

Minutes

Date & Time:	2 June 2008, 6.30pm
Location:	Ori Cafe, Springwood
Chairperson:	Councillor Daniel Myles
Meeting Purpose:	Sports Council
Present:	Councillor Daniel Myles, Councillor Kevin Frappell, Brett Sowerby, Steven Poole, Paul Watson, Dave Gaddes, John Tremble, Ian Monaghan, Estelle Godkin, David Brown, Walter Hitchell, Rob Voura, Chris Moloney, Adrian Birkbeck, Lisa Macqueen (Minutes)
Apologies:	Councillor Terri Hamilton, Councillor Pippa McInnes, John Beazley
Confirmation of Previous Minutes:	Confirmed
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Items for discussion

	Item	Comments
1	Western Sydney Academy of Sport Vote/Recommendation to Fund/Not to Fund in 2008/2009	<p>Sports Council Representatives voted in favour of funding the WSAS – the vote was 10 in favour, 3 against.</p> <p>Representatives felt that it was important that the BMCC Councillor Representative on the WSAS Committee be a Sports Council Councillor. Currently Councillor Fiona Creed is on the WSAS Committee.</p> <p>It was also felt that it was important to get feedback from athletes (and their families) who attended the WSAS programs to determine the benefits of the programs.</p>
2	Proposed Changes to Sports Council Constitution	<p>As per the minutes of 28 April 2008 meeting Adrian Birkbeck sought advice regarding amending the Sports Council Constitution to allow each Sports Council Representative to have a substitute delegate. It is permissible, however substitute delegates will have to be elected by the same process as Sports Council representatives (refer Sports Council Constitution).</p>
3	Sports Fees 1-5 Year Draft Project Plan	<p>Adrian Birkbeck tabled the '1-5 Year Sports Fee Project Ranking Results' & Draft Sports Fee Projects 1-5 Year Plan'.</p> <p>The following comments were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Sports Fee Project plan is linked largely to Council's 4 Year Capital Works plan timing of projects therefore show these link. • Sports Fees collected to date total approximately \$16,000. Overdue fees are still being received. • Costs of Projects are based on estimates. Projects will go through Council's official tender process. • Adrian proposed that if there were any savings associated with a particular project the sports fees component should not be spent, these funds could then go to assist another project.

- Adrian Birkbeck will keep the Sports Council up to date on current projects (2008/9). He would like to use completed projects as a way of raising the profile of the Sports Council.
- Sport & Recreation Grants – one grant is awarded per electoral seat. In the past \$32,500 has been available for the Glenbrook-Lapstone area and another \$32,500 being available for the remaining Blue Mountains.
- In Year 3 the proposal is to not apply for Sport & Recreation Grants to give others/sporting clubs an opportunity to do so. This may change with circumstances.
- Everybody understood the methodology of the ranking system for projects and were advised that the list would be discussed at future Sports Council meetings.
- The Sports Council unanimously agreed to accept the Draft Sports Fee Projects 1-5 Year Plan.

General Sports Fees Project discussion:

- Blackheath Oval came in first on the ranking list, however, it is in the Draft Council Capital Works Program (CWP) for 2011/2012. Adrian Birkbeck will seek to bring this project forward to the 2010/2011 financial year.
- A NSW Sport & Rec Grant can be applied for to assist with the sealing of the Lapstone Netball Courts. There is also federal funding of \$100,000 that Bob Debus has committed for the car park and drainage. There was discussion regarding NSW Sport & Rec Regional Grant funding. Note: A facility has to host an area carnival to qualify for a NSW Sport & Rec Regional Grant.
- Adrian suggested that perhaps the estimated cost of \$200,000 for the sealing of the Lapstone Netball Courts was too low and the estimate should be \$300,000.
- Gloria Parks floodlighting has been placed in Year 5. More information is needed from Hazelbrook Soccer Club/Nepean Soccer Association in regards to financial contributions.
- Adrian Birkbeck asked Steven Poole to ensure that the cricket projects listed for Year 4 are targeted at the right grounds. Steven advised that he may be able to obtain grant money to assist in the realignment of the cricket wicket at Melrose Park.
- The question was asked, 'what is the difference between 50Lux lighting and 100Lux lighting?' Answer: It is accepted that 50Lux lighting is suitable for night training and that 100Lux lighting is the standard required for night competition games. It was noted however that Australian Standards are changing and 100lux for training is preferred.
- It was also explained that Lomatia Park was only receiving 50Lux to reduce the impact of the lighting on the neighbouring residents. Soccer grounds with 100lux lighting could play catch up matches

		<p>postponed due to wet weather. Currently Pitt Park, Summerhayes Park & Warrimoo Oval had 100lux floodlighting for training/night matches. Blackheath Oval also had good lighting/close to 100lux.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Frappell noted that night games may be limited, as there is a potential for overuse of the fields if night games are played, particularly when we haven't had rain. Over time we will work out how much usage the grounds can stand. • It was advised that night games of soccer can be generated by the wash out of weekend rounds. • It was asked if Council had discussed the additional energy costs of upgrading lighting from 50 to 100lux. It was advised that Clubs pay for the energy used.
4	General Discussion Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tom Hunter Park – Damage to Shed Roof – Brett Sowerby advised that the shed roof at Tom Hunter Park has been damaged by kids climbing up on to the roof. The roof is presently waving in the breeze. Brett has spoken to Graham Smede about the damage. Adrian Birkbeck will follow up. • Security on Tom Hunter Pavilion - Brett advises that the security of the Pavilion is handled by Yates Security and he has had five calls from them in the last two weeks. On these occasions a bird or debris has set off the alarm. He has spoken to Graham Smede about it and asked the Sports Council if calls from the security company should go to Council instead of Brett or the Athletics Club representative. Action: Adrian Birkbeck will follow up and look at all security arrangements for all ovals, and how they fit into the license arrangements with Clubs. He will also check the arrangements with Yates and what procedures they follow. He will also discuss the possibility of changing the type of sensor on the pavilion and methods of stopping kids climbing up onto the roof of the shed. • New Key Management System – Steven Poole asked for an update on the Key Management System. Several key issues were raised by representatives. Councillor Myles advised that Council will provide, to the next meeting, the key management matrix that Gerry Hayes presented to the Councillors. Action: Adrian to follow this up. • Graffiti – Steven Poole advised that graffiti is becoming an ongoing issue at Peter Carroll Field with the new building receiving graffiti hits. This issue ties in with the security issues at playing fields. It was asked if Council has a policy on security at Sports grounds as the Police do not seem interested. Action: Adrian Birkbeck will discuss the SLA for Sporting Amenities with Gerry Hayes. • Katoomba Swimming Club Meeting Room – Walter Hitchell advises that Katoomba Swimming Club have a monthly club meeting in a room at the Katoomba Aquatic Centre. Recently the Club has

		<p>been advised that they are no longer able to use this room as there are no staff on site at the time of the meeting. The Manager of the Aquatic Centre sees it as an Occupational Health and Safety issue. Action: Adrian Birkbeck will make enquiries with the Aquatic Centre Management.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog Off Leash Lapstone Oval – Chris Maloney advised that two weeks ago that an eleven year old boy was tackled during a football game and landed head first into dog faeces. Chris Maloney is to be given the telephone number for the Council Ranger. Paul Watson also sited issues with dog faeces – he spends an hour every Saturday morning removing it from playing fields. Adrian Birkbeck encouraged Sports Council Representatives to report these incidents to BMCC. Adrian also recommended that Sports Council representatives should advise BMCC if they object to Dog Off Leash areas on sports grounds. Councillor Frappell advises that he doesn't believe that Dog Off Leash areas should be allowed on sports grounds that have contact sport played on them. Councillor Frappell and Councillor Myles advised that after three months they could move a motion to rescind the Dog Off Leash trial involving sports grounds. • Evaluation of Smoking Trial at Lomatia Park – People are not placing their cigarette butts in the bin provided at Lomatia Park. • Tom Hunter Park – Paul Watson requested multi-roll toilet paper dispensers be installed in the amenities blocks at Tom Hunter Park. Action: Adrian Birkbeck to discuss with Graham Smede. • Access Issues Knapsack Park – Ian Monaghan advised that the telegraph poles that are used to prevent access from the car park to the oval at Knapsack Park are rotting and need replacing. He also advised that some club members work for Integral Energy and would be able to source more telegraph poles. Action: Ian Monaghan to contact Dan Long and discuss. • Katoomba Tennis Club – John Tremble advised that the Katoomba Tennis Club requested a new garbage bin at 10.30am one day last week and received a new bin at 1.30pm that afternoon. He requested that Adrian extend the Club's thanks to BMCS for providing the bins so quickly. Action: Adrian Birkbeck to thanks BMCS. • Advertising Signs on Sporting Facilities – Councillor Frappell advised that he has raised this issue and the policy will be changed in the fullness of time.
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Next Meeting

Date & Time:	Next Meeting will be the AGM, date and time to be advised.
Chairperson:	Councillor Daniel Myles

Meeting Closed 9.05pm