



**MANNING VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC.**  
PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES MEETING Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Venue: Taree Hockey Centre  
Time: 6.00 pm

Meeting Opened by Tony Barton

Present: Tony Barton, Tony Lewis, Michelle Collier, Rod Collier, Lynn Brettle, Clair Woolard, Raelee Booth, Shane Green, Michelle Collier, Nicole Clarke, Jana Box, Dave Hardaker, Dominic Tagliapietra, Ros Drury, Katrina Green, Scott Harry, Leanne Harry.

Apologies: Jane McNeill

No previous meeting minutes or agenda were approved.

Dates for start and completion of season were set at last Board Meeting based on a framework (not provided here). Dates allow flexibility for the competition, gives value for membership from patrons and allows Grand Final days to be staggered.

Junior Competition starts Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022 with Grand Final held 10 September 2022

Senior Competition starts Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 with Grand Final held 17 September 2022

**Action Required:** Update to Manning Valley Revolutionise website with key dates.

6:45pm – Discussion started around new Juniors Format

Please see attached document for Junior Competition details. This draft will be updated and redistributed to clubs with the changes.

Intention is to expand opportunities for junior recruitment. MVHA will be running an advertising campaign including Television, Radio, online and print media.

Also desired is a contact within schools who can drive kids to hockey, instead of the usual email to be placed in a Newsletter.

**Action Required:** Updates to document to be completed by Tony Barton.

Age clarification to be inserted, 10 or 11 on 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2022 can play division 3, 15 or 16 on 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2022 can play division 1. If a child hasn't played hockey before they complete a "term" (exact number of weeks to be decided) with H2H before moving to playing Saturdays.

7:00pm – Tony Lewis opens discussion around grading of individuals and goals behind grading criterion.

Divisions are initially established on an age basis; then individual children will have skill based grading as required before the grading committee. Goal is for children to have the capacity to participate in the sport.

There is an expectation that Clubs will support Friday nights H2H and provide good quality coaches to make it fun for kids.

The age of coaches for H2H, and possibility of foundational learning and signing off on online coaching for younger members, to be determined.

**Action Required:** Core Criterion to be established before start of season for skill based grading.

Individual grading requests to be decided at a grading committee after a core criterion is developed (Tony Lewis).

Junior playing rules need to be checked for boy/girl ratios

Future Meeting of Junior Match Committee and Board to adapt general playing rules to suit new format

Check with Leigh McIntosh minimum/maximum numbers for MVHA Academy as well as coaching ratio. As well as signing off on coaching requirements for Friday Nights.

Fee Structure

Kids will be given 3 weeks to “try” from start date to register with a club. Registration with a club can be anytime and is the preferred option. Clubs will be responsible for monies and Active Kids Voucher use.

Discussion around Junior Match Committee 8.30pm

First meeting of both Senior and Junior Match Committee to be held combined on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022, with the traditional once monthly meeting to commence Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

Further discussion around combining Senior and Junior Match Committee for one year as a trial.

Board Member to be present or to Chair Junior Match Committee suggested

**Action Required:** Please forward nominations from clubs for Committee members to Tony Lewis

Decision around joint or separated committees to be discussed at first meeting

Further Committees

- a) Representative Committee – Delegate from each club required, as well as an indoor hockey coordinator for the year.
- b) Senior Match Committee
- c) Junior Match Committee
- d) Grading Committee
- e) Judiciary – Nominated members for this position should be current players and have a good current understanding of the game.

Action Required: Clubs should forward their nominees for these positions to Tony Lewis or John Surtees

Final Business

MVHA is looking for a Promotional Officer to supply weekly content to News, Radio, Newspapers and Facebook page.

The decision around Vaccination Status for players to be discussed at next Board Meeting

Meeting Closed 8:45pm