

General Council Meeting
Monday 16 August 2010

Meeting commenced:

7.35 pm

Attendees:

M Rushton, B Dewstow B McDonald (Life Member), J Brown (ARL), D Bennett, S Wilson, G Hasler, B Gussey (Executive Officer), S Moore (HKHDCUA Inc.), C Ball (Thornleigh), S Burrows (Hornsby District), J McQuillan (Umpires), Simon Arthur (ARL), C Griffin, D Lea (Kenthurst), T Johnson (Hornsby District), S Sweeney (Kissing point), P Pearce (Castle Hill RSL), M Burgin (Coaches Assn), B Gibson (Mt Colah), D Claralle (Mt Colah), P Chensee (WPHC), Nathan Tilbury (Berowra), N Weerasooriya (Sydney Lions), U Dangalle (Sydney Lions), J Klingberg (Kissing Point), T Gastineau-Hills (Kissing Point), K Canavan (Kissing Point), G Findlay (Beecroft), J Barker (Galston-Glenorie), K Triebe (Galston-Glenorie), J Epthorp (Galston-Glenorie), B Kimberley and M Griffin (Normanhurst-Warrawee).

Apologies:

D Toose, **W Jackson**, A James OAM (Life Member), A Rauf and B Wood.

Welcome:

Mark Rushton welcomed all Life Members, ladies, Club Presidents and Delegates to the meeting.

Minutes of previous HK&HDCA General Council Meeting:

Col Griffin moved that the minutes of 2 August 2010 be accepted, seconded by David Lea. Motion carried.

Business arising from previous HK&HDCA General Council Meeting:

- Steve Wilson had been unable to locate details of fines levied on clubs last season. David Bennett will review the minutes of last years Council meetings to identify what fines were approved.
- Mark Rushton explained that the representative teams would still be registered under our official association name but would also be known as “Northern Knights” which would be added to the logo on their shirts. **Motion to adopt the name moved by John Barker, seconded by Simon Moore. Motion carried..**
- There were no additional nominations for the Senior Competition committee. The item will be carried forward in the open action items.
- Ben Gussey confirmed that both Bob **Browne** and Geoff Findlay had been approached regarding chairmanship of the D&D. Both had agreed to act.

Election of delegates to kindred bodies:

The following delegates were put forward.

NSWDCA – Bob Dewstow **and Warren Jackson**.

Northern Metropolitan Cricket Council – Mark Rushton **and Bob Somerville**.

Hornsby Sports Council – Mark Rushton and Bob Somerville.

All delegates are reminded written reports need to be submitted to the Executive for information purposes and / or actioning any outstanding matters, immediately following the respective Meeting / forum.

Motion to approve the appointments moved by Geoff Hasler, seconded by Carolyn Ball. Motion carried.



Correspondence:

Incoming

- 12/8/2010 – Justin Epthorp regarding new Galston-Glenorie shirt design. **David Lea moved a motion that the shirt design be approved, seconded by Barry McDonald. Motion carried.**
- 13/8/10 – Bruce Wood regarding HKHDCCA affiliation.
- 16/8/10 – Nathan Tilbury regarding Berowra Classics affiliation.
- 16/8/10 – Mt Colah regarding a request for a review of two player ratings. **Motion moved that the correspondence be referred to the Senior Competition committee for action, seconded by Scott Burrows. Motion carried.** Review to be carried out after the teams have been graded for the competition.

Outgoing - None

Invoices received for payment

- 16/8/2010- Ben Gussey “Weeks ending 25 July, 1 August, 8 August and 15 August” (\$1676.00).

Mark Rushton also sought approval for potential payments of up to **\$950.00** to **All Seasons Trophies** in respect of previous season’s trophies

Geoff Findlay moved that the payments be approved. The motion was seconded by Bob Dewstow. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: no report

Juniors Report:

- An email has been issued to clubs regarding nomination of teams and season dates. It would be **helpful** to get an indication of numbers this week.
- If clubs only have enough players for half a team they should seek to join forces with another club in the same situation to ensure the children get a game.
- There will be a 20/20 competition over Xmas. There will be a charge to enter and a charge if you enter and subsequently drop out.
- It was confirmed that the same balls as last year would be used.
- A **Division 2** will be created this year for teams who want to play on a participation only basis. No statistics will be recorded for this division. Division 1 will remain a full competition with all statistics being recorded for Association records and awards.
- Consideration is being given to running both a MyCricket information night and an umpiring night.

Coaches Association Report:

- An email has been issued to clubs to provide details of their existing **Level 1, 2 and 3** coaches. It would be appreciated if this information could be returned ASAP.
- September School Holiday Cricket Coaching Clinic: Featuring specialist coach **DOMINIC THORNELLY** (Ex NSW "Blues" Captain, and Australia “A” player). This is a fantastic opportunity for junior players to learn new skills in a fun environment and receive quality coaching from top NDCC & HK&HDCA coaches with Level 1, 2 & 3 coaching qualifications.

Venue: Waitara Oval, Waitara Ave. Waitara.

Time: 9.00am - 12.30pm. Mon 27th, Tues 28th, Wed 29th September 2010

Features: Comprehensive coaching program for junior boys and girls 6-14 yrs old.

Cost: \$145.00, which is a staggering \$100.00+ less per attendee than the correlating 2009 / 10 school holiday clinics offered by NDCC.

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- The 2010 / 11 season will see 2 (two) school holidays Coaching Clinics will be run in association with NDCC. The profits of the clinics will be split 50/50 between NDCC and the Coaches Association. The Coaches Association will then be returning 50% of their profits back to the HK&HDCA Member Clubs based upon player participation from the clubs. This will be a similar arrangement to the HK&HDCA - Kookaburra Ball Royalties, where participating Member clubs who support the coaching clinic with attendance of their junior players will share the profits, which is another opportunity of returning much needed funds to the grassroots of our local community cricket association.

Representative Report: No report

Seniors Report:

The following team nominations for the main Senior Competition were advised at the meeting.

Club	A	A2	Colts	B	B2	C	C2	C3	D	D2
Asquith Rugby League	1			1					1	
Beecroft						1				
Berowra	1		1	1	1	1	1		1	1
Castle Hill RSL		1		1		1	1			1
Galston-Glenorie		1		1				1		1
Hornsby District	1		1		1	1		1	1	
Kenthurst-Upper Hills	1		1	1		1	1		1	1
Kissing Point	1				1		1	1	1	1
Mount Colah					1	1		1		
Normanhurst-Warrawee	1	1	1		1	1	1	1		1
Pymble						1				
St Ives	1			1		1	1		1	1
Sydney Lions					1					1
Thornleigh									1	
Wahroonga Blade Runners		1								
West Pennant Hills-Cherrybrook	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Totals	8	5	5	7	7	10	8	6	8	9

That means that at this stage we have received 73 nominations. The Senior Competition committee will now consider the nominations to establish the actual competition.

Nominations were also received for the pre-season T20 competition and the Sunday One-day competition.

Club	A	B	C2	D	Colts/C3		Sunday 1	Sunday 2
Asquith Rugby League							1	1
Beecroft					1			
Berowra	1	2	1	2	2		2	1
Castle Hill RSL	1		1	1	1			
Galston-Glenorie	1	1	1	1				
Hornsby	1	1	1	1	2			
Kenthurst Upper Hills	1		1	1	2			
Kissing Point	1	1	1	1				
Mount Colah		1			1			
Pymble					1			
St Ives	1		1	1	1			
Sydney Lions		1			1			
Thornleigh			1					
Wahroonga Bladerunners	1							1
Totals	8	7	8	8	10		3	3



There was significant discussion at the meeting regarding whether the T20 pre-season competition should proceed and whether it required approval at the Senior Competition Rules meeting on 23 August 2010. **A motion was put forward that there should be a vote at the Senior Competition Rules meeting on 23 August 2010 as to whether the T20 pre-season competition should proceed. Motion was put by Brian Gibson and seconded by David Lea. A vote of club delegates at the meeting was 10 in favour and 16 against. The motion was defeated.**

It was subsequently reiterated that the normal Senior Competition would commence on 25 September 2010 with a pre-season T20 competition available commencing on 11 September 2010 for clubs wishing to participate, with the semi-finals and Final of the respective Divisions to be held on Sundays.

For the T20 competition the first club in the draw will be responsible for placing the appropriate fielding restriction markings on the ground. Line marking paint is to be used and Steve Wilson will advise the clubs of the appropriate product to be used. Cost of purchasing the paint will be reimbursed by the Association.

HKHDCUA (Umpires) Report:

I'm still trying to recruit new umpires and after speaking with Barry, we will hold an umpires training course this season.

With the pre-season T20 Senior Competition, we intend to allocate umpires for each grade so that the lower grades will benefit from having a black and white officiating.

At the HKHDCUA Annual General Meeting, it was agreed that the 5 senior umpires that will be regularly umpiring on turf in our Association, should have keys to the grounds at Berowra, Parklands, Storey, Turramurra and The Glade. The umpires concerned are Geoff Hasler, Simon Moore, Steve Wilson, Mark Rushton and Barry McDonald. It may be that some of these umpires already hold keys to some of the grounds. Quite often, the umpires are one of the first at the grounds and it would be sensible to allow an umpire to lock and unlock the sheds as well as having access to the covers. I would like to move therefore that the Council approve the issuance of keys to these umpires and that a key register be kept and the respective umpires sign for these key.

The motion to approve the issuance of keys to selected umpires was deferred until the Umpires Association had reviewed the number of keys its members currently hold.

It was noted that any additional keys that had to be sourced from HSC would be subject to a deposit of \$100.00 per key.

Other issues raised during discussion:

- Each team is required to have at least one player with a Captain's Ticket by the end of Round 3 of the main Senior Competition.
- Clubs are requested to advise Barry McDonald by 23 August 2010 of the number of players that will be attending the Captain's Ticket course.

Executive Officer's Report:

Website Report

Over the next week you may notice the website changing as I am currently giving it a facelift before the new season.

The records have been updated – with a number of records being broken in the seniors last season.

The sections are also being trimmed down but hopefully the site will be easier to navigate. The front page will be changed in the next two days. Finally, I hope to have the Annual Report and Senior/Junior/Representative Reports on the website by next Monday.



Other

We are currently in the process of producing a sponsorship document in the hope of continuing to raise funds for the Association and we will be approaching a number of businesses in the following weeks.

Finally, Geoff Findlay and Bob Browne have kindly accepted roles as co-chairs for the D&D committee this season and must be thanked for their ongoing support.

Representative Report on behalf of the Representative Secretary

Currently we have completed the selections for the Under 16s and under 15s

The first selection trials have been completed for the 11s-13s Final selection trials are scheduled to be completed over the next 4 weeks – Details will be posted on the web this week

The Under 10 trials will be held on the 12th and 19th September – This information will be posted on the web and circulated to the clubs this week

The under 11, 12s and 13 first trial was held at the SCG nets on 13/8. This has proven highly successful with 121 Boys attending. Feedback received was that the boys got a real kick out of trialling at the SCG (where many of their heroes have practiced prior)

Playing dates for the Shield teams have been set and are on the website

Playing dates for the IDCA and Presidents Cup teams will be posted next week

President's Report:

Biggest issue facing the Association at present is the availability of grounds, especially so early in the season. I am pleased to report that we have been able to secure through Kenthurst-Upper Hills the use of Wrights Road Reserve from January 2011 for Sunday use. Also through Beecroft we have been able to secure the use of Cheltenham Oval for Sunday use.

General Business: No further business

Meeting Closed:

8.50 pm.

Next HK&HDCA General Council Meeting: TBA

Executive meeting to consider affiliation request from Berowra Classics:

It was determined that the Berowra Classics were actually not a separate entity but were part of the Berowra Club as evidenced by the affiliation request being received on Berowra Club letterhead and signed by the Berowra Club president. As the Berowra Clubs affiliation has already been accepted there was no requirement for the Berowra Classics request to be considered by the Executive.



Action Items:

Action	By whom	Due
Create data base of rep coaches including qualifications	Mark Rushton and Warren Jackson	Ongoing
Subcommittee for junior development to report to next Council meeting	Mark Rushton, Bruce Kimberley and Nathan Tilbury	Ongoing (off-season)
Junior 12th / 13th man rule as it applies to finals	Bruce Kimberley	Off-season
Advise David Toose of previous fines levied on clubs	David Bennett	ASAP
Election of additional senior competition members	All	ASAP
Issue note to clubs regarding the importance of leaving dressing sheds clean	Ben Gussey	Before commencement of season
Advise details of Level 1,2 and 3 coaches to the Coaches Association	All clubs	ASAP
Numbers of players attending the captains ticket course to be advised to Barry McDonald	All clubs	23/8/10
Additional nominations for the T20 competition to Steve Wilson.	All clubs	ASAP
Additional nominations for the Sunday one day competition to Steve Wilson.	All clubs	Last meeting in September
Advise clubs of appropriate product to be used to mark fielding restrictions for T20 competition	Steve Wilson	30/8/10

Signed:

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 Date:/...../ 2010

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 David Bennett
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