

HDCA General Meeting : 07/09/2020

Highlands District Cricket Association



Meeting details			
Date and Time:	07/09/2020 7pm		
Location:	Online		
Meeting Opened:	07.03pm		
1 – Attendees			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Present: Simon Taufel (Chairman) (ST), Tahlia Wellington (TW), Jack Whitfield (JW), Andrew Middleton (AM), Brett McAulay (BM), Carisa Wells (CW), Salman Yusuf (SY), Graham Brake (GB), Sam Nasser (SN), Conor Murray (Bowral CC), Simon Reid (HNVCC), Anthony Capps (Bundanoon), Jodi Cooper (Bowral CC), Kristen Kellond (Bundanoon CC), Andrew Bell (Chevalier College), Peter Cannestrari (MVCC), Michael Pike (WTCC), Peter De Hosson (Bowral CC), Callum Reed (Bundanoon), Angus Humphries (HDCUA), Matt Watson (Bowral Blues), Aaron De Jager (Robertson Burrawang), Matthew Pike (WTCC), Michael Standen (Gib Gate), Kim McNaught (Oxley), Ryan Haigh (Bowral CC) - Apologies: Thamo Shiva (Canberra Ceylonese CC), Sean Barrett (CNSW), Rina Hore (Bradman Foundation), Scott Miller (Mittagong CC), Steve Beveridge (Bundanoon) 			
2 – Previous Minutes			
Motion/s	Moved	2 nd	Result
That the Minutes be accepted as true and accurate	SN	JW	Carried
3 – Business arising			
Nil	Action	Who	Due
4 – Correspondence			
All correspondence has been distributed to club presidents and secretaries, a new round of grassroots grants has opened, please do take the time to review this email and apply if you are eligible.			
5 – Reports / Issues			
a. Chairman	Action	Who	Due
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notes the difficulty our Victorian counterparts are facing currently, and thankful that we will be able to proceed with a somewhat normal season. We are planning to play, planning to be safe and planning to change at short notice should things change. - Thank you to all volunteers for the efforts they've put in thus far to prepare for this season. - ST was challenged to provide a vision for the board – This vision has been circulated to clubs and affiliates and you are welcomed to share this with all members to look to have all aligned with the same vision. - ST asked for comments or feedback on the vision from the members present and there were none provided. - The HDCA have set up an Australian Sports Foundation fundraiser. Any donation made to this fundraiser is tax deductible. The ASF keeps 5% of all donated funds. To date we have raised around \$5,500 through private donations. If you would like any more details, please contact ST offline. - We have updated board roles, as shared. Welcome Sam Nasser to role of Junior Coordinator and Junior Rep Coordinator. 			

b. Secretary Administrator	- The board have previously adopted and endorsed Cricket Australia's <i>Safeguarding Children and Young Persons Framework</i> .	Appoint a CSO	HDCA board	30/09/20
	- The board will appoint a child safety officer who will ensure that we continue to work within this framework.			30/09/20
	- We are asking that each club also reviews, adopt and endorse the framework and appoint a Child Safety Officer (CSO).	Appoint a CSO	All	
	- Once a CSO is appointed, please advise TW, so that the required training etc can be shared and the CSO can be supported in their role.	Advise TW of your CSO	All	30/09/20
	- Membership Packs have been distributed and were due back by 07/09/2020. Please ensure that these are completed and returned ASAP. Please reach out if you require any assistance.	Return Membership Pack	All	07/09/20
	- The HDCA website continues to develop, and the HDCA facebook page has now been launched. Please share this amongst your members (searching for Highlands District Cricket Association). The plan for this page is to communicate changes quickly, promote the game and the successes throughout the season.			
	- Please pass along to TW any stories you would like to see shared on the page, along with any other feedback on the content.	Provide TW with any desired facebook content	All	Ongoing
	- The MyCricket registration process includes a consent for use of images. We are taking this as consent for use on the HDCA website. Please advise TW of anyone within your club who does not consent to this usage.	Advise TW of anyone who does not consent	All	5/10/20
	- A reminder that if there are complaints etc to please pick up the phone to talk with one of the board members, rather than taking to facebook.			
	- There is a group on facebook called <i>community game changers</i> . This is a group for club administrators to share what is working well for them. It is a great resource, and we would encourage you all to join.			
	- COVID – The NSW government requires that all events (matches/training) have a COVID-safe plan. All clubs should have established a plan for their training sessions.			
	- The board is proposing that as an association that we will develop the protocols (in line with current NSW Government requirements), provide some resources in the first instance, and then clubs will take over on match day to ensure that the material is posted up at the start of the day and taken down and the end, appropriate sanitisers and resources are available and that someone is available to ensure registration is completed.			
	- In order to facilitate this, we ask that each team appoints a COVID safety officer (and advise TW who this is). The home team's COVID safety officer would then be responsible for ensuring compliance with the HDCA COVID safety plan.	Appoint a CSO for every team, advise TW	All	5/10/20
	- No objections raised			
	- All teams are to ensure that online scoring is completed through MyCricket and that all players are registered via this method. Please review all player details in MyCricket to ensure accuracy for contact tracing.	Review MyCricket details	All	5/10/20
	- Please provide TW with the time/days that you are planning on using council grounds for pre-season training to ensure that we have bookings to cover this.	Provide training days/times	All	Prior to commencing training

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The details of the grassroots grants have been circulated – please review and apply if eligible. There is an Australian Sports Foundation grant open to assist in the purchase of kit or equipment to help facilitate junior cricket. We would encourage you all to apply for this also. 	Review and apply for grants	All	27/09/20
<p>c. Senior Cricket</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Playing Conditions are being finalised. We have just received COVID-19 information from CNSW and will review and circulate. - Team Nominations are due 30th September. If you are uncertain of your numbers close to this date, please ensure that you communicate with JW. - The first 2 weeks of the draw will be issued once we receive team nominations - Captain’s night – Looking at how we can hold this in compliance with COVID restrictions - Grading list is almost complete 	Submit Team Nominations	All	30/09/20
<p>d. Junior Cricket</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sam Nasser appointed as Junior cricket and Junior Representative Coordinator - Competition meeting Tuesday 15th to finalise PCs - Nominations due 5th October - Looking to arrange coaching training once we receive team nominations - Junior Blast – to be held at each club location - Master Blast – Looking to hold at a central location – SN working with Sean Barrett. 	Submit Team Nominations	All	15/10/20
	Finalise and circulate Master Blast details	SN	24/09/20
<p>e. Grounds and Facilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lackey Park project – HDCA hopeful that Council will come back with another round or 2 of consultation. - Lawns ‘n’ Moore have been appointed as the curators for the coming season. Jacob Moore and Matt Cuppitt will be looking after Welby and Dale Young will be looking after Lackey. - The board have been working with Council to apply for a T20 Legacy Grant. The application was put forward to redo Bundanoon and Boronia Synthetic wickets (drainage and a new pitch). - Jurd Park – Council are unwilling at this point to proceed with any capital works – This project falls under this banner. We continue to work with HNVCC and council. 			
<p>f. GIZ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acknowledge Rina Hore for attending the GIZ delegates meeting with ST in August. - Craig Howsan was elected as Chair with Rina Hore elected as deputy chair. - Ty Barton was elected to country cricket committee of management - Craig Howsan elected as delegate to country cricket NSW - Rodney Cavalier elected as code of conduct commissioner with Judiciary members David Sloane, Ian Hogg and Simon Taufel - GIZ Budget has not yet been finalised. There was a \$25,000 operating surplus from last year. We are seeking that this be handed back to Associations. - GIZ Code of Conduct and Playing Conditions yet to be updated. 			

- Steve Davies from CNSW is planning some club forums and Level 1 coaching courses in Bowral- Dates TBA
- Preliminary rep schedule was agreed upon however they sit outside the current 6 week NSW health guidelines. We are hopeful that the current restrictions will be lifted and the rep program will proceed as planned.
- New administrator for GIZ has been appointed by CNSW - Tim Hore
- The next GIZ meeting is planned for Sept 20th in Bowral.

g. Finance

- Board has agreed to keep the team registration and membership fees the same as 2019/2020.
- Turf prep costs have increased by 5.2%
- Council have increased their costs by 2.6%
- Bradman ground hire fees have increased by 20% for Saturdays and 40% for Sundays
- We have seen an increase in sponsorship to \$12,500
- Provision has been made for COVID expenses
- ST hoped the effort made to keep fees the same as last year given the increase in costs this year was appreciated by the clubs and players. No response from the clubs was received.

h. Club updates

- Congratulations to all clubs for applying for and being awarded the recent COVID-19 relief grant
- Met with 5 out of 8 senior clubs to date, more than happy to meet with the remaining 3
- All clubs participated in the \$1000 CNSW grant and were successful.
- Grounds are allocated as per the Playing Conditions and Member Regulations.
- At this point we have not changed the Member Regulations in regards to allowing a club to allocate more than one first grade team. This will be looked at again in the future.
- Bowral Blues – no update
- Bowral – looking to nominate 4 senior teams (2x3rd, 1x2nd, 1x1st)
- Bundanoon – Hopeful of picking up new players for 2nd and 3rd grade.
- Hill Top Northern Villages – Looking at 1st and 2nd grade. In the off season have been doing work with Sean Barrett (CNSW) on junior development. Sponsorship, have retained most and gained more. Working really hard to get Jurd Park project up and running.
- Mittagong – no update
- Moss Vale – New members on the committee who have brought in new ideas. Will be nominating a 1st grade side.
- Robertson Burrawang – Holding AGM this weekend. Have a number of players from Kangaroo Valley playing within both senior and junior teams. Will be asking both junior and senior coordinators to look to hold a game in Kangaroo Valley.
- Wingello – Looking to nominate a team in 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade. Have secured a few new sponsors. Have been working with Sean (CNSW) and hoping to get junior blaster program up and running this season.
- Gib Gate – Aiming to have 1x stage 1 side. Pitch is currently retaining water – reviewing over Christmas holiday period.
- Chev – First cricket trial next Tuesday and this will show how many numbers they would have. Senior boys would prefer a shortened game, some are hopeful to play both junior and senior.
- Oxley – Looking to have 2x stage 1, 2x stage 2 and 1x stage 3 teams.
- HDCUA – Umpire numbers look fairly healthy this season, training courses that were planned were postponed due to COVID restrictions.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Highlands Social – Have taken a hit with COVID (majority of games played out of area). AGM coming up in a couple of weeks. 			
6. General Business			
<p>a. Special Resolution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The oval is currently unnamed within the Centennial park precinct. - Bowral Blues have received overwhelming positive support from a long list of clubs and individuals. - The Bowral Blues approached the HDCA to obtain their view, as a board it was discussed and there was not a majority view. The considered view was that it was not wise to name grounds and facilities after someone who is still alive. 			
Special Resolution	Moved	2nd	Result
<p><i>That the Highlands District Cricket Association supports the proposal for the unnamed oval at Centennial Park be named 'Brian Martin Oval' in recognition of Brian's efforts in developing and maintaining the oval, and his contributions to the HDCA, cricket, coaching, charity work and sport in general in the Southern Highlands</i></p>	Matt Watson	BM	Carried by majority vote (not unanimous)
<p>b. MyCricket data pack has been circulated. The board will continue to review and consider this data when making decisions.</p> <p>c. 150 Years of cricket in the Highlands</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MVCC reaches the milestone of 150 years in the coming years. The club is currently collating further history of the club and are looking into potential celebrations. - The board are looking at the rich history of our Association and ways in which we can champion this history. 			
Meeting Closed at 8.40pm			
Next Meeting 01/02/2021			