

HK&HDCA Council Meeting

7.30pm, Tuesday 7th August, 2012. Hornsby RSL, 4 High Street, Hornsby.

Agenda

Meeting to commence : 7.30pm sharp

Welcome :

Apologies : Carolyn Ball (Thornleigh), Ian Fowler (Epping), Bruce Parker (Mt Colah), Alf James (LM), Justin Epthorp (Exec. Order), Abbas Aly (Rep. Sec), Bill White (minutes Sec.), Ben Gussey (Wahroonga)

Attendees : Nathan Tilbury (President), Tim Davidson (Treasurer), Geoff Hassler (HKHDCUA); Roger Friend (WPHCCC), Raja Mohan (NWCC), Peter Johnson (NWCC), W Fieldler (BCC), M Adams (BCC), Steve Wilson (HKHDCUA), Mitch Burger (Beecroft), Naran Valsali (SKLPS), Dilip Hirani (SKLPS), Arvino Pindoria (SKLPS), Barry McDonald (WPHCCC), Bruce Wood (HKHDCCA, Scott Burrows (HH), Gavin Wingfield (St Ives), Geoff Findlay (Beecroft), Ashish Biji (Sydney Lions), Sanuja Gangoo (Sydney Lions), Trish Lynch (Kissing Point), Sean Sweeney (KPCC)

Apologies: moved by Scott Burrows (HH), 2nd Sean Sweeney (KPCC). Accepted unanimously

Previous minutes: moved Barry McDonald (WPHCCC) 2nd Steve Wilson (HKHDCUA) Accepted unanimously

Previous Minutes : 26/3/2012

Business Arising :

Agenda :

7.30pm : HK&HDCA Council Meeting Commences

- Correspondence

- Affiliations

ARL, Beecroft, Berowra, Blowfly, Epping, GG, Hornsby, Kenthurst, Kissing Pt., Normanhurst/Warrawee, Redfield, SKLPS, St Ives, St Ives Dist. Juniors, Sydney Lions, Thornleigh, Wahroonga BR, WPHC. Coaches Assn. & Umpires Assn.

- Reports

- Election of Delegates (Hornsby Sports Council, NMCC & DCA)

- Election of 2012/13 HK&HDCA SCC

- Executive recommendation for Elections of HK&HDCA 2012/13 Patrons - Election of 2012/13

HK&HDCA Patrons

- General Business

Reports

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Junior Cricket Report
3. Senior Competition Report
4. Representative Report
5. HKHDCUA (Umpires') Report
6. HKHDCCA (Coaches') Report
7. President's Report
8. Executive Officer's Report (includes Grounds Report)

General Business

Club Insurance by Cricket NSW 2012/13

Approval for HK&HDCA bills 2012/13



Correspondence -Presented by Nathan Tilbury:

IN:

- 23-7-12: Executive Officer Invoices totalling \$2400
- 25-7-12: Letter Regarding Multi-Cultural Cricket "Conference" from Cricket NSW.
- 25-7-12: Bank Statements
- 25-7-12: Invoice regarding software for Executive Officer
- 25-7-12: A number of phone bills from Telstra
- 25-7-12: 2 keys for Mills Park from KDSA
- 25-7-12: Cricket Australia guide to MyCricket
- 25-7-12: Cheque from NSWDCR – umpires rebate
- 25-7-12: Hornsby Grounds Application

OUT:

- 6-7-12: Ground Application for Hills Shire
- 10-7-12: Ground Application for Ku-Ring-Gai Council
- 23-7-12: Ground Application for Hornsby Council

Moved by Steve Wilson (HKHDCUA) 2nd Scott Burrows (HH) Accepted unanimously.

Presidents Report:

2012/13 HK&HDCA EXECUTIVE FINALIZED

The Executive met last week & finalised the 2012/13 Executive Committee. We welcomed Barry McDonald as the returning Vice President & Bruce Parker (from the Mt Colah club) takes the 4th Councillor position. That gives us a full & very experienced team for this season.

GROUNDS

Les Shore 2 (BHSC) should be back on line in a much larger size

Greenway (HSC) will be offline for the entire 2012/13 season. The Executive are looking at ways to minimize this impact by negotiating use of other grounds in the WPHC area.

South Maroota (BHSC) – this is a very good ground that does not have a winter sport on it. The ground is a good size but is about 15 minutes further past Les Shore. Your Executive have assumed that clubs would prefer to travel a few extra minutes to ensure Saturday play rather than play games on Sundays. Please advise us if this is not correct.

Cricket NSW advertising

Cricket NSW have been heavily advertising on RTA bridges across Sydney as well as through the local papers. However none of these bridges are in our area & they are not advertising in any of our local papers. After this was pointed out they gave us access to two large banners which have been placed at the lights at Burdett & George St Hornsby & the pedestrian bridge on Pennant Hills Rd at Mount St Benedict School south bound. These signs are general PLAY CRICKET signs directing people to a website which will then link them to their local club based on where they live.

The problem created by Cricket NSW regarding Insurance will be covered in general business tonight.

GEOFF HASLER – TEAM OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Geoff Hasler who was named in Peter Fitzsimmons TEAM OF THE WEEK in last Saturday's Sydney Morning Herald, for being named Life Member of two Associations (our Umpires Assn & this Assn) in a week.



SPONSORS

Hornsby RSL – signed up again

Kookaburra/Triforce – are on board again. Just a reminder for clubs that have not already done so to place their ball orders with Triforce as soon as possible.

Koindah Waters – In early September the Executive is exploring the idea of holding our second Executive meeting at Koindah Waters. This will give those Executive members who have not already experienced Koindah an opportunity to see their facilities.

Of course Geoff Hasler will be putting together the details of another HK&HDCA Golf Day at Koindah after the success of the one held last season.

NEW CLUBS

It is great to see a number of new clubs apply for HK&HDCA affiliation in 2012/13.

SKLPS – is a club with members mainly from East Africa that includes several former Kenyan U/19 representatives, so it will be interesting to see how they will go.

St Ives District Juniors – who will be looking to possibly field a higher junior age group (U/15 or U/16) as well as possibly a senior team made up of older juniors & their fathers.

INDIAN/SRI LANKAN COMMUNITY ADVERTISING

Once again the Executive have been directly targeting the Indian & Sri Lankan local communities through advertising directly to their respective Associations. This will make them aware of the HK&HDCA & how their members can get involved in participating in competitive cricket. We are confident that this will see some positive results in attracting some new players & or teams to our Association as it did last season.

ON THE BALL NEWSLETTER ISSUE 1

Justin Epthorp has released the first issue of the One the Ball newsletter which will be placed on our website if you have not received it by email. You can also subscribe through a link on the website

Speaking of Justin I am sure many of you have noticed that he has fit very well into his Executive Officer role very well. These were big shoes to fill in this challenging & ever changing role. But he is doing very well.

NEW COUNCIL MEETING FORMAT

Barry McDonald came up with an excellent idea from my appeal as to how we can improve future Council meetings. His idea is basically that our reports (Treasurer, Rep, Junior, Senior, Coaches, Umpires, Executive Officer & President's report) will be distributed to the clubs on the Friday before the Council meeting (which will be usually set on Tuesdays this season). That way people can have the chance to read through the report & even discuss as a club. Any follow up or anything that comes out of that weekends matches can be dealt with at the meeting.

We believe that this approach will streamline our Council meetings & we can all get out of here much sooner.

The intention is for this to be implemented for the next Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday 21st August. So clubs will receive their reports for this meeting by email for this meeting on 17th August.

To also assist with the smoother running of Council meetings we will be seeking pre-approval for a number of regular bills to cover a period of time such as 3 months.



Affiliations: The following affiliations have been received:

ARL, Beecroft, Berowra, Blowfly, Epping, GG, Hornsby, Kenthurst, Kissing Pt., Normanhurst/Warrawee, Redfield, SKLPS, St Ives, St Ives Dist. Juniors, Sydney Lions, Thornleigh, Wahroonga BR, WPHC. Coaches Assn. & Umpires Assn.

(ARL, Castle Hill, Ku-ring-gai, Mt Colah, North Shore & Pennant Hills)

Not yet received: Castle Hill, Kur-ring-gai District, Mount Colah, North Shore

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 for executive to discuss affiliations. SKLPS stayed to provide information to the executive as a proposed new affiliate.

Meeting reconvened at 8:05pm

Announcement made by Nathan Tilbury that all affiliation requests had been accepted and he welcomed new clubs SKLPS and St Ives District Juniors

Treasurers report:

2012/13 HK&HDCA team fees:

SENIORS

A Grade	\$2,440
A2	\$1,865
Seniors	\$1,235
Sunday	\$600

JUNIORS

Under 16 to Under 12	\$630
Under 11	\$470
Under 10 & Under 9	\$370
Under 8	\$170

Currently \$200k in bank

Announced fees would increase by 5% (as agreed by executive)

Sunday comp set at \$630 due to overcharge last season

Provided costs by grades

Cheque has been received from Kookaburra for ball purchases, Clubs are to provide details of balls purchased last season to Justin Epthorp to receive reimbursement of rebate.

Tim is currently working on the budget for the coming season

Nathan Tilbury said he would ask Justin Epthorp to provide clubs again with the ball prices available from Triforce and remind them of the \$3.50 rebate, in particular for new affiliates.

Barry McDonald put forward a motion (attached). In summary:

"That the Treasurer, in conjunction with at least one of the authorised signatories, be empowered, during season 2012/13, to pay promptly all invoices submitted for payment without prior approval of a council meeting, under certain detailed conditions.

Brief Discussion, Nathan Tilbury, part of desire by members of the council to unlog the agenda at council meetings and have them run more smoothly, also that Justin Epthorps account had been turned off during the close season due to late payment caused by no council meeting to approve payments.

Queried whether \$10,000 is a high enough limit for such bills.

Moved by Barry McDonald (WPHCCC) 2nd by Bruce Wood (HKHDCCA) carried unanimously.

No further discussion of treasurer's report.

Juniors Report – no report Bruce Kimberley not present

SCC Report Presented by Gavin Wingfield)

T20 scheduled to start 8th September. The first grade will form the Triforce cup with priority given to teams who finished higher in the club championship, if necessary, and 1 team per club. Format of the other grades for T20 unchanged.

The executive will select the SCC as in previous years:

Nominations: Alf James, Roger Friend, John Klingberg, Raja Mohan. All accepted as 5 required, request made for further person to come forward, ideally from A or B grade.

Ratings are now available on the website and have been made available to clubs via email. Note that we need date of birth for under 19s and also for under 23s who will play in the Kookaburra Cup. Brief discussion on whether we need date of birth for established players who are clearly over 23 or over 19 and not participating in the Kookaburra Cup. Agreed that for older players clubs could confirm that they are over age if they prefer. Covered rule governing provisional rating for all 18 and under players.

Confirmed that the balls selected for use in the competitions are the Kookaburra 2 piece “Tuff Pitch” or “Special Test”

Steve Wilson queried whether the format of the Kookaburra Cup was as it was last year. Confirmed by GW that there is no change to the format of that competition.

Geoff Hasler provided some information to the clubs about the new rules and mentioned that the changes to the rules would be distributed to the clubs with the amendments to the rules highlighted in red. Geoff said that he would ensure that the ratings and registration procedures were up on the website and also distributed to the clubs by Justin Epthorp.

Reminder by GW that team registrations need to be submitted by the 21st August.

No further discussion

Rep Report (Nathan Tilbury provided a brief report in Abbas’ absence)

Bruce Wood mentioned that Chris Burnett has been appointed as the Weblin Shield coach.

Bruce Wood presented Peter Johnson with his award for contribution to Rep Cricket (he was not available for the AGM)

Umpires Report: Steve Wilson presented the Umpires Report

In summary, negotiations are ongoing regarding sponsorship of the Umpires to include a shirt bearing sponsors logo.

Steve distributed some draft drawings of how they might look. Bruce Wood pointed out that it is not necessary for them to be approved by council, agreed by Nathan Tilbury and Geoff Hasler.

Geoff Hassler added that he has met with Barry McDonald to discuss umpires courses. These will be on 25th September at 7:30 for the instruction, and the exam on Tuesday 2nd October at 7:30 for the exam, both at Hornsby RSL. Cost will be \$15 per person, invoiced to the clubs. Recommend that each team has 2 qualified umpires (Captains Ticket). There will be a badge provided for all who pass the exam and those who past since the 2008/2009 season.



The Level 1 Coaches courses were well received and will be repeated. This is a 1 night course with no exam at the end of it. An accreditation exam will be available on Monday 29th October at West Pennant Hills and on 11th October at Hornsby RSL. \$10 for the course, which will include the accreditation exam and \$7 for those who simply want the accreditation.

Peter Johnson confirmed that the rules are available.

Roger Friend queried whether there would be a similar exam for those who had sat their umpires exam (Captains Ticket) more than 5 years ago and whether it would be online or require attendance. As was done last year, those whose ticket is more than 5 years old will need to complete an exam to get the badge. There was no discussion or agreement as to whether it would be online.

Coaches Report - Bruce Wood by Bruce Wood
HKHDCCA school holiday cricket clinic at Waitara

The Coaches' Association, in conjunction with Northern District CC, will be holding another one of our popular junior cricket clinics at Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara during the September 2012 school holidays. The 3 day clinic will be held on Tuesday 25th, Wednesday 26th, Thursday 27th September 2012 from 9:00am to 12:30pm. The clinic will provide a comprehensive coaching program for boys & girls (6-15 years) and caters for all standards from beginners to representative players.

This is a fantastic opportunity to learn new skills in a fun environment and receive coaching from leading HKHDCCA and NDCC coaches with level 1 & 2 coaching qualifications.

The HKHDCCA Secretary will shortly be sending an advertisement for this clinic to the clubs. It would be appreciated if this ad could be placed on each club's website; included in any club newsletters; and emailed to your junior teams (U/15 and below).

Enquiries – contact: Justin Epthorp executive.officer@hkhdca.com.au 0488 772 707

Bookings – [www.hkhdca.com.au/files/2921/files/coaching/HK_ND_Coaching_Clinics_Sept-12%20\(1\).pdf](http://www.hkhdca.com.au/files/2921/files/coaching/HK_ND_Coaching_Clinics_Sept-12%20(1).pdf)

U/10 & U/11 off-season Development Program – 2012

HKHDCCA has been conducting a successful U/10 – U/11 Development Program at James Park during the off-season, over six dates – Sundays 6 May, 27 May, 24 June, 15 July, 5 August & 26 August 2012. Registrations are still being accepted for the last date (26/8).

Separate 2-hour sessions are held each day, commencing at 8.30am and 10.30am. Terrific attendances of around 75 – 85 boys each day have been recorded and the feedback from the players and their parents has been extremely positive. This coaching program will provide a good platform for the HK&HDCA Foster Shield and Creak Shield representative teams in 2012-13, as well as improving the skills of all the boys in these age groups.

Executive Officers Report: - nothing to report

AOB:

There will be a golf day this year on Friday 15th February. Geoff Hasler is putting together packages to include family stay at Kooindah Waters.

Election of Senior and Junior Vice President. Barry McDonald proposed Geoff Hasler as Senior Vice President, 2nd by Scott Burrows. Carried unanimously.

Election as representatives for Hornsby Sport Council. Nathan Tilbury was nominated by Tim Davidson, 2nd by Scott Burrows. Carried unanimously.



Northern Metropolitan representatives to be: Nathan Tilbury, Geoff Hasler Barry McDonald and Bruce Wood was nominated by Steve Wilson, 2nd by Roger Friend. Carried unanimously.

Some discussion on Patrons, presented by Nathan Tilbury: Summary as follows:

2011/12 HK&HDCA Patrons – 2012/13 Executive recommendation

Tom Richmond (HK&HDCA Life Member & very active in our Association) – recommended Patron for 2012/13
Col Cooper (HK&HDCA Life Member & former President. Still active in our Association & attends Presentations, AGM & the occasional game) – recommended Patron for 2012/13

John Hayne (HK&HDCA Life Member. Would be more active is health permitted & did not live in Wollongong. Still regularly corresponds with HK&HDCA & attends RTC/GHC matches) – recommended Patron for 2012/13

Denise Annetts (Needs no introduction. Very active in our Association) – recommended Patron for 2012/13

Matt Kean (State MP for Hornsby & current HK&HDCA player. Helped secure a number of large CBP grants for Coaches Assn & member clubs last season) – recommended Patron for 2012/13

Ross Turner (Previous Northern District 1st Grade dual Premiership skipper, currently involved in development & coaching of cricket across the world. A generous supporter of HK&HDCA & still very active) – recommended Patron for 2012/13

Lisa Sthalekar (former Aussie women's skipper, NSW Breakers skipper & WPHCCC junior. Not active in our Association mainly due to other commitments) – recommended not returned as Patron for 2012/13

MAYORS

Mayor of Hornsby Shire Council (Nick Berman)

Mayor of Ku-ring-gai Municipal Council (Jennifer Anderson)

Mayor of Baulkham Hills Shire Council (after Greg Burnett's resignation 2 weeks ago Larry Bolitho was appointed)

It is recommended that we wait until after the 2012/13 Council elections (8th September) & the Executive revisit. If the elected Mayor(s) are considered appropriate the Mayor(s) be invited to become Patrons & if accept they are appointed.

Discussions:

Peter Johnson pointed out that Barry O'Farrell is a patron of Northern District and is active. Geoff Hasler proposed that we invite Barry O'Farrell, 2nd by Peter Johnson.

Steve Wilson queried dropping Lisa Sthalker as she would promote womens cricket. Nathan Tilbury pointed out the HK&HDCA no longer field women's teams.

Further discussion re others and inviting the Federal MPs. Geoff Findlay pointed out that there are a lot more members for our area.

Roger Friend proposed that we should invite all Federal MPs

Amended motion by Geoff Hasler that Federal and State MPs should be invited by the president, but that we should hold off until after the local elections. 2nd by Mitch Burger. Carried unanimously.

Cricket NSW Insurance Issue

Discussion on insurance and communications sent by Barry to CNSW. While CNSW would ensure that we are not left uninsured but require further action by the clubs.



Geoff Hasler provided an update on The Glade, including that “The friends of the Glade” are meeting with Abbotsleigh and Knox.

Next meeting 21st August when team/player nominations are due.