

NOT QUITE THE SECRETARY'S NEWSLETTER

This is just a short note to help you keep up with what is going on in Judo.

First, Rob Kelly had to resign from the position of secretary, due to the pressures of family and work. Pressures which I am sure that we all understand. To fill in the gap I have been appointed secretary by the Committee up to the AGM. In any case the position of secretary would be up for election under the new incorporated 'constitution' which requires that 'half' the committee (half of 11 ?, well 5 one year, 6 the next) is up for election each year.

Second, I apologise for the lapses which may have occurred prior to the committee actually appointing me as secretary. Hopefully in the period up to the AGM I can get a bit organised.

The AGM and sub-committees

I have put that in as a bold heading to remind everyone that your Judo organisation needs a large base of volunteers to run events and make sure that the young athletes especially are given every chance to enjoy and advance in Judo.

Each member of the committee is given responsibility for a particular area of organisation and become the liaison/convener for a sub-committee to handle those matters. Some areas are technical such as refereeing, coaching and rank accreditation, and we hope the senior graded players apply for those sub-committee positions. Other areas, such as finance, marketing, teams coordination, tournaments, volunteer programs and awards require skills other than Judo. These are the areas where older players, parents and spouses can assist. As you can see these areas are vital to the advancement of Judo in Victoria. Even people who don't feel that they can go on a sub-committee can let the volunteer programs and awards sub-committee know what they can do, for example timekeeping at tournaments or they may have marketing contacts etc. Anyway, get the nomination form around, so that we can get the maximum coverage for Judo.

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All the best for your Judo, Rodney Cox, secretary (pro tem), 28 July 1997