

**HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI and HILLS DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION Inc.**  
**Minutes of Council Meeting held at Asquith Bowling Club on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2009**

**Present**

Executive

Mark Rushton (chair), Geoff Hasler, Nathan Tilbury, Andy Bayles, Bruce Kimberley, Steve Wilson, Clint Johnson, Bruce Wood, Bob Dewstow, Josh Brown, Murray Macdonald

Delegates

Josh and Mel Brown (Asquith RL), Geoff Findlay (Beecroft), Nathan Tilbury (Berowra), Mike and Karl Burgin (CHRSL), Bernie Triebe (Galston Glenorie), Nick McIntosh (Glenhaven), Clint Johnson, Murray Macdonald and Tim Dudley (Hornsby), Col Griffin, David Lea and Richard Arnott (Kenthurst), Chris Roden-Smith (Kissing Pt), Bruce Kimberley (Mt Colah), Cam Riddett and John Corish (Normanhurst-Warrawee), Mat Fabian (Pymble), Bob Dewstow (St Ives), Carolyn Ball (Thornleigh), John McQuillan and Simon Moore (Umpires), Ben Frawley and Deepak Narsai (WPHC)

Life Members

Bruce Kimberley and Andy Bayles

Also Present

Ben Gussey (Executive Officer)

Apologies

Brian Gibson, David Toose, Mitchell Burger, Scott Reid, Tracey Johnson

Motion to accept apologies. Seconded and carried

The chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all, particularly the women, Life Members and Club Presidents.

**Previous Minutes**

Motion to adopt as a true and fair record. Seconded and carried

**Business Arising**

The chairman asked the Rep Secretary if the outstanding fees have been received. Mr Johnson noted that he is still chasing them. The chairman suggested that he speaks to Mr Murray Macdonald. Mr Findlay asked if the player concerned is playing in a final this weekend. The chairman responded in the negative.

**Correspondence**

Incoming (external)

Kookaburra Invoice Paid (\$2850.00)

Ku-ring-gai Council (\$289.70)

Telstra (\$267.47)

Westpac Accounts: (\$0, \$7397.12, \$74,576.07, \$76,257.66)

Incoming (internal)

Payments: Kenthurst CC (\$9076); Thornleigh (\$2754.80)

8/03/2009: Normanhurst Warrawee Forfeit Claim (versus Berowra)

11/03/2009: Bruce Wood: HKHDCUA Spirit of Cricket Awards

12/03/2009: Kissing Point: Michael Clarke Twenty20 Grand Final

Outgoing (external)

10/03/2009: Mark Rushton to Harry Singh: U13 Emerging Blues

The chairman raised the deferment of the Michael Clarke 20/20 final. Mr Roden-Smith noted that it has been postponed for at least three weeks. He added that he was hopeful that the match could still be played.

**REPORTS**

**Treasurer**

No report as Mr Toose was absent

## **Umpires**

### Umpire appointments for HK&HDCA semis and finals

Bruce Wood advised that official umpires had been appointed to 18 of the 20 semi-finals over the past fortnight, and that the majority of matches were completed without incident, however one player in A2 Grade is being charged by the official umpire for serious dissent and he will face the D & D Committee in the near future. His team is not involved in the Finals this weekend so there is no necessity to convene an urgent hearing.

Bruce reminded the clubs that Umpire Grading Reports are still required to be completed on the *My Cricket* database by the team Captains for all semis and finals which have an official umpire, as very few reports had been submitted after the semis.

HKHDCUA plans to allocate two umpires for each Senior Final, so we need 20 umpires for this weekend (21 & 22 March). Unfortunately at this stage we only have 15 umpires confirmed and Bruce advised that he spent over 2 hours on Sunday ringing and e-mailing possible umpires, including senior players with a HK&HDCA Captain's Ticket and those whose team had lost their semi-final, however only one person agreed to make himself available.

Bruce e-mailed NSWCUSA on 16-3-09 to try to get some Grade umpires who won't be appointed to the Grade semi-finals next weekend and is hopeful of a favorable response.

He asked the clubs to again canvass their members to ascertain if any of them would be prepared to perform the role of an independent umpire for the Finals.

In view of the current shortage of umpires for the Finals, Bruce advised that he could only announce the appointments for the top three grades at this stage.

A Grade – Simon Moore & Steve Wilson  
Colts – Bruce Wood & Geoff Hasler  
A2 Grade – Barry McDonald & Ian Paterson  
C1 – John McQuillan & Mark Rushton  
D1 – Mike and Matt Burgin

The other umpires who have confirmed their availability for a Final are:

- Stuart Wood, Alex Terry, Tim Davidson, Brad Cole & Peter Farr.

Their appointments will be confirmed by mid-week after some more umpires have been recruited.

### New Spirit of Cricket / Sportsmanship Awards

Bruce Wood reminded the members that on 4 August 2008 this Council approved the proposal put forward by HKHDCUA to introduce two awards designed to promote and foster cricket being played in accordance with the spirit of the game, as set out in the MCC Laws of Cricket and in our local playing conditions.

Two *Spirit of Cricket* awards are being presented from 2008-09 onwards, one covering club cricket (mainly A Grade & Colts) and the other covering all the HK&HDCA rep. teams (junior & senior).

These team awards are being introduced at no cost to the Association.

A HK&HDCA perpetual trophy, known as the Dave Gawler Shield – Sportsmanship Award, which was last presented in 1990-91, is being resurrected for the award for A Grade and Colts teams to aim for.

Bruce is donating a new perpetual trophy on behalf of HKHDCUA for the *Spirit of Cricket* award available for the rep. teams.

Guidelines were developed at the start of the season for the umpires to award points against a criteria which covers respect for the opposition, respect for umpires (& other officials), and respect for the laws of the game.

The official umpires have submitted reports on all 14 rounds played by the A Grade & Colts teams in 2008-09 and Bruce announced that the winning team is the Hornsby A Grade side, captained by Tim Dudley. This team finished with an average of 4.18 points out of 5 across the full season, with the second placed team in A Grade scoring 3.86 points, so it was a decisive margin. Bruce paid tribute to Tim Dudley, a 20 year old first-year captain in A Grade, for the manner in which he conducted himself and controlled his team. Bruce formally presented the Dave Gawler Shield to Tim Dudley from the Hornsby club. Tim duly accepted the award and thanked the umpires for their endeavors this year. He added that the Hornsby A Grade team had thoroughly enjoyed the season, despite finishing outside the semis. The chairman explained that the reason the A and Colts Grades are the ones eligible for the award is because they are the only grades that regularly receive the services of umpires. He added that it is hoped that with more umpires we will be able to cover more grades in the future.

Bruce further announced that the HKHDCUA *Spirit of Cricket* award for rep. teams had been won by the U/19 Durham Shield team, who will be presented with this new perpetual trophy at the HK&HDCA Juniors and Representative Cricket Presentation Night on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> May 2009.

## Juniors

Mr Kimberley reported that the season has finished. He added that some of the competitions were very close and that in some age groups the minor premier was defeated. He announced the following as the winners of the respective competitions:- U16 – Normanhurst-Warrawee, U15 – WPHC White, U14 - WPHC Gold, U13 – WPHC Red, U12 – WPHC Green, U11 – Normanhurst-Warrawee.

Mr Kimberley also reported that he is attempting to initiate a Winter Competition for u9-u11.

Mr Kimberley thanked Paul Hyam, who has announced his resignation, for all his efforts over the past few years. He noted that Mr Hyam has been extremely efficient, and that he will be sorely missed. Mr Kimberley noted that the reason Mr Hyam is resigning is that he had issues with a particular individual. Mr Kimberley also thanked the Div Secs, adding that two of them are u15 players. He also thanked all the clubs.

Mr Lea congratulated Mr Kimberley on a job well done.

Mr Wilson moved that the Association send Mr Hyam a letter of thanks to Mr Hyam. Seconded by Mr Bayles. Carried. He added that the letter should be written by Mr Rushton.

Mr Bayles asked Mr Kimberley about the Junior Club Championship result. Mr Kimberley noted that it is still being calculated, adding that there is still some missing information. Mr Kimberley requested the return of trophies and the submission of the outstanding information and results.

## Seniors

Mr Wilson announced the outcome of the Senior Club Championship was as follows:- WPHC 1806, Kenthurst 1625, Berowra 1462, St Ives 1452, Kissing Pt 1437, Normanhurst-Warrawee 1384, Asquith RL 1183, CHRSL 1167, Hornsby 1156 He moved that WPHC be declared the winners of the Senior Club Championship. Seconded by Mr Bayles. Carried Mr Wilson congratulated Hornsby C1 on winning the JH Cup. He moved that Hornsby C1 be declared the winners of the JH Cup and that they receive the trophy and \$500 prize. Seconded by Mr Bayles. Carried.

Mr Wilson also thanked all teams who participated in the JH Cup. He added that all teams thoroughly enjoyed the competition. He added that the Hornsby C Grade team won their first match of the season and then did not win another until the JH Cup. He also noted that Hornsby C1 and Hornsby A Grade were the only unbeaten teams after three rounds. The final pts score was:- Hornsby C1 93, Hornsby A1 91, Berowtra B1 69, Mt Colah C2 65, Galston-Glenorie A2 44, Kissing Pt D2 34, Mt Colah B1 26, and Kissing Pt C1 20.

He also reported that the AC will be reviewing the Presidents Night feedback. He suggested that there will be a need for an SGM possibly in May or accompanying the AGM in July. He added that one of the recommendations may be a new ratings system. Mr Frawley suggested that a May meeting would allow more review time prior to next season starting. The chairman moved that the meeting be held in May. Seconded. Carried.

Mr Wilson noted that there are a number of other recommendations. He added that ratings should be available in May or June.

Mr Wilson then congratulated all teams upon making the finals. He added that there is a possibility of gaining Waitara and/or Somerville Parks. The draw is as follows:-

Match	Ground	Umpires	Start Times
<b>A Grade</b>			
Asquith RL (1) v Kenthurst (2)	Parklands		11.00AM
<b>Colts</b>			
Kissing Pt (1) v Berowra (2)	Berowra / (b/u) Greenway		11.00AM
<b>A Reserve</b>			
St Ives (3) v WPHC (4)	Storey / (b/u) Les Shore 1		11.00AM
<b>B Grade</b>			
Glenhaven (1) v Kenthurst (2)	Kenthurst 1/ (b/u) Kenthurst 2		11.00AM
<b>B Reserve</b>			
Hornsby (1) v Pymble (2)	The Glade / (b/u) Howson		11.00AM
<b>C Grade</b>			
Ku-ring-gai Chase (1) v Beecroft (3)	Turrumurra / (b/u) Bannockburn		12.00 NOON

<b>C Reserve</b>			
St Ives (1) v WPHC (3)	Normanhurst		<b>12.00 NOON</b>
<b>C3 Grade</b>			
Berowra (1) v CHRSL (2)	Mt Ku-ring-gai		<b>12.00 NOON</b>
<b>D Grade</b>			
Kissing Pt (1) v Berowra (3)	Thornleigh		<b>12.00 NOON</b>
<b>D Reserve</b>			
Berowra (1) v WPHC (2)	Warrina Street		<b>12.00 NOON</b>

#### Hours of Play

<b>A - B2's (90 overs min.)</b>	11:00am - 1:00pm	1st Session
	1:00pm - 1:40pm	Lunch
	1:40pm - 3:40pm	2nd Session
	3:40pm - 4:00pm	Tea
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Final Session

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<b>C Grade and below (85 overs min.)</b>	12:00pm - 2:00pm	1st Session
	2:15pm - 4:00pm	2nd Session
	4:15pm - 6:00pm	Final Session

#### **NOTES:**

- 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Man or Grade replacement rule apply for finals. Normal Colts rules for 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Man apply.
- Drink breaks are to be taken regularly as agreed by captains.
- New ball rule is 200 runs or 85 overs.
- All games are to be played as 2 day games regardless of weather. If day 1 is washed out then day 2 is **NOT** a one day limited overs game. In the event of a drawn game, the team higher on the points table will be declared Premiers. In the event of a **tie** on first innings, Joint Premiers will be declared, unless an outright result is achieved.
- Unfair Play - official umpires may apply 5 run penalties as provided for under Law 42.
- To be eligible for a final in a particular grade, players must have played **4** competition games (or equivalent in ½ games) for that grade or below
- Junior bowling restrictions apply in all instances irrespective of bowling restrictions
- 20 overs in last hour of second day applies, as usual
- Bowlers with 12 over restrictions may bowl **14 overs per day** (2 x 7 maximum spells max.) or with 8 over restrictions, may bowl **10 overs per day** (2 x 5 maximum spells max).

**NOTE:** In the case of deciding whether to move to the Back Up Ground, the guideline, whilst NOT a local playing condition, is that if play is deemed improbable within two hours of the scheduled starting time on Day 1 by the UMPIRE/S - then the game should be transferred to the back up ground.

If the ground is closed or the pitch is demonstrably unsuited to play at the scheduled starting time, the decision may be taken immediately. Umpires are encouraged to make the decision and commence the match as soon as practicable. Normal local rules apply for time lost before play commences i.e. no time is lost for first 30 mins.

**COVERS:** The following clubs are responsible for the putting down and removing of covers this Friday (7.00pm)/ Saturday (8.30am) if advised by the AC: Berowra – Berowra; Parklands – ARL; Storey – WPHC;

Kenthurst – Kenthurst; The Glade – Hornsby; Turramurra – Kissing Point. Teams and umpire/s to decide on Saturday evening whether to put them down again. Both teams to help if they are put down, and the same team listed is to remove them on Sunday.

Mr Frawley asked who will be responsible for the covers at Waitara. The chairman noted that it is highly unlikely that we will be allowed access to Waitara.

The chairman asked if the requirements for covers are for both days. Mr Hasler noted that the responsibility lies on the Friday night. He added that Saturday responsibility lies with the umpires and the teams at the ground. He added that the forecast is for showers on Saturday. He added that he has asked the Bureau about dew, but that the Bureau was not able to answer that inquiry.

The chairman asked what would the consequences be if the covers were not put down on the Friday night and play was affected. Mr Wilson and Mr Hasler both suggested that the team would be shot. Mr Wilson also suggested that the club would run the risk of losing any premierships.

## **Representative Report**

Mr Johnson reported that the submission for the Annual Report is underway. He added that his successor, Warren Jackson, is getting involved, adding that Mr Jackson formally takes over at the AGM. He also noted that should people have issues with Rep matters it would be preferable if they contacted Warren.

## **President's Report**

### Kookaburra Ball Royalties:

The following clubs are due to receive ball royalties at the next Council Meeting, subject to confirmation from our Treasurer:

- Beecroft CC - \$60.00
- Berowra CC - \$354.00
- Glenhaven Gunners CC - \$60.00
- Kenthurst CC / Upper Hills CC - \$396.00
- Kissing Point CC - \$318.00
- Normanhurst-Warrawee CC - \$504.00
- Redfield CC - \$36.00
- Thornleigh CC - \$84.00
- West Pennant Hills-Cherrybrook CC - \$702.00

### Kookaburra Rising Star Awards (Juniors):

This season, the format has changed as there have been no nominations received. Hence, based on statistical performances and observations the following awards will be given:

- Monthly Rising Star Awards x 6 – Alexander Dolly(Redfield CC); Aditya Ramakrishnan(WPH-C CC); George Blackwood(Berowra CC); Matthew Chamberlain(Mt Colah CC); Alexander Pagano(Upper Hills CC); Jake Hickman(WPH-C CC); Alex Rashleigh(WPH-C CC). One of these 7 players will be recognised with the prestigious Annual Kookaburra Rising Star Award.
- Glenn Hourigan Cup Player of the Match – Nick Hey (WPH-C CC / Cawsey Shield)
- Ross Turner Cup Player of the Match – Shaun Eaton (Pennant Hills CC / Weblin Shield)
- Annual Rising Star Award – to be selected from the 7 players listed above.

### “Summer Saturdays”:

We have approximately 25 copies of this book left – a history of our Association (up to 2000), written by one of our former presidents Mr. Alf James OAM. All copies are autographed and available for sale from me - \$10.00 per copy, with all proceeds being donated to the Victorian Bushfire Appeal.

### Victorian Bushfire Appeal:

Total monies raised / donations received to date amount to \$2,468.80

I understand Cricket NSW has identified “areas of need” for new / old equipment – should we purchase a couple of kits & forward on?

If anyone has used equipment needing a new home please forward to me ASAP & we'll send it all onto Cricket NSW in the one delivery.

Ben Gussey (Executive Officer) needs to be thanked for his ongoing efforts with this appeal.

## **Executive Officer's Report**

### **Secretarial Matters**

\*All perpetual junior trophies should have been returned to the meeting tonight and it would be appreciated if all Senior trophies are returned to the meeting next week. We need to ensure that all trophies are updated to reflect all previous winners, as a number have been neglected.

### **Publicity Officer**

\*Our bushfire appeal is continuing and thus far we have raised just under \$2500. We are also investigating the Cricket Victoria drive for cricket gear, as they will provide transport for any donation of gear.

### **Grounds Officer**

Aside from minor issues at Dural, no major issues have been brought forward over the past 2 weeks.

## Competitions Report

The draw for the finals are as follow

**A Grade** Asquith Leagues V Kenthurst    Parklands  
**Colts** Kissing Point V Berowra    Berowra (Greenway)  
**A Reserve Grade** St Ives V West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook    Storey (Les Shore 1)  
**B Grade** Glenhaven V Kenthurst    Kenthurst (Kenthurst 2)  
**B Reserve Grade** Hornsby District V Pymble    Glade (Howson TBC)  
**C Grade** Ku-ring-gai Chase V Beecroft    Turramurra (Bannockburn)  
**C Reserve Grade** St Ives V West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook    Normanhurst  
**C3 Grade** Berowra V Castle Hill RSL    Mt Ku-ring-gai  
**D Grade** Kissing Point V Berowra    Thornleigh  
**D Reserve Grade** Berowra V West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook    Warrina St

Also, the junior and representative awards night invites have just been distributed. The evening will take place from 7.30pm on May 1<sup>st</sup> at Asquith Boys High School.

## General Business

An umpire's report was submitted outlining dissent by a Kenthurst A2 player in the semi final. Mr Wood noted that he has asked the umpire for a more detailed report. Mr Wilson moved that the matter be passed to the D&D Committee. Seconded and carried.

Mr Hasler noted that the more-detailed report can be submitted to the D&D Committee as evidence of the dissent allegation.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed.

Next Meeting – March 23