

Tweed Border Hockey

Delegates Meeting

14th April 2008

Agenda	Motion/Action
<p>Meeting Opened: 7.05pm Chair: Richard Philip Minutes: Kathy Dooley</p>	
<p>1.0 Attendance: As per attendance book 1.1 Delegates Present: Mark Paron Karen Paron(Waratahs), Anita Raftery, Daryl Foyster (Casuarina), Ross Salmon, Lance Skinner (Kingscliff), Tammy & Tony Hankinson, Bridget Denis (Pottsville) Yvonne Fahy, Geoff Wotherspoon (Redbacks) Abel East, Brett Nowlan (Mullum) Jenny & Steve Payne, Jenny Hawken (United) Sandra Clarke, Kym Hetherington Denis Conroy 1.2 TBHA Board Members; Kathy Dooley Sanders Hetherington Richard Philip 1.3 TBHA Committee Members: Denis Conroy – Grounds & Fixtures</p>	
<p>2.0 Apologies Carl Johnston,</p>	
<p>3.0 Adoption of the Previous Minutes Minutes of the Delegates Meeting 10 March 2008 tabled</p>	<p>3. Adoption of the Minutes of the Delegates Meeting 10 March 2008.</p> <p>Motion: That the minutes as presented and adopted Moved: Denis Conroy Seconded: Ross Salmon Carried</p>
<p>4.0 Business Arising from the Previous Minutes – 4.1 Jr Boys Comp. Currently there are 3 teams in U13, 16 with 4 in U11. A combined clubs U13 & U15 Girls team complete the 13's & 16 Boys divisions. G C have agreed to combining for competition for the U13's & 16B – each team will travel away twice in the season. It was acknowledged that Redbacks may find it difficult to field teams on Saturday mornings. 4.2 Mid Week turf games – Letter from Waratah H/C expressing that they are not in favour of mid week games for their Div 2 & 3 teams. Pottsv also against, as were Kingscliff & Redbacks. Therefore no mid week games will be scheduled. 4.3 O35 & O55 Champs will commence 18th April – Tweed have a team in each age division.</p>	<p>A request that Clubs assist by supplying morning team / sandwiches for the Sat & Sun. also help with BBQ 8am & 11:30am.</p>
<p>5.0 Correspondence 5.1 Letter Waratah H/C – Against Mid week games for Div 2 & 3 5.2 Letters Pottsville & United – Against formation of Division 4 Womens Comp. Bridget Denis [Pottsv] said that they had a number of players that returned to hockey last yr after many yrs not playing and tho some of the scores against them were high, none of the players were disappointed and would like to continue playing D3 as the standard helped to improve their hockey. Waratah HC were in favour of a fourth division as they had a number of new players and felt it would be better for them to learn the game in Div 4. Their other teams were made up of players that were friends and don't train and another team of younger players with a few 'older heads' to help them. Mark Paron asked if the Grading Committee can grade or re-grade teams and what powers they have. Delegates Committee make the Grades in March by Clubs nominations of teams in divisions, tho not all Clubs have their Team nominations submitted at the March meeting</p>	<p>S Clarke opened by stating that as far as W Grading and Grounds & Fixtures were concerned there will be no Div 4 W this year. However, four clubs have replied that they would be happy to play Div 4 – one of those Clubs being United. Tony Hankinson mentioned that the four highest teams could play off for a G F and the four lowest teams could also play for a separate GF. This was dismissed.</p> <p>There will be no Div 4 for 2008 but teams can nominate and will be looked at for 2009</p>
<p>6.0 Discussion Points From Email sent to Clubs: 6.1 June Long Week-end No hockey will be played unless Div 1 would like to play their deferred games from May 2 – 3.</p>	<p>R Philip said that if games were not scheduled on that weekend, some players may be more</p>

6.2 Open M & W Champs May 3-5 Div 1 teams not play, but catch up game will be needed. Casuarina happy to have a catch-up game as they have a number of players in the W rep team. Mullum, United, Wara and Redbacks also happy to have games deferred

6.3 Home & Away format - Clubs were asked if they would prefer to have upto 7 games scheduled at their home fields or have a majority of games in Murwillumbah. Kingscliff and Waratah want more than one game per home game and Kingscliff would rather have juniors in the morning and have seniors on the following Saturday afternoon – not all on one day. Casuarina prefer all on one day.

6.4 Rep Shirts The Assoc would like to have a single uniform that all Rep players would wear – a few suggestions shown to meeting incorporating all colours in the one shirt. An option was that men keep to the maroon & gold and women keep to the jade and purple and not try to mix the colours as it would be difficult to get those four colours into one shirt that everyone would wear. If we changed colours completely Hockey Qld would have to approve the new colours.

6.5 Clubhouse Roster Will commence from 26th April – Clubs will be required for the Friday afternoon 5:00pm and night also Saturday afternoon from 4:50pm Grounds and Fixtures will advise in the draw what Club is to do duty and a list of what to do will be left in the office. It was advised that Clubs are to organise someone and not leave it to the players that are on field.

6.6 Delegates President Two nominations received – Richard Philip and Sanders Hetherington. After counting of the votes Richard Philip was declared the Delegates President. Thank you Sanders for your nomination.

6.7 Umpires Lists By now a list of umpires should be submitted for the Umpires Appointment Committee. If not, please do so asap. Jenny Payne asked if there were any seminars organised for the juniors or anyone else if they wanted to learn to umpire. The Assoc can organise sessions and Clubs are asked to get jrs and snrs interested to attend when they are organised. Casuarina prefer to have their teams named to umpire rather than individuals – S Clarke said that if that were done, then players from the team are requested to do the umpiring and not just find someone else to do the duty for them, especially from another Club.

Seniors / adults must do games for U13 & U16 boys when they play the girls teams. Grounds & Fixtures will be appointing junior girls games in similar format as U7's & 9's where they are all at one centre (except games on turf). Adults will be set down to umpire U15's, U15, will umpire 13's and 13's to do U11's. D Foyster spoke regarding the importance of junior games especially to be seen out of Murwillumbah. Umps PRINT their names on cards pls.

6.8 Player Sportsman Awards Kym Hetherington noted that most junior cards do not have player sportsman on back of card and some seniors as well.

K Paron asked if same format as last yr would be used this yr in regard to Div 1 P/Sportsman whereby the best two players on the field were given the points not one from each team – discussion then went if that format should be carried on to all grades.

6.9 Div 1 W Local games would be scheduled within the JHW PL comp - and counted as a round and a couple of catch up games would also need to be added. Options were that they could play on a Monday night after the juniors or on a Sunday or have Div 1 W Grand Final on the same weekend as the Div 1 & 2 Men and bring the Div 3 men forward to be played with the Div 2 & 3 Women. Some Clubs would have 2 catch up games some would have 3.

D3M would have two full rounds and then split similar to Rugby league (play every team 2 times) Their G Final could be brought forward to Women's G Final weekend and have D1W play on Men's W/E

D2M Don't play 19th April and one other w/end to finish on even rounds

willing to try out for the Rep teams – knowing that they would not be letting their Club team down.

Tony Hankinson said that the draw was fairly well dispersed last yr and worked well for P'ville.

Home & Way format will be used again this yr.

Delegates did not like the suggestions shown & Richard asked if Delegates could go back to their members for some more suggestions. K Paron suggested that we incorporate Mt Warning into a sublimated shirt using the logo as guide.

Roster Duty will be shown on Draw

Moved R Salmon, Seconded L Skinner that S Clarke and K Paron act as scrutineers for the vote. **Carried.** (Clubs with 5 or more teams 2 votes Clubs with less than 5 teams 1 vote)

Clubs were also asked to nominate mentors for anyone wanting to learn to umpire – also to contact Dept Sport & Rec for the “Play by the Rules” kit as discussed at previous two meetings which i.d's new umpires.

Assoc to contact Paul Ludwig for available dates.

We also need to teach juniors and not just do the umpiring for them. Umpires for Div 1 will be named. Jenny Payne requested that if umpires willing to go to seminars can they put their names in at office. Sanders noted that umpires should be aware that one coaching session will not make them better umpires – more games will

Clubs ask all umpires to complete the P/Sportsman awards pls In many cases jr umps choose their friends as they may not like or know the other players.

Moved K Paron

Seconded S Payne that Div 1 only select best two players – not necessarily one from each team. **Carried**

Clubs check with their players about D1 W GFinal on same weekend as DIM and if D3M would be ok with being brought forward one week also check on preferences for catch up games

Mullm prob ok with Monday nights

Wara not in favour

Cas. Ok with catch up games

<p>7.0 Club Business: Casuarina Nil Kingscliff Nil Mullum Could full draw be accessed by Club officials to have a guide as to game schedules for planning etc. Not released to all players and on the understanding that it may change. Pottsville With regard to the draw – anything in advance would be appreciated even up to six weeks. Redbacks Nil United Nil Waratahs Nil</p>	<p>Grounds & Fixtures advised that if the Club officials came to see them the draw could be looked at. Any requests be put in writing asap.</p>
<p>8.0 General Business 8.1 K Paron was concerned with the fee structure this yr whereby players registered & playing in NSW FNCHA could fill out a form and have a reduced fee within TBHA. Karen felt this was unfair to the rest of the players in the Assoc in that they have to pay for the running of the Assoc as well as their Insurance & registration, but the FNC players are only paying for their insurance, registration and a small part of their fees going to the Assoc. 8.2 S Clarke mentioned that there had been appeals against suspensions imposed on some players last yr by the Board of Management and stated that these appeals probably should have gone before the Judiciary Committee – Also that we should have included in the By Laws that any appeals should be made within 7 days - and not after the number of months as these appeals were. 8.3 Email addresses for players – Clubs reported that many of their players did not wish to give their email address to the Assoc on their Registration Forms 8.4 U 15 B will play a touring WA team on Thursday 24th April from 4:30pm and a BBq will be supplied after the game. Umpires are needed for the game. 8.5 Charity Night – A two course meal, and among the guest speakers will be Susie O’Neil, hoping to get Steph Gilmore and Titans player/s. Raffles and auctions will be main way of fundraising. Tickets to be approx \$40 with funds to be divided evenly between the Oncology Children’s Foundation and TBHA. Hopefully everyone will support the evening 14th June at the Cudgen Leagues Club, flyers and notices will be available soon 8.6 A suggestion for Junior teams - if a team is at least 5 goals ahead of their opposition, could coaches encourage their players to pass the ball around more, thereby giving players that don’t usually run the ball or have much involvement in the team more of an opportunity and it may reduce the score difference and the other team may get more possession. 8.7 M Coleman asked Richard to mention could U11G be split into two pools as there are strong teams and weaker teams in the division. 8.8 M Paron from Grading Committee stated that Clubs are to list the 9 best players in the teams (that require grading). There have been instances where Clubs have 11 players in the higher division and the rest in the lower division and some of those should be listed as graded players in the higher div. It was also mentioned that there are teams in divisions that be their standard should be in a different division, however if those teams were asked or forced into a different grade, they players would not play. For example united D2M many of those players are new to hockey last yr from soccer but did not wish to play D3 and wouldn’t continue playing if asked to change grades. J Hawken mentioned Waratah Gulls were too strong for D3 W as indicated by their scores since the start of the season and they have the ability and skills to put the forwards to the backs and still defeat teams convincingly. S Clarke replied that again many of those players have been playing together for a long time, did not train and also pointed out that the teams that they had played are the lower standard D3 teams so far as well as mentioning a Kingscliff team in the same position for a number of yrs.</p> <p>Meeting concluded 9:25pm Next meeting Monday 12th May 2008.</p>	<p>Richard replied that this was an incentive for new players and was introduced to entice them to our Assoc for not only this yr but hopefully they will resign next yr and the fee would not be so low. It also enticed a few ‘useful’ rep players for the Open W team and as this yr not as many players tried out for the team they were selected</p> <p>Recommendation for the Board to look at this matter. Amendments made to the By Laws @ Board meeting 28/4/08. New copies of the By Laws are available at the office</p> <p>Anita Raftery suggested that some people may not wish others to have access to their email but if all emails were sent as BCC or Undisclosed Recipients no one knows and can access who the emails were sent to.</p> <p>If the suggestion to pass the ball around the team more is implemented this may not be necessary.</p>