

Manning Valley Hockey Association



Junior Match Committee

Meeting Minutes: - 12th April 2022 – 6:30pm

Attendance: Frank Birkefeld (Board Rep), Leann Harry (Sharks), Georgie O'Byrne (Tigers).
Dom Tag (Chair), David Hardaker (Chatham), Michelle Clark (Tigers) & Jill Allen (Taree West).

Apologies: Cougars

Previous Minutes: None Tabled.

Agenda Items: none provided so general business discussed from items brought to meeting by club delegates

Issue	Start Time for Semi Finals		
Discussion	Due to the possibility of matches going into overtime it was suggested that the start time of the first match to commence at 8:30am to avoid games running into senior time slots. Time slots would be 8:30, 9:50 and 11:15 <i>All at meeting agreed with proposed time and action.</i>		
Action item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Suggested times to be circulated and discussed within clubs to consider and obtain feedback and to ratified at next meeting if majority agree	Club Delegates	Next Meeting	

Issue	Changes to Junior playing rules		
Discussion	It was unsure if the changes to playing rules for juniors was correctly circulated by association secretary		
Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
To follow up with Association secretary and correctness of any rules circulated	Tag	ASAP	

Issue	General discussion on Minkey program		
Discussion/Information	<p>Minkey Hockey is scheduled to start on Fridays from 5:00 to 5:30 from start of term 2.</p> <p>This will be held on Turf 3 and Lee will coordinate and arrange coaches from those in the H2H program.</p> <p>Details and contacts of each child to be obtained for insurance purposes</p>		
Action item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Club delegates to promote within clubs and continue to encourage older players & parents etc. to learn coaching by participating in the H2H program	Club Delegates	Ongoing	

Issue	Manning Valley Hockey Academy		
Discussion/Information	<p>The Academy will start on the 26th April with the first day being a “muster” day following the muster, sessions will be based on age groups. 4:30 for 11’s, 5:15 for 13’s and 6:00 for 15’s.</p> <p>Cost will be \$50.00 per participant to register intent and this fee includes a polo shirt.</p>		
Action item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Club delegates to take back to clubs and promote as widely as possible amongst members	Club Delegates	Ongoing	

Issue	Junior Player Gradings		
Discussion	<p>A concern was brought to JMC’s attention of potentially younger players who are frozen division 1 players in seniors that are playing division 1 juniors.</p> <p><i>All at meeting agreed with proposed action.</i></p>		
Action item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
To bring to the attention of the grading committee to perhaps review junior gradings based not only on players skills level but also their senior grading to ensure a fair and equitable junior competition	Frank	15/4/2022	

Issue	Authorised people in the dug out		
Discussion	Concerns were raised that recently in junior games a large number of parents older and younger siblings are in the dug outs in addition to the players coaches and Managers.		
Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Ask Association Secretary to circulate and email to all clubs reinforcing that in addition to players only authorised and registered officials (Coach & manager) are permitted in the dug out during games.	Frank	15/4/2022	

Issue	Age extension for H2H participants		
Discussion	<p>After reviewing the first 3 weeks of Hookin2Hockey and the successful process of separating the age groups of participants at the commencement of the sessions, we have noticed that there is an opportunity to capture participants that are falling just out of the 6-10 age bracket that are new to the sport of hockey.</p> <p>MVHA would still like to support children which fall into the 6-10 age group that have played hockey previously to continue with the HookinHockey program but we also believe that we could extend the age group for NEW participants to 12 (turning 12 in 2022 – DOB 2010) and provide them with the support they need to establish themselves as a hockey player.</p> <p>Essentially 6-10 Years for existing players and up to 12 years for players new to the game.</p> <p>These players are in need of the extra development opportunities that Hookin2hockey provides with the hope that they can transition to becoming competent and confident participants in the Saturday morning competition.</p> <p><i>All at meeting agreed with proposed Extension to age group.</i></p>		
Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Advise association president who will arrange changes o promotional material and advertisements etc.	Frank	15/4/2022	
Circulate amongst club members	Club Delegates	ASAP and ongoing	

Issue	Authorised people in the dug out		
Discussion	Bands/Stamps for age groups participating H2H etc.		
Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Wrist bands have been ordered o make it easier for coaches to distinguish age groups but stamps could be used in the interim	Information only item		

Issue	Inappropriate comments to young players		
Discussion	It was brought to the JMC's attention that a parent was criticising a player from another club without a parent or another adult being present.		
Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Clubs to ensure that all coaches and managers have undertaken a Working With Children's Check and have signed clubs or association code of conduct. Additionally, as MVHA is a strong supporter of shoosh for kids can club delegates take back to their clubs and remind parents that if they have concerns in relation to a player from another club then they should initially raise that concern with their own child's coach or manager	Club Delegates	ASAP and ongoing	

Issue	Div 3/Minimum age groups		
Discussion	Clarification sought on Minimum age group for Div 3. Minimum is 8 turning 9 and requires an exemption to play a higher division/		
Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Delegates to take back to clubs	Club Delegates	ongoing	

Issue	End of transition period		
Discussion	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. As from 7th May if teams do not have the minimum number of players (as per playing rules) to take the field then the match will be deemed a forfeit (if teams agree after the game is declared a forfeit to play a game by sharing players they can do so). 2. Also from 7th May only 1 coach permitted on the field at a time and they are to wear a orange Hi Viz Bib. 		
Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Club delegates to take back to clubs to ensure all team coaches and managers re aware	Club Delegates	Prior to 7/5/22	

Issue	Delegates to JMC		
Discussion	Clubs to nominate 2 delegates to JMC		
Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Club delegates to take back to clubs to ensure that 2 delegates to the JMC are nominated to ensure that clubs can have at least 1 representative at each mating.	Club Delegates	ASAP	

Next meeting: 10th May 2022 at 6:30pm at the clubhouse