ESPERANCE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Time: 6.03pm – 7.10pm

Date: 10th June 2021

Location: Greater Sports Grounds Pavilion

Chair: Niccole Cooper

Attendees: Niccole Cooper, Heath McDonald, Justine McDonald, Taryn Thomas, Fraser O'Brien, Paul Waters, Mel Walker, Tash

McCarthy, Sara Nolan, Emma Button, Sonia Dowsett, Tash Woodhouse, Will Lewis, Jenna Green

Apologies: Rachel McDonald, Ian O'Dea, Wade Stokes, Ange Hill, Jen Williams

Minute taker: Justine McDonald

	ltem	Recommendations	Summary of discussion	Actions
6pm	Minutes from previous meeting	Th <mark>is is our first general meeting of the seaso</mark> n so there are no previous minutes	•	No action required
	President's Report	Read by Niccole	Full report provided at the end of these minutes	No action required
	Treasurers Report	Read by Justine	Balance of accounts as at today Cheque A/C - \$35728.25 Debit Card - \$43.21 Reserve A/C - \$45589.84	
	Kitchen update	Read by Niccole	 Grease trap has been installed, just needs the gas pipe reattached (hopefully tomorrow) Rachel to ring the Shire tomorrow to see if we can start cooking chips Rachel to ring the painter tomorrow to sort out a time to do the ceiling and walls Rachel will need to talk to Tania and the executive about the menu so full approval can be obtained by the Shire 	Niccole asked if anyone could do this
	Women's Report	Read by Tash	 CW next weekend – sending a Masters 2 and a open Div 3 sides A message was sent to delegates regarding changing the start time of the 1st game from 1.15pm back to 1pm to allow more time for 	This was not well received. It doesn't leave much time for the under 17's players and parents in between their game and the senior game

		.GP		umpires to debrief and have a proper warm up before having to play at 3pm A question was raised about ½'s for 17's	•	It was decided that umpires need to be tighter on the allocated time at breaks. 2 minutes at ¼ and ¾ time and 5 at ½ time. They are to warn players to return to the field and then they start time. This will also be done in the under 17 games Tash confirmed 15 minutes for under 17s and 17 minutes for seniors
	Men's Report	Read by Will	•	Men attended CW last weekend, only sending 1 team in open div 3. It was a lot of fun with the boys making the grand final but losing 3-0	•	Consensus from players was that because most of the men who attended were of Masters age that a side would definitely be sent in their division in 2022
			•	Great Southern Carnival is being held in Bruce Rock Currently 3 teams all on 9 points, round 1 has been	•	There is possibly enough numbers for 2 men's teams (1 x masters, 1 x open div)
				completed		
	Umpire Report	This role has become vacant – nominations are open for the position	•	The idea of a panel has been discussed, Sam Guest is happy to be involved but does not want to take on the position by himself	•	Please go back to your teams to see if anyone else would be willing to join the panel or take on the role
	Registrar Report	No report required		Ange emailed the secretary, nothing new to report	•	No action required
-	Junior Report	Read by Niccole	•	Full report provided at the end of these minutes	•	No action required
	Communication	Discuss the process for information from committee to teams and vice versa	•	The secretary passes on relevant information to 'team delegates' who are then required to pass this onto their team members Men's and Ladies coordinators pass on relevant information through channels they have developed with teams All correspondence from teams is to come to the secretary preferably by email via the team delegate	• •	No action required
9	Fundraising / Sponsorship Committee	Who wants to chair this Who wants to involved		A facebook post was put up earlier in the season asking for help but there was no interest shown	•	Please take back to your teams
	Senior Challenge Cup	Yes or No Date	•	Mixed opinions were shared around the room	•	The senior Challenge Cup will be played on a Saturday night, it will be counted as a fixtured round with points counting and the trophy will still be awarded

		e D		•	Tash and Will will send out further information once they know which ladies teams are playing and once they choose a date
Use of radio headsets	Do we want a roster system so they are regularly used Where to store them for easy access		uld be used at every time slot d in the kitchen for easy access	•	Niccole is happy to be the contact person
New bylaws	A new bylaw is to be developed and there are a few adjustments that need to be made to the current ones		put this in place and present at neeting for members to vote on	•	No action required at this stage
Grounds man role	Has this been filled?		ery Thursday. Can the grounds als every 2 nd Wed night or can we train to do it?	•	Will has been the main contact, Jon Paul was approached to share the role but he has declined. Secretary to ask Jen to see if there are any parents that would like to help
				•	Justine to confirm Shire roster and let executive know and then we will make a decision on who moves them The lines need marking again
Daily Award Winners on the game card	Could this be chosen by the opposing team captain. One less job for umpires to do	 Very hard for the 	captain to focus on the opposition	•	Leave with the umpires

General Business:

- Match cards the process of how and why to fill them in correctly was discussed. The executive are in the process of getting examples and ideas to improve our card to enable more room for full names, umpire / captain names and provide all information required. A blank card was passed around the table and if anyone has any suggestions to please let Tash McCarthy know. Justine will consult with Hockey WA about using match books and online processing.
- Senior games are to be spread out to ensure men and women don't play on back to back fields so please check the card when you arrive to ensure you head to the correct ground.
- Bringing nets in because not all fields are being used there have been a couple of times where nets have been left up from under 17's games. It was suggested that under 17's bring all nets in at the end of their games but then seniors would have to put them all out again so this idea was not carried. Niccole will be in charge of ensuring the empty fields nets are brought in.
- Trainings the question was raised about teams using the playing fields to train as it was decided a few years ago that this shouldn't happen because the D's get very worn. The information hadn't been forwarded to the junior committee this season, but everyone agreed that no teams should be training in the playing field D's. The secretary will send a reminder out to junior grade coordinators and team delegates. It was also mentioned that there shouldn't be any hitting inside the D during pre-game warm ups. This information will also be sent out
- Legs have requested a reschedule of their 3rd July fixture against Mallee as they will be struggling for numbers. It was decided that Mallee were entitled to make the decision and if they agreed on a reschedule then Legs would need to source umpires. If any other team wishes to ask for a reschedule the same will apply.

Next meeting: Thursday 19th August

With no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 7.10pm

Presidents Report

Welcome to our first general meeting of 2021. Unfortunately, a lot of your committee members were unable to make it this evening but I'd like to take a moment to make you all aware of who your committee is made up of this season. I am your Club President, with Wade Stokes and Ian O'Dea Vice Presidents. Justine and Rachel McDonald have returned as Secretary and Treasurer for another season. Ange Hill is your registrar and Jen Williams Junior Coordinator. Returning as Women's Captains are Tash McCarthy and Rach Hoey and Will Lewis as Mens Captain. John Simons and Tania Wright are heading up the bar and the kitchen and we are very grateful for them - these volunteer roles are pretty time consuming and sometimes thankless so if you see them around, be sure to show some appreciation. There are still some vacant positions on the committee that we'd love to see filled tonight if possible. Groundskeeper- Will Lewis and his able helpers have been doing the line marking until we can find a volunteer for this. It's a pretty big job at the start of the season, but the hard work of measuring and marking the first time is over - now it's just maintenance. If you think this is up your alley, let me know. The other positions vacant are men's and ladies umpire coordinators. There has been some discussion around making a panel, rather than one or two people. So if you're keen to help out and share the load, again, let me know.

You've probably noticed that we haven't been serving hot chips this season - that's because there have been some major renovations going on and lots of behind-the-scenes work. We have recently received a grant that is going to help Tania to continue developing some more healthy menu options and hopefully we are not far away from the return of the hot chips!

The Men had a great performance at CountryWeek last week which I'll let Will fill us in on a little later and the ladies are gearing up for the best tournament ever next weekend.

That's all from me. Except to say that your committee is here for you and don't be afraid to approach any of us at any time.

Junior Report

Junior Challenge Cup

Awesome evening of hockey with weather to match.

6/7/8 – Bobs kitchen v Duke of Orleans

Score – 2-0 to Bobs Kitchen

4/5 Exhibition match
Swans Vets v Woven
(so glad we decided to include these guys – they were PUMPED to play under the lights!!!)

U17 – Timmins v SOS 2-1 to Timmins – Great game

This was advertised in the very first copy of the new local paper

The Junior 'social committee' legends raised \$430 to be put towards new U17 shirts

Narrogin Hockey Carnival

Got a response from the Ag. College today. They have room for 80 of us in the dorms. Junior committee have a plan to meet on Saturday to get the ball rolling on numbers/team managers/coaches etc...

Face masks

Still no sign of them so I have ordered two more (\$110) to see us through the season.

July holiday fixture

We have asked coaches to consult teams about numbers for the July school holiday fixture. Lots of concern that teams will be very short so we are in the process of organising a double header weekend (proposed date 1st Aug 21). Stay tuned.

