

Senior Competition Committee Club Delegates Meeting

23 May 2011

Australia Lounge, National Hockey Centre

Meeting commenced 7:00pm

Agenda

1. Confirmation of previous minutes
2. Actions arising from previous minutes
3. Competition Issues
 - a. Sportingpulse report
 - b. Umpiring
 - c. Draw changes
4. By-Law issues
 - a. 12.14 interpretation
 - b. Streamlining process
5. General Business

Attendees:

Kaz Ely, St Pats, M/W (SCC Chair)
Jack Grady, Valleys, W/M (SCC member)
June Browning, OCHC, W (SCC member)
Joe Henstock, TVWHC, W (SCC member)
Peter Bullock, Hockey ACT
Amy Stewart, Wests, W/M
Toni Laidley, Vikings, M
John Abrams, Belconnen, M
Leesa Maroske, United, W
Michael Quinlivan, United, M
Aaron McLeod, OCHC, M
Sally Deane, Second Timers, W

Sue Mattis, Norths, W
Jan Legg, Central, W
Jolanta Morgan, UCHC, W/M
Ian Gratton, QUHC, W/M
Gavan Mackenzie, ANU, M
Georgia Phillips, ANU, W
Bri O'Keefe, UCHC, W/M
Donna Joce, Daramalan, W
Julie Pope, Daramalan, W
Sonya Scott, NCHC, W/M

Apologies

Ian McDermid, ANU, M (SCC member)
Kathy Mumberson, Hockey ACT

1. Confirmation of minutes

- a. The minutes of the meeting on 9 March 2011 were confirmed with one minor amendment to agenda item 11.

Moved: Amy Stewart

Seconded: John Abrams

2. Actions arising

- a. Kathy to update Club Delegates Handbook to reflect the By-Laws for mens mid-week and grass competitions player clearances. Kaz noted that the Handbook had been updated and was on the Hockey ACT website. - *completed.*
- b. Kaz to discuss OCHC CL6 team with SCC. Kaz noted that the SCC had agreed that as OCHC has a competitive team in every grade it is unreasonable to ask them to move the CL6 team to CL5. - *completed.*
- c. Kaz to follow up with Evan re the number of mid-week games for the womens competition and whether there is a particular grade that is more affected than others. Kaz noted that this had been done and Evan has provided assurances that no team was more than others with regard to mid-week games. – *completed.*

3. Competition Issues

- a. Sportingpulse SP report:
 - i. Steps report provided to Clubs. Noted that Sportingpulse use has improved significantly and the Clubs were thanked for their efforts and urged to keep them up.
 - ii. Noted that from round 9 SP has been locked
 - iii. Clubs asked how to make players inactive – Peter to advise
- b. Umpiring:
 - i. Missed umpiring reports provided to clubs. Noted that attendance has been reasonably good and Clubs were thanked for their efforts and urged to keep them up.
 - ii. United requested the U18/1 draw and umpire allocations – Peter to provide
 - iii. The issue with umpire allocation according to game time rather than grade was discussed. This is causing some Clubs significant issues. The biggest issue is that the allocations are not allocated to specific teams so the Club has to manage the allocation process rather than being able delegate to team managers. It also means that some weeks clubs have many commitments and other weeks no commitments. The issue arises when clubs have limited umpiring resources and have more commitments than they have available umpires. Umpiring own games is also seen as a situation to be avoided. Peter agreed to try to allocate commitments to specific teams.
 - iv. Errors with the online umpire education system were raised. Kaz to pass onto Development Coordinator. Kaz is also to confirm the assessment process and requirements for both State and Club umpiring schemes.
- c. Draw changes:
 - i. Kaz noted the fact that the draw has had several changes due to a number of reasons such as the merger of Valleys and Wests W2 teams, the finalisation of the junior draw which freed up earlier time slots thus reducing the number of late games. Kaz thanked the Clubs for their patience and noted that future changes should be negligible.

4. By-Laws

a. Interpretation of By-Law 12.14

Kaz advised that the SCC had agreed to the broadest interpretation of By-Law 12.14 i.e. on any match card there can be up to 5 players that also appear on another match card bearing in mind by-law 12.12 and 12.13 (i.e. one team higher or lower) and by-law 12.15 which further restricts this by limiting the number of 1st grade players allowed to play 2nd grade to a max of 2.

b. Notice of streamlining of By-Laws

Kaz advised the Clubs of the intention to streamline the current By-Laws for the 2012 season. It is planned that the By-Laws will cover the more administrative rules covering all the competitions (seniors, juniors, indoor etc) with each competition having its own specific rules that sit under the By-Laws. It is anticipated that these will be out to Clubs for consultation before the end of the 2011 season.

5. Club issues

a. Line marking at Queanbeyan grass fields inadequate – Kaz to pass onto Facilities Manager

b. Parking was raised as a big issue – the delegates agreed to start lobbying to get the car park opened.

ACTIONS

- a) Peter to advise Clubs as to how to make players inactive on Sportingpulse.
- b) Peter to provide United with the U18/1 draw and umpire allocations.
- c) Peter to try to allocate umpiring commitments to specific teams.
- d) Kaz to pass onto Development Coordinator the errors with the online umpire education system and to confirm the assessment process and requirements for both State and Club umpiring schemes.
- e) Kaz to pass on request to improve line marking at the Queanbeyan grass fields.

Meeting closed: 7:45pm