

General Council Meeting
Tuesday 27th November 2012

Meeting commenced: 7.35pm

Attendees: Nathan Tilbury, Geoff Hasler, Bruce Wood, Bill White (St Ives), Geoff Findlay (Beecroft), Bruce Parker (Mt Colah), John McQuillan (Ump. Deleg.), Roger Friend (WPH), Gavin Wingfield (St Ives), Justin Epthorp (GG), Scott Burrows (Hornsby), Simon Arthur, Steve Wilson, Barry McDonald, Peter Aitken, Andrew Fiedler, Peter Johnston, Saminda Fernando, Josh Brown, Tim Davidson, Mark Adams, Alan Clarke, Stephen Leggott, Lachlan Reynolds, Cam Riddett.

Apologies: John Klingberg, Sean Sweeney, Abbas Aly, Carolyn Ball, Alf James.

Geoff Findlay moved that the apologies be accepted, seconded by Tim Davidson. PASSED.

Welcome: Nathan Tilbury welcomed HK&HDCA Life Members present & then all attendees.

Minutes of previous HK&HDCA General Council Meeting:

Geoff Findlay moved that the minutes of 30th October 2012 be taken as read, with the minor addition to the statement below and accepted, seconded by John McQuillan. PASSED.

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, *for two day games only*.

Actions arising from HK&HDCA General Council Meetings:

Ref	Action / Update	Owner	Due	Status
30 th - 5	Is the 30/30 rule to be included in the Junior competition? 27/11 – Ongoing.	Geoff Hasler / Bruce Kimberley	18/12	Open
27 th - 1	Circulate budget to Clubs.	Nathan Tilbury	18/12	Open
27 th - 2	Provide draw anomalies to Gavin Wingfield.	Geoff Hasler	18/12	Open
27 th - 3	Request a “please explain” from Mick Dolly in regards to Alex Dolly’s bowling type, i.e., spin or pace.	Gavin Wingfield	18/12	Open

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

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). 27/11 – Email sent.	Geoff Hasler	27/11	Closed
30 th - 3	Check the date when fees are due, i.e., 1/12 or 31/12, is as per the Constitution. 27/11 – 31 st December.	Nathan Tilbury	27/11	Closed
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. 27/11 – Email sent.	Nathan Tilbury	27/11	Closed



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. 27/11 – Completed.	All Clubs	27/11	Closed
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Correspondence

Outgoing –

1. Cricket NSW regarding 5 HKI&HDCA facility upgrades.
2. NSW DCA regarding HK&HDCA Watson Shield players' eligibility.

Incoming -

1. Col Griffin – resigning from the 2012/13 HK&HDCA Executive as a Councillor due to work & family commitments.
2. Appeal from Mick Dolly (Redfield), regarding Alex Dolly's batting and bowling restrictions.
3. HSC Permanent hire invoice – passed to Tim Davidson.

Geoff Findlay moved that item #2 be moved to General Business, seconded by Geoff Hasler. PASSED.

Treasurers Report: Tim Davidson:

Juniors Report: Bruce Kimberley (no report due to Bruce's absence):

- Peter Johnson:
 - Weetbix Cup (CNSW).
 - 6 teams, 3 age groups.
 - More participation would be good next year with Gala days, etc.

Representative Report: Bruce Parker:

- Presidents Cup 1st round this week, with 3 wins and 3 losses.
- Shields:
 - U10 Foster, win.
 - U11 Creek, loss.
 - U12 Causey, win.
 - U14 Moore, loss.
 - U16 Watson, rule issue with points appeal, prior to final being held.
- NT – Sunday before at the Creek Shield.
 - Joe Healey 130 N/O (U11).
 - Broken a record that has stood for some time & a very good sportsman.
 - Media coverage through Hornsby Advocate & Hills News will come out.

Seniors Report: Gavin Wingfield:

- There are a number of items that keep coming up which clubs need to address, those being in particular:
 - Captains:
 - Please ensure that you have nominated a captain who has a valid captain's ticket.
 - A number of clubs have not done so and have following an enquiry from the SCC corrected their myCricket entry with the correct captain.
 - This wastes our time and yours, so please ask captains to get it right.
 - Registrations:
 - The registration and rating procedures are clear, and I am not going to repeat them once again.
 - Please ensure that you and your teams comply with these rules.
 - Ensure that you comply with the Sunday ones too.
 - It remains a batsman's season, in the lower grades despite the rain. Enjoy your 1 day matches this week.

Geoff Hasler:

- Raised the issues of anomalies in the draw.
- Home teams should be on appropriate grounds.

Barry McDonald:

- Umpired SKLPS.
- Captain has indicated they are struggling for numbers across two teams.
- Suggested they report this to the Executive Officer, for passing to the SCC.

Roger Friend:

- SKLPS issue.
- May prefer Sunday games.
- Temple opening on Saturday (following two rounds).
- SCC has accommodated this in the draw.

Peter Johnson:

- Discussed the N/W B2's.

HKHDCCA (Coaches) Report: Bruce Wood:

- Third HKHDCCA / NDCC school holiday cricket clinic booked for January 2013:
 - HKHDCCA has organised a third junior cricket clinic following the quick sell-out of one of the planned clinics.
 - There are still plenty of places available for the following two cricket clinics:
 - Kenthurst – 7, 8 & 9 January 2013.
 - Waitara – 23, 24 & 25 January 2013.
 - The original clinic scheduled for Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara (16, 17 & 18 January 2013) sold out in just a few weeks with over 70 registrations received.
 - Families are encouraged to register early (by 22 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

- HKHDCCA coaches attended the Craig McDermott PACE Bowling Clinic:
 - The Coaches' Association took advantage of a professional development opportunity provided by WPHC to pay for several of our leading coaches to attend the launch of the Craig McDermott PACE Bowling Clinics national program at the West Pennant Hills Sports Club nets on Sunday, 11 November 2012. Refer to brief report and photos at this link:

www.hkhdca.com.au/files/2921/files/coaching/2012-2013/HKHDCCA_Craig-McDermott_summary_11-Nov-12.pdf

- HKHDCCA supports BlowFly Cricket:
 - BlowFly Cricket is a summer sport for children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years who have special needs such as autism. The children play a hybrid form of cricket in which all players are on the field actively involved in fielding, batting or bowling, with guidance and assistance provided by coaches and adult chaperones. Bruce Wood, HKHDCCA President, has been volunteering his services at James Park, Hornsby, whenever he has a free Saturday afternoon to help coach the fundamentals of cricket to the youngsters.
 - Refer to the report at this link:

www.hkhdca.com.au/files/2921/files/blowfly/HKHDCCA_BlowFly_Cricket_2012.pdf

HKHDCUA (Umpires) Report: Steve Wilson:

- Paid Umpires up to Round 4 (12/11) for Reps and Seniors.
- Totals \$8,515.
- Across approximately 18 Umpires.
- Captain's Tickets will be issued tonight.

President's Report (Nathan Tilbury):

HK&HDCA 2012/13 XMAS DRINKS

On the 18th December at the RSL we will hold a brief Council meeting from 7 to 8pm followed by our annual Xmas drinks. All are welcome to attend to have drink on us.

SEASON 2012/13 FIRST 5 ROUNDS

The bat continues to dominate the ball with a massive 77 senior centuries to date this season. That is an average of over 8 centuries per round and must surely be a record. Centuries are spread right across our 10 grades with C3 grade leading the way with 12 just ahead of B grade (11).

The juniors are also cracking their fair share with 11 centuries alone in the U/16 competition.

Congratulations to all concerned so far this season.

SENIOR REPS

On Sunday I watched two very impressive performances from our senior rep teams.

The Telegraph Shield continued their undefeated record which has carried over from last year. At 9 for 109 this looked shaky but an unbeaten 10th wicket stand of 104 between Murray Watts (52*) & Chris Verduin ensured a strong total of 213. They then went on to roll Fairfield/Liverpool for just 105 in an impressive display.

The Durham Shield was decimated by Schoolies but managed to patch together a very young team to take on Sutherland at Storey Park. The away team hit an imposing 9/238 however our boys ran this down to win by 2 wickets in a very gutsy display which keeps our Durham Shield alive for this season.

KENTHURST PARK

We have some very serious problems created by BHSC in regards to Kenthurst Park that could easily see us lose this ground as a turf facility. BHSC have changed their hire fees for Kenthurst that see us to stand to pay as much as \$40K annually for the hire of the Kenthurst turf wicket. Of the Executive cannot justify to pay such high hire fees for just 1 ground & as such unless your Executive successfully negotiates this down this ground will very likely be turned in an astro wicket ground.

NDCA 1ST GRADE COMPETITION

Our neighbouring Association NDCA (Epping, Ryde, Parramatta, Gladesville etc.) are now down to a 6 team 1st grade competition which consists of just 4 clubs. They have approached our Association (as well as Parramatta) about the possibility of running for a joint competition for 2013/13 which would include them bring around up to 3 turf grounds for use.

The Executive are currently considering options however it will not affect our A grade and we will ensure than our current clubs are not disadvantaged in anyway.

CRICKET NSW HK&HDCA FACILITY UPGRADES

Cricket NSW have request each Association send in a list of 5 facilities (practise & or centre wicket) that are in bad need of an upgrade. After discussions with several clubs, local Councils & a number of Executive members, I sent in our list on behalf of the HK&HDCA. Listed were;

- Normanhurst Park Nets – upgrade & repair
- Thornleigh Park Nets – repair
- Mimosa Park pitch – replacement
- Turramurra Oval Nets – repair
- Fred Caterson 4 Nets – upgrade & repair

Cricket NSW has acknowledged receipt but I have heard nothing further back.

CRICKET NSW – Sydney Sixers T20 Club Champions Prize Money

Last week I met with senior members from Cricket NSW Development area. I asked them the direct question about some or all of Cricket NSW's share of the T20 Club Champions prize money making its way down to the grass roots, more specifically to go towards paying for the 2012/13 Association outstanding insurance.

HK&HDCA T20 COMPETITION NAMES

Alf James has suggested several names for our T20 competitions & the Executive approved the following;

- T20 1st grade competition – Bill Kemsley Cup
- T20 2nd grade competition – Graeme Bender Cup
- T20 3rd grade competition – Alan Taylor Cup
- T20 4th grade competition – John Jessup Cup
- T20 5th grade competition – George Ivanoff Cup

Alf James will put together a short bio on each of the 5 long time HK&HDCA senior players for the annual report.

PENNANT HILLS 4 GROUND

Pennant Hills number 4 ground is extensively used by our U/8 & U/9 teams on Saturdays. We have recently become aware of a plan by Northern District Hockey Association to overlay a synthetic hockey field on this ground (currently grass). We have been told that early age group cricket will still be possible to be played on the new artificial surface but details are scarce.

Tomorrow morning (28th November) myself & the HK&HDCA Junior Co-ordinator, Bruce Kimberley have an onsite meeting with the NDHA President to get a full understanding of what is being proposed as well as the impact on cricket.

Executive Officer Report (Justin Epthorp):

- **JLT Insurance Checklist**

- If any club requires additional JLT Checklist forms they will be available at the meeting.
- Please be advised that these will assist if any club or player needs to make a claim and it is recommended that they are filled out and signed by both captains before the start of each days play.

General Business

D&D Process – NT.

- Handed over to Geoff Findlay.
- GF discussed the D&D draft process that will be included in the Association ByLaws.
- Alan Clark suggested that the timeframes may be too long.
- Bruce Wood requested that past incidents be kept so that they can be called upon.

Mick Dolly Appeal – NT.

- Appealing Alex Dolly's batting and bowling restrictions.

Josh Brown moved that the SCC decision be upheld, seconded by Geoff Hasler.

- Geoff Hasler stated that there had been no mention of averages in the appeal, which is approximately 90.
- Geoff Findlay stated that it only applies after Round 4.
- Alan Clark stated the Alex was a good batsman, but not as good a bowler.
- Roger Friend stated that Alex was not just a seam/spin bowler but bowled pace as well.
- Peter Johnson said Alex had a pedigree such as shields, Green Shield, reps, etc., and should be a P5 or P4.
- Simon Arthur stated that it was a fair restriction, that allowed Alex to play Juniors and Seniors (with his father).

VOTE FOR All present AGAINST 0 PASSED.

Koindah Waters – Geoff Hasler.

- Sent out details of offers to Clubs.
- Need support to retain sponsorship.
- Friday Feb 15th 2013 for HKHDCA Ambrose.



Insurance Costs – Barry McDonald.

- DCA are to recover costs from the Association.
- Do we have the invoices as yet?
- Tim Davidson – No.
- Bruce Parker advised it was raised at the previous DCA meeting.
- He also stated that it may be raised again this Thursday at the next DCA meeting.

Various – John McQuillan.

- St Ives/Berowra game showed good sportsmanship.
- Tom Richmond (Advocate), would like the A Grade scores updated by Saturday night.
- Ground closures versus covers emails from Geoff Hasler, and confusion it causes.

Next Council meeting: Hornsby RSL Club
 4 High St, Hornsby.
 Tuesday 18th December, 7pm (note early start before Xmas drinks at 8pm).

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

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