



Annual General Meeting
Saturday 16 March 2024 9.00am
Stow Gardens

Agenda

1. Welcome, Acknowledgement of Country, and apologies

Apologies: Chantal, Kym, Amanda, Tamara, Rachel.

Present: Suzanne, Julie, Denise, Katie, Cath, Amber, Dee, Aditi; and 22 Community member attendees present.

With President, Chantal Bachere-Crinquand, unable to attend, the meeting was chaired by Vice President, Julie Myers.

Julie welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance.

2. President's report

- The Geraldton Yoga Club is in our 7th year - currently 13 Yoga teachers on board and 94+ members.
- Geraldton Yoga Club memberships are vital to maintain the momentum of the club. Thank you to our members who support the club.
- In 2023, we (again) promoted our GYC at the 'Festival of Lights' and 'Harmony Festival' by presenting Yoga demos which were well received. Thank you to our teachers and participant Yogis who took part.
- The 2 Yoga workshops presented last year were also well received and attended.
- Our twice weekly Yoga classes at the 'Step Up Step Down' Mental Health service have continued in the past year, making this our 4th year with them. Thank you, Tamara who delivers this program.
- Our yoga teachers have delivered Yoga classes, meditation, and breathing classes at various workplaces, schools, and events throughout the year.
- Our 2023 International Yoga Day celebrations were a great success with 160+ attendees at the QEII Centre for the event co-hosted by the Midwest Indian Cultural Society.
- A big thank you to our 2023 sponsors for their generosity and ongoing support into 2024 - Signworks, Flow Eat Beautiful, Spruce Juice, Quiet Life, Indah Day Spa, Remi French Street Food; and all the Geraldton Yoga Club teachers for their ongoing support and dedication; and to all GYC members.

3. Matters arising

- Our GYC Bylaws have been reviewed and amended to reflect our current 2024 year.

- Our 2024 GYC (free) Member Workshops are planned for April and October.
- 2024 International Yoga Day - Planning for this event is underway, scheduled for Sunday 23rd June, again in collaboration with the Midwest Indian Cultural Society.
- We are grateful for the City of Greater Geraldton's continued support for Wednesday's Sunset Yoga classes.
- 2024 will be a challenging year moving forward as the CGG will be charging us \$100 hall hire for the QEII Saturday classes during the Winter and cooler months. This is a 6-month period (25 classes = \$2,500).
This will impact the GYC significantly - Please bear with us while we navigate our way forward and determine how this may impact our Saturday participants.

4. Treasurer's report

- Treasurer, Denise Hackland reported that the GYC is currently financially stable and secure with funding from current sponsors and club members.
- Julie added that the full financial statement will be uploaded to our website for public viewing.

5. Nomination and appointment of Club's 2024 board members

- President, Chantal Bachere Crinquand
- Vice President, Julie Myers
- Secretary, Amber Jackson
- Treasurer, Denise Hackland
- Board Member, Suzanne Ottersen
- Board Member, Katie Clune
- Board Member, Shelley Brown

6. Other business/ member comments

- GYC community members suggested that the annual GYC Membership fee be increased to \$50.00 per year, to help cover the costs of having to pay for the hall on Saturdays and as the current fee of \$30.00 is considered too low given the value of the membership and the number of free classes the club provides throughout the year.
Julie added member comments at last year's AGM put forward the same suggestion; and with 26 Saturday classes per year, an increased fee of \$50.00 is a worthy consideration.
- There were no other comments/items.

7. Thank you, Teachers and participants, for your attendance.

Meeting closed at 9:15am.