

Narara – Wyoming Cricket Club
MINUTES
of the Committee of Management Meeting held at
The Grange Hotel on Thursday, February 2nd, 2017

Meeting Opened: 7.35pm by the President

Attendance: M Smith, T Maurer, S Anderson, P Ness, R Ness, G Crowe, L Egan, J Moriarty, P Moriarty

Apologies: S Jordan, G Rowlands

Proxies: S Jordan to L Egan

Moved: M Smith **Seconded:** G Crowe that the apologies and proxies be accepted. **Carried**

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Minutes of the December 1st 2016 meeting (Attachment “A”) distributed by the Secretary via email

Moved: S Anderson **Seconded:** G Crowe that the minutes be accepted. **Carried**

Matter Arising from Minutes of the December 1st 2016 meeting: Refer Attachment “B”

1. Updates to current issues noted on attachment
2. Possible fill-in player, Andy Gazer, has been registered. Focus is on using juniors and regular players returning from injury as fill-ins first.

Minutes of the December 14th 2016 meeting (Attachment “C”) distributed by the Secretary via email.

Moved: P Ness **Seconded:** G Crowe that the minutes of the December 14th 2016 meeting be accepted. **Carried**

Matter Arising from Minutes of the December 14th 2016 meeting:

1. Peter Ness asked why documents that he distributed to committee members at the meeting had not been recorded in the correspondence. Secretary advised that Peter had not provided a reason for the documents being distributed and no discussion involving them had ensued prior to Peter leaving the meeting before it had concluded.
2. Peter noted that the enquiries made by John Moriarty through Cricket NSW and the evidence in support of his innocence had not been recorded in the minutes. The Secretary apologised for the omission and confirmed with John that he had made independent enquiries through Ian Hogg of Country Cricket NSW and advised the meeting that Mr Hogg’s enquiries had not uncovered any evidence to support the allegations against Peter. John confirmed that this was correct.
3. Peter advised that he was not satisfied with the letter of apology provided in as much as it was by email and not on letterhead, and that the whole matter had created actual, not perceived, offence. Peter tabled a draft letter which he would consider acceptable. Use of the draft was supported by P Moriarty and agreed to by the Committee.
4. The matter of reimbursement of the \$18.00 expense incurred by Peter for copying documents to support his case was raised.

Moved: P Ness **Seconded:** T Maurer that a reimbursement of \$18.00 be paid to P Ness **Carried**

President's Report:

1. Mark thanked the Committee for keeping things rolling during his absence overseas, and in particular the holding of another very successful Xmas Party
2. Attendance at training continues to be poor. Weather conditions have had some impact with some possibly believing trainings would be cancelled but generally we have been able to run beneficial sessions. Captains are asked to encourage their team members to attend
3. Club functions continue to be well supported
4. Top 3 sides continue to perform well

Moved: M Smith **Seconded:** P Ness that the President's report be accepted.

Carried

Correspondence: As forwarded and;

1. Acquisition of the new roller
2. CCCA advising approval to commence using Gavenlock Oval on January 7th
3. Gear steward regarding error in colour for new apparel
4. Apology to P Ness
5. Email from P Ness advising he did not believe Minutes of December 14th meeting were completely accurate
6. CCCA requesting submission of JLT Checklists
7. CNSW volunteer grants available
8. Various player transfers
9. Return to Gavenlock Oval
10. P Ness advising of order placement for new roller – delivery approx. mid March 2017
11. Invite to Mandalong Oval Cricket Week declined – only 3 responses
12. Invite for players to participate in Fast Bowlers study by Newcastle Uni (Ethan Milne)
13. Stronger Communities Fund Grants – Round 2 open
14. Ladies "Come & Try" Competition nominations – one NWCC team participating – S Anderson & D Owen managing organisation & logistics
15. Request to Committee for approval to purchase 12 x 142gram balls for Ladies Comp – approved
16. Invite from Central Coast Council to attend Sports ground management information night
17. Email to CCCA expressing dissatisfaction with Warnervale not preparing wicket for Day 2 (28/1/2017) of 2nd Grade match
18. Code of Conduct complaint against S Howison

Moved: J Moriarty **Seconded:** P Moriarty that the correspondence be accepted.

Carried

Matters Arising from Correspondence:

1. Item 6 – Not all Captains are submitting their forms but there has been an improvement. There still appears to be some reluctance brought about by the belief that personal liability could attach to the person signing the form should an incident occur. P Ness provided an assurance that this is not the case. L Egan has scheduled a reminder to be sent via text each Friday asking the captains to complete the Checklists
2. Item 8 – Members advised that Fitzgibbons had decided to transfer to Warnervale due to Isabella's association with Daniel Drew who coaches the CCCA girls sides. There had been some talk that they were advised that they would play no higher than 5th Grade with us. This was not correct.
3. Item 14 – Sharon advised that we will be entering one team. She will attend to all logistics.
4. Item 18 – S Howison had been cited under the CCCA Code of Conduct Offence 25 - bringing the game into disrepute by posting offensive comments about a player and his family on Social Media (CCCA Facebook page). An offer of accepting a penalty of 10 early plea points (a 2 playing day suspension), deferred for 12 months, was made to Mr Howison. Mark Smith contacted him to discuss the situation

following which he accepted the offer. Mr Howison acknowledged his error and had himself removed the offensive posting.

Moved: P Moriarty **Seconded:** M Smith that the CCCA penalty is sufficient punishment and no further sanction by the Club was necessary. **Carried**

Treasurer's Report: Covering the 2 months to January 31st, 2017 was circulated by email and;

1. Paul noted that an entry relating to Country Cup Travel allowance was incorrect and would be deleted.
2. Roller has been paid for in full and CNSW grant received
3. There may be some refund of grant monies received due to final costs of projects being less than originally stated in grant applications. Paul will discuss with P Ness and advise the committee
4. Paul advised that 6 x 142 gram balls would be provided to the Ladies Team (operating under the seniors banner), from the junior stock and requested permission to reimburse the junior club for these based on the cost price of the balls.
5. The number of players with outstanding fees has reduced significantly and Paul sought approval to manage these outside the umbrella of the standard Fee Policy provisions
6. Due to refurbishment of the accommodation used by Bradman Camp attendees the usual week long camp was not conducted. Paul has proposed that last year's winner, Zane Montgomery, attend next season along with this year's winner. This will mean that 2 payments will be required next season

Moved: P Moriarty **Seconded:** M Smith that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and items 4, 5 & 6 be approved. **Carried**

SUB COMMITTEES, DELEGATES & OTHER REPORTS:

Selection Committee:

1. Unavailability of players continues to be high however halving options and availability of fill in players, particularly juniors means we are fielding full and competitive sides
2. Finals qualification guidelines have been issued however we are seeking clarification as to whether matches played includes both one and two day formats

Practice Committee: See Presidents report

Player Liaison Officer: John Moriarty explained that he was of the understanding that the role allowed for the holder to act as a liaison in all matters if approached by a player. Secretary will source the "job description" for further discussion and possible clarification.

Retention Committee:

Turf Wicket Committee: As per email circulated to committee members by R Cross. Rob has noted that upcoming expenses will include new cylinder mower, wheelbarrow and wicket soil.

Gear Steward: Nil

NWJCC Delegate:

1. In2Cricketers enjoyed the excitement of lining up with players during the National Anthem and participated in on field activities during recent visit to SCG
2. Junior season has recommenced
3. T20 Blast program has now moved to Alan Davidson Park on Saturday mornings with an additional 2 participants joining the ranks

CCCA Delegates: Nil

Sponsorship, Fundraising & Grants Committee:

1. P Ness advised that there are no new grant applications in the pipeline however we should be considering the replacement of at least the synthetic surface in net one (bowling machine net) given the area at the popping crease is now lifting and is a risk for bowlers.
2. M Smith advised that the Nepal group will be holding a fundraising BBQ at Bunnings in the near future.

Social Committee:

1. Lisarow Challenge – Clifton Cup & Davidson Shield function to be held after play this Sunday, February 5th. The Grange Hotel function rooms have been booked. Hopefully members of both the Davidson & Clifton families will be on hand to present the respective awards

Moved: P Moriarty **Seconded:** M Smith that food be provided free of charge and costs relating to the function be absorbed by the Club. **Carried**

2. Barefoot Bowls will be held at Gosford Bowling Club in lieu of after match function on February 25th. Full details to be circulated to players shortly.
3. Challenge Cup against Ramsgate RSL has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 26th. This may be cancelled as Ramsgate are having difficulties attracting numbers as they are now virtually a one team club.

Moved: P Moriarty **Seconded:** M Smith that the Club contributes \$400.00 toward the cost of catering should the match proceed. **Carried**

Publicity Committee:

1. Peter Ness raised the issue of standardizing, and enshrining in the Constitution, a more accurate and recognizable definition of the “green” in the club colours. Over time it has been referred to as both bottle green and forest green which has resulted in numerous variations existing. The most widely recognised and used colour chart is known as “Pantone”, with the best match to our green having the code “555C”. Peter suggested we adopt this and in future refer to the green as “NWCC Green”

Moved: M Smith **Seconded:** P Ness that we adopt this suggestion and it be recorded in the Constitution. **Carried**

2. Further outages of our website have occurred bringing the need to identify a more reliable provider to front of stage. Robert Ness addressed the meeting with details of an ISP which he believed would be suitable and more reliable. Hosting costs would be approximately \$200.00 per annum. It was agreed that Robert should progress with this and discuss our specific needs with our webmaster Adam Walsh. Ideally we would have the new site operational before the commencement of season 2017-18.

General Business:

1. L Egan raised the matter of introducing a full colour strip for T20’s & ODLO matches. General consensus is that the recent addition of colour to our playing shirts is sufficient for the time being.
2. L Egan advised that GCFC had been enquiring as to when they could start using covers section of the old container. It was agreed that we should seek some remuneration from them in exchange for 100% ownership of the container.

Moved: L Egan **Seconded:** P Ness that we seek an amount of \$100.00 from Gosford City Football Club in exchange for full ownership of the container. **Carried**

Meeting Closed: 9.18pm

Upcoming Meetings

Committee of Management Meeting – March 2nd, 2017 @ The Grange @ 7.30pm

Attachment “B”

Ongoing items for attention

Issues Due for Completion or Update	Responsibility	Complete By
Circulate details of Barefoot Bowls Function	SJ	25/02/2017
Formulate policy for claiming of expense reimbursements	PM	02/03/2017
Seek \$100.00 from GCFC for full ownership of old container	LE	02/03/2017
Calculation of any grant fund refunds to be made	PM/PN	02/03/2017
Forward revised letter of apology to P Ness	LE	02/03/2017
Seek EOI for purchase of club ties and scarves	PN	02/03/2017
Seek clarification of finals qualification eligibility	LE	15/03/2017
Issues NOT YET DUE for Completion or Update		
Proposed amendment to club colours in Constitution	MS	AGM
Establish Asset & Depreciation and replacement register	PM	AGM
Proceed with and finalise new ISP for website / email	RN/PN/AW	31/08/2017
Feedback on proposed communications app	PN / GC	
Code of Conduct & documentation review progressing	MS	Feb 2017
Painting of sight screens	JM/RC	15/9/17
Progress report on organisation of Patrons Match	PS	TBA