



Western Australian Cricket Umpires' Association

Minutes from the General Meeting on Tuesday 15th November 2022, Osborne Park Bowling Club

Meeting opened: 6:46pm

Attendance: Todd Rann, Mick Martell, Roy Boyd, George Burgum, Ken Ashwin, Wayne Barron, Jarryd Buscall, Saptarshi Chakraborty, George Christides, Terry Cooper, Michael Daniels, Andrew Dix, Ashlee Gibbons, Matthew Hall, Shane Hughes, Soham Kembhavi, Ahmad Khan, Sam Kronja, Stephen Lamb, Garth McCrorie, Andrew Micenko, Nick Middleton, Andrew Mollatt, Justin Shakeshaft, John Sherry, Gary Simm, Dennis Smallwood, Daniel Smith, Nicholas Walters, Graham Zemunik, James Hewitt, Bruce Oxenford, David Gilbert, Mike Graham-Smith.

Apologies: Michael Kovalevs, Kate Holloman, Greg Sinclair, Gareth Jacobs, Ian Lock, Ernest Chua, Paul Smedley, Shrikant Ramadurg, Udara Dolawatte, Bob Belcher, Jeff Brookes, Vijay Kumar, Ranjit Ratnayake, Isabel Satti, Andrew Edwards.

Business arising from previous minutes:

- Nil.

Previous minutes proposed by Shane Boyle, seconded by Stephen Lamb. Carried.

President's report:

- Numbers are still an issue. Please make yourself available wherever possible and make sure your availability is correct in MyCricket. Don't leave it blank – available or unavailable.
- Next meeting on the 13th of December – Life Members evening and presentation of George's pin and jacket.
- James Hewitt starts in his new role on Monday 21st November.

Proposed by Shane Boyle, seconded by Dan Smith. Carried.

Secretary's report:

- Please check your membership status by looking at the sign up sheet – if you're name is not on the sign up sheet please see Ashlee.
- Please sign the attendance sheet tonight.
- Non-members have been removed from the closed Facebook group. If you are no longer in the group and think you have been incorrectly removed please see Ashlee.
- Correspondence in:
 - Email from Daniel Knowles about umpiring.
 - Email from Bousfield regarding Life Member jacket.
- Correspondence out:
 - Email to Mick Martell thanking him for organising international umpires at the previous meeting.
 - Email to John Sherry and Daniel Knowles regarding umpiring.

Proposed by Ashlee Gibbons, seconded by Matthew Hall. Carried.

Treasurer's report:

- Quiet month, not many transactions. Most recent are the bar tab and BBQ from last meeting.
- Expenses coming up – payment for George's life member pin.
- Andrew following up with the WACA about the payment for the backpacks. There was an issue with the paperwork which is being rectified.
- Cheque: \$1529.77, Cash: \$317.50, Savings: \$14 552.57. Total: \$16 197.07

Proposed by Andrew Micenko, seconded by Dennis Smallwood. Carried.

WA Cricket report:

Delivered by John Sherry

- Selection committee met on Friday to do ranking and appointments for this coming round.
- Umpire pays should go through 2nd week of December.
- Make sure you have completed your tax and banking form otherwise pay won't go through.
- Please make sure you've provided your WWCC details to John otherwise from next week you won't be able to be appointed.
- James Hewitt starting role next week.
- James addressed the meeting:
 - Role is Umpire Coach and Talent Specialist.
 - Focus on the State Umpire Group and Development Panel.
 - Supporting them, assisting them to prepare for carnivals, prepare for next level etc.
 - Working with the observers – looking for trends/patterns to help everyone improve
 - Working together with John.
 - Question from floor – how many observations should umpire expect each season? Goal is for twice a season.
 - Question from floor – what sort of statistics will you be collecting? Not statistics so much but trends, eg if multiple captains are putting in their reports about GWL calculation errors, particular decisions etc
 - Question from floor – is the coaching one on one or group training for development panel? Information coming out, but yes individual and group work.

Training:

Nil training.

Special guests – Bruce Oxenford, Mike Graham-Smith, David Gilbert

Umpire reports:

- Milestones:
 - Jarryd Buscall - 100 senior games
 - Andrew Jones - 98 senior games, will do 100th in upcoming rounds
 - Steve Lamb - 200 senior grade games
 - Andrew Micenko - 200 senior grade games
 - Shane Boyle - 100 2nd grade game

- Congratulations to Garth for making his 1st grade debut last round.
- Umpire reports:
 - None this meeting.

Special business:

Nil.

General business:

- Question from Ken – A Grade women's match on Sunday, asked about hat band numbers and why A Grade women umpires don't have them.
 - Association doesn't have all the data going back. Would need to pick a date and start from there. Only have records back to 2005.
- Comment from Nick – incident on Sunday a batsman was concussed quite severely. What is the policy around not moving a player – eg in rugby they are immobilised before they are moved.
 - The issue is there is no one qualified to make that assessment at the ground.
 - Use common sense, game is secondary to player welfare.
 - Potentially see if there is anyone at the ground with a medical background. However, only a doctor is able to diagnose a concussion.
 - If a player decides to continue after a head knock, the onus is on the player, not on the umpire.
- Player umpire on the weekend was involved in an incident. Can't speculate at the moment – we don't know enough information and it is under investigation.
- Raffle drawn after the meeting.

Meeting closed: 7:13pm