

HK&HDCA Annual General Meeting 23/7/13

Meeting Opened: 7:43pm

Apologies: Tom Richmond OAM (Patron), Matt Kean (Patron), Steve Russell (Patron), Cameron Eve (Kookaburra), Michael Chan (Kooindah Waters), Mike Langford (NDs grade club), Tom Westbrook (Hornsby Advocate), Will Fiedler (Berowra), Abbas Aly (Triforce), Mark Lumley (NSCC), Ross Turner (Patron), Mark Rushton (Blowfly), Michael Rolleston (Blowfly), Ben Gussey (SICC), Bob Gussey (SICC), Scott Reid (BCC), Justin Epthorp (Galston-Glenorie)

Motion – To accept the apologies for the 2013 HKHDCA Annual General Meeting.

Moved by **Geoff Findlay**, seconded by **Bruce Kimberley**, motion carried unanimously.

Attendees:

EXECUTIVE:

Nathan Tilbury (President), Tim Davidson (Exec-Treasurer), Bruce Wood (Exec. Coaches Assn Pres), Geoff Hasler (Exec. – VP & Umps Assn Pres), Scott Burrows (Exec. & Umpires Assn), Steve Wilson (Umps Sec.)

CLUBS:

John Klingberg (KPCC), David Bennett (WPHC), Carolyn Ball (TCC), Bruce Parker (MCCC), John Patten (HDCC), Simon Arthur (ARL), Roger Friend (WPHC), Raja Mohan (NWCC), Greg Fiedler (Berowra), Josh Brown (ARL), Vincent Connor (BCC), Col Giffen (KUHCC), Sujith Dissanayake (SICC), Shanika Amanavelu (WBRCC), Nidheesh Narayanan (WBRCC), Murray MacDonald (HDCC), Chris Easy (HDCC), Gavin Wingfield (SICC), Bill White (SICC), Michael Parker (Berowra), Paul Pastras (CHRCC), Milton Brown (Berowra), Geoff Findlay (BCC), Diane Bennett (WPHCC),

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Noel Moig (Kookaburra), Graham Monk (Kooindah Waters), Chris Burnett (Triforce), Graham Gorrie (NDs), Craig Menzies (EO), Jason Russell-Jones (Cricket NSW)

LIFE MEMBERS:

Barry McDonald (Auditor & LM), Alf James (LM), David Toose (LM), Ross Anderson (WPHC & LM), Andy Bayles (LM), John McQuillan (LM), Colin Cooper (LM), Bruce Kimberley (Jun. Sec. & LM)

Welcome:

All were welcomed by President, Nathan Tilbury. Special mention was given to;

The HK&HDCA Life Members present:

Special guests; Noel Moig (Kookaburra), Graham Monk (Investa Group – Kooindah Waters), Chris Burnett (Triforce), Craig Menzies (EO), Graham Gorrie (grade club Northern District Rangers).

President

Nathan Tilbury

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Previous Minutes

Motion – To accept the minutes of the 2012 HKHDCA Annual General Meeting.

Moved by **Geoff Findlay**, seconded by **Bruce Kimberley**, motion carried unanimously.

Annual Report

Thanks were given to the HK&HDCA 2012/13 Annual Report sub-committee made up of Barry McDonald, Bruce Wood & Geoff Hasler.

Motion – To accept the 2012/13 annual report.

Moved by **Geoff Findlay**, seconded by **Murray MacDonald**, motion carried unanimously.

Presidents Report;

The HK&HDCA are extremely fortunate to have very settled but active Association management committees. Our Executive works very well together with each member managing and developing their patch of the Association for which they are extremely passionate about and proud of. This makes both the Association & me look pretty good.

I have detailed & thanked each of the Executive members for their committed 2012/13 contribution in the Annual Report so I won't detail it tonight. But I am very pleased to say each of the team have nominated for the coming 2013/14 season once again.

The away Ashes series currently being played out of main stream TV in the UK is always a massive advantage for cricket in Australia with the matches overlapping into Club's registration days. I have spoken to a number of club representatives who are already talking about the positive impact that this is having on their numbers for this season. Even with a small increase in teams we will exceed our previous record of senior teams of 82 teams. This increase will be replicated across all areas of the HK&HDCA including our umpires who already have record numbers on their books.

However with these spikes in team numbers comes other challenges. Such as finding sufficient grounds to hold our competitions.

During the colder months your Executive have been working closely with our three local Councils attempting to have access to the extra grounds we will require & some success is expected. However it may not be enough.

I would like to flag the possibility of possibly having to possibly refuse team nominations or even affiliation from clubs from outside our traditional borders, even those we have previously welcomed. Unless these clubs are able to bring with them access to their home grounds on the borders of our Association we may not be able to accept their team or teams nominations.

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This may seem like a hard line approach to some but, in my opinion, we should not penalize our traditional HK&HDCA clubs/teams so “outsiders” can play in our competitions during this very busy summer. It is ok when we have room for these extra clubs and teams within our system but they should be the first to go when our numbers become too much.

MILO In2Cricket – KANGA CRICKET

One area we can open the flood gates is our grassroots in Milo In2Cricket or Kanga Cricket. I would like to offer active assistance to any club that wants to help themselves specifically in this area. The focus from clubs needs to be pre-season and it is so easy to be distracted, particularly in a busy season. Clubs must have a dedicated person to this area with the necessary support from the club, Association and Cricket NSW.

We also have a couple of clubs who do run Kanga/Milo centres very well such as WPHC & St Ives/Wahroonga. Both these clubs are willing to share the trade secrets to any club who wants to help itself in this area.

I have already flagged this intended focus with Cricket NSW who are also very ready willing to provide support & tools.

At Association level we will have a couple of positions at the Councillor level (with no dedicated portfolio). Ideally I would like one of these Councillor positions filled by someone who would be willing to give some active focus on supporting the clubs preseason with their Milo recruiting & centre set up activities.

Please take this message back to your own Club Executives & members to see who you can best benefit from this HK&HDCA pre-season focus.

The other area I will be calling on support from clubs, specifically clubs located in the Baulkham Hills Shire, is lobbying their council & working with local media if required.

We currently have a serious problem with this local Council where we are at serious risk of losing Kenthurst as a turf wicket. The rent for this ground has risen from about \$1,000 to what could be as much as \$14K for last season (this is currently being vigorously disputed by the Association) and this hire cost is set to double again in 2013/14 unless we act now.

It is my belief BHSC senior staff are trying to make Kenthurst too expensive as a turf wicket & trying to force us off in favour of the local soccer club. If this cannot be adequately resolved with the senior staff in pre-season negotiations then we will be calling on your BHSC resident members to lobby their elected officials. And if this is unsuccessful we will again call on them to support a strong media campaign. I will send a note out to each of the BHSC clubs over the next week or two with further information & a plan of attack.

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I'd like to recognize our sponsor partners for 2012/13:

- Triforce – Abbas Aly
- Kooindah Waters Resort at North Wyong
- Hornsby RSL
- Kookaburra Sports

We are indeed fortunate to have such loyal and committed sponsors that make us more professional and provide resources that benefit all our members. I am pleased to say all these partners have signed on again for the coming season. I would very much encourage you to support those who so generously support us.

To finish, I'd like to briefly reflect on a couple of real highlights in the 2012/13 for the HK&HDCA. The first was our second successive undefeated Premiership season for our Telegraph Shield (U/23) Representative team. This was a massive effort & their 9 wicket victory in the final at Parklands underlined their dominance for the past two seasons. Our Durham (U/19) team also had a great season making their final & nearly stealing the silverware.

These performances really highlight the young talent we have in our Association and this is why our A grade competition is widely recognized by "outsiders" for our increasingly high quality of cricket.

Lastly, the Shell Shield awarded for the best performed Association at Junior Representative level, which you can see engraved with the HK&HDCA name in front of me. Winning this trophy for the first time in our long history is a wonderful all round achievement for which our representative committee, led by Abbas Aly and Bruce Parker, are extremely proud, as am I. This achievement should not be underestimated and for me was a major highlight in 2012/13.

I thank you for your support in 2012/13. 2013/14 is set to be a massive season for which I am greatly looking forward to.

President

Nathan Tilbury

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Motion – To accept the financial statement for season 2012/13.

Moved by **Geoff Hasler**, seconded by **Bruce Parker**, motion carried unanimously.

Motion – To accept the auditor’s report in relation to the financials for season 2012/13.

Moved by **Geoff Findlay**, seconded by **Bill White**, motion carried unanimously.

Motion – To accept the minutes of the Special General Meeting held on 19th March 2013.

Moved by **Geoff Findlay**, seconded by **Bill White**, motion carried unanimously.

Motion – To appoint Barry McDonald as auditor for season 2013/14.

Moved by **Geoff Hasler**, seconded by **Bruce Kimberley**, motion carried unanimously.

2013/14 HK&HDCA Executive Member Elections

Alf James assumed the chair for the nominations & elections of 2013/2014 of Office Bearers and declared all positions vacant.

Nominations

The following nominations were presented to the meeting and were elected unopposed:

Position	Nominated
President	Nathan Tilbury
Vice-President	Geoff Hasler
Vice- President	<i>Casual vacancy</i>
Treasurer	Tim Davidson
Senior Competition Secretary	Gavin Wingfield
Junior Competition Secretary	Bruce Kimberley
Representative Secretary	Bruce Parker
Coaches’ Association Delegate	Bruce Wood
Umpires Secretary	Steve Wilson
Minutes Secretary	Bill White
Councillor	Scott Burrows
Councillor	Geoff Findlay

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Councillor	<i>Casual vacancy</i>
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Patrons nominated for the 2013/14 season.

- Col Cooper
- Tom Richmond OAM
- Ross Turner
- Denise Annetts
- Phillip Ruddock – Federal Member for Berowra
- Paul Fletched – Federal Member for Bradfield
- Matt Kean – State Member for Hornsby
- Steve Russell – Mayor of Hornsby
- Mayor of Baulkham Hills Shire Council – after September
- Mayor of Ku-ring-gai Shire Council – after September

Motion – To accept the Patrons for the 2013/14 HKHDCA season.

Moved by **Nathan Tilbury**, seconded by **Bruce Kimberley**, motion carried unanimously.

General Business

Special awards:

2012/13 HK&HDCA SPONSOR PRESENTATION:

Triforce Sports	Abbas Aly
Hornsby RSL	Jo Gilbert
Koindah Waters Resort & Golf Course	Graham Monk
Kookaburra Sports	Noel Moig

HK&HDCA Jim Fuggle Award

Nathan Tilbury asked Barry McDonald to give a presentation to David & Diane Bennet for their joint Jim Fuggle.

HK&HDCA Life Membership Nomination;

At this stage Bruce Wood was asked to leave the room.

A recommendation had been received by the Executive from a sub-committee (made up of Tom Richmond, Alf James & Ross Anderson) to nominate Bruce Wood for HK&HDCA Life Membership. The recommendation had been considered by the 2012/13 Executive & unanimously supported.

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Motion – For Bruce Wood to receive HK&HDCA Life Membership.

Moved by **Nathan Tilbury**, seconded by **Col Cooper**, motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Wood was presented with his HK&HDCA Life Membership by Alf James.

Nathan Tilbury mentioned the new HK&HDCA Life Membership pins that would become uniform. A pin would be presented to every existing Life Member at the 2013 HK&HDCA Christmas drinks in December. On the back of the pin would be the Life Member's initials, number in order of presented and year awarded.

In closing the President thanked all those attending and invited all present to enjoy a drink at the bar and the finger food available with compliments of the HK&HDCA.

Meeting Closed – 8:56pm

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