



# WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CRICKET UMPIRES' ASSOCIATION

## *Minutes from the General Meeting*

Tuesday January 21<sup>st</sup> 2014 at Perth and Tatts Bowling Club.

### In attendance

Wayne Barron, Nathan Batskos, Martin Brennan, Daniel Gibbons, David Gower, Matthew Hall, Trevor Krink, Ken McPharlin, Andrew Micenko, Andrew Mollat, Jamal Principe, Terry Prue (Life Member), Barry Rennie, Justin Shakeshaft, Peter Smith, Trent Steenholdt, John Taylor, Dean Trigg, Bob Watson, Nicholas Walters, Bill Wood, Andrew Jones, Alan Wilson.

### Guests

Stewart Walters (Midland Guildford Cricket Club)

### Apologies

Aron Downing, James Hewitt, Darryl Power, Stephen O'Dea, Shane Boyle, Andy Pudovskis, Mick Martell, Ashlee Kovalevs, Jeff Brookes, Mathew Cheeseman, Nathan Johnstone, Colin Ogilve, Fred Davis, Chris McCann.

### Meeting Minutes

<b>Open</b>	Meeting was opened at 6:40pm by President. Matthew Hall, President proposed the previous minutes from the Christmas General Meeting be accepted.
<b>Last Meetings Minutes</b>	Nicholas Walters proposed the minutes be accepted, seconded by Jamal Principe. Motion carried.
<b>Presidents Report</b>	<p>Items of discussion in the last couple of committee meetings have been Olly Cooley, Life Members Breakfast and Membership Subscriptions for next season.</p> <p><b>OLLY COOLEY:</b> No confirmed date but likely to be held on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Matthew Hall, President has been speaking to Brendan Reid, President of the WADCCI through informal channels (Big Bash games) about how the night will be managed and paid for solely by the WACA/ WADCCI.</p> <p><b>LIFE MEMBERS BREAKFAST:</b> With no Test match at the WACA for the 2014-2015 season the format of</p>

	<p>the current event will change. Likely move forward with forward with changing the event to the same day as an ODI, but the Life Members will be contacted to have their opinions heard. The success of the breakfast solely lies with the Life Members themselves.</p> <p><b>MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR NEXT SEASON:</b> The WACUA Committee have been discussing the possibility of increasing subscription fees for next season to include the WACUA Polo as part of the membership package. Shirts would be distributed each season with the date on the shirt. This increase in fee would be subsidised by sponsorship.</p> <p>Because of such low numbers at tonight’s meeting, the item will be raised at the February Meeting for proper discussion.</p> <p><b>MILESTONES:</b> Congratulations to Neil Holland and Dean Trigg on 100 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Games this season. Congratulations to Todd Rann on 200 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Games this season. Other milestones at this stage are unknown and will be addressed by the committee before the next general meeting.</p> <p><b>SECRETARY’S NOTE:</b> In the absence of Ashlee Kovalevs who is umpiring in the Under 18’s Female National Championships the President notes that there are been no correspondence in or out.</p>
<b>Secretary Report</b>	Refer to Presidents report.
<b>Treasurer Report</b>	Not held.
<b>General Business</b>	<p>Terry Prue from the Umpires Appointment Committee (UAC).</p> <p><b>GENERAL COMMENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electronic copy of CA appointments to be distributed to WACUA Secretary at later date.</li> <li>• Congratulations to all umpires on all appointments.</li> <li>• Special credit and gratitude for umpiring in 44 degrees two Saturday’s prior.</li> </ul> <p><b>UAC COMMENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ball landing close to the boundary. What question would you ask? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Was it 4 or 6? Is incorrect.</li> <li>○ Where did the ball land? Is correct. Let you decide solely what the decision is. I.e. ask questions to determine answers.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>ODI: Poor officiating</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• J. Morgan Catch</li> <li>• S. Marsh boundary fielding. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Got behind the boundary edge</li> <li>○ Marsh was out of the field of play</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jumped in the air and tapped ball back into play</li> <li>○ Came back onto field of play to pick up knocked back ball.</li> <li>○ End of innings, the score jumped from 296 to 300.</li> <li>● <b>What would you do in Club Cricket?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Cannot change the scores after the game has continued on. I.e. ICC did and that was wrong.</li> <li>○ The Umpires decision at the time is final.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>“Common sense doesn’t prevail if it’s against the laws of cricket of the playing conditions”.</b></p> <p>Barry Rennie from the Western Australian Cricket Association.</p> <p><b>GENERAL COMMENTS:</b> Apologies, the appointments sent out today are wrong. New ones will be sent tomorrow.</p>
<b>Umpire Training</b>	<p>Stewart Walters from Midland Guildford Cricket Club talked to the member’s presents about cricket umpiring, his careers, his experiences and his current club.</p>
<b>Umpire Reports</b>	<p>Andrew Micenko:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Keeper lost sight of ball.</li> <li>● Batsman was out of his ground.</li> <li>● Keeper found ball in pad, batsman had given up.</li> <li>● Keeper couldn’t get ball out of pad and decided to knock over the stumps with knee.</li> <li>● Accidentally gave him out on instinct, reversed my decision.</li> </ul> <p>Andrew Mollat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Juniors match at Lilac Hill</li> <li>● All mighty bang, even stopped.</li> <li>● Tree branch came off tree in car park, smashed a Mercedes and then fell onto Andrews car.</li> <li>● Now trying to get compensation from Swan Council.</li> </ul>
<b>Special Business</b>	<p>Heat Policy queried by Ken McPharlin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1pm at Hillcrest it was 56 degrees</li> <li>● 4pm was the hottest part of the day... How hot could it have been then?</li> <li>● Why were we playing? Extra drink breaks etc. in days like this don’t cut it.</li> </ul> <p><b>WACUA Response:</b> President commented that this isn’t a decision that the WACUA makes. However common sense can be used with captain refusing batters drinks etc. Sensible management with captains is necessary.</p> <p><b>WACA Response:</b> Barry Rennie made comment that it is currently being discussed. Need to make sure it’s a safe working area for Umpires. The WADCCI and WACA are learning from the experience.</p>

	Trevor Krink made comment that kids playing juniors on Sunday morning after a full day of cricket on the field were flat and probably didn't need to be out there (they were never going to play well etc.).
<b>Close</b>	Meeting was close by President at 7.38pm ("ish" was used).