

South Metropolitan Cricket Association

MINUTES of the General Meeting 14 August 2023

Venue: Thornlie Clubrooms, 7:00pm



PRESENT: As per attached register

APOLOGIES: Graeme Knapp, Jacob Landsmeer.

ABSENT: Armadale, CBC, Kwinana, Perth Tamil, Roleystone-Karragullen, SJ Blues

ACTING PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Good evening all and thank you for attending this General Meeting.

At our recent President's and Captain's meeting I announced that President-elect Mark Rice had announced his immediate resignation from the SMCA Executive Committee. I am sure that you will all wish him the very best for his future endeavours and thank him for his time on the committee. For the remainder of the season, as the SVP, I will assume the role of Acting-President for the remainder of the 2023/24 season.

As mentioned, we held a President and Captain's meeting two weeks ago and that appeared to be very well received. If this meeting is intended to continue year to year, we will assess when these meetings should take place as we want to make the best of these meetings and make sure that there is value for all concerned attending.

Key take outs from this meeting were that there is now a taste for concluding one day matches once a score has been achieved, and that the Association needs to attempt to source umpires to help our Umpiring Fraternity as numbers have been impacted over the past few years.

I would like to also take the opportunity to thank Mark Iannello and Graham Santich for their help with the Committee over the past few years. Both again will be helping the Association, Graham with fixtures and grading, Mark with CricketWest matters.

I would also like to welcome Joe Covic to the Executive Committee. I am sure he will be a valuable member for the coming season.

As the season draws closer, I would also like to welcome a new club to the SMCA, North Baldivis Cricket Club. They have a hunger to play two-day cricket and come from the Peel Cricket Association, so please welcome them to our cricket family and I am sure that they will be a welcome addition to our competition.

If you do have any matters for the Association to consider, please direct these to Gary as he takes on both the Administrator and Secretary roles.

Let's look forward to a great 2023/24 season and look forward to playing some quality cricket played in good spirits.

Thanks.

Pete Anderson

SMCA Acting-President

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

PlayHQ continues to be a work in progress, Kelmscott and Champion Lakes have still not accepted the SMCA invite to participate this coming season.

All clubs submitted their updated team and ground nomination by the deadline.

As most of you will know I carried out the Secretary duties as Administrator for 10 years before it all got too much, and John Griffin came on board as Secretary in 2017-18. Prior to John coming on board, I had stopped taking phone calls. Two main reasons for this were that it was important to me that communication was in writing and, I got tired of being 'bullied' over the phone. My advice to John when he took over the Secretary duties was 'don't take phone calls'. He did take phone calls and as I understand it, he would talk to some club officials almost daily. In the last few seasons John was harassed to such an extent he resigned after 6 years in the job. He deserved better. Now that I am back, I do not intend to take phone calls. This is for my own wellbeing and the need that matters should be in writing.

Certificates of Currency for Insurance are now available – the link to complete the risk protection module and to access to certificate of currency is on the web site.

Some clubs are nominating grades on Play HQ. Please note that it is the Fixtures and Gradings Committee's role to place teams in grades and any club nominations may be changed.

Team and ground nominations need to be submitted by 5pm on 22 September. The Fixtures and Gradings Committee will then grade the teams over the weekend and present to the Executive on Monday 25 September meeting. Once confirmation is made the fixturing process will start. Two-day grades should be done with a few days, one day grades will take longer.

In relation to grounds use for the weekend of 23rd and 24th March for Grand Final. I have a yes from the City of Armadale and a no from the City of Gosnells. The others are coming back to me. The City of Cockburn asked for which grounds exactly. Hard to do but I have them the grounds that were used this season.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Figures same as AGM other than \$2500 paid for web site.

UMPIRE'S ADVISOR:

Progressing, have had some meetings with WACA regarding PlayHQ. Have had enquiries from some potential new umpires.

AGENDA ITEMS

It was moved Cannington Tigers and seconded Champion Lakes that the draft SMCA By-Laws as amended and distributed after the AGM be endorsed. CARRIED

Recommendation from President/Captains meeting that one-day matches in First to Fourth Grade and ODA and ODB be deemed complete once a result has been achieved was agreed by a majority of clubs.

A decision that ODA and ODB revert to 40 over matches was agreed by a majority of clubs but to be ratified at Special General Meeting.

The draft fixtures were ratified with two one day fixtures on a Sunday. There was no support for a two-day Saturday/Sunday fixture. There was discussion about eliminating all Sunday fixtures with no clear decision. Women's fixtures to be taken into consideration when selecting dates for Sunday fixtures.

It was agreed that the combined one-day and two-day ladder for end of season finals and promotion/relegation remain.

The Super Over to decide a tied one-day semi or grand final was agreed to.

Those present at the President/Captains meeting recommended that coloured clothing for Third and Fourth should be implemented from 2024-25 season. After discussion a majority of clubs voted against this decision.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

There were questions about stopping players from signing with a new club on PlayHQ when owing money to another club. David King explained that clubs need to advise the WACA of any unfinancial players. The WACA will monitor.

There was discussion regarding the Acting President becoming President and filling the Senior Vice President position. It was agreed to conduct a Special General Meeting on 28 August to consider the following 3 items.

1. Ratify Acting President Peter Anderson as President for the 2023/24 season.
2. Elect Senior Vice President for the 2023/24 season. Nominations received; David King.
3. Ratify decision made at the General Meeting that ODAs and ODBs to play 40 over cricket for the coming season with bowlers limited to a maximum of 8 overs in the innings.

There was discussion about the Administrator's decision to not take phone calls. Some Presidents felt it was necessary to have some point of contact other than email. This will be considered at the next Executive Meeting and reported back.

CLOSURE: The meeting closed at 8:03pm.

NEXT MEETINGS:


Executive Meeting 28 August at Thornlie – 6:00pm

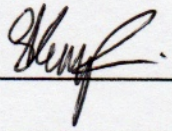
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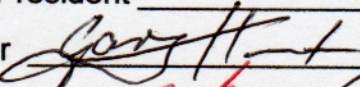
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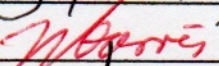
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ATTENDANCE

President 

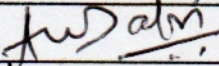
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Administrator  Treasurer _____

Umpire's Advisor 

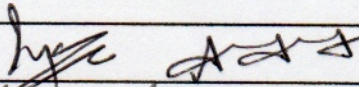
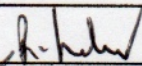
Executive Joe Corrie

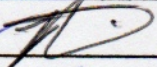
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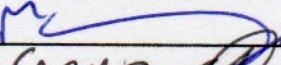
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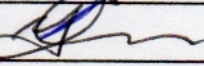
Cannington Tigers SHAMEZ, MAJI & FRANCA

CBC _____

Champion Lakes  

Cockburn MATT WATSON 

East Fremantle  Michael Connolly

Forrestdale M. FARMER 

Hilton Bicton JOHN ELLIMAN, SIMON BIERWIRTH

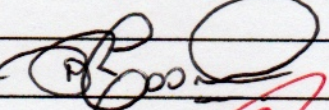
Jandakot Park MARIO BAEU

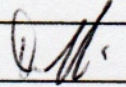
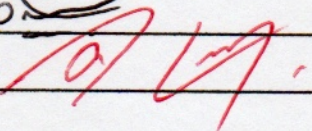
Kardinya Lakes IAN DEL ROSSO — Jace Williams

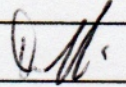
Kelmscott STEVEN ABBOTT

Kenwick Matt Arrowsmith

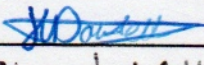
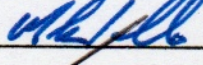

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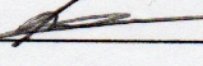
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Maddington  

North Baldivis 

Perth Tamil _____

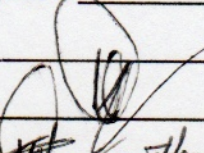
Phoenix   


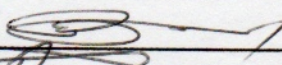
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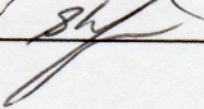

Riverton Rostrata Sean Harrison

Roleystone-Karragullen _____

SJ Blues _____

Thornlie 

Willetton Crows  Thomas Bray 

Umpires Assoc.   SE Lockyer & P. Bennett