

General Council Meeting
Tuesday 30th October 2012

Meeting commenced: 7.35pm

Attendees: Nathan Tilbury, Geoff Hasler, Bruce Wood, Bill White (St Ives), Geoff Findlay (Beecroft), John Klingberg (Kissing Point), Sean Sweeney (KP), Bruce Parker (Mt Colah), John McQuillan (Ump. Deleg.), Roger Friend (WPH), Gavin Wingfield (St Ives), Bruce Kimberley (Juniors), Justin Epthorp (GG), Scott Burrows (Hornsby), Col Griffin, Simon Arthur, Abbas Aly, Steve Wilson, Barry McDonald, Peter Aitken, Greg Fiedler, Peter Johnston, Saminda Fernando.

Apologies: Ben Gussey, Mitch Burger, Carolyn Ball, Mark Lumley, Josh Brown, Tim Davidson.

Geoff Findlay moved that the apologies be accepted, seconded by Col Griffin. PASSED.

Welcome: Nathan Tilbury welcomed all attendees.

Minutes of previous HK&HDCA General Council Meeting:

Geoff Findlay moved that the minutes of 18th September 2012 be taken as read and accepted, seconded by Bruce Wood. PASSED.

Actions arising from HK&HDCA General Council Meetings:

Ref	Action / Update	Owner	Due	Status
30 th - 1	Send an email to Kissing Point in regards to potential improvements at Mimosa (relates to CNSW support for projects).	Geoff Hasler	27/11	Open
30 th - 2	Discuss the improvements to Turramurra nets with Ku-ring-gai Council (relates to CNSW support for projects).	Geoff Hasler	27/11	Open
30 th - 3	Check the date when fees are due, i.e., 1/12 or 31/12, is as per the Constitution.	Nathan Tilbury	27/11	Open
30 th - 4	Draft letter and send to CNSW and the SMH (Media) regarding the T20 winnings received and the potential of distributing to Clubs/Grass roots/Insurance for Clubs. Also seeking support from the DCA and it's members, plus other Associations close by.	Nathan Tilbury / Tim Davidson	27/11	Open
30 th - 5	Is the 30/30 rule to be included in the Junior competition?	Geoff Hasler / Bruce Kimberley	27/11	Open
30 th - 6	Advise the Executive that the hours of play in the rules indicated 1pm to 6pm, but this is in conflict with the Sunday start time of 12pm	John McQuillan	27/11	Open
30 th - 7	Draft a letter of thanks and appreciation to the St Ives A Grade Captain and those people involved in the T20 final incident.	Nathan Tilbury	27/11	Open
30 th - 8	Advise Barry McDonald of those players who are involved with Junior Cricket, and hold a current Captains ticket, so that an accreditation can be issued.	All Clubs	27/11	Open

Closed Actions (Note: will remain on minutes for one meeting cycle)

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Correspondence

Outgoing –

1. Nil.

Incoming -

1. Cricket NSW support for nets & centre wicket projects.
2. Hornsby Council letter of thanks for HK&HDCA Covers day at Parklands.
3. Mt Colah apology.
4. Complaint from Kissing Point.

- Item #1 raised by Nathan Tilbury and discussed.
 - Mimosa.
 - Turramurra nets.
- Item #2 raised by Nathan Tilbury and discussed.

Geoff Findlay moved that item #4 be passed to the Executive to determine if it should progress to the D&D, seconded by Geoff Hasler. PASSED.

Treasurers Report: Nathan Tilbury in Tim Davidson's absence:

- **See report distributed prior to the meeting (Note: cannot transpose as it is in PDF format).**

Barry McDonald moved that the Treasurer and Vice President can determine the cash needs of the Association and transfer funds to the appropriate accounts to maximise the interest earning potential, seconded by Geoff Hasler. PASSED.

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Juniors Report: Bruce Kimberley:

- Draws are now out until Round 8.
- All appears to be going smoothly.
- Barry McDonald stated that his feedback from parents had been good.
- Geoff Hasler asked if the 30/30 rule was to be included in the Junior competition?

Representative Report: Abbas Aly:

- Results:
 - Round 1 HKHDCA won 5 Games / 2 Losses and 1 Bye.
 - Round 2 HKHDCA won 5 Games / 3 Losses.
- U10 Foster Shield have won their first 2 games which is a terrific result.
- U16 HKHDCA nominations for 2 teams in the Watson Shield were accepted and in a demonstration of the strength of the HKHDCA Junior programs both teams are 2 from 2. Clearly the U16 competition is one of the strongest in any association.
- Grounds – Thank you to Justin for all his efforts every week in monitoring and checking grounds.
- Umpires – Thank you to Steve and Scott with the allocation of umpires.
- Coaches – The independent coaching is working well, next year all teams except the U16 will be in squads.
- Clothing – Coopers Clothing have let us down a little with the delay of clothing for the U10 (partly due to the fact of the late selection – now sorted).



- We are trying to get all teams and parents to upload results on the HKHDCA face book page – this is starting to work well and hopefully will encourage all the kids to FRIEND the page.
- Fees – I believe almost all DCA teams have paid their fees with a few Presidents Cup teams to still pay, I will forward a budget and accounts for next meeting.
- Outstanding results to date:
 - Round 1 – Foster Shield won by 6 wickets with C. Miller scoring 70, J Fullagar 46 and taking 3 wickets
 - Round 1 – Waston Shield -2 – R. Barker 11 Overs 6/35
 - Round 1 – Waston Shield -1 – M. Singh 61
 - Round 1 – Weblin – P Weerasooriya 51n.o , D. Heideger 59
 - Round 1 – Moore – T. Loxton 56 n.o.
 - Round 1 – Gee – J. Shaw 70, F. Wilson 49,
- Round 2
 - Round 2 – Foster Shield won by 6 wickets with, J Fullagar 48
 - Round 2 – Waston Shield -2 – V. Suir 75, N. McNay 51, R. Barker 10 Overs 5/16 (11 Wickets in 2rounds)
 - Round 2 – Waston Shield -1 – G. Blackwood 5 overs 5/0n.o. and 62, M. Singh 80,S Gracias Flor 47
 - Round 2 – Weblin – P Weerasooriya 4/22
 - Round 2 – Moore – A. Johnston 79
 - Round 2 – Cawsey D Thorat 48, B. Stockwell 59, N Andreou 47, S. Rana 10 overs 4/13
- Great results all round.

Seniors Report: Gavin Wingfield:

Saturday Competition

- This is now in full flow and for a change it looks like it is a batsman's season so far.
- Unfortunately Normanhurst-Warrawee withdrew from the competition in B grade and this has caused a bit of a shuffle of teams. There has also been some vandalism at a few grounds and so these may have been shuffled too. Please check the draw regularly.
- The movements which are being made are as follows:
 - B1
 - Normanhurst B2 to B1
 - B2
 - SKLPS DROP from B2 to C1
 - Normanhurst C1 to B2 and WPHC Red C1 to B2
 - C1
 - North Shore Promoted from C2 to C1 (combined with dropped SKLPS)
 - C2
 - West Pennant Hills Red promoted from C3 to C2
 - C3
 - Kissing Point promoted from D1 to C3
 - D1
 - Is now a 7 team competition - looking like there is a bye for Galston Glenorie this round.
- We will continue to monitor both individual performances and team performances but we expect clubs to take responsibility and move their players up through the grades themselves when performance demonstrates they should be moved, some clubs are proactive in this regard, while others appear not to be.



Sunday Competition

- Welcome to the new clubs in this competition. With 8 teams we are hoping to split the competition into effectively 2 leagues to provide semi finals for the top 4 and semi finals for the bottom 4, resulting in 2 finals.

Rules

- We have distributed a few reminders on the rules and in general there is a reasonable level of compliance, but it isn't perfect. Several clubs have received warnings and we have issued a couple of financial penalties. Please don't push us to the point of issuing points penalties!
- While many of the rules are important to ensure the values and quality of the competition, there are also some rules that are important for the running of it. Please ensure that both results and scores are entered on time.
- I am not going to list and read out penalties, but I will make these available to the executive.

Ratings

- We reminded clubs last week that players who receive a rating between week 1 and week 2 of a 2 day game are restricted for the entire match. We have been processing registrations received post the Tuesday 6pm deadline prior to a match, and I thank John and the SCC team for doing so, but we can't guarantee we can do this.
- We would like to draw your attention to the still poor level of information we receive, and I would like to offer you a brief quiz. Please rate the following 4 players:
 - Fred - Hasn't played since school
 - James - DOB 12/01/1992 - Played cricket at school, 300 runs 21 wickets
 - Bill - Played cricket 6 years ago
 - Dave - Played 3 years.

Geoff Hasler asked if the \$200 fine had been applied for the withdrawal of Teams?

Gavin Wingfield advised that it had been referred to the Executive for review.

Gavin Wingfield gave an explanation of the team movements, with Kenthurst as the precedent.

Nathan Tilbury asked why the N-W B Team was withdrawn?

Peter Johnson stated that it was due to a lack of players, and not enough numbers to backfill.

John McQuillan stated that the hours of play in the rules indicated 1pm to 6pm, but this is in conflict with the Sunday start time of 12pm.

Simon/Will raised the issue of draw changes in A grade and the impacts associated with this.

Gavin Wingfield advised that the draw could be changed if necessary, and he will endeavour to have home teams on the appropriate grounds.

HKHDCCA (Coaches) Report: Bruce Wood:

Register now for HKHDCCA / NDCC school holiday cricket clinics in January 2013

HKHDCCA has organised two more fantastic cricket clinics for 6 to 14 year olds – dates shown below.

- Kenthurst – **7, 8 & 9 January 2013**
- Waitara – **16, 17 & 18 January 2013**

Families are encouraged to register early (by 15 December 2012) to get the 'early bird' discount and to confirm their child's position. See link below for the flyer, which contains information on the online registration process.

www.hkhdca.com.au/files/2921/files/coaching/2012-2013/HK_ND_Coaching_Clinics_Jan-2013.pdf

Report on HKHDCCA Level 1 Coaching Course – October 2012

HKHDCCA held a Level 1 accredited coaching course at Normanhurst Oval on Sunday, 7 October 2012 with 16 successful candidates. The facilitator was Michael Procajlo from Cricket NSW. Refer to summary report: www.hkhdca.com.au/files/2921/files/coaching/2012-2013/Level-1_Normanhurst_7-Oct-12.pdf

Report on HKHDCCA / NDCC clinic at Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara in September 2012

This clinic was held on 25, 26 & 27 September 2012 at Waitara and was a great success, with 70 children in attendance, coached in small groups according to their ages, ability levels and cricket experience. Our clinics cater for players of all standards from beginners to rep. players. Refer to summary report: www.hkhdca.com.au/files/2921/files/coaching/2012-2013/Report_Waitara-clinic_Sept-2012.pdf

Report on HKHDCCA U/10 & U/11 Off-season Development Program in 2012

Held over six Sundays during the 2012 off-season, this was another successful program with a total of 469 boys registering to attend. We received very positive feedback from the parents and young players. This development program also led to stronger U/10 and U/11 representative teams this season. Refer to summary report:

www.hkhdca.com.au/files/2921/files/coaching/2012-2013/U10-11_Development-Program_Summary-Report_2012.pdf

HKHDCUA (Umpires) Report: Steve Wilson:

- All A grade matches and the majority of Kookaburra Cup games to date have been filled for Senior Competition matches to date. Unfortunately due to wide range of reasons, we have struggled with numbers in the early rounds due to losing a couple of regular umpires and an amazing run of unavailabilities for things such as weddings, holidays, engagements etc. Hopefully everything will settle down shortly and we will have a full compliment of umpires to cover matches in the top grades and even the odd one to assist in the lower grades.
- All captains are reminded they risk losing competition points if they do not promptly submit their Umpires Reports after each game. Further, can I please request that each captain submit their report carefully considering each aspect listed in MyCricket on their merits as we have an HKHDCA Umpire of the Year this season based solely on the Captains Reports. It's not a popularity competition, it's to identify the Umpire who has consistently outperformed in his duties throughout the season and is designed to recognise that person in the same manner that we identify the outstanding teams in each division when they win a competition. Thanks. For the record, at the time of writing the following teams have not submitted reports in the following rounds and matches. I know there were MyCricket problems in Round 1 but I understand this has been fixed and scores can be entered now so please do so ASAP. Failure to do so will lead to an official warning at the next council meeting for these teams highlighted and all teams in the future:

A grade: Round 1: ARL vs **Hornsby**; Kenthurst vs **Mt Colah**

Round 2: Mt Colah vs **Hornsby**

Round 3: **Kissing Pt** vs ARL; **Kenthurst (2)** vs St Ives; Berowra vs **Mt Colah**; WPHC vs **Hornsby**

It is important that I get this information so I can see how our umpires are performing and identify any problems which might require the odd phone call if an umpire scores a 2 or less. Captains are reminded that any score for any aspect which scores a 2 or less requires a comment on what the issue is. It would also be greatly appreciated if all captains in the top 2 grades could give me their email and a contact phone number so I have this information if required.

- All rep games to date have been covered off very professionally by my assistant, Scott. All Rep enquiries should be directed to Scott rather than myself unless someone is being reported for misconduct in a match. Having said that, please copy me in on all correspondence to Scott (if applicable) so I am informed and can cover an emergency situation if required.
- I have been asked if we can get Umpires in the lower grades due to the misbehaviour that is apparently going on. All I can respond with is the Umpires Association's first priority is to cover off the top 2 grades – especially turf wicket matches. If we have a surplus after that, I'm happy to allocate an

umpire to the odd lower grade match. Unfortunately we only have 9 committed umpires for the season and as mentioned earlier with our own umpires having personal commitments, numbers are tight. All clubs can request an umpire for a lower grade match, and I'll do my best to comply with that request but no promises can be made.

- The best email to use for me this season is my work address: steve.wilson@transgrid.com.au as my role has changed dramatically. The best home email to use is: steve.wilson1000@hotmail.com.

Finally, the HKHDCUA Umpires will be parading off our new Umpire shirts very shortly at all senior and Rep games. May I on behalf of the Umpires Association sincerely give a big thank you to Abbas Aly who has kindly donated these shirts to the Umpires for use. It is a great gesture and deeply appreciated by all Umpires, Abbas. Thank you and Tri-Force Sports.

President's Report (Nathan Tilbury):

HK&HDCA 2012/13 ADDITIONAL PATRONS

As per our pre-season meeting, the Association decided to postpone the traditional invitations to the local Mayors until after the election.

I have personally contacted the new Mayors for;

Hornsby Shire Council – **Steve Russell**

Ku-ring-gai Municipal Council – **Elaine Malecki** (who has always been an active & strong supporter)

Baulkham Hills Shire Council – **Dr Michelle Byrne**.

I am very pleased to say that all three were very happy to accept their 2012/13 HK&HDCA Patron invitation.

These new Patrons join; Denise Annetts, John Hayne, Col Cooper, Tom Richmond, Ross Turner & Matt Kean for 2012/13. Justin will update the Association website in the next few days to reflect these changes.

2012/13 Upcoming HK&HDCA Council meeting dates

The next HK&HDCA Council meeting will be Tuesday 27th November.

This will be followed by the HK&HDCA Xmas drinks on Tuesday 18th December. Of course we will be inviting all our Life Members, Patrons & Affiliates to our Xmas drinks on the 18th of December.

SEASON 2012/13 FIRST 3 ROUNDS

Congratulations to the teams & clubs that took out their T20 Premierships in 2012. It is great to see clubs continue to embrace these competitions & they continue to grow in popularity.

Alf James is working on official records for each of the T20 grades and shortly we will be sending these out to clubs, asking for them to be checked against club records. This will avoid later challenges from clubs when we officially release the T20 records.

For the first 3 rounds of the traditional season the batsmen have dominated recording some amazing performances.

In round one alone there were an amazing 15 centuries scored! This form continued with a total of 44 centuries in the senior competition across all grades after 3 rounds. Incredibly 9 of those centuries have been over 150.

The highest individual score of 198 was recorded on Saturday by Chris Walker from Hornsby District B1 grade as his team scored 5/340 in reply to Galston Glenorie's 259 at Les Shore.

The juniors have not missed out on the action either with 14 centuries scored from U/14 to U/16s.

I am sure the batsmen hope the weather holds for the greater majority of the summer so these great performances with the bat can continue all the way through 2012/13.

HORNSBY COUNCIL COVERS DEMONSTRATION DAY

I am very pleased to report that the Hornsby Shire Council covers demonstration day held at Parklands Oval on the morning of Saturday 29th September was extremely well attended by our players & representatives from the Association.

Council reported over 25 attendees who were given a demonstration as to how to place the covers on turf wickets as well as how they should be removed when wet before being folded away in the covers shed.

The covers process has been in place for the past 5 or 6 season and it certainly increases the number of hours cricket is played on the turf wickets available to our cricketers. The strong turnout at the demo day showed how much HK&HDCA clubs and their senior players appreciate the opportunity to play on the local turf grounds.

LETTER OF THANKS FROM HSC

Councils Manager Parks and Recreation Mr Peter Kemp, and Parks Service Unit Co-ordinator Mr Geoff Witt would like to pass on their thanks to the HK&HDCA for the support received at the Turf Wicket Covers Workshop that took place at Parklands on Saturday.

The morning was very well attended and well represented by A grade, A reserve, and Junior Representative Managers.

Thank you for your support for this activity it is greatly appreciated.

Andrew Wright

SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media has become both an important communication & promotion tool for both the Association & our clubs & other affiliated bodies. However with its speedy rise in popularity the odd “out of place” comment can appear. Whilst these unfortunate comments can be taken off line & out of public view quickly your Executive think it prudent we implement a Social Media policy for our Association as well as recommend something similar for our clubs to implement with their members.

Ben Gussey is currently researching this & will hopefully have something to present by the next Council meeting.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER CONTACT

Despite a reminder to clubs last meeting there continue to be too many people contacting the HK&HDCA Executive Officer directly.

Could I please once again remind clubs to remind their members (junior coaches & managers included) not to contact the Executive Officer directly. Many of these direct enquiries can be sorted out directly by the club’s own administration people in a much more effective manner. Our Executive Officer continues to find himself being bogged down with these unnecessary direct requests.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

Geoff Hasler moved to ratify the T20 Premiers as follows:

Premiers; 1st Grade (Triforce Cup) – WPHC . 2nd Grade – Sydney Lions . 3rd Grade – WPHC . 4th Grade Castle Hill . 5th Grade – Galston/Glenorie,

Seconded by Steve Wilson. PASSED.

Executive Officer Report (Justin Epthorp):

- Weetbix T20.
- Annangrove pitch – Council has now rectified issue.
- Peter Johnson – thanks for the prompt response to a ground issue on Saturday.

General Business

Barry McDonald advised that the Captain’s exam papers were available, including some additional information on the Laws of Cricket.

Barry McDonald also advised that Junior Managers and Junior Coaches could sit for a Junior Umpires accreditation exam.

Geoff Hasler advised of Kooindah Waters specials, mentioning three options, which he will email to Clubs.

**HORNSBY
KU-RING-GAI
& HILLS DISTRICT
CRICKET ASSOCIATION**



Next Council meeting: Hornsby RSL Club
4 High St, Hornsby.
7.30pm, Tuesday 27th November, 2012.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed:

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Nathan Tilbury
President
HK&HDCA Inc.
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