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This wording is taken directly from the RDCA Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 1944 for the 1943/44 season. The writing in the RDCA Minute Book is sometimes hard to read, hence this 'translation'.

Remember that this was during the Second World War and club and team numbers were reduced.

## RDCA Annual General Meeting, Town Hall Ringwood, 19th September 1944.

<u>Delegates</u>. Croydon – C. Walden, C.Lerress (?), Kilsyth – S. Bell, W. Baldwin, Ringwood – J. McArthur, North Ringwood – J. Austin, J. Maidment, Wonga Park – C. Kear, O. Leach, Wantirna – L. Baker, H. Dehnert, South Warrandyte – an apology, Ferntree Gully – C. Tomlkins, Mooroolbark – M. Cooper, R. Beckhurst, Heathmont – A. Brumby, CYMS – L. Salvana. Life Member P. V. Edie.

The President in welcoming the delegates said they had done a good job in keeping the game going despite material shortage and transport difficulties. Cricket, he said, would never die and would boom in the post war period and he trusted local Councils would meet the greater demand for sport by improving the grounds and providing more playing areas.

This year they would again face difficulties of transport and materials, but the good old game would go on and he wished them a successful season.

<u>Premiership Shield</u>. In presenting the Chandler Shield to Ringwood he complimented the club on winning the premiership. The final games were played in good spirit and Ringwood deserved their victory.

<u>Entries.</u> Entries were received from Ringwood, North Ringwood, Wantirna, Croydon, Kilsyth, Wonga Park, Mooroolbark, Fern Tree Gully, South Warrandyte and Bayswater.

<u>Draw.</u> The Boronia entry was not certain and it was decided to hold entries open till later, when the Executive would meet and allot the draw.

<u>Reports.</u> The Secretary submitted a report of the year's activities and a financial statement was read and held over pending audit.

Election of Office Bearers. President - Mr. E. Pegler, Patrons - A. T. Miles, F. Clota, H. Donahoo, Dr. W.L. Colquhon, Hon. G.L. Chandler MLC, Hon. Sir William Angliss MLC, Hon. Brig. G.H. Knox MLA, R.J. Gray MLA, Hon. W. Everard MLA, Col. Ryan MHR, W.J. Hutchinson MHR, Cr. Frank Parker, Cr. R.V. Inbold, Cr. J. Collins. Vice Presidents - Messrs. W. Baldwin, L. Salvana, P.V. Edie, L. Brown, J. McArthur.

Executive - Messrs. P.V. Edie, W. Baldwin, L. Salvana. Hon. Secretary - C. E. Sleeman,

Hon. Treasurer – J. Goodall, Wet Weather Committee – W. Baldwin, C.E. Sleeman, and A. Dinsdale. Auditor – Mr. Kevin Pratt. Delegate to V.J.C. U. – Mr. E. Pegler.

Donation. A donation of 10/- (ten shillings) was received from Mr. L. Brown.

Application to V.J.C.U. It was decided to affiliate with the V.J.C.U.

It was decided to open the season on October 14 with rounds of matches to suit the number of entries.

Rules. A general discussion on rules followed and various minor amendments were made.

It was decided to have the fixtures printed.

