

## Meeting Minutes

2 May 2005, Grose Meeting Room, Katoomba

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### Meeting commenced 7:03pm

#### Attendance

##### Councillors

Councillor Myles (Chair), Councillor Frappell, Councillor Hamilton

##### Sports Council Representatives

Susan Kondek, Walter Hitchell, Stephen Poole, Mick Hayes, John Tremble, Chris Maloney, Greg Dickson, David Brown, John Beazley

##### Council Officers

Adrian Birkbeck, Alan Cattermole, Vicky Frank (Minutes)

#### Apologies

Estelle Godkin, Bob Bartlett, Cheryl Fitz

### 1. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Previous minutes adopted.

Councillor Myles advised that he passed on Stephen's message as requested.

#### Matter arising from these minutes:

**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.

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

**Action:** 6 monthly code meeting to be set for 11<sup>th</sup> 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).

**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 issues.

### Discussion included:

- Glenbrook sewage works, previously leased to Sydney Water is being decommissioned and will be a parcel of land available with a building. Council owns the land and Sydney Water is required to restore the land in consultation with Council. Whilst the 'default' position is that the area will be restored to bushland there might be opportunity for a sporting use. It is a secluded spot with difficult access. Council is working up a way to take the matter forward. Councillor Frappell suggested a notice of motion.
- Complaint of dog faeces at Warrimoo Oval.

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

## 3. Portable Soccer Goalposts

Adrian has worked with Sue on this issue. Soccer has not really been affected as portable goalposts and semi-permanent cemented sleeves comply. There will be an assessment undertaken of all permanent-sleeve soccer posts. The Katoomba Aquatic and Fitness Centre now complies.

## 4. Presentation – Sports Facility Research Project

Alan presented an update on where the project is up to and outcomes of the lighting study. Information on the Project will be circulated to Sports Councillors one week prior to the next Sports Council meeting. One hour will be set aside at the next Sports Council meeting for discussion of the information.

***A copy of the presentation is provided with these minutes.***

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

**The Sports Council formally thanks Patricia for her work on the Sports Facility Research Project.**

Question regarding developing a 'premier' standard oval was discussed eg. Katoomba Showgrounds. Discussion included:

- Most gala days etc require more than one field
- Should be made more mid-Mountains
- With local business sponsors, clubs like to play at their local field
- People will travel for good venues

- Wentworth Falls Grammar School have an excellent playing field as it receives regular care and maintenance from experienced groundsman
- Good examples of premier quality fields include Raymond Terrace and Parkes
- By targeting the facility as 'regional' state funding becomes a possibility
- Need good fields but not necessarily Katoomba Showground – need multi-fields
- Other possible land available includes Lawson Golf Course and old Lawson tip
- Lawson could potentially be a high-quality regional facility

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

## 5. Sports Council Awards

Adrian advised that there were 20 nominations received across the four award categories. The Awards Night is scheduled for 30<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm at the Council Chambers. Councillor Myles will Chair the evening. Stephen Poole volunteered to speak briefly on the night in relation to the Sports Council. The Gazette has been invited. All Sports Councillors are encouraged to attend. Chris, Councillor Myles and Adrian will follow-up with potential guest-speakers.

**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.

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

## 6. Sports Ground Hire & Use Handbook

Adrian requested confirmation on the dates of the two seasons.

### Discussion included:

- Still need to be able to massage around the edges
- Clubs need a lead-time prior to formal commencement of competition for training, normally four weeks
- There needs to be agreement between codes at the cross-over times
- Agreement for 6 monthly code meeting facilitated by Sports Council to agree on cross-over periods factoring in required maintenance requirements and field rest-periods

**Action:** 6 monthly code meeting to be set for 11<sup>th</sup> July to agree on seasonal cross-over arrangements

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

## 7. Media Review / Correspondence Received

Nothing to report.

## 8. General Business

- Adrian reported that the minor Capital Works Program budget has all been committed, Sports Councillors should keep sending ideas to Adrian
- There are some surveys that still need to be returned as part of the Sports Facility Research Projects
- Successful grant funding of \$15,000 received for resurfacing at Wentworth Falls Tennis Club
- Sue and John provided feedback on the Lawson Golf Course workshops they attended, it would be good for each code / club to put in a submission, it was agreed that a generic letter be prepared from the Sports Council and be submitted as part of the process

**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).

- John Beazley suggested clubs getting together to purchase line marking paint in bulk from single supplier for cost savings

**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 information on current products they are using to Adrian.

- John Tremble advised that the lock was changed on the lighting box at Mr Riverview tennis courts. They require a key. Winmalee Tennis club thanks Council for clearing the fallen trees.

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

- Walter advised that the six lights in the Katoomba Aquatic Centre had still not been fixed.

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

## 9. Next Meeting

Next meeting: **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2005**, 7.00pm at BMCC Katoomba. Dinner will be provided. Please RSVP and provide agenda items to Adrian Birkbeck ph 4780 5709.

Meeting closed 9:23pm

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