



Western Australian Cricket Umpires' Association

Minutes from the General Meeting on Tuesday October 20th 2020, Perth & Tatts Bowling Club, East Perth.

Meeting opened: 6:38pm

Attendance: Mick Martell, Roy Boyd, Wayne Barron, Susan Bartlett, Shane Boyle, Jarryd Buscall, Ernest Chua, Terry Cooper, Neville Dhanaraj, Udara Dolawatte, Rex Evans, Kirsten Funston, Ashlee Gibbons, Mahesh Gopukuttan, Matthew Hall, Thomas Johnston, Ahmad Shaaf Khan, Michael Kovalevs, Stephen Lamb, Garth McCrorie, Andrew Micenko, Nick Middleton, Colin Ogilvie, Shrikant Ramadurg, John Sherry, Dennis Smallwood, Daniel Smith, Ganesh Subbaramaiah, Jamie Thomas, Alan Wilson, Gary Simm, Subhankar Biswas, John Gartner, Graham Zemunik

Apologies: Trent Steenholdt, Andrew Edwards, Tony Rutter, Justin Shakeshaft, Ian Lock, Todd Rann, Bob Belcher.

Business arising from minutes:

- Minutes proposed by Ahmad Khan, seconded by Matthew Hall. Carried.

President's report:

- See attached report.
- Presented by Ahmad on behalf on Trent.
- Proposed by Ahmad Khan, seconded by Dan Smith. Carried.

Secretary report:

- See attached report.
- Please sign attendance list – if your name is not there please write it on the list and Ashlee will follow up.
- Proposed by Ashlee Gibbons, seconded by Kristen Funston. Carried.

Financial report:

- See attached report.
- Most expenses so far from the annual season dinner held prior to the beginning of this season.
- Budgeting a \$3500 loss by the end of the season.
- Wanting to keep bank account at \$15k at a minimum which with this loss we will still achieve by about \$700.
- Matthew Hall – Association has made a loss every year for the last 5 yrs. Concerned the association is dwindling away its capital. Thinks the Association should have a neutral budget rather than making a loss. Thinks the Association should be breaking even or trying to make a surplus.
 - Andrew Micenko – budgeted a loss, but actually made a profit.

- Matthew Hall – budget should be presented at AGM to the membership for approval.
- John Sherry – it's unfair to do that as after the AGM there is possibly a new committee. Unfair on new committee to that.
- Matthew Hall – then we should have another meeting prior to season.
- Mick Martell – this should go to committee to discuss and then come back to next general meeting.
- Ahmad Khan – will raise the topic at next committee meeting and then come back to general meeting with response.
- Roy Boyd – members don't know what is spent on each event
 - Andrew Micenko – it is on the committee report. Information is available and has been this season and last season.
- Nathan Batskos – Association needs a financial plan/strategy for not just this season but the next five season etc. What is the purpose of the association and how do finances work into this? How does the strategy fit in with the purpose of the association?
- Matthew Hall – happy to assist with planning. Only a decade ago that we only had 6/7K in the account and we were paying for Olly Cooley and couldn't afford it.
- Accounts = Cheque - \$1848.22. Savings - \$14371.90. Cash - \$213. Total - \$ 16433.12.
- Proposed by Andrew Micenko, seconded by John Sherry. Carried.

WACA Report:

- Delivered by Luke Douglas.
- Thank you to everyone for umpiring the first three rounds.
- Feedback is that blue shirts are looking good.
- Please do availability in MyCricket – having to chase people for appointments.
- Thank you to those who have completed rego form – please send back bank/tax form or let know the same.
- WACA membership is the same as previous season – contact WACA membership department
- COVID-19 policy – really important we follow the policy and remain vigilant. There will be people who don't agree with the policy but we have to do it. We are lucky to be able to have started the season on time and be playing in the relatively relaxed conditions we are in. Please enforce the policy.
- UAC – has met 3 times so far this season and will be meeting again next week. Have the new structure this season and they will continue to have ongoing meetings. UAC observations/feedback and providing feedback through MOS.
- Ernest asked – there are lots of games in lower grades particularly with only one umpire, what is the reason for this?
 - 130 registered umpires last year, as of this morning 102 currently registered.
 - Also high number of people being unavailable, slightly higher than 15-20%.
- There will be non-Premier Cricket opportunities coming up on Sundays and some mid-week matches. An email will be coming out tomorrow with more information, please reply to the email if you would like to be considered for these games.
- Wayne asked – last year Chairman of UAC came to the meetings and presented a report, will that be occurring this year?
 - No. Wasn't aware of that and the UAC chairman is a member of the WADCC this year so very unlikely to be attending WACUA meetings.

Training:

- Training presented by Peter Parker after the meeting.

Umpire Reports:

- **Milestones**
 - John Sherry and Alan Johanson debut Junior Cricket
 - Todd Rann - 300th first grade game in round 1
 - Steve rose – 150 senior grade matches last week
 - 50 senior grade matches – Ahmad Khan, Garth McCrorie, Mahesh Gopukuttan
 - 50th second grade match – Nick Walters
 - Please see John if have any questions about how many games they've done etc.
- **Umpire reports**
 - No reports.

Special Business:

- Nil.

General Business:

- **Life Member Pin presentation**
 - Mick Martell presented pin to Roy Boyd.
 - Roy thanked the people who nominated him and to everyone who supported the nomination.
 - Roy shared his reflections on his time in the association/umpiring and how things have changed over the course of nearly three decades.
- **Raffle drawn.** Thank you to MTA Travel, our new sponsors, for the wine, Kristen for the resin tray and Nick Middleton for the cricket set.
- **Matthew Hall – Friday night Todd in hospital, mild heart attack on Thursday. Prognosis is good and a stent put in yesterday. Home now.**
 - Wishing Todd a speedy recovery on behalf of the members.

Meeting closed: 7:29pm