

SOUTH METROPOLITAN CRICKET ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the SMCA Executive Meeting held at Leeming on Monday 16th October 2017

Meeting commenced at 6.00pm



PRESENT: Graham Santich, (Chair) Gary Hartman, Ray Howe, Paul Speering Graeme Ashley, Ian Hale, Mario Baeli, John Griffin (Minutes)

APOLOGIES: Scott Knight

MINUTES of PREVIOUS EXECUTIVE MEETING: 18 September 2017

Moved Graeme Ashley and seconded Mario Baeli that the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 18 September 2017 be accepted as a true and correct record

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING: to be addressed in Agenda Items.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: Gary Hartman presented his report.

Fixtures

One-Day Grades fixtures delayed due to clubs wanting to add teams.

Fines/Forfeits

14th October 2017

ODB - East Fremantle forfeited their match against Piara Waters - \$50 fine

ODE - Bicton Attadale forfeited their match against Piara Waters - \$50 fine

ODF - Phoenix forfeited their match against Willetton Crows - \$50 fine

7th October 2017

Nil

Caution

Name: Lincoln Dwyer

Club: Kwinana

Date of offence: 07-10-2017

Nature of offence: Dissent

Gary thanked the Fixtures and Gradings Committee for their work in checking the fixtures before publication.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Graeme Ashley had distributed the report via email.

Treasurers Report

ACCEPTED

UMPIRES REPORT: Ray Howe advised that all was well and some new umpires have joined. – no other feed back to date.

In regard to the clarification sought from the last meeting for the **New Caution, Report and Prescribed Penalty Forms**. Ray agreed that the form can be amended so that it can be signed by the player, the player's captain or a club representative. The new form is no longer an admission of guilt but instead an acknowledgment that a decision had to be lodged with the Association before 9pm.

ACTION: Gary Hartman to update New Caution, Report and Prescribed Penalty Forms

SECRETARY'S REPORT –

A lot of emails received in the lead up to the start of the season. A number of clubs had issues with My Cricket in regard to player roles and had to re-confirm their player roles in My Cricket between naming teams and then entering player scores.

A reminder sent to all clubs about the timeframes for the submission of umpire reports, clearances and match results.

A number of queries/issues received in regard to clearances – both inter and intra Association. Some involved the financial status of the player concerned. These have now been resolved; though further clarification on By Law 47 e maybe warranted.

CRICKET WEST

Graeme Santich informed the meeting that Damien Carroll from Armadale CC was Captaining the Association's Seniors side and Tim Edgar from Kardinya Lakes CC was Captaining the Veterans Side.

The first SMCA Cricket West match is Sunday 29 October at Wyong Reserve. **Gary Hartman to place notice on SMCA Website.**

The review of Cricket in WA continues with a number of workshops scheduled.

CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS:

1. By Law 47 Clearances – A number of instances where non-SMCA clubs did not or were very slow to respond to clearance requests. Follow up action indicated that a number of clubs contact details on My Cricket has not been updated for a number of years. No time frame is given in the SMCA By Law for electronic clearances (By law 47a) while 7 days is the timeframe for manual clearances (By Law 47b).

It was agreed that the Cricket West 7 day timeframe for all clearances Applies.

Clearances should be dealt with in a timely manner. If the clearance application is not dealt within 7 days the players new Club can email the SMCA Secretary asking for the clearance to be granted. This may be done without contact to the players former Club. The Secretary shall forward the email to the Administrator for action.

2. By Law 46 Registration – Instances have occurred where players already registered in My Cricket are being registered at another club with different date of birth. It would seem that clubs are not seeking clearances or not checking on My Cricket to see if a player is already registered on My Cricket. Also it could be that some players are not disclosing to their new club that they have played elsewhere previously.

Action: Player Registrations to be monitored.

3. By Law 66e – Other Disputes. By Law 66e was added in as part of the recent review and update of By Laws. By Law 66e currently reads as follows:

Questioning the decision of a member of Executive (Administrator, Treasurer, Umpires Advisor). The following procedure will apply:

- i Club raises matter with Administrator/Treasurer/Umpires Advisor who then decide on outcome etc,
- ii If club is not happy with outcome, the matter is then referred to the SMCA Senior Executive for action. Matters referred to the Senior Executive must be by email and submitted by a member of the Club's Executive.
- iii Any decision made by the Senior Executive shall be final.

Already this season a number of clubs have questioned decisions that have been made by members of the Executive ie – team grade allocation, Forfeiting, clearances and Suspect Bowling Action.

The Executive agreed that By Law 66 is to be followed.

4. By Law 76 – Suspect Bowling Action - A player who was banned from bowling within the Association in late 2014 has returned to the Association to play with another club. The club was informed prior to Rd 1 that the SMCA has not been advised that the player's bowling action has been cleared. The club in question refuted this.

The SMCA By law follows the WACA conventions.

The Executive Agreed that until the SMCA is notified that the player's bowling action has been cleared, the player cannot bowl.

PROTESTS AND DISPUTES – Nil

FIXTURES AND GRADINGS

1. Kenwick CC have requested to play a 6th grade two day 65 over day night match against Maddington in Round 13.

40 Over Day night matches have been fixture for 20 Jan 2018 – ODA Kenwick v Champion Lakes and 6th Grade 27 Jan 2018 – Kenwick V Cockburn. The pink ball will be used in this match and will be evaluated after 40 overs.

The ball evaluation from the 40 over match will determine if the two-day 65 over day/night match can be played.

2. EFCC sought advice on withdrawing a team.

The precedence that applies in the SMCA has been for a club to withdraw its lowest grade team, when faced with a team withdrawal.

Action: Secretary to advise EFCC that if a team is withdrawn it must be their lowest grade team.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. From Graeme Santich - Balls for 40 over day/night games - The recommendation is for a Kookaburra Pink Jaffa to be used.

AGREED

GENERAL BUSINESS:

2. John Griffin had received the following queries/matters from the clubs

- a. Can a notice be placed on the SMCA Website stating that the 6th and 7th grade are 65 over grades and that the 35 over One day grades are E, F and G.
- b. Umpire Reports – it is possible in the My Cricket ‘Data Task Summary’ area in the Captain report column for a ‘green light’ to be appear when no umpires have been allocated.
- c. Electronic Scoring – some issues have been experienced. Only one electronic device can be synchronized with My Cricket. A minimum of one traditional (paper) scorebook is to be used during a match and is to be signed by the umpire(s) and both mediums must match.

NEXT MEETING:

11th December 2017 – 6 pm – at Kardinya Tavern - **Executive Meeting**

MEETING CLOSED:

As there being no further business the meeting closed at 6.55pm.