



Western Australian Cricket Umpires Association

**Minutes from the General Meeting on Tuesday February 23rd at Perth and Tatts Bowling Club, East Perth.**

**Meeting opened:** 6:45

**Attendance:** Ken Thorpe, Colin Ogilvie, Michael Kovalevs, Bruce Banyard, Jim Bell, Martin Brennan, Hugh Creasy, Farhad Rabbi, Prashant Pai, Trevor Krink, Darryl Power, Chaapa Pelpola, Stephen O’Dea, Ian Robinson, Wayne Barron, Fred Davis, Todd Rann, John Mearns, John Gartner, Dave Campbell, Gareth Jacobs, Daniel Gibbons, Andrew Micenko, Garth McCrorie, Trent Steenholdt, Terry Prue, Jeff Brookes, John Sherry, Rob Watson, Ashlee Kovalevs, James Hewitt, Dean Trigg, Neil Holland, Matthew Hall.

**Apologies:** Nathan Johnstone, Shane Boyle, Matthew Cheeseman, John Taylor, Ernest Chua, Ian Lock, Nick Walters, Stephen Lamb, Mark Hooper, Marko Sasic

Previous meeting’s minutes proposed by John Garner seconded by Todd Rann. Passed.

**President’s report/Committee report:**

- WACA are doing their budget for next year so we need to put any proposals forward re pay etc. Committee propose \$10 pay rise across the board. Not worthwhile trying to get rate for single umpires raised from 1.5 to 2, better to go for flat rate rise across the board.
- Umpire’s dinner – see if WACA will pay for it. WACA keen to get umpire more involved generally. Still waiting on findings in regards to potential affiliation between the WACA and WACUA. Better to get items in the budget straight away rather than asking for money later in the season once budgets have been finalised.
- Possible WACA membership for umpires, provident fund, changing way/rate at which first grade umpires get paid. Improve image of “Premier Cricket”.
- Move back to WACA – Kim Hughes room, not governed by Delaware North agreement, can bring own food/drink. Looks like it would be cost neutral. Wouldn’t be able to have the BBQ, can look for sponsorship for other food.
- Olly Cooley – cost per person for WACUA = \$75, increase from \$50 last year. Last year WACUA subsidised \$25 & member paid \$25, this year member will pay \$40 WACUA will pay \$30.
- Grand final day breakfast – Saturday morning of grand final. Members only function. Celebration of umpire’s and congratulate grand final umpires. RSVP needed for event.
- Potential for online survey for umpires to provide feedback on playing conditions/umpiring with the WACA.

**Secretary report:**

- Nothing to report

### **Financial report:**

- Increase in BBQ costs this year from last year
- Treasurer delivered financial report
- Trying to put money back into members

### **UAC report:**

- Delivered by Terry Prue
- Pleasing to see good numbers being available to umpire
- Appointments
  - o Mick Martell – U/19 world cup in Bangladesh – 3<sup>rd</sup> ump for final
  - o U/15 carnival in Brisbane – John Taylor and Mark Hooper
  - o Statewide T20 final – Nathan Johnstone & Todd Rann
  - o Colts Final - Trent Steenholdt & Neil Holland
- Please ensure availability is up to date for last round of season.
- Country associations often start sending requests for umps for their finals so potential opportunity.

### **Umpire Report:**

- Mick Martell – security briefing, no issues over there. Tournament went really well. Player behaviour was good. Couple of Indian players got IPL contracts during the tournament. Final game went really well, 4<sup>th</sup> ball referred up. Good umpiring group. Privilege and honour to go. Opens a lot of doors. Security detail – 2 armed guards.
- Fred Davis – women’s game, Elyse Villani 200, dropped on 0. Fielder off breastfeeding. / Blair from SP, given not out. Asked if ball carried, was told yes, and said she hit it and walked.
- John Sherry – Mark Hooper, told 3<sup>rd</sup> grade team ‘5 minutes to go’ instead of 1<sup>st</sup> grade.
- Stephen Farrell – daughter in state school girls team, beaten every game. Only made 12 Dog took ball to boundary, umpire signalled 4.
- James Hewitt – RM v SF, SF run out, and one short = no run
- Colin Ogilvie – 300<sup>th</sup> game in all grades. If umpire in final round 250<sup>th</sup> senior game. Saw pictures from the game. Thanks for support.
- Ash – female captain withdraw appeal for run out

### **Training**

- Run by Matthew Hall
- Glitch with MyCricket so please check availability is in.
- At this stage it looks like there will be two umpires for every game in last round
- Feedback from Umpires on following topics – mycricket (eg with putting availability in, getting individual notifications etc), playing conditions, captain’s reports, overall structure of training (pre and during season)/what training you want to see etc.

### **Membership raffle:**

- Winner - Fred Davies

Raffle

**Meeting closed: 8:39pm**