



Minutes of the May Presidents and Secretaries Meeting 09/5/17

Open Meeting: 6:15 PM

Attendance Sheet : Attached

Apologies : Jaylea Muldoon, Ray Walters, Lyn Schneider and Jane McNeill.

April Minutes:

Motion: "They be accepted"

Moved: Deb Monck **Seconded:** Narelle Salmon **Carried:**

Business arising:

- **Club clean up downstairs** – ongoing removal of goalie gear for safety and space. There are still four goalkeeping bags downstairs.
- **Cleaning of turfs** – SG
Sports clean completed the fields today. The TLF is 17 years old and still in good condition.
- **Uniform fee** now to be included in Rep manual – ongoing

Deb informed the meeting that she has received Tigers hockey clubs uniform policy. The Treasurer pointed out that there are other cost associated with the rep teams and these should be included in the policy i.e. if not paid a player would be declared unfinancial. The policy when completed will be included in the Associations Rep Team Manual which is currently being updated.

- **Access to Revolutionise** site and registration update – DM
All clubs have access to the revolutionise website. DM presented to the meeting a spreadsheet showing MVHA registrations compared with other associations. (See attachment). Manning Valley Hockey has 784 registrations as at today. A pleasing aspect of the registrations is our under 18's numbers are stable. Dual registrations have been a nightmare and DM has been in contact with HNSW giving them our thoughts. HNSW has requested feedback on the registration system
- **Strategic plan** – see attachment to agenda
DM presented to the meeting the associations strategic plan and has requested clubs to read and comment on. The new 2018-2021 Strategic plan is written and will be discussed and ratified at the Board meeting on the 16th May then sent to all clubs.
- **Volunteers** – update
Centre link/Manning support services have been contacted and the process should be in place next year. More people with their RSA's needed for work behind the bar.
- **Open Men's and Women's update**
Adam Berkefeld has accepted the position of coach of the open men's rep team. He has requested via the associations Facebook page an expression of interest from players of the team.
The meeting agreed that the planning for a rep teams should begin this year. August was the date the meeting agreed for confirmation of coaches managers of the rep teams who will then set dates for trials. It was agreed that trials and training should occur 10 weeks prior to the respective championships as set out by hockey New South Wales.
- **Match Cards** – review of process

Match cards are kept in the locker in downstairs. Access to the cards was raised. The meeting was informed that the locker is locked due to the fact that children play in the downstairs part of the clubhouse and would have access to the cards. 430 is the number for the lock.

➤ **Rules review** request sent out

The Association has received feedback from Wingham and Chatham to clubs. No other feedback was received from any other clubs and feedback was due at the date of this meeting. The secretary will circulate of the suggested rules. A new working party will be formed to move forward on joint rules. The meeting date is set for Tuesday 23rd 7pm at the Clubhouse. All interested people to attend.

➤ **Dugouts** – been sprayed

Shane green has sprayed at dugouts for spiders

➤ **U11 goals**

The goals for the Under 11 competition are stored behind the other goals at each end of field. The goals backboards need some kind of backing to reduce noise and damage such as what is done at Tamworth (turf with backing glue to the metal. The Association will need five grass fields and 10 goals for the under 15 state titles to be held in Taree.

➤ **Frozen lists**

Discussion took place on the role of the match committee and frozen lists. DM informed the meeting that the match committee rules give them the authority to grade players but the meeting accepted that in practice this does not occur.

➤ **Clubhouse/Turf development** – Info only DM

Construction of the extension to clubhouse will begin next Monday.

➤ **Team registration sheets/ WWC/ Waivers/ Family Discount** – DM

DM requires ID numbers from Wingham Hockey Club registration ID numbers which can be obtained from the Revolutionise website.

Clubs are requested to provide copies of their player waivers for our files. Clubs are also requested to inform DM if a player is deemed unregistered but in fact has registered with HNSW. This will allow her to go onto the site to check. A suggestion from the meeting is for Player IDs to be put on our match cards. This would mean players would need to remember their ID number. This was discussed and decided that it was not feasible at this time

Unregistered players – Tigers

There was some confusion regarding player registrations due to the fact that some players registered using their maiden name and put their married names on the match card. The meeting agreed that this made it very difficult for DM to check that the player was registered with HNSW. The general feeling from the meeting was that there was a history of players/clubs being very casual when it came to registrations and they will need to adjust to the strict policy of no registration/ no play.

➤ **Canteen duties**- cooking and cleanup – procedure attached to agenda – LT

LT informed the meeting that a canteen cleanup routine document has been produced to help our members with their cleanup of the canteen. The meeting requested that a large A3 copy of the cleanup routine be displayed in the canteen.

➤ **SHOOSH for kids** – DM

Posters are being displayed in the clubhouse. DM suggested that it is an idea that should be supported by all members of the Association.

➤ **Alcohol Policy** – attached to agenda – Tigers

The Issues around alcohol and “zero tolerance” rules was discussed. DM sought advice from HNSW regarding the policy on alcohol. The policy states that it is a “zero” policy. The meeting whilst supporting the zero policy suggested that in reality it is often difficult to police and that common sense should prevail regarding our members and the consumption of alcohol. Our masters members will be informed that the consumption of alcohol should not occur until the under 18 competition finishes for the night

➤ **Playing Rules – Tigers**

Tigers raised the issue of changes to playing rules and need to be consistent.

The meeting agreed with the sentiments expressed but also could see the need for flexibility when circumstances change such as junior numbers and ages need to be accommodated when formulating competitions.

➤ **RCC – Tigers**

Our RCC Ben Hanlon apologised for not being able to attend the meeting. A poster from HNSW giving his job description is displayed in the clubhouse. Ben has already attended club trainings and offered his services to any club wishing him to come to their training. The meeting agreed that he is playing for Wingham division one men’s was a good thing the competition. He will also be playing in the Open Mens Rep Team. Ben has organised a visit from Warren Birmingham hand for 15 May which is a Monday night. Members are requested to let him know if they are attending to help with the organisation.

➤ **Admin Structure – Tigers**

The changes to the Association administrating structure was discussed .The meeting agreed that the addition of the Presidents and t Secretaries meetings to the organisations structure was great it was felt by many that the loss of our Subdivision Committees has resulted in some areas of administration being neglected. The new Men’s, Women’s and Junior Match Committee Charters give greater clarity for their roles and responsibilities together with other charters should help to overcome this neglect.

Tigers hockey club felt that our junior development is a job larger than the junior match committee and they need the associations support.

Junior Development Committee

Scott Armstrong informed the meeting that he has a very active but small match committee team that is doing an excellent job with the junior competition. He agreed that the development of junior hockey such as gala days and recruitment is outside their responsibilities and that a Junior Development Committee of interested members should be formed to review and put in place procedures and ideas this year for implementation in 2018. DM suggested that the junior committee consult with her to include any ideas in our Strategic Plan

The meeting agreed that an Expression of Interest for membership of a Junior Development Committee be circulated amongst member clubs and Facebook. The first meeting of this committee will be conducted on **14th of June 7 PM at the Taree hockey centre clubhouse.**

AB is putting in place ideas to support and encourage junior umpires.

Older players playing in a junior competition was raised. DM meeting that hockey New South Wales has no rule on this and it is an individual Association responsibility.

Club Review:

➤ **Chatham**

Congratulations to Jaylea Muldoon on the birth of her baby.

➤ **Cougars**

➤ Nil

➤ **Gloucester**

Absent

➤ **Great Lakes**

Nil

- **Manning Valley Masters**
The association has received their registrations.
- **Sharks**
The use of Joey balls in our junior competitions was raised. DM on the meeting that the use was mandated by hockey New South Wales however some associations have expressed concern as to their suitability because of their bounce. She will contact hockey New South Wales to give them our concerns
- **Taree West Hockey Club**
Nil
- **Tigers**
Addressed in previous
- **Town**
nil
- **Wingham**
nil

General Business

1. The Treasurer brought to the attention of the meeting the need for compliance of affiliated clubs to be incorporated as required by Manning Valley Hockey Association's constitution.
2. **Rep Team Uniforms**
The under 18 Girls Rep Team requested the use of the Indoor Uniforms for the team competing at the Under 18 Girls Field Championships. The meeting could not see an issue with this.

Meeting Closed: 8:15pm

Hockey NSW									
2017 Registrations, as at 28th April									
Association	Under 7's	Under 11's	Under 18's	Seniors	<i>Masters Only</i>	<i>Non Playing Official</i>	Total	2016 Registrations	% of 2016
Manning Valley	66	137	205	311		15	734	769	95%
Our Revolutionise Data @ 8/5/17	81	146	208	338			773		100.50%
Our Revolutionise Data @ 14/5/17	89	148	213	345			795		103%