

Narara – Wyoming Cricket Club
MINUTES
of the Committee of Management Meeting held at
The Grange Hotel on Thursday, February 1st, 2018

Meeting Opened: 7.31pm by the President

Attendance: M Smith, G Rowlands, L Egan, G Crowe, P Ness, T Maurer, S Jordan, S Anderson, E Lulham. P Moriarty (arrived at 8.00pm)

Apologies: J Moriarty

Proxies: P Moriarty (pending his arrival) to L Egan

Moved: M Smith **Seconded:** S Anderson that the apologies and proxies be accepted. **Carried**

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Minutes of the December 7th, 2017 meeting (Attachment A) distributed by the Secretary via email

Moved: E Lulham **Seconded:** S Anderson that the minutes of the meeting be accepted. **Carried**

Matter Arising from Minutes: Refer Attachment “B” and;

1. Possible GST claim – P Ness asked if this could be held over until March as the person he has been liaising with has been on leave
2. M Smith advised that he has not had an opportunity to speak with R Ness and asked the matter be held over until March
3. M Smith previously circulated paperwork and flow chart regarding Social Media Policy and procedures to be adopted for any breaches of it, or the Code of Conduct. L Egan had suggested that a reference to the Disciplining of Members section of the Constitution be added to the document. It was agreed to hold over making a final decision on adoption of the policy until the March meeting.
4. No news on a further Patrons Match against Laguna CC. We will let this one rest.
5. It was agreed that the usual awards be presented for the Ladies Team

President’s Report:

1. Mark extended a welcome back from the Xmas / New Year break to the Committee
2. Semi Finals are fast approaching with 2nd, 3rd & 9th Grade in good positions to reach them. 1st Grade need to continue winning and hope a result or 2 goes in their favour. There is a chance of making the Open T20 finals as well
3. Good numbers continue to attend after match functions and of particular note is the number of junior fill ins returning to get a taste of the festivities
4. Mark advised that he had issued a reminder at the last After Match function that we need to take particular care in acting in a proper manner when wearing our Club gear

Moved: M Smith **Seconded:** G Crowe that the President’s report be accepted. **Carried**

Correspondence: As forwarded and;

1. Notice of Breach of Rule 70 (c) by playing (returning) player Mitchell Stapleford, without the prior approval of the Competition Committee, to his originally approved 8th Grade team for Round 7 of that competition, after playing 2 consecutive fixtures, two or more grades higher than his normal squad. Appeal made on the basis that we believe Mitchell comes under the provisions of Rule 13 (e) which states; "Any junior player who is registered and playing in the CCCA Junior Competition and is also registered and playing in the CCCA senior competitions NOT on a full time basis is not affected by the regrading and player movement between competitions components of these rules.

The CCCA Competition Committee has the right to re-grade or place specific conditions on certain players where they see fit."

2. Appeal against the decision - dismissed
3. Request to CCCA to seek letter of support / approval from Council for defibrillator grant - received
4. Mal Barsing – Letter of resignation from 4th Grade Captains position, to enable him to be considered for higher grade selection.
5. Return of Alan Davidson Park and Paddy Clifton Oval No1 for match play. 6th, 8th & 9th Grade draws redone. Ground keys reallocated accordingly.
6. Version 20 of Squad Player Approval Document received
7. CCCA request Council to repair Alan Davidson Toilet gate locks and Carrington St men's toilet lock.
8. CCCA Proposed 3 Season Comp Format commencing 2018-2019
9. C Coskerie, A Walsh, R Milroy - feedback on Item 8
10. CCCA Updates to 8th & 9th Grade ladders
11. CCCA advising Final winners of ODLO component of Competition – Congrats to our 9th Grade
12. M Smith – Draft of Code of Conduct & Social Media policy & breach procedure
13. Enquiry from Dave Neale for Captains Application procedure
14. Thank you letter from Zane Montgomery re attendance at Bradman Clinic
15. Alan Davidson Dinner at Ourimbah RSL on March 15th – clubs get 10 free tickets
16. Reminder that there is No Smoking at council grounds during games
17. Request to provide access to Gavenlock Oval on Feb 3 for Cyclones O50's match
18. Thank you letter from Ethan Kennedy re attendance at Bradman Clinic

Moved: L Egan **Seconded:** S Jordan that the correspondence be accepted. **Carried**

Matters Arising from Correspondence:

Item 4 – Due to urgency matter was addressed by the Executive Committee and approved. Recommendation that Lucas Sadler be appointed to the position was also approved

Moved: P Ness **Seconded:** M Smith that the decision of the Executive Committee to appoint Lucas Sadler to the 3rd Grade Captains position be ratified. **Carried**

Treasurer's Report: As circulated by email and;

1. Paul ask members to note that figures presented represented a 2 month period
2. Fee payment arrangements are being adhered to. There may be an issue with collection of fees for one of the 8th Grade squad members who has withdrawn however Paul will discuss with the parents
3. Paul advised that we could earn a little extra interest income with surplus funds on Term Deposit with a 3 month rollover.

Moved: P Moriarty **Seconded:** M Smith that surplus funds be moved to Term Deposit. **Carried**

4. It was confirmed that the Treasurer is authorized to transfer \$1500.00 to the Junior Account to cover the costs of sending Zane Montgomery and Ethan Kennedy to the Steve Waugh (formerly Bradman) Clinic. Paul reported, as evidenced by their letters of thanks, that they had a good time and found the experience beneficial.

Moved: P Moriarty **Seconded:** E Lulham that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. **Carried**

SUB COMMITTEES, DELEGATES & OTHER REPORTS:

Selection Committee: Further pressure on player numbers due to Sam Ashby moving to WA and Tom Sherrah withdrawing due to health issues (returning for last 2 rounds). Continue to rely heavily on juniors and ladies to ensure lower grades have (nearly) full teams.

Practice Committee:

1. Numbers are still lower than we would like but as always those attending are putting in, and enjoying the sessions
2. P Ness reported that the lower grade sessions at Narara Valley High are going well
3. L Egan suggested we may need to consider reviewing start times

Player Liaison Officer: Nil

Retention Committee: Mark outlined a number of areas that we could look at to increase numbers through recruitment which include more focus on visiting players from overseas and those who may be relocating to the area and no longer wish to play in Sydney, Newcastle, etc.,

We should look to make it more prominent on our Website that new players are welcome.

Ladies Cricket Coordinator: L Egan recorded a note of thanks to Stuart Owen for his assistance in organizing some of our lady cricketers to fill lower grade spots.

Turf Wicket Committee:

As the temperature and humidity have reached the usual summer levels, the turf is now growing well, apart from a short period about a week or 2 back. With only 2 more rounds to go, there is ample turf for the remaining games.

- 1) There was vandalism (bicycle tracks/tyres) on one of the pitches just before Christmas which required about 6 hours of work with the roller to restore.
- 2) There is no further planned expenditure this season, please see attached claim for all outstanding amounts.
- 3) The manual for the roller requires regular inspections to ensure that all is well. While undertaking an inspection over the Christmas break I discovered that 2 large grub screws (about 8mm diameter) which secured the drive train together had come loose and departed the roller. After written and phone consultations with the manufacturer and John Moriarty it was decided that re fitting the grub screws was all that was required. One of the original grubscrews was recovered from the container floor, and another purchased from Gosford Bolts and Bearings at a cost of \$1. A small amount of Loktite was applied to ensure that the grubscrews would remain in place, and checking for 2 weeks has confirmed that they have.
- 4) The blades on the Masport rotary mower were replaced using nearly brand new blades we had as spares.
- 5) Grants: If anyone is aware of grant funds becoming available, I have a couple of suggestions for purchases which, while not absolutely essential, would certainly improve our capabilities-
 - a) Marking Frame for setting out the creases and stump positions. We do have one, but it has seen a lot of work and has been repaired multiple times.
 - b) Line marking machine which could be used for boundary and fielding restriction lines.
 - c) Extended straightedge which would allow the marking of longer creases as an aid to umpiring.

Action – Secretary to ask Rob to put together his requests along with a couple of quotes for each. These will be given to Peter Ness to see what grants can be obtained.

6) The loss of Sam Ashby is disappointing, hopefully we will be able to recruit another candidate to take over the vacant Curator's position.

Outcome – A number of possible candidates were suggested with preliminary discussions to be had to gauge interest. M Smith advised that Andrew Friend has indicated that he may consider however would need a small crew to assist with rolling.

Action – L Egan to speak to Brian Hoffman, E Lulham to speak with Kristian Mitchell and Brad Guest, S Anderson to speak with Gosford Golf Course curators.

7) Has a decision been made regarding the fridge which is stored in the container?

Action – It can stay in the container.

Gear Steward:

1. Paul advised that 2 flexi stumps had gone missing from Alan Davidson Park
2. He suggested again that we spend \$500.00 on a kit of gear dedicated specifically for practice with it remaining at Alan Davidson Park throughout the season.

Moved: M Smith **Seconded:** T Maurer that the Gear Steward be authorized to spend \$500.00 on a kit of equipment specifically for practice and training purposes. **Carried**

NWJCC Delegate:

1. Things are travelling well with all but the 12C's in the running for semi final spots
2. The following have been involved in CCCA Representative teams throughout the season; Riley Post, Mitch Stanbury (U11's Player of the Carnival) and Tom Owen
3. Xmas Party went well with post function review considering moving the event to Day 2 of a match that is being played at the same venue by seniors and coinciding it with games against local opposition to ensure as many can arrive on time. More emphasis will be placed on getting formal RSVP's for better catering logistics.

CCCA Delegates: Upcoming meeting on February 19th primarily to discuss the proposed format for the next 3 years. The draft had been circulated to all members seeking feedback (4 written responses received) which had been collated by the Secretary and sent to Committee members prior to the meeting. M Smith went through this feedback and sought further comment from the floor.

1. Definitely no Sunday cricket
2. 3rd Grade should utilise the same format as 1st & 2nd Grades given the aim is to have them playing on turf as well – the overall concept to be adopted in the higher grades has our support
3. How points would be allocated and if / how they are weighted across the 3 formats is still to be discussed
4. Lower Grades should not all be One Day and T20 cricket. There is a strong possibility that full player participation will be diminished as the stronger batters & bowlers will dominate.
5. Twilight T20 competition has some appeal
6. T20 should be played only in January when the juniors are on their long break
7. Lower Grades should be 8 team competitions which would be easier to manage provided the "squad" concept is thrown out.

Thanks to those, and in particular, Paul Moriarty and Peter Ness for discussing this with their team mates (& opposition in Peter's case).

Sponsorship, Fundraising & Grants Committee:

1. The only grant application in the works at the moment is that for the defibrillators
2. E Lulham advised that Mark Churcher has agreed to provide a Player of the Round award for the remainder of the season by way of a "free bucket of balls" at his (Tacoma?) Driving Range. Ethan will discuss the issue of vouchers with Peter Ness.
3. M Smith advised that a \$100.00 New Car Purchase sponsorship cheque is on the way from Central Coast Motor Group following the purchase of a new by a work colleague.

Social Committee:

1. M Smith advised that we had totally missed the planned Double Wicket Comp but no harm done given the packed calendar of Sunday T20's
2. Next event will be the Presentation Night locked in for May 1st
3. We will give consideration to a Pie N Peas night if we make the Finals
4. P Moriarty advised that he has lost contact with the boys from Ramsgate RSL but will continue to try and track them down.

Publicity Committee: Nil

General Business:

1. S Jordan advised that there is a growing call for coloured clothing for T20 Comps. As we are moving to everyone wearing more colourful shirts next season the next step would be the introduction of coloured trousers and “clads” for pads for these fixtures. Responsibility for distribution, collection and washing would fall to the team captain (or delegate). Item placed on the Ongoing Items list.
2. P Ness requested a note be made that his comment at the last meeting of “more strategic thinking” should read “more strategic management”.
3. G Crowe suggested our April meeting, voting on major awards, be brought forward to allow sufficient time for trophies to be struck / engraved for Presentation Night.

Meeting Closed: 9.36pm

Upcoming Meetings

Committee of Management Meeting – March 1st, 2018 @ The Grange @ 7.30pm

Committee of Management Meeting – Wednesday, March 28th, 2018 @ The Grange @ 7.30pm

Attachment “B”

Ongoing items for attention

Issues Due for Completion or Update	Responsibility	Complete By
Investigate possible GST claim	PN	01/03/2018
Contact Rob Ness re continuation of work on new website	MS	01/03/2018
Code of Conduct & Social Media Policy ratification	Committee	01/03/2018
Retention Committee to circulate ideas for discussion	MS	01/03/2018
Sound out possible new curators	LE, SA, EL, MS	01/03/2018
Coloured trousers / clads	Committee	28/03/2018
Issues NOT YET DUE for Completion or Update		
Feedback on proposed communications app	PN / GC	????
Policy document review – to reflect changed Constitution & By Laws	MS	
Follow up CCCA re freshen up of Gavenlock amenities	LE	Sept 2018
EOI from Dave Neale to Captain a side	Committee	July 2018