

## HAYDEN OPIE

Certainly in the initial 8 years of ANZSLA 's existence one did not think of ANZSLA without thinking of Hayden Opie, and one did not think of Hayden without thinking of ANZSLA. Such was his influence on the organisation.

His commitment to the development of an organisation spanning the issues of sport and law and involving those who practice as sports administrators and/or lawyers saw the formation in 1990 of ANZSLA. At dinner held at Melbourne University he gathered together from around Australia and New Zealand gained respect.

Hayden served as foundation President of ANZSLA until his retirement in 1998, and in that time brought together a diverse range of people with sport and legal and administrative experience and engendered a sense of team work amongst all who were involved wherever they resided and worked around Australia and New Zealand.

Originally ANZSLA's main activities were it's annual conference and newsletter.

Hayden was at the helm of the organising committee of the first conference held in Melbourne and its success ensured that the conference would become an annual event. His sport law contacts throughout the world ensured that thereafter there were visitors who were able to bring an international flavor to our conferences.

Hayden was the editor of the original publication "The Newsletter" for 8 years and ensured the quality and legal rigour of the quarterly publication was impeccable leading to an informative and reliable journal on legal issues in sport.

He initiated the idea of regional activities so as to ensure that as many people as possible could have access to useful contacts and interesting speakers. Other initiatives include the initial involvement in the establishment of the National Sports Dispute Centre.

Despite his university lecturing at the University of Melbourne he juggled his commitment to ANZSLA with carrying out and investigation into the AIS gymnastics programme. He is sought after throughout the sport law world as a speaker and writer.

His initiative and tireless work has ensured that those who have followed in his footsteps have done so in a sound and thriving organisation, with a reputation for excellent in all its excellent in all its activities on which further development can take place to promote the growth of the sports law field.

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**Notice of Proposed Special Resolutions**

Notice is given to all Members of ANZSLA that it is proposed to alter the rules of ANZSLA and confer life membership, by special resolutions at the Annual General Meeting of the Association on **Thursday 10 August 2000**.

**A ALTERATION TO THE RULES OF ANZSLA**

The following resolutions are proposed by the Board of ANZSLA as special resolutions under rule 23 of the Rules and sections 22 and 29 of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* (VIC):

**Change to Timing of Notice of Meeting**

1. **THAT** rule 11.1 be amended by deleting the words "21 days" and replacing them with "60 days".

*The reason for this change is to ensure there is sufficient time for members to notify items of business for the meeting (under rule 11.2(b)) and to submit nominations for election of Directors (under rule 16.1(a)). At present the rule means that notice goes out 21 days prior to the meeting which is after the time period for items of business and nominations has expired ie 28 days prior to the meeting.*

**Change to Timing of Nominations of Directors**

2. **THAT** rule 16.1(a)(ii) be amended by deleting the words "28 days" and replacing them with "14 days".

*The reason for this change is to give members more time from the date notice is given for the meeting to submit nominations for elections as Directors.*

**Change to Process of Nomination of Directors**

3. **THAT** rule 16.1(a)(i) be amended by deleting it and replacing it with the following:

"made in writing by a person who, at the time of nomination, is either a financial member of the Association, or a delegate of a financial affiliated member, and signed by that member or delegate on the prescribed form "

*The Board considers that any person should be entitled to submit their nomination for election as a director and that the existing requirement of having 2 other members endorse the nomination may prevent nominations being made and is an overly cumbersome procedure.*

**B SPECIAL RESOLUTION TO CONFER LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

The following resolution is proposed by the Board of ANZSLA as a special resolution under rules 2.1 and 3.2 of the Rules and sections 29 of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* (VIC):

1. **THAT** life membership of ANZSLA be conferred upon Mr Hayden Opie.