

ACTSSCA Committee Meeting – Agenda

Thursday 18 February 2016

37/66 Allara Street, Canberra City, ACT

7.30pm to 8.30pm

1. Attendance and Apologies

Attendance: Angus Algie (President), Elliott Curley (Treasurer), James Traviss (Secretary), Warren Blackshaw (B Grade Coordinator), George Goodchild (C Grade Coordinator), Rodney Palmer (D Grade Coordinator), Vern Amey, Julian Baratta, Paul Ticehurst (OCM)

Apologies: Ehsan Karim (A Grade Coordinator), Jon Chandra (Public Service League), Sean Kelly (OCM)

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record

3. Financial Report

\$15145.84 in bank account, with approximately \$5000 expenses still to be incurred

4. End of Season Review

Members noted that since last meeting no issues have been raised with regard to the behaviours of the Tigers. Members noted that the warning issued remains for next season.

Members also noted that having a second contact per team has been a positive move, and that the website should list primary and secondary contacts next season.

ACTION: President to update website.

Members noted the following grounds as good venues: Gordon 103, Nicholls 301, O'Connor 301, Watson 103, Yarralumla 104.

Members noted that grass was generally long, with extra rain not leading to extra mowing by the ACT Government.

Members noted recently upgraded venues worth looking at for next season: Kambah, Waramanga, Weetangera.

Members noted issues with Amaroo and Bonner (no shade) and with Latham (good facilities but narrow pitch).

Members noted the progress made by the ACT Government in recent years in widening pitches and installing new nets, and that further progress should be encouraged.

ACTION: President to write to ACT Government (Sportsgrounds).

5. Rules Issues

The B Grade Coordinator raised an issue about qualification of players for finals. Members agreed that Rule 8 ('Qualification of Players) should be interpreted such that verifiable selection in teams when the match is subsequently forfeited should count for the purposes of playing three regular season matches to qualify for the finals. Verification may include either recording the team selected in the scorebook, or placing a printed copy of a team selection email in the scorebook.

Members agreed that a 12th man is not a player for the purposes of qualification.

Members agreed to discuss the matter further at the next AGM (for example, should there be any capacity for post-match rather than pre-match only querying of player qualification)

ACTION: President to include advice about player qualification for finals in the email to teams in the finals.

6. Umpires for Finals

The President noted that the ACT Cricket Umpires Association will attempt to supply Level 2 umpires for all grand finals, but that confirmation will not be available until the Thursday before the matches. The President also noted that in some cases two umpires per game (with no change in the overall fee payable) may be allocated.

7. Trophies

The President noted that a request for a quotation has been placed with Capital Sports Trophies for the same trophy style as last year. A small increase in cost is expected.

8. End of Season Event (7.30pm Friday 18 March 2016 at the RUC at Turner)

Budget - \$3250 (\$2500 alcohol, \$750 finger food)

President to discuss which beers are on tap with the RUC bar manager with a preference for lower cost beers.

Prizes – Rebel Sport vouchers to be distributed as lucky door prizes in multiples of \$100 or \$50.

9. 2016-17 Fees

The Committee confirmed that fees for 2016-17 will be \$800; Public Service League fees will depend on the ratio of turf bookings (which ACTSSCA does not organise) versus synthetic bookings and the total number of rounds.

10. Other Business

Members noted that the Gungahlin indoor sports centre will open in June, and putting some advertising flyers at the centre if possible would be a good opportunity to recruit new teams.

ACTION: President to follow up flyers for Gungahlin indoor sports centre in June.

Members discussed strategies to recruit more players and teams, for example father-and-sons. Members noted a separate father-son teams division would be complicated to establish and uncertain to attract enough teams to make it viable. Members noted father-son combinations have and do play in the competition and that there is no minimum age to play.

11. Next Meeting

Annual General Meeting, 7.30pm Friday 26 August 2016 (tbc)