



**International Chito-Ryu Karate Federation of Australia
(Sunshine Coast Branch) Inc.**

AGM 2020 MINUTES

Date and Time: Saturday, December 5th 2020 at 10:00am

Venue: Online & SCK Dojo

Meeting Opened: 10:00am

Attendance: See attached attendance and proxy list on page 3.

Apologies: Gary Saunders

1. Welcome

2. Read minutes of previous AGM Accepted by, Martin Phillips Seconded by Annie Gagnier

3. Reports

(a) President Report	Attached (page 4)	(NM)
(b) Secretary Report	Attached (page 5)	(SH)
(c) Treasurer Report	Attached (page 6)	(AG)
(d) Instructor Report	Attached (page 7)	(MP)

4. Motion: That version 2 of the constitution be adopted as the rules of the association.

Additional information about this motion.

Current rules of the association (version 1): <https://www.karatedo.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/ICKFA-SC-inc-constitution-v1.pdf>

Proposed rules for adoption (version 2)

<https://www.karatedo.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/ICKFA-SC-inc-constitution-v2.pdf>

- i. When version 1 of the constitution was written our association was formed as regional branch of a national association. The national association was dissolved several years ago. All references to the national association have been removed from the rules.
- ii. Also, the proposed name for the association written into version 1 of the constitution was not allowed by the Office of Fair Trading. The registered name has been updated throughout.
- iii. Updated classes of membership – voting members. Parents of junior members (U/18) are allowed to vote on their behalf. This was not previous allowed.

- iv. References to updated rule numbers and some typos have been corrected.

Motion accepted.

5. Management Committee stand down. Election of office bearers for 2020-21

- a. **President** Terry Plant nominated. Nomination accepted.
- b. **Instructor representative** Martin Phillips nominated. Nomination accepted.
- c. **Secretary** Sam Hunt nominated. Nomination accepted.
- d. **Treasurer** Annie Gagnier nominated. Nomination accepted.
- e. **General members** Members accepted nomination (see below):

6. Take contact details of Management committee and General Members

7. Next Meeting. 30th January 2021.

Meeting Closed: 10.24am

Signed by president: _____

Attendance:

1. Sam Hunt (online)
2. Martin Phillips
3. Annie Gagnier
4. Matt Craven
5. Terry Plant
6. David Probert
7. Nikki Stavely
8. Helen O'Grady

Proxies:

1. Abbey Hunt
2. Alan Bates
3. Keanu Caston
4. Maureen Khan
5. Renae Saunders
6. Selina Strazzari
7. Sandra Phillips
8. Debbie Woodhouse

General Member Nominations:

1. David Probert
2. Helen O'Grady
3. Nikki Stavely

Nomination for Auditor for 2021 if required

1. Helen O'Grady nominated Caren Moroney (Accountant).

President's Report 2020

COVID-19 has had a significant impact on everyone since early in 2020, including Sunshine Coast Karate and the activities of the ICKFA-SC committee. It has meant that not only were students being taught virtually for most of the first half of the year but regular events such as tournaments, karate camps and other social activities, were simply not possible. As a result, the committee has found itself in a position of being in a holding pattern until we can resume 'business as usual'. It has also meant that our usual forms of raising funds have been non-existent. This, coupled with the reasonably significant (but thankfully temporary) reduction in SCK members, has resulted in less money in the bank but as we have also had less activities to fund (ie. Soke's annual visit and camps), overall, the financial position of the committee remains stable.

As outgoing President, I would like to acknowledge and commend the significant effort and speed at which Sensei Martin and Sensei Sandra converted from dojo-based training to an online format. It literally happened overnight. It also meant that all students could continue to train when just about everything else in their worlds changed drastically. They were generous with their time, committed to continuous improvement of virtual delivery and flexible enough to ensure most students had an opportunity to continue the training and discipline they were accustomed to. I would also like to acknowledge the work of the ICKFA-SC committee this year (especially as we have only seen each other via zoom meetings all year), the dedication of all dojo staff and the resilience of our Sunshine Coast Karate members and community. Thank you for continuing to be flexible and patient as we all navigate the ongoing uncertainty that 2020 has brought us.

Nina Meloncelli

Secretary's Report AGM 2020

I would first like to acknowledge the outgoing members of the Sunshine Coast branch of the International Chito-Ryu Karate Federation of Australia for 2020.

A special thanks to the management committee for their respective roles and Sensei Martin for assisting me in organising the AGM.

As Nina mentioned, the Pandemic has had a significant impact on the way the committee and Sunshine Coast Karate operated during the first half of the year.

From a committee's perspective the monthly meetings were adapted to online Zoom meetings, which did have the added benefit of reduced travel for most members.

I believe the online Zoom meetings worked well and gave opportunity for members to attend who normally could not.

Facebook is another online tool we have used this year for organising the meetings. It is also a central location that can be used for discussion between members of the committee Facebook group.

Thank you everyone who attended meetings this year and I will be nominating myself for position of Secretary of the association for 2021.

Sam Hunt

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Treasurer's report:

Overview

- Very quiet year from a treasury point of view with no tournaments, camp, social events or visit from Soke.
- No income other than monthly membership fees and one small fundraising activity.
- No expenses other than the usual running costs i.e insurance, domain name, OFT, etc.

Financial Statements

- As presented to members, as of 30/06/2020 to be approved and submitted to the Office of Fair Trading.
- Highlights:
 - Net profit as of 30/06/2020 was \$293.04. Would be increased by now given the absence of expenses.
 - Total assets as of today sit at \$18,114.33 including \$10,967.05 long-term assets and cash at bank of \$6,435.80.

Budget

- We have reached our saving goal of \$4,000 to cover 2 days of training and teaching with Soke Sensei and Higushi Sensei when international travel can resume.
- Our focus is now on saving for dojo mats replacement (due end 2021 to mid-2022). Saving goal is \$4320, we currently have \$520.87 allocated to this purpose.
- We are also allocating money for scholarships to train in Japan when international travel resumes. We currently have \$811.88 allocated for this purpose.
- Our current budget allocation for our participation in the next Soke Cup (2022) stands at \$933.

Annual Instructors Report (Martin Phillips) – Sat, 28 Nov 2020

On the teaching front this year has been a challenging year but it has also opened up a lot of opportunities.

At the start of the year membership was at reaching its highest point ever with 220, then covid-19 lockdown kicked in. On the teaching front we made the decision to take classes online with Zoom classes which proved to be a good thing allowing us to maintain an active membership and keep the dojo community together.

During this period there has been a drop in membership, down to a low of 162 at the start of May. Since reopening the dojo many members have reactivated their membership and there have been new member registrations bringing the current membership (as at the start of December) to 210 active members.

Although we have been unable to run tournaments or attend the annual Qld training camp which was to be held on the Gold Coast this year, we were able to do the QLD senior training weekend last month which was well attended and there were 2 Sunshine Coast members promoted to black belt: Selina Strazzari & Savannah Perdikis.

As a result of travel restrictions we have been unable to bring guest instructors to the Sunshine Coast this year, so we have missed out on a visit from Soke. Although international travel may still be limited for some time, we are hopeful that we may be able to bring some interstate guest instructors to the Sunshine Coast next year.

On the teaching and training side of things it has been a busy year. Taking classes online was a very steep learning curve, both in terms of technology and how to teach in this new format, in many ways it's more challenging to teach a class online than in person. Outside of training, it has really been a very quiet year this year but as restrictions continue to ease, we are hopeful that we will be able to get more active again next year.