

# MANNING VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



## March 2014 NEWSLETTER

An update from our Feb Board of Management Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> March 2014 and other meetings

### 1. Club House

Vandals (possibly hockey players because hockey balls have caused it) have punched holes in the fibro sheeting at the back of the clubhouse holes. If someone has access to a scissor lifter or cherry picker please let someone know so that sheeting can be put up to protect it from weather deterioration.

The association is purchasing a new gas operated deep fryer for the canteen. The old one was a donation and is not suitable for our operation. We have to find transport from Newcastle as the quote was for \$500.00 to get it up here. Again if someone can help please let Lyn Turner know.

A decision has been made to stop taking orders after 7.30 pm. You would be aware of the time it takes to clean up. It is suggested that if you play a late game and want to have something to eat you can place an order before the 7.30 closing time to have it ready for you later.

### 2. Fields.

Members need to be aware there can be a problem with debris on the turf after storms. Some can be quite large and need to be removed before commencing matches. Managers, coaches and umpires please inspect field before playing to see if it needs to be removed. This is part of the Association's risk assessment as we have a duty of care to players who could be injured need to clean up before playing. Hockey NSW will include it in their risk assessment.

### 3. Visit from Hockey NSW

As part of the association reform Hockey NSW is visiting us on 29<sup>th</sup> April to discuss the proposed reforms. Visit will be at our clubhouse on 29<sup>th</sup> April from 6pm.

### 4. Team Nominations.

Could teams please use the association's team nomination forms when nominating teams. The information on them is required for us to meet our obligations to Hockey NSW. Much of the information contained on the sheet has to be put onto data base for access by Hockey NSW.

## 5. **Over 50s Tournament in Taree Friday 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> April**

Due to Dis health issues Lyn Turner has taken over the roll of Tournament organizer. A roster has been done and is being circulated. If you can help her particularly the Friday it would be much appreciated. If you are a badged umpire there are associations who are looking for umpires and are prepared to reimburse you for expenses. Also the tournament is an opportunity for local umpires to be assessed for their practical. See Jane McNeill.

## 6. **Hockey Pro Shop at Taree Hockey Centre Clubhouse**

Pro Shop Hours are Mon 5.30 to 8 pm, Wed 5.30 to 8 pm and Sat 9am to 7 pm. Customers can contact him on 0407582681

## 7. **On line Registrations.**

There have been some ongoing problems. I have circulated the latest information. Don't forget you can access the computers in the clubhouse to go online to register.

## 8. **2RE Sports Report Saturday Mornings**

Craig is giving 2RE a report for the Saturday Sports Program. If people need something to be mentioned on the program they must give it to him by 12 pm Friday

They will be doing an outside broadcast for State Tournament when held in Taree.

## 9. **Calendar for Association Web Page**

The calendar is now in operation and has all the dates on it that I can think of. Mistakes do happen so let the Association know if you see an error. Clubs will be invited to meet with the web designer to be informed as to how they can utilize the facility.

## 10. **Reconvening of the 2013 AGM**

The Association was notified by the NSW Department of Fair Trading that our **2013 Audited Annual Statement** which was adopted by our members at the meeting was not accepted by them. As mentioned in the email sent to clubs the date for the AGM will be the **14<sup>th</sup> April 2014 7pm Taree Hockey Centre Club house.**

## 11. **Yellow Waterproof Jackets for Umpires**

The Association realises that there can be times when our umpires have to umpire in the wet. 10 wet weather jackets of various sizes have been ordered for use by umpires. They will be printed with the association's logo and be stored downstairs at clubhouse.

## 12. **Joint Match Committee Meeting**

All junior games will be 25 minutes each way

Junior matches on Sat will finish at 1.30pm and seniors begin at 1.45pm.

Mens and Womens Divisions have a draft draw circulating at the present time.

Under 18 Grand Final will be 24<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Vets finish 27<sup>th</sup> June 2014

The Committee Minutes have been included in the March Minutes from the BOM which should be on the Associations Web Site soon.

A thank you to Leanne Yarnold the Under 18 Draw is on the Association's Web Page in "Competitions and Matches

John Surtees

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