

## **DINGOS 2011 AGM**

### **In Attendance:**

Everett Wells  
David Wells  
Ramsey Blacklock  
Tom Bell  
Glenn Thompson  
Paul Tinkler  
Shawn McKay  
Lexi Leonard  
Will Brown  
Denis Cormier (new)  
Andrew Gaut  
Stewart Wilson  
Mick McFarlane  
Justin Robertson  
Yoni Moussadji  
Bobby Clarke  
Liam Sorrell (new)  
Craig Stewart  
Shaun (new)

### **AGENDA**

1) Executive team elections.

President – Craig Stewart  
Vice-President – David Wells  
Treasurer – Yoni Moussadji  
Secretary – Everett Wells  
Director – Paul Tinkler

- A new Executive position was initiated for the 2012 season: Director of Development. While this position exists in the Toronto Dingos Constitution, it has remained unfilled for several seasons. The Director of Development will focus more on Women's, Div2, Junior programs for the Toronto Dingos. Paul Tinkler was elected to this position.

2) Review of 2011 Financials (Yoni) –

Summary: Dingos are in good financial standing!

Stewy reminded all that we aren't aiming to make too much money per year – want to give back to club, not make a huge profit.

### 3) Player Fees - all divisions

2011 saw fees of \$225, \$125, rookie fees. With a profit of \$3000, most likely to keep fees the same, but needs to be discussed.

Discussion : Tinks – Wants to put importance on the Div 2 games. Should have lower fees for Div 2 vs Div 1. Stewy – there is a grey line between Div 1 and Div 2 so what about “float” players? To be discussed further among Exec once budget for the year is established.

### 4) Toronto Dingos inaugural Women’s Team.

Background: There is more encouragement from league to start Women’s team. Free uniforms offered by O AFL Exec? Recruitment of women allows for the increase of the base of the club, increase networks.

Discussion : Any thoughts? Lexi was for, good points.

- The benefits are obvious in terms of networking, member base, etc., but there are concerns about outlining a Womens Team roll in things like training sessions, footy trip, etc. – separation?
- Payoff seems to outweigh risks/etc.
- Stewy wants to know if anyone is against developing this idea...? No!
- Div 2 leaders want to make sure the Div 2 development isn’t hindered by the Womens Team development
- Stewy wants to start, not really worry about whether it will work or not (nothing ventured, nothing gained).

### 5) Junior Initiatives

- The idea is to expand our current recruiting methods (which is really just word of mouth) into something more structured
- Target age are the under-10s, under-12s (grade 4, 5, 6), because the 16 and 17-year-olds are already committed to other sports
- Looking at: ONE school next year, with Tinks & Stewy spearheading a proposal to AFL Canada (who are broke)
- 8-week clinic, once a week, at their school – working through club contacts (Leaside, York School)
- The presentation focuses on starting one or two teams to play on their own, separate from the Roos Aussie-X stuff (which only feeds into the Roos)

### 6) Coaching staff

- Stewy tells his story of meeting with Mick, Butch, and Robbo – out of that meeting, it’s been decided that MICK will take over as Head Coach for 2012, with Robbo & Butch acting as assistant coaches
- Speeches from Mick, Robbo
- Point was brought up to find a dedicated Div 2 “coach” or “manager”, “organizer”
- Idea by Yoni: players outside the starting 18 are \*required\* to suit up for Div 2 (you’re a starter for Div 2 and a sub for Div 1)

### 7) Winter training sessions

- U of T has NO time available! Wow!
- Lamport Stadium, no time available!
- Dome at St. Mikes needs to be investigated
- UCC has... Thursdays at 10:30pm? Preferred choice
- Stewy has the an indoor competition stretched over the 8 weeks, rather than just 8 weeks of trainings
- Dingo Winter Footy Games!

- discussion on how to split up the "training" weeks vs. the "game" weeks, cuts down on the commitment load for some ppl?

8) Recruiting ideas - all divisions

9) Fields (Humber South, David A Balfour, other?)

- Still at the behest of the Roos, who have first dibs
- Only Tuesdays when its available, since Monday night trainings at Humber have low turnout
- Stewy to talk to Greg about availability and any minimum "buy in"

10) Website/Blog

- Spider willing to take over Stu Wallis roll with updating the Website
- Do we want to move the blog to the SportingPulse website?
- Spider will spearhead the move to SportingPulse

11) Sponsors

- Downunder Travel is a question mark, SCC is still rock solid
- Sponsorship adds a solid chunk of Dingo budget
- Reminders to keep an eye out for sponsorship opportunities, as well as to support the sponsors that we have (ex Downunder Travel)

12)OAFL AGM recap

- No major changes. Fees likely to go up.

13) AFL GF Party

- Stewy happy to spearhead organizing this event, with Wellsy/Ramsey/Jake/Jimmy offering support

14) Summer BBQ

- Stewy volunteers to host

15)Golf Tournament

- Tim volunteers to repeat as organizer

16) Footy trip

- Dan Prior has volunteered to organize again
- WHERE WE GOING, DOG?!?!?!?
- Options are Montreal, Winnipeg, Atlantic City, CHICAGO!, or somewhere down south

17)Awards Dinner

- DP, Wellsy, Spider will re-up to handle

Adding more awards to awards night?

- a Defensive Player Award, decided by the coaching staff
- a Div 2 award? To be dealt with by the Div 2 organizer/coach/whatever
- start a Player's Player Award

Footy's, uniforms and apparel

- Div 2 unis?

- Junior uniforms
- formal Dingo T-Shirt

#### Other

- cut our personal photographer
- Jake gives out gold coins