

Minutes of the Bankstown Liquor Accord Meeting held at Bankstown Sports Club on, 9 July 2025 - 10:00am

Chairperson:	Josh Pearce	Bankstown Hotel
Vice Chairperson:	Shane Costantini	Bankstown RSL Club
Treasurer:	David Hills	Bankstown Sports Club
Secretary:	Joanne Hall	The Acres Club

1. Meeting opened: Josh Pearce opened the meeting at 10.00am and welcomed all speakers and all attendees to the meeting.

2. Attendees:

Guests and attendees: Robert Green (Campsie RSL Group), Mark Adams (Liquorland Revesby), Allison Gibbons (Revesby Workers Club), Jerry Quartey (BWS Chester Hill), Ferdinand Fularon (BWS Bass Hill), Brendan Bates (Chester Hill RSL), Ian Lowndes (Panania Diggers), Scott Bennetts (Revesby Workers Club), Shane Costantini (Bankstown RSL), Bryce Webster (Global TCB Security), Lalit Thapa (Bankstown BWS), Don Teo (Mill Hotel), Joanne Hall (The Acres Club), Ben Collins (Bankstown Police), David Hills (Bankstown Sports Club), Helen Belleiter (Bankstown Police), Peter Denmead (Chester Hill RSL), Jenny Pham (Club Condell Park), Shane Scanlan Keevers (Club Condell Park), Phillip Pandelis (L & G), Josh Pearce (Bankstown Hotel), Winnie Lam (Sports Hotel), Kaite Harding (Coles Liquor), Jhen Reyes (Hume Hotel), Kristian Whitaker (Alcohol & Drug Foundation), Michael Griffin (Three Swallows Hotel), Rob McAndrew (Panania Diggers), Quenten Roberts (Bankstown Sports), Fabian Arias (Revesby Pacific), Chris Luland (BWS Revesby), Yvette Mosses (Bankstown Golf Club), Jason (Global TCB), Patrick Stolzenheim (Bankstown Sports).

3. Apologies: Nil

4. Adoption of Previous Minutes:

Nominated: Joanne Hall
Seconded: Shane Costantini

Business arising:

- Nil

5. General Business:

We have changed over the email, we won't be using mail chimp anymore, we have moved to office 365. All future correspondence from the Accord will be coming through this so please check your junk. The annual subscription has been on hold, so it's been a couple of years since invoices were sent out, these will be reintroduced, they'll be coming through the accord email, keep an eye out for that. Once the payments are made send it back to that email address.

6. Guest Speaker(s)

Ben Collins – Licencing Officer

Just some quick stats, for the first 6 months. Top 3 incidents, relying at alcohol, traffic and assault. Problem period times 9pm – 3am and weekends. Most of the alcohol related incidences involved people drinking at home. Across the state of NSW here were 17000 assault incidents involving alcohol from April 2024 – March 2025. Of this number our LGA had 337 incidents when compared to the rest of the state was below average and approx. 38 were on licensed premises. Reminder that ATMs had to be relocated by January 2025. Old incident registers cannot be used anymore, must use new registers.

Guest speaker Phil – Liquor & Gaming NSW

Our main function is to support liquor licences and navigate liquor licence reform. Special event trading is now open to all venues. Big change for bottle shops traditionally ID was sighted at the POS, they can now ask anyone for ID anywhere in the store. Don't be afraid to ask for ID, you are allowed to do so. If you are hosting live music 2 times a week, I encourage you to engage with live music incentives, it enables you to get up to 80% off your annual liquor licence fee, including the late-night loading. And if you're not 100% sure about something, give us a call, send an email, we can give you a hard yes or no. We are here to help. Updated website and lots of up-to-date resources.

Guest speaker Kirstian – ADF (Alcohol & Drug Foundation)

One of our front-line programs is called the good sports program. The department of health and transport for New South Wales do deliver programs in the community to prevent drug and alcohol harm. We refer to it as AOD, alcohol and other drugs, and the major program that we use to interface with community is called the good sports program. Our mission is to make sure that Australian lives are limited by alcohol and drug harm. And again, inspiring positive change through evidence. This will reduce risky behavior on your premises, or when there has been drinks at the oval and now you want to move to the local pub, or the local bottle shop to fuel up. We run community-based programs, focusing on harm prevention and minimisation. We have quite a lot of resources on our website. We have just over 3000 good sports registered clubs within New South Wales. Within the Canterbury Bankstown LGA we have just over 150 clubs.

Meeting Closed: 11:00am

Next Meeting: to be advised at a later date