South Metropolitan Cricket Association

Minutes of Executive Meeting held at Leeming on Monday 4th April 2016

Meeting commenced at 6:00pm



PRESENT: Graham Santich, Ian Hale, Ray Howe, Graeme Ashley, Gary Hartman (Minutes).

APOLOGIES: John Griffin, Scott Knight, Paul Speering,

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Moved Graeme Ashley, seconded Ray Howe that the minutes of the previous meeting, 22nd February 2016 be accepted as a true and correct record. **CARRIED**

MATTERS ARISING: Meeting had been held with representatives of the Safety Bay Cricket Club, awaiting further details from them.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Gary will again produce the Info for Captains and Info for Committees documents in coming seasons. This information is also to be added to the web site.

There had been a request for a club to purchase more premiership medallions. It was agreed that in future 13 medallions be presented to two-day premiers and 12 to one-day premiers. It was agreed that clubs not be able to purchase additional medallions.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Appears we will have a shortfall of about \$1200 this season. This was mainly due to umpires for the F15 comp and added cost of food at the Windup.

Umpires payment during finals worked well.

UMPIRE'S ADVISOR:

All good.

CRICKET WEST:

Graham will contact other Associations about withdrawing the colts competition and in future have just the seniors and veterans played at the same venue on the same day.

CONSTITUTION and BY LAWS:

Need to be mindful of required changes to the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 – perhaps a sub committee be formed to ensure we do what is required.

Graeme and Gary were allocated the task of ensuring the required changes were completed.

GRADINGS and FIXTURES:

Minor premiers in both Second Grade (Bicton Attadale) and Fourth Grade (Jandakot Park) have been asked if they accept promotion to First and Second Grade. No response from either team. Maddington and Riverton Rostrata are subject to demotion.

10 team one-day grades allow for a better-balanced competition with each team playing each other twice. It did make fixturing more difficult. We believe 8 team one-day grades is the best option and it would be our intention to return to that number in the 2016-17 season. There is of course a need for flexibility in the lower one-day grades.

The committee stands by their decision to move Cockburn from ODF to ODE and place a new Cockburn team into ODF. In retrospect it is a decision we would not likely make again.

The committee believes we should return to the one-day grading plan used for the 2014-15 season.

• ODA be made up of the clubs that first or second team is in the one-day grades.

- ODB and ODC be made up of the First and Second grade clubs mixed to best allow for fixturing.
- The lower two grades remain as a 35 over competition.

We believe that byes in the lower grades due to an odd number of teams are not necessarily a bad thing and in fact some clubs welcome it.

PROTESTS and DISPUTES:

There were 4 Cautions, 3 Prescribed Penalties and 4 Reports submitted through the season.

AGENDA ITEMS

The Executive agreed to the following additions, deletions and amendments.

7. Match results

a. Both teams shall be responsible for submitting a team list, using MyCricket, before the commencement of the match. The home team is responsible for submitting an in progress score on day one of a two-day match and the full score and result at the completion of all matches, using

MyCricket, by 10am on the day after each day's play. Failure to meet these deadlines will incur a fine of \$100.00 per offending club.

19. Weather and other effected games - two day games First Day

ii. Teams are not required to provide a team list or toss the coin on day one until there is a possibility of play. In the event no play is possible this toss and team list shall become null and void and on day two another team list shall be submitted and a new coin toss. Players who played in any other grade on day one of the match are not eligible to play on day two.

Existing part ii to become part iii

49. Eligibility of players for colts competition

To be eligible to play in the Colts competition registered players must be under 21 years of age on **30th September**, prior to the commencement of each season. Any player taking part in these competitions must submit proof of age to the Association Administrator.

53 and 54. Cricket attire

d. SOCKS - Predominantly white or cream socks. Delete

e. FOOTWEAR – Appropriate sports shoes

62. Protests and disputes

e. At any P&D hearing, the matter shall be heard and determined by the Board Chairman and **one** other appointed or co-opted **person**.

Delete 62 c vi otherwise not take part in the deliberations of any hearing or determination of the P&D.

Should the Clubs not accept the above Protests and disputes item the following should be considered.

The SMCA provide a P&D Chairman, as well as Convenor. The clubs provide the members of the P&D.

The 16 clubs in First and Second Grade are drawn 1 to 16.

Week 1 of the season, clubs 1 and 2 supply a person for any P&D that may be required. Clubs 3 and 4 are on standby in case Clubs 1 or 2 (or both) are involved in the P&D. If club 1 is involved then club 3 will step up, if club 2 is involved then team 4 steps up.

Clubs are required to provide a responsible member of their committee to participate on the P&D.

Week 2 of the season every club goes up 2 places on the roster with teams 1 and 2 moving to 16 and 15. And so on.

The roster should be advertised on the web site so clubs know when they are on call.

The Administrator advises the involved Clubs by email/text as soon as he is aware a P&D is required. This would be Saturday night or by Sunday afternoon.

62. Protests and disputes

m. The P&D may impose a penalty of not more than \$100.00 and/or **a six (6) day suspension** upon any person or persons who in dealing with the P&D, deliberately obstructs, misleads, or acts in a manner detrimental to the effective or efficient running of a hearing.

64. Cautions

h. The Caution system applies only to games that have an official SMCA sanctioned umpire appointed by the Umpires Advisor and does not dilute the umpire's ability to report a player for any offence as deemed outside the spirit of the game and the laws of cricket.

This does not dilute the right of the association to reject this acceptance and have the matter heard by the P&D if it deems appropriate to have the matter heard.

65. Prescribed penalties

a. Any player offered a Prescribed Penalty may elect to accept the penalty for the offence which that player is reported by signing the Prescribed Penalty form. This does not dilute the right of the association to reject this acceptance and have the matter heard by the P&D if it deems appropriate to have the matter heard.

Should a player wish the matter be heard by the P&D notification should be made to the Association Administrator, by e-mail or text message, prior to 9.00pm on the day of play in which the player was reported. A lack of notification to the Association Administrator by the deadline will invoke the penalty for the offence which that player was reported for.

65b. Reportable offences and penalties:

Abusing or swearing at an opposition player, teammate **or spectator** - Six (6) playing dates ban,

Fieldsmen directing batmen off the ground by gestures or words - Four (4) playing dates ban,

Clarification for inclusion to information sent to committees and captains.

By-Law 19

- Day 2 is day two of a two day fixture it is not a one day match
- Captains shall confer to agree on a compulsory declaration allowing equal batting time for both teams
- Teams are not required to provide a team list or toss the coin on Day 1 until there is a possibility of play. In the event no play is possible this toss and team list shall become null and void and on day two another team list shall be submitted and a new coin toss.
- If the team is named on Day 2 no players who participated in a One Day fixture on Day 1 are permitted to play, except ONE one-day player, who can be named as 11B as per Rule 11c.
- Players finally named in the team will be credited with 2 days played for finals qualification purposes.
- Two day premiership points are awarded to the winning team.
- In all other aspects 2 day rules still apply and it may be possible for a second innings to be played by one or both teams and an outright victory to be obtained.

33. Qualification for Mid Season One Day Final

Preamble: This rule is intended to apply to matches played in one-day fixtures only, including fixtures played in one-day only grades.

a. A player must take part in at least four (4) days of fixtured one-day matches, including one-day only grades with his club to be eligible for mid season one-day finals.

Should the season be shortened due to unforeseen circumstances the Executive may restate the number of qualifying days.

b. Qualification for finals: Qualification for the one-day mid season final shall only apply to matches played in a one-day fixture, including one-day only grades. No days played in any two-day fixture shall be considered. No player shall play in a lower grade final unless he has played the majority of days in that grade or lower. For the purpose of this rule the term "majority" means more than half.

Players are eligible to play in the grade determined by By Law 33b above regardless of where they played their last qualifying match/es.

A player's ability to qualify to play in a One Day Final shall cease once the one day fixtures for two day grades are completed.

41. Qualifying for end of season finals

a. A player must take part in at least six (6) days of fixtured matches with his club to be eligible for finals. Should a season be shortened due to unforeseen circumstances the Executive may restate the number of qualifying days.

(i) Should a Club have three or more teams then the qualifying period for the Clubs lowest one--day grade shall be between three (3) and five (5) days in that grade provided that player has played no days in any other grade.

b. Qualification for finals: No player shall play in a lower grade final unless he has played the majority of days in that grade or lower. For the purpose of this rule the term "majority" means more than half.

Players are eligible to play in the grade determined by By Law 41b above regardless of where they played their last qualifying match/es.

Items submitted by John Griffin

1. P&D roster – dealt with earlier in meeting.

2. 'Separation' of By Laws into two day comp and One day comp - so as to avoid any confusion/misinterpretation – **Executive satisfied with current setup.**

3. Creating an Index for the by laws – **downloadable PDF to have an index**.

4. Team promotion/demotion into grades once the competition has started - already discussed and this will not happen again.

5. Typo amendments to by laws 72 and 73 - remove matches and replace with days – will be done in updated by-laws.

6. Consideration of having 'compliance' table in the by laws that shows when are clubs are required to submit match results, player scores, umpires report etc. – this information to be provided in the information for committees and captains.

8. Changes the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015*, -see attached PDF file – **dealt with earlier in meeting.**

Items submitted by Ray Howe

From Ray Howe

(1) Coloured shoes – dealt with earlier in meeting.

(2) Match Day Referee - why is this position the contact point for reports from other than umpires – this should not be the case and any player report by someone other than an appointed umpire/s should be made to the Association Administrator, through the club committee, by e-mail or text message, prior to 9.00pm on the day of play in which the player was reported.

(3) Tidying up rules for the second day for weather affected games where no play on first day - **dealt with earlier in meeting.**

(4) Does the wide rule need to be updated for one day cricket - bring in line with international rules – this was agreed to

(5) Ability for Executive to override Cautions dealt with earlier in meeting.

(6) Prescribed Penalties - form needs updating to make the guidelines clearer for umpires and clubs for close off times – **this to be attended to once proposed amendments have been dealt with**

Amend By-Law 27c

c. Any off side delivery which in the opinion of the umpires, does not give the batsman a reasonable opportunity to score shall be called a "wide". Any delivery that passes down the leg side and behind the striker shall be called a "wide".

Delete By-Law 27d

(7) One day finals has the requirement to bowl 20 overs to make the game count. It use to be in the home and away season but was taken out several years ago. Needs to be re-instated.

Amend By-Law 25b

b. In the event of a match starting late or where play has been suspended or delayed through weather or other circumstances beyond the control of either team, the Captains shall confer to agree on a compulsory declaration allowing equal batting time or reduced overs for both teams **subject to a minimum of twenty (20) overs be bowled to each team**.

Items from Graham Santich

The following item was deferred to the clubs for a decision

1. Playing the last round of fixtures over One Day

Play the last round (in the two day fixtures only) over one day with the obvious reduction of overs but played according to two day rules and premiership points in a similar fashion to that where rain wipes out play on the first day

The benefit to this idea is to minimise the possibility of contrived results so it makes it difficult for outright wins to come out of the blue. Additionally, because there will only be a need for 20 days in the season (as opposed to 21) we will be able to avoid any Sunday cricket (apart from finals)

It is proposed that the last game will start at 12.45pm with tea taken between 3.15pm and 3.35pm. The second session will be from 3.35pm to 6.05pm

If the team fielding first bowl the 45 overs before the scheduled time for tea the tea interval will be taken immediately with the compulsory close of the innings. If 45 overs have not been bowled by 3.15pm play will continue until 45 overs have been completed when tea will then be taken. If the team batting first is bowled out or declares before the end of the 45th over and before 3.05pm there will be a 10 minutes change of innings and the game will proceed to the scheduled time of tea (3.15). After the tea break the team batting second will be entitled to an additional 45 overs

If sufficient time is available after both first innings have been completed play can continue in the second innings until the scheduled time for stumps at 6.05pm

The following item was not met favourably and will not be pursued at this time.

2. Sin Bin

A idea where an official umpire can send off a player who has committed a breach of the rules. The send off may range from say 15 minutes or to the rest of the day depending upon the circumstances. This was introduced in England last season

GENERAL BUSINESS

The F15 competition to go ahead as long as a minimum of 8 teams competed.

Stand alone First Grade Grand Final to return for the coming season.

NEXT MEETING:

General Meeting – 3rd May, 7:00pm – Leeming – Agenda items to be submitted to the Administrator before 5pm on Friday 15^{th} April

MEETING CLOSED:

As there being no further business the meeting closed at 7:16pm.