

MANNING VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING – Tuesday, 20th September 2016

Venue: Taree Hockey Centre

Time: 6pm

Item

- a. **Present:** Craig Colvin,Lyn Turner,Doug Davidson,Shane Green and John Surtees
- **b. Apologies** Deb Monck (Overseas), Bronny Fuller (Work), Dylan Turner (sick) and Timothy Lestrage (Sick)
- c. Visitors: Stuart Ferguson and Jaylea Muldoon (Chatham Hockey Club)
- d. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest Nil
- e. Confirmation of August Minutes

Held over to October due to absence of board members

f. September Finance Report

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September correspondence

- 1. NetBank transfer details for Tigers HC \$594.00.
- 2. Invitations to guest and award recipients for Grand Final Luncheon.
- 3. Association Umpire of the Year nominations.
- 4. Association Coach of the Year nominations.
- 5. Town HC Raffle declaration.
- 6. HockeyNSW nominations for the Under 15 Indoor State Championships are due on Friday 9 September 2016.
- 7. Replys to Grand Final invites.
- 8. Ashley Morrison "Australia's Hockey Grail."
- 9. HockeyNSW Venues for 2017 Championships.
- 10. HockeyNSW Championship update.
- 11. HockeyNSW Selectors for the upcoming Indoor State Championships.
- 12. Minutes of the Joint Match Committee Meeting held on Sunday, 28th August, 2016 at 4.pm
- 13. Deb Monck MVHA Umpire Convenor Report for 2016 Season
- 14. Deb Monck Playing rules 2017 and Policies.
- 15. Deb Monck Formal complaint by Strikers Hockey Club.
- 16. LT Finals Draw all with all commitments confirmed.
- 17. Chatham HC Club Details
- 18. Taree West Club Details.
- 19. Wingham Club Details.
- 20. Information from Polygras
- 21. Gloucester HC \$320.
- 22. Telstra Account \$79.99.
- 23. Taree West Public School \$20.00
- g. OH and S
- h. Meeting with Jaylea Muldoon and Stuart Ferguson re Junior Competition structure (See Attachment)

The meeting met with Executive of Chatham Hockey Club re their concerns with

the Junior Competitions.

The meeting was in agreement that there was an urgency in the decision making for the development and direction of junior hockey Proposals:

- i. The association with the input from Greg Doolan our RCC it is proposed that a four week program called Fast Five be introduced. This is five a side half field hockey with the emphasis on enjoyment. Hockey NSW have informed us that there is not an insurance problem as players will be covered by the HNSW Insurance and that no registration fees are required.
- ii. Hold Gala Days in Term One of 2017 with a link to clubs and schools.
- iii. "Lets Try Hockey" days on a Saturday during summer with free barbeques.
- iv. Create a "Working Group" composed of enthusiastic and committee people sourced from our clubs. They will bring with them projected player numbers for 2017. The committee members with not necessarily be club office bearers. The time frame will be first meeting to be held on Wed October 2016 at 6.30 pm at te Taree Hockey Centre.

j. Director's Reports

- Turf Director
- Umpires Director
- Promotions Director
- Records Director
- Club House Director (see Attached)
- Coaching Director

k. General Business

- 1. Women's Masters Jumpers
 - Doug to purchase sufficient tubs to store jumpers to prevent deterioration from vermin and weather. The tubs can be purchased from Officeworks at \$6.00 for 34 litre capacity. LT and Doud to meet at Office works to purchase them.
 - Next year sell them at a reduced amount \$20.00 to try and reduce our losses.
- 2. Hockey goals on grass fields
 Craig to speak to council amount their removal and proper storage,
- 3. Beer and 'Gatorade in Fridges
 John to speak to Wingham to see if they can use the Gatorade.
- 4. Dates for John McClaren

Secretary send him the dates for Tournaments for Taree

Meeting Closed 8.30pm

Further to the email yesterday, Chatham wish to attend the next Board meeting as a matter of urgency to outline our concerns regarding Junior Hockey for 2017.

Please advise the time Adam and myself are able to be present to have a professional and objective discussion. Ideally for Chatham we would like this dealt with as a matter of urgency due to an increasing number of concerned parents approaching us.

Thank you

As you are aware Chatham Hockey Club requested Junior Hockey on the agenda at the August President and Secretaries meeting.

Thank you Craig, for providing the numbers from the system, however as we discovered at the meeting they have a few holes with under 18s including the kids who are no longer playing juniors. This would increase the numbers of juniors lost in the junior competition to over 100 at the very least.

The discussion went around and around in circles once again, this would be the third Presidents and Secretaries Meeting where it has been discussed, with more of a blame game taking place rather then looking at the issues and developing a sustainable action plan moving forward.

Our club understands the work which was involved in the decision to move to single sex hockey especially Adam and Jaylea as they were in attendance of the meetings. We have now reached a point as an Association where we need to make a decision for the 2017 season to be successful and our juniors to have fulfilment in the sport. We currently have at least 3 division at risk of being unviable in the 2017 season.

As club we have the following concerns:

We have 5 kids who will not be age appropriate for Div 2 Boys in 2017 – If Chatham is able to make a Div 1 Boys team in 2017, it still does not look as if there will be a competition for this age division. The parents of these children have expressed they do not feel they are ready for the Div 3 Mens competition. They are wondering if hockey is going to be an option for their kids in 2017.

We do not feel kids should only have an option of playing under their age or seniors hockey at the age of 15

In 2018 the current Chatham Gold Div 2 Boys team are all too old for this competition, if all of these players stay playing hockey - this is a whole team at risk – we could in 2017 promote the whole team to Division 1 Boys if there was a competition for them, yet we would then see the Div 2 boys competition with only 3 teams

It is unlikely Chatham will be able to field a Div 1 Girls team in 2017 - leaving this a 3 team competition It's great for people to suggest getting into the schools to obtain juniors in the over 12s age groups - however many individuals work on a full time basis and are unable to go into the schools this will disadvantage clubs who do not have this flexible with its members.

Could we possibly consider these options for 2017 Div 1 competition:

Encourage clubs to seek assistance from their Div 2 teams to support at Div 1 competition in Boys and Girls as single sex

Look at returning to mix hockey in the Div 1 competitions due to lack of numbers in the Boys and Girls competitions

While we express our concerns as our club, I am sure there are other clubs in the association with the same issue.

Single sex verse mix hockey, its all just a bandaid over the numbers game.

It is disappointing to know that the option discussed in great lengths at the meeting was no juniors for over 16s, we don't see NSW Hockey doing away with this age group so why should manning Valley?

The under 18 competition had been previously run with the consideration of finishing earlier so HSC kids were able to focus on their exams, giving them a sporting outlet during the year. This is how Chatham previously were able to field two teams, many kids who signed up didn't play hockey and did so with their mates to have an outlet from school and work in a very busy and stressful year for this age group.

This needs to be actioned now not next year otherwise we are at risk of losing these players over the summer period.

Looking forward to developing a resolution for Junior Hockey for 2017.

Jaylea Muldoon Secretary





MANNING VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Promotion and Development Officer

Proposal: To employ part time a Promotion and Development Officer

- 1. In conjunction with Manning Valley Hockey Association representatives, establish the annual development plan that drives achievements in coach and player participation, retention and development for the Manning region.
- 2. Assist the implementation of that annual development plan, monitor and report performance, and make the necessary adjustments to deliver agreed outcome. The delivery of following programs as detailed in the annual plan:
- (a) Coach mentoring
- (b) Player development for Representative Teams; and
- (c) Junior player coaching camps.
- (d) Support School Development Programs
 - 3. Achieve Key Performance Targets set for Manning Valley Hockey Association
 - 4. Attend intercity matches, local and State Titles as pre-agreed
 - 5. Keep data on talent identification and liaise with Hockey NSW RCC Regional Coordinator
 - 6. Attend Seminars as planned with Hockey NSW and Manning Valley
 - 7. Maintain reasonable records of activity and expenditure
 - 8. Attend and submit quarterly reports to Board of Management Manning Valley Hockey Association.

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Clubhouse Directors Report - 21st September 2016

The season came to an end on the weekend, with a good attendance for the Grand Final Luncheon, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Bronny Fuller, Julie Collier, Janice Surtees, Gloria Davidson, Ann Mercy for their assistance in preparing the Luncheon.

Taree Lions Club once again worked the Canteen for Grand Final Day and all went smoothly with most of them having worked here in the previous years.

Thanks to Max and Dean who worked on the Bar, and they were kept very busy with sales of alcohol – as we had to order an extra 18 cartons over the duration of the Saturday afternoon. So will need to increase the order for next year but the coolroom can only store a certain amount. Noting that it is impossible to know how much to order without leaving a lot of excess stock till next year. This wouldn't be a problem if we had a short Summer Comp, but once again we are restricted to how many days we can have our bar open.

Loss of the single fridge in the front counter reduced the number of cans able to be stored, but managed this by refilling the other fridge constantly.

Noted that the single serve wine bottles sold well over the weekend, and would like to recommend that we continue to stock this item for the next year.

Would also like to faze out the Hahn Super Dry and the majority of our members are now drinking the Carlton Dry.

For the Limited Licence for 2017 will change the start and finish times on Thursday and Fridays so that the Bar is open from 11am through to 10pm, this will allow us to hold any

Wakes/Functions prior to our Competition games. Hopefully we won't have as many as we did this year.

When the extension of the Club are completed we may be able to look at a different licence as we will have the Balcony all round and extra room in the club house, ideally if we could manage to enclose the front apron it would be classed as a totally enclosed area allowing us to apply for the year round licence. This would also benefit the Front Canteen Counter as well in relation to climate factors.

Donna Boyd has advised that she is going to do the Online RSA Course.

Lynne Turner

Clubhouse Director

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