

VWA REFEREE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 16th February 2026 – 6:00 pm

| Agenda Item | | Discussion Points/Attachments | | Presented By |
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| 1. | Opening and Preliminaries | 1.1 1.2 | <p>Acknowledgement of Country</p> <p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>Face to Face – Karyn Murray (KM), Renae Harvey (RH), Will Dundas (WD), Oliver Guazzelli (OG), Shaun Barnett (SB), Dani Francis (DF), Jasmine Watson (JW)</p> <p>Online – Samantha Stewart (SS), Alex Neindorf (AN)</p> | JW |
| 2. | Meeting Notes for Approval | 2.1 | <p>Confirmation of Meeting Notes – 24th November 2025</p> <p>RH confirmed the meeting notes from November 2025 as a true reflection of the meeting, being seconded by WD</p> | |
| 3. | Follow-Up Actions | 3.1 | <p>Publish web-form for WAVL 2026 State League Referee EOI</p> | JW |
| | | 3.2 | <p>Updating Referee Selection Process Policy</p> <p>KM provided update that the Selection Committee composition will be updated. KM to update policy with input from the VWARC</p> | KM |
| 4. | Business for Discussion | 4.1 | <p>Referee Awards – dates of achievements and code separation</p> <p>The criteria for the Referee of the Year Award will be updated to provide an award for the Indoor Referee of the Year and an award for the Beach Referee of the Year</p> | KM |
| | | 4.2 | <p>Ref Book Update</p> <p>Further discussion arose regarding the introduction of Ref Book. It will allow for more streamlined communication between VWA and referees but also the VWA Referee Committee (VWARC).</p> <p>Action: AN to organise a Ref Book seminar for the VWARC to understand how the program functions prior to the commencement of the WAVL season</p> | |
| | | 4.3 | <p>Review Referee Coaches & Assessors</p> <p>VWARC reviewed existing list of Referee Coaches and Referee-Assessors.</p> <p>Action: JW to update document and incorporate new version to referee course participation packs</p> | JW |
| | | 4.4 | <p>Weekly Generalised Feedback</p> <p>Discussions of creating feedback slips/form generated through Ref Book to improve communication.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consistency in venue quality was identified. Communication with U18 players. | |

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| | | <p>4.5 Committee Terms of Reference review The Terms of Reference of all VWA Committees and Working Groups will be reviewed shortly, which will include the Referee Committee. The aim is to review to improve governance and consistency across committees and to move towards standardization at the same time aligning with VWA's Strategic Plan. Expressions of Interest for committee members will be called with the selection taking place prior to the AGM when each committee will be announced together with their members.</p> <p>4.6 Chief Referee roles budgets and restraints Chief Referees (CR) will no longer be paid to be on call, if they are contacted, they will be paid for a minimum of two hours. There will also be an integration of Chief Referee/Venue Coordinator when the Chief Referee is attending a venue. Action: AN to oversee this change</p> <p>4.7 WAVJL training sessions for parents and coaches The introduction of educational sessions in relation to scoring and refereeing for parents and coaches was discussed as part of the duty team requirements. The aim is to provide consistency in the way games are referred at WAVJL, aligning it with the Level 1 Referee Course. Action: JW to investigate the components of Child Safeguarding which are included in the Level 1 Referee Course and how these expectations can be educated to parents and coaches.</p> <p>4.8 Course duration and course closing dates After discussing with the VWARC, the Level 2 Referee course will run for 5 hours (previously 4 hours) as it gives presenters more time to educate about scoring and scoresheets. Action: JW to ensure the timeline for this course is communicated and that any venue bookings are adjusted accordingly.</p> <p>4.9 Pre-season Referee Seminar A refresher seminar for referees was discussed prior to the start of the WAVL season. Discussions occurred regarding the levels of referees that will be required to attend</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State League Reserves and Referees Coaches • An expectation that Division 1 and Division 1 Reserves will attend | <p>KM</p> <p>AN</p> <p>JW</p> <p>JW</p> <p>JW</p> |
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| | | 4.10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should anyone else wish to attend they will be welcome to do so <p>Action: JW to organise CITS booking for 28th March from 9am to 2pm</p> <p>VA Referee Supervisor EOI nomination process Clarified VA's referee supervisor nomination process.</p> <p>Action: JW to contact VA regarding further clarification on the process</p> | JW |
| 5. | Next Meeting & Closure | 5.1 | Meeting ended at 8:36pm. Next meeting scheduled for the 24 th of August 2026. | |