the name of this new R.U.F.C. be the "Moorabbin - Marlins" R.U.F.C. The subsequent discussion made it clear to all present, that previous club names must be avoided in the name of the new club. Since this is a NEW R.U.F.C. all old allegiances must be severed and a new and distinct club name be found. This point was well made, by the thought being expressed, that the club could be called Kiwis-St.Kilda-Marlins-Moorabbin R.U.F.C. which on previous arguments was logical but entirely impracticable. The motion was reworded and put once more in the form of 'the name of this new R.U.F.C. be the "Moorabbin" R.U.F.C. This motion was seconded and carried.

6. It was suggested that since there were already a set of Marlin jerseys in existence and owned by individuals willing to join the new club, these should be adopted as the club colours.. This motion was seconded and carried with the proviso that white shorts (as a reminder of St. Kilda activity) be worn with the Marlins jersey, the colours of which are a white background with a wide black body band bounded by a parallel black band on each side.

7. The matter of socks was discussed and it was agreed that the delegates to the V.R.U. discuss the possibility of black and white looped socks with the V.R.U.

8. It was moved, seconded and carried that a constitution need not be discussed in detail at this meeting, but that a pilot committee, when elected, should discuss the problem and present their findings to club members at the first Extraordinary General Meeting to be held in approximately 12 weeks from to-night.

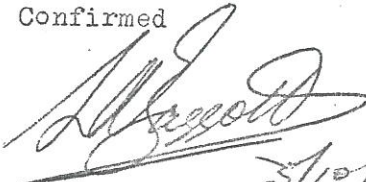
9. The following Pilot Committee was duly elected and given the duty of forming the basis upon which the club should be run for the next twelve weeks at which time office bearers would be elected at the Extraordinary General Meeting for a term of one (1) year or until the first Annual General Meeting.

President	-	Mr. Len Baggott
Secretary	-	Mr. Jim Mathieson
Treasurer	-	Mr. Peter Ware
Committee	-	Mr. Jock Duffy
		Mr. Harold Caterson
		Mr. Ken Lemon
		Mr. Robert Clements

10. At this stage the President spoke of the V.R.U. constitution concerning the voting rights of clubs and who shall be club delegates to V.R.U. meetings. The President, Secretary and Mr. Caterson were duly appointed to attend the V.R.U. Annual General Meeting on January 27, 1965. Their duties were:-
- (I) To sit in at the V.R.U. Annual General Meeting.
 - (II) To inform the V.R.U. of the formation of the Moorabbin R.U.F.C.
 - (III) To put forward the clubs colours for approval i.e. Marlins jersey white shorts and black and white looped socks.
 - (IV) To contact representatives of the Junior Union and discuss junior teams with them.

All matters having been attended to the meeting closed at 10 p.m.

Confirmed


5/10/65.