

WWCHA General Meeting Agenda

28th February 2017



Date: Monday 28th February 2017

Time: 7.30pm – 9.00pm

Location: Jubilee Park Club Rooms

Chaired by: President

Board Membership: Ken Larkin (President), Carla Bailey (Secretary), Karen Boyd (Treasurer), Sam Arnold (Competitions), Kate Wickson (Development), Andrew Barron (Officiating), Sharon Smith (Representative).

Club Membership with Voting Privileges: Cavaliers, CSU, Harlequins, Lake Albert, Mustangs, Rosellas, Royals

Agenda

1.0 Present

2.0 Apologies:

3.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting

3.1 January 23rd 2017 General Meeting Minutes (located on WWCHA website)

4.0 Actions arising from previous minutes

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4.1				
4.2				

5.0 Correspondence In

Nil

6.0 New Business

6.1 Strategy planning session with Hockey NSW

6.2 Canteen Policy (attached) *for voting*

6.3 Facilities Policy (attached) *for voting*

6.4 Registration process *for voting*

7.0 Board Reports

7.1 President	Attached
7.2 Administration	Attached

7.3 Treasurer	Attached
7.4 Competitions	Attached
7.5 Officiating	No report
7.6 Development	No report
7.7 Representative	Attached
7.8 Events	No report
7.9 Facilities	No report

8.0 Club Reports

Cavaliers	No report
CSU	No report
Harlequins	No report
Lake Albert	No report
Mustangs	No report
Rosellas	No report
Royals	No report

Next Meeting: 27th March 2017

Attachments

WWCHA- Presidents Report-28 February 2017

I wanted to thank everyone who came along to the Strategy planning day (with Hockey NSW) held on the 18th February and for giving up their Saturdays to talk about the future of Hockey.

We had a good day and made some very good progress in understanding where we are as an association and where we need to be.

There is still some work to do, and we will be working with Hockey NSW to schedule a day and time to continue the process.

Since our last committee meeting we have met with council to talk about our upcoming season and to discuss a number of other areas.

Areas discussed were:

- . Light - management process
- . New Recycling Program
- . NSW Under 15 Girls Championships
- . Safety Net Installation
- . Wagga Master Games
- . New User Agreement
- . Future Use of Jubilee Park by other Sports
- . Old Shower and Toilet block refurbishment.

Happy to share further detail at meeting if required.

We have also completed an initial discussion around a hockey program being added to the Southern Sports Academy. Hockey NSW attended this discussion to lend their support and I can confirm that we received a positive reception.

A lot more work and discussion needs to be undertaken before we are confident that Hockey can be added back to the program.

Facilities

Installation of the the safety nets at the car park end of both fields has been completed. Fine tuning of the nets to be completed in the coming weeks.

Before the end of March the following works will be completed on the grounds:

- . Shoe cleaners in front of all dugouts
- . Completion of Grandstand structural repairs
- . Painting of all dugouts, grandstands (external) and container.

In addition you will see some new signage in and around the grounds.

It is intended to arrange a working bee on the Sunday prior to the competition start, to ensure the fields are in tip top condition as well as taking an opportunity to cull some rubbish that has been around for a long period of time. This will also include the clubhouse rooms.

Ken Larkin
President

WWCHA- Secretary Report-28 February 2017

Thank you to those that participated in the revolutionise training workshop run by Hockey NSW. The new database appears to be a more user friendly and informative tool. The registration for 2017 will be loaded into the database over the next 2 weeks and you will all be advised when your members can start registering.

The new website will be worked on in a staged process with more functions available as we build the website.

Carla Bailey
Secretary

WWCHA- Treasurers Report-28 February 2017

Sorry for not being able to attend this meeting. Items in my report have been fully discussed with Board members.

Balances as of 19/2017

Cash Reserve	\$ 22704.54
Cheque Account	\$ 14620.58
MasterCard account	\$ 1211.12
Term Deposit	\$217136.30
 Total in bank	 \$255672.54

Full payment has been made for the nets. Shoe cleaners purchased and installed. Presentation venue booked and paid, Deposit made for 13 Boys accommodation. Part payment made to auditors. BAS statement completed with refund to come.

Audit of books completed. With a few adjustments to be made regarding GST. Financials will be ready shortly so that Ken can go ahead with applying for Grants.

Presentation Night

Venue has been booked and paid at Commercial club for 9th Septembers. Three course meal and music for \$40 per head. As the presentation has been non-compliant in the past.

Motion: For this year as a trial only.... I would to move that 4 players from each team be present at the presentation and that this fee will be charged to clubs in last invoice for the year so that clubs can receive payments from players...

Representative uniforms

More than half of uniform has been received from Hunters. Waiting on socks and skorts. Other uniforms, i.e. Track pants, hoodies, coats can be ordered online shortly. Looks up Hunters web page, go to clubs, go to Hockey. Order as you wish. Items will be debited to your credit card and collected at Hunters in about 2 weeks from date of placing order. The more

Budget

Is completed and will be handed out at meeting.

Fees for 2017

Wagga Membership	
Seniors	\$95
Under 18s	\$85
Turf fees	Paul Full \$100 half \$50, Noonan Full \$50 half \$25.
Lighting as charged by council.	

The WWCHA component will be added to when you register with NSW. This is being less work for club treasurers as they only need to collect turf fees. Invoice will not go out for turf fees until week 5, which will enable players to pay by instalments. It will also enable Wagga Hockey a better cash flow so that bills can be paid to council for user pay fee. The fee has been increased this year to mainly cover the extra costs for umpiring. This will enable the few clubs who pay extra to their umpires to not do so as the fee is more than adequate

Junior fees	
Under 9	\$50
Under 11s	\$80
Under 13/16s	\$120

Junior fees will be added to when they register. So to decrease the cost for juniors it was decided by that Wagga Hockey purchases the playing shirts. They will be handed out at beginning of season and collected at the last game.

Umpiring fees

Division 1 game \$40
Division 2 game \$30
Division 3 game \$20

Umpires must attend a umpire coaching clinic or development days and show that they are willing to learn to be eligible for these funds.

This fee has been increased to make sure we are in line with other associations and to make sure that we can attract umpires.

WWCHA- Representative Report-28 February 2017

Trials were held on Sunday 5th February with 50 players expressing their interest to be part of the Wagga Representative Teams for 2017.

Coaches and managers have accepted the positions of the following representative teams:

Team	Coach	Manager
U13 Boys	* Vacant	Vacant
U13 Girls	Carla Bailey	Kate Wickson
U15 Boys	Andrew Barron	Karen Boyd
U15 Girls	Carla Bailey	Kate Wickson
U18 Boys	Pat O'Donnell	Iain Wilford
U18 Girls	Kelsey Griffin	Vacant
Open Men	Benson Williams	Vacant
Open Women	Pat O'Donnell	Vacant

**The coach who was appointed had to decline the position of coach of the U13 Boys due to work commitments. If anyone is interested in coaching the boys please complete an expression of interest form located on the Wagga Hockey webpage.*

We still have vacancies for the manager's position of 4 teams. If anyone is interested can they please complete the expression of interest form located on the Wagga hockey web page please.

Training for the Under 18 boys and girls has commenced. Next training session will be held on Sunday 5th March with time to be advised.

Masters

Seeking expressions from men and women who are interested in attending the state championships. If they can let me know of their interest that would be great.

Sharon Smith
Representative

WWCHA- Competition Report-28 February 2017

With the change of all Juniors to Friday nights in 2017, All senior timeslots will move forward half an hour earlier, starting at 11am with the last game to start at 8pm. From the online surveys, 2017 will have less variation from week to week for lower divisions.

le Division 3 Men & Division 2 Women will play in the early timeslots before Division 1 Games and then switch to the later timeslots for the second half of the season. And vice-versa for Division 2 Men and Division 3 Women

Also there will be a change to offset the Division 1 games to help alleviate the pressure for Officiating to have named umpires by having a third timeslot, so only one timeslot will have 2 Division 1 Games played at the same time.

At this point in time I am unable to produce a full draw as there is too many variables.

The only change to the men's competition from 2016 is that Royals have dropped their Division 2 Men team with 18 games for the top divisions and Division 3 Men play 20 games (same as last season).

However, the Women's competition currently have 11 teams across 3 divisions with Royals still to announce their 4th team.

Division 1 Women only have 3 teams currently with Division 2 & 3 having one team from each club so far.

From previous seasons, I have noted that there is too much gap between skill and ability between teams and players if we merge teams back into 2 divisions which resulted in both divisions have games that are lopsided and non-competitive for players and officials alike.

My solution should the not be a fourth team entered in Division 1 Women, is the team with the bye in the 3 team competition to play a team from Division 2 Women each round. The Division 1 Women teams will still play 12 games against their fellow Division 1 opponents and play each Division 2 Women once for a minimum 15 games. Likewise for Division 2 Women, the teams will play the majority of their games against teams in their division and each division 1 women team ONCE only. Naturally if there is only 4 teams in Division 2 Women, there will be a bye each week for one team. Both division would keep their ladders and best & fairest votes. This would mean that there is still at least one Division 1 Women for the media to cover and focus on each Round. This arrangement would see fewer lopsided games in comparison if Division 1 & 2 Women were completely merged.

On top of all this, there are 3 weekends with no hockey (Easter, U15 Girls State Championships and the Long Weekend in June) on between Rounds 3 and 9 alongside with the University Term Breaks which do not coincide as evenly as last season to schedule games. The rules for deferments have not changed, however clubs and teams need to ensure their paperwork is submitted as well as having a member to the competitions panel to help make decisions.

Nominated player lists need to be submitted to Wagga Hockey before Easter with the Minimum 9 nominated players per team.