

BSAACT's
2020 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

At our last AGM none of us could have imagined the challenging year ahead for us all. With the restrictions happening with the Coronavirus stopping play in March there was much disappointment. However, players were happy to return to play in August once these restrictions were eased. BSAACT purchased a considerable amount of extra equipment to ensure player safety during the Covid-19 situation and put in place measures to keep players safe in line with Government requirements.

I would like to acknowledge the support of the ACT Government during the past year. The Association was fortunate to receive a special grant from the ACT Government to assist us with the extra costs associated with ensuring player safety due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The BSAACT Committee applied for the annual ACT Government's Sport and Recreation's Operational Grant as well as a Development Grant. I am pleased to say we were successful in receiving both grants. The Development Grant will provide equipment for our Junior Development Program.

The past year has seen the BSAACT Committee introduce its own Member Protection Policy with all members having to abide by its Code of Behaviour and Member Declaration. It is now a requirement for all members (existing and new members) to sign a Code of Behaviour and Member Declaration to participate in our sport.

Planning is underway to commence junior development of snooker in 2021. A Child Protection Policy has been drafted and will be presented to the new committee for approval. It is vital that BSAACT put a great deal of effort into Junior Development of our sport and making our sport attractive and inviting to younger members of the ACT Community.

Community organizations such as ours rely greatly on the support of individuals and without this support our Association would not exist. I would like to thank the following people who have donated their assistance and expertise in helping the Association:

1. Mark O'Neil for the many years he served on the BSAACT Committee.
2. The Canberra Southern Cross Clubs – Woden and Jamison and the Burns Club for their continued support of our Sport.
3. David Spooner
4. Eneasz Sokolowski
5. Sam Bryant
6. Leigh Condon

My sincere thanks to the Members of the BSAACT Committee for your support and contributions in a year that has created a lot of extra work for committee members due to the Coronavirus.

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President
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