

Meeting Minutes

4 July 2005, Grose Meeting Room, Katoomba

Meeting commenced 7:00pm

Attendance

Councillors

Councillor Myles (Chair)

Sports Council Representatives

Bob Bartlett, Mick Hayes, Stephen Poole, Chris Maloney, John Tremble, Susan Kondek

Council Officers

Alan Cattermole, Martin Parmenter, Vicky Frank (Minutes)

Apologies

Councillor McInnes, Councillor Creed, Councillor Frappell, Estelle Godkin, David Brown, Greg Dickson

1. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Previous minutes adopted.

Matters arising from these minutes:

Action: Council to investigate key issue at Lomatia Park.

Action: Council to provide an update to Mick, on lighting upgrade at Warrimoo Oval.

Action: Council to investigate the changing of signs when ovals are closed.

Action: Council to prepare issues paper regarding 'oval closures' for further discussion with Sports Councillors.

Action: Council to prepare response to Councillor McInnes' Notice of Motion regarding banning smoking at sporting ovals, and bring back to next Sports Council meeting for consideration.

Action: Include 'Sports Awards' as an agenda item for the next meeting.

Action: Sports Councillors can provide comment to Adrian on the Sports Council annual report by cob Thursday 7 July.

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Action: Council to check signage at Warrimoo Oval and ask rangers to target the area (re: dog faeces issue).

Action: Council to forward Sports Facility Research Project information to Sports Councillors one week prior to next meeting for review.

Action: Sports Councillors to advise Councillor Myles if they would be interested in participating in a tour of a premier sports oval facility.

Action: Chris and Councillor Myles to follow-up with potential guest-speakers for Sports Council Awards night and advise Adrian of outcomes by Fri 6 May. **COMPLETE**

Action: Adrian to send format of Award night to Chris and Stephen. **COMPLETE**

Action: 6 monthly code meeting to be set for 11th July to agree on season cross-over arrangements, to be facilitated by Sports Council

Action: Council to provide spreadsheet prior to this meeting listing the ovals with program of maintenance

Action: Council to prepare letter from Sports Council in general support of utilizing Former Lawson Golf Course as a sporting facility (signatures provided at the meeting). **COMPLETE**

Action: Council to advise Sports Council of type of line marking paint to be used on Council ovals and to investigate suppliers. Sports Councillors to provide Adrian with information on current products they are using.

Action: Council to organize new key for Mt Riverview Tennis Club.

Action: Council to follow-up on progress of lights being fixed at Katoomba Aquatic & Fitness Centre

2. Items for General Discussion

Councillor Myles called for open discussion giving Sports Councillors an opportunity to raise any agenda items / issues for discussion.

Discussion included:

- Issue with double-booking at Lomatia Park. Issue with dog club sharing facilities and also dogs being allowed in facilities. Would like to know Council policy around these issues.
- Who changed the lock on the middle door at Lomatia Park?
- Update on fencing project at Lomatia Park.
- What are the timeframes for the lighting upgrade at Warrimoo Oval. There will be twice as many users in September.
- School grounds.
- Oval closures – signs are not changed; there is no process to change the decision / recorded message after 3pm on Friday even though conditions might change; when are the ovals inspected; variable weather conditions across the mountains; codes could take responsibility with different impacts from different sports; some information on booking form but not explicit; needs to be greater flexibility.
- Tennis Courts at Summerhayes park.
- Katoomba Aquatic Centre, leaking roof caused closure of indoor courts.
- Adrian advised of the Notice of Motion that Councillor McInnes put up requesting Council investigate the banning of smoking at sporting fields. Council will research and bring back to next Sports Council meeting.

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3. Sports Awards

- The inaugural Award night went well, people were excited
- Over 70 people, good crowd, positive feedback received
- Event did raise profile of sport and Sports Council
- Helpful for staff to meet sporting community and make connections
- Need a push on 'senior' sportsperson, just call it 'sportsperson' of the year
- Might need to change venue
- Lack of nomination at adult level, review categories eg. include 'masters'
- Some nominations seemed to come through without affiliation with a club, need to look at how nominations are sourced and put together, issue of inaccuracy in nominations, should come through codes for verification
- If not a 'represented' code however, should not be excluded
- Promotion via local cinemas
- Should find a major sponsor
- Each sport could sponsor an award and give an award
- Combine Awards night with AGM
- Include Sports Awards as an agenda item at the next meeting

Action: Include 'Sports Awards' as an agenda item for the next meeting.

4. Terms of Reference

- Preferred that there is one Councillor representative per Ward
- Other Councillors are welcome to attend as observers
- Maybe include that non-attendance after a certain number of meetings will bring up the position for review
- Agreement to 6 meetings per year including 4 ordinary meetings, 1 sports awards night and 1 annual general meeting
- Terms of Reference will be review with new Sports Council after Annual General Meeting

5. Sports Council Report

Adrian presented a draft of the annual Sports Council report that will be presented to Council at the 2 August 2005 meeting.

Action: Sports Councillors can provide comment to Adrian on the Sports Council annual report by cob Thursday 7 July.

6. Current Sporting Issues

- Adrian advised that it was now Sport and Recreation Grant time. Adrian can assist if clubs have matching funding. The closing date for grant submissions is 31 July 2005.
- The Sports Facilities project is on hold as resources have been redirected to the Tunnel Gully Plan of Management. Apologies for not presenting outcomes at this meeting. The work Trish has completed will feed into the Sustainable Asset Management Plan for Parks and Sportsgrounds that will be completed in 2005/06.
- Lawson Golf Course – the consultant report has been provided to Council. The Project Officer, Martin Ryman has resigned. The final concept plan will be reported to Council and put on public exhibition during 2005/06. The Sports Council will be kept informed of progress.
- Tunnel Gully Plan of Management – the Advisory Group have met to agree on one option for public exhibition.
- Capital Works for 2005/06 for Sportsgrounds – copy provided at this meeting.
- The Springwood Athletic Club has been hiring out Tom Hunter Park. Adrian will be meeting with them.
- Croquet are now able to share a court at the Blackheath Bowling Club.

7. Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held on the 25 July 2005. There is currently an advertisement calling for nominations. Council will not be writing individually to Clubs this year.

8. General Business

- Stephen advised that Winmalee Highschool is tearing up the cricket pitch. This raises issues in terms of Springwood Cricket Club losing a ground and also the school now potentially looking for a Council ground to use.
- Bob advised that the Baseball Club is holding a 25th Anniversary on the 17 September and the Mountain Heritage at 7.30pm. Baseball is also sending a Masters team to Lismore.

9. Next Ordinary Meeting

Next meeting: **Monday 5th September 2005**, 7.00pm at BMCC Katoomba. Dinner will be provided. Please RSVP and provide agenda items to Adrian Birkbeck ph 4780 5709.

Meeting closed 9:20pm

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