

Wagga Baseball Agenda

Date: 30th July 2018

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Wagga RSL

Type of Meeting: Monthly General Meeting

Chaired by: Minutes by:

<u>Board Memberships:</u> Albert Richardson (*President*), Ben Adams (*Vice President + Umpiring*), Sarah Bloomfield (*Secretary + Public Relations*), Kristy Hawkins (*Treasurer*), Tracey Clark (*Competitions*) <u>Club Memberships w/ voting privileges:</u> Bulls, Giants, Jackels, Red Sox

AGENDA

- 1.0 Present
- 2.0 Apologies
- 3.0 Minutes from Previous Meeting
 - 3.1 June GM True and Correct?
- 4.0 Actions arising from previous minutes

	Action Arising	Person	Time Frame	Progress
		Responsible		
4.1	Peter Cook Cut Outs	Albert Richardson	Next Season	In Progress
4.2	Bendigo Bank Change	Board	Next Season	
4.3	Sponsorship Letters	Albert Richardson	August	In Progress
4.4	First Aid Kits	Giants	NOW!	
4.5	Scorers Course	Tracy/Sarah	Next Season	

4.1

Peter Cook made contact with the association on 12th June. He has advised that the concrete slab for the scorers should not be an issue. However, he wishes to have a meeting to discuss the cut outs and also to discuss a touch carnival that will be in February.



4.2

A follow-up email was sent to Hume Bank, when it was discovered that Amanda, our original agent no longer works for the company. The Vice President is chasing up via email and the secretary has called and been advised that Marketing team will be in contact shortly.

4.3

Sponsorship letters have been adjusted for the 2019 season. President Albert Richardson wishes to run a Sponsorship drive late August/early September – to be discussed in his report

4.4

Giants – hopefully you have received your first aid kit – ready for next season.

4.5

Re-sent email to the scorers association they have advised that they have not forgotten us, but that there is difficulty in organising trainers to come to Wagga as they are all full time workers, and when not working they will themselves be scoring Winter/Summer competitions.



5.0 Correspondence In

Sporting schools Australia – school funding program

3 contractors looking to quote back fencing on both diamonds

6.0 New Business

7.0 Board Reports

	Board Member	Attached
7.1	President	Yes
7.2	Vice President	Yes
7.3	Secretary	Yes
7.4	Treasurer	Yes
7.5	Umpiring	Yes
7.6	Public Relations	-
7.7	Competitions	-
7.8	Representative	Yes

8.0 Club Reports

	Club	Attached			
8.1	Bulls	-			
8.2	Giants	-			
8.3	Jackels	-			
8.4	Giants	-			

Next Meeting: 27th August 2018 6:30pm



Attachments

7.1 President's Report

A great finals series to showcase what Wagga Baseball has to offer, 2 out of the 4 games in the series were among our best all year. A good crowd for the Grand Final which would have been a bit better if the weather was better leading up to it. Congratulations to Red Sox Red for the way finished the Season, coming from a 4th place finish to take the premiership. Once again, a big thank you to all our members for their efforts this season. Let's carry this momentum into the off season so we can come back bigger and better next year.

7.1.2 Fundraising

We are waiting to hear back from Bunnings but they are talking about letting us run a bbq there on August 3rd (Friday), obviously with most of our members being at work on this day we need as much help as possible from others to get this to happen, when they confirm availability we will start asking around. We are going to look into running a Trivia Night at some point in the off season as well so if anyone has any ideas for that please let us know.

7.1.4 Sponsorship

I know we harp on this topic constantly and nothing seems to be getting done, but we will be updating our Sponsorship letters to start distribution in September for a major Sponsor Drive for the 2019 season, we missed the boat this year unfortunately for a myriad of reasons but would like to get in as early as we can for next year. In talking to a lot of local businesses over the last few weeks, a lot of them receive their budgets in late August/early September which tells them what they can allocate each year for Sponsorship, if we can be a bit strategic on who we ask and when we might hopefully be able to get the ball rolling early. I would appreciate as many ideas on businesses that we can ask over the next few months as possible so please ask our members to contact me with any ideas.

7.1.5 Presentation Night

We held our Presentation Night the week after the Grand Final which we got a pretty good turnout for. I think it was a great night, but we need to tweak the structure and stretch out the awards a little bit. We had a \$280 budget as that is what was raised by the BBQs in the Finals Series and managed to hire the projector and supply enough food for that amount. A big thankyou to the RSL Club for allowing us to have it there, at a fraction of the cost as part of their Sponsorship agreement, a reminder to all members that it would be appreciated if we can get as many people to sign up as members at the bas possible, that we would see further benefits with them possibly coming on board

again for next year. Having their facilities available for meetings and functions will be good for our Association as a whole.

7.1.6 Ground Equipment

We would like to update some of our Ground Equipment, mainly the Pitchers Mound Carpets for both fields, ideally before September but certainly before the start of next season. The existing ones are well and truly on their last legs, with holes in the footmarks. As fundraising money comes in I would like to place a high priority on getting these replaced. Also, the backnets on both diamonds need work, I am waiting on quotes from James Hutchinson as to price but we need to look at a time when people might be available to help out, as well as cost involved.

7.2 Vice President's Report

Congrats Red Sox Red on the championship, was a great season by everyone, and hopefully we can have just a strong competition next year.

The things I would like to discuss this month as greed at last months meeting: Identifying future expenses to improve the competition, Association and facilities before the start of and during season, and for the next three to five years so that we can; Push hard and early for sponsorship, approvals, planning and works so that we aren't caught short again come game one

Player recruitment and retention

We would like to upgrade and extend the nets, both on silver and black. We need more protection from balls going on to Red Hill Rd, and onto the Hockey fields on silver. Sarah has already put a post up on buy swap and sell looking for potential quotes.

We also have approval for a concrete slab for the scorers, so we will need to designate funds for that. Cut-outs are still on the cards however we need to have a meeting with council. Any suggestions on material, methods and styles/size of cut-out so that we can bring this information to our meeting?

With the potential cost outlay before next season, what incentives can we provide to bring sponsors on board? We could put signage up on any fencing, flags that can be placed on the foul pole area for example.

As a lower priority and a way to recruit new players and officials, and get a bit of recognition of the sport in the community, I have thrown up the idea of having a sign for each club placed on the back net, along with a pennant flag for each season championship underneath. It may provide a way to get some people that may not know

that we play, and add a bit of legitimacy to the sport. Depending on how much they would cost depends on whether it is worth it.

7.3 Secretary Report

7.3.1 BBQs 2019 Season

Tracy and I have created templates for the 2019 season and future seasons, so regardless of 4, 5, or 6 teams we have a template ready made to save time in the future. My questions are:

1. Who does the BBQ when we have even number of teams playing? I believe that the BBQs raised a fair amount of amount for each of the clubs week to week and therefore I believe they should be continued.

7.3.2 Dates for the 2019 Season

7.3.2.1 Number of Weeks

Firstly, I believe regardless of 4, 5, or 6 teams we should hire the fields for 20 rounds. This gives the maximum 15 rounds that will be incurred, plus 3 rounds for finals series plus 2 weekends for make-up matches.

Does this suit? Does any one have any other suggestions on number of weekends we should hire the fields for. The cost is the same regardless how many weekends we hire for.

7.3.2.2 Interruptions – Carnivals/ Long weekends/General Byes

Carnivals

Touch has a carnival in February 2019 that we will have to work around dates TBC

Public Holidays

Easter Holidays
Good Friday 19th April
Easter Saturday 20th April
Easter Sunday 21st April
Easter Monday 22nd April
Anzac Day Thursday 25th April
Long Weekend – June 8th- 10th June



Representative Events

2nd -3rd Feb 2019 – Melbourne June Long Weekend - Tamworth Mid August – Blacktown Country Baseball?

Presentation Night

Saturday following Grand Final



Calendar 2019 Australia





									Your source for calendars			
January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
1 Tu New Year's	1 Fr	1 Fr	1 Mo 14	1 We	1 Sa	1 Mo 27	1 Th	1 Su	1 Tu	1 Fr	1 Su	
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4 Fr	4 Mo 6	4 Mo 10	4 Th	4 Sa	4 Tu	4 Th	4 Su	4 We	4 Fr	4 Mo 45	4 We	
5 Sa	5 Tu	5 Tu	5 Fr	5 Su	5 We	5 Fr	5 Mo 32	5 Th	5 Sa	5 Tu	5 Th	
6 Su	6 We	6 We	6 Sa	6 Mo 19	6 Th	6 Sa	6 Tu	6 Fr	6 Su	6 We	6 Fr	
7 Mo 2	7 Th	7 Th	7 Su	7 Tu	7 Fr	7 Su	7 We	7 Sa	7 Mo 41	7 Th	7 Sa	
8 Tu	8 Fr	8 Fr	8 Mo 15	8 We	3 June Long	8 Mo 28	8 Th	8 Su	8 Tu	8 Fr	8 Su	
9 We	9 Sa	9 Sa	9 Tu	9 Th	9 Weekend -	9 Tu	9 Fr	9 Mo 37	9 We	9 Sa	9 Mo 50	
10 Th	10 Su	10 Su	10 We	10 Fr	10 Tamworth	10 We	10 Sa	10 Tu	10 Th	10 Su	10 Tu	
11 Fr	11 Mo 7	11 Mo 11	11 Th	11 Sa	11 Tu	11 Th	11 Su	11 We	11 Fr	11 Mo 46	11 We	
12 Sa	12 Tu	12 Tu	12 Fr	12 Su	12 We	12 Fr	12 Mo 33	12 Th	12 Sa	12 Tu	12 Th	
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16 We	16 Sa	16 Sa	16 Tu	16 Th	16 Su	16 Tu	16 Fr	16 Mo 38	16 We	16 Sa	16 Mo 51	
17 Th	17 Su	17 Su	17 We	17 Fr	17 Mo 25	17 We	17 Sa	17 Tu	17 Th	17 Su	17 Tu	
18 Fr	18 Touch	18 Mo 12	18 Th	18 Sa	18 Tu	18 Th	18 Su	18 We	18 Fr	18 Mo 47	18 We	
19 Sa	19 Footy	19 Tu	19	19 Su	19 We	19 Fr	19 Mo 34	19 Th	19 Sa	19 Tu	19 Th	
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25 Fr	25	25 Mo 13	25 Th ANZAG Day	25 Sa	25 Tu	25 Th	25 Su	25 We	25 Fr	25 Mo 48	25 We Day	
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7.4 Treasurer's Report

Currently the WWBA account sits at \$3524.35.

This month the following outstanding amount were received:

Jackels 2018 club fees \$539 Return of bond for Tamworth \$300

Chocolate Money remains outstanding \$150

Players who contributed towards the Tamworth shortfall included Yoshi, Scott Hawkins, Adam Hoogers, Josh Shaw and Dan Hunter

We paid the 2018 Wagga City Council Grounds fees \$1518 Deposit for Rep August Rep trip \$482.40 3 x Rep Shirts \$135 Hats \$352.55

Association Presentation Costs

Dinner \$280 (This cost was offset by BBQ fundraiser funds) Trophies \$588.90

7.5 Umpire Coordinator Report

Thanks everyone who stepped up and volunteered to umpire games this season, I think it was a great job all round. The finals series was smooth with few hiccups.

To help strengthen and improve the quality of our umpires, the opportunity has been extended by Greg Kent to officiate Canberra's competition. It will be a paid role with plenty of mentoring opportunities. I encourage anyone who enjoys umpiring to take it up, especially those who attended the umpiring clinic earlier this year to have their practical component ticked off. Their will be a training session in September for their preseason, and I'm sure we can organise carpooling opportunities. I'm sure that those who participate will bring back a great well of knowledge and techniques to add to next season.

I will continue to stay in contact with Greg for further umpiring clinics, though unless we get good numbers again bringing one here may not be easy, so we may need to travel.

I would like also over the off season to try and find a way if feasible to pay umpires next eason. We may be able to bring in a sponsor just for that and put their name on the

umpire shirts. We would need to finalise rates and shirts before we approach any sponsors however as I don't believe the association is able to fund that itself at this stage. The other option may be to increase our honestly low fees by a few dollars each and that may cover it.

7.7 Representative Report

Our Rep side for Blacktown is nearing completion , we are waiting on the Draw and Time for Myself/ Albert/ Adam / Tracy / Steve to attend a meeting on Friday the 10th for information on our Weekend . We will be staying at the Atura Hotel at 32 Cricketers Arms Rd , Prospect , rooms will be 2 beds in each room . The boys will be playing 6 games (Not including the finals) . One of their games is under lights and I'm presuming this will be Saturday Night. I will advise at the Meeting on Monday Night of when all money remaining has to be finalised for our trip. At training on the weekend we had good numbers and had a good 4 Innings Game with other players from Baseball so a big thank you to them. On September the 15th and 16th we are hosting the Titans from Melbourne I will advise all details at another time as our first priority is Blacktown .

7.7.1 Representative Team

Our preparations for Blacktown are nearly complete, we are just confirming room allocations to send through and with money coming in now to pay for it we should be full go by the time the weekend rolls around. We are still waiting for the draw to come through, but they said we should have it this Monday (23/7) which will give us time to work out carpooling. With 6 games plus a final over the three days we will be quite busy as a team, with some supporters coming this time we should be able to take lots of photos for the Facebook page. If anyone has any ideas we may not have thought of already, please speak up.

7.7.2 North Western Titans

The North Western Titans have given us a date to come up to Wagga for a series of games, they are going to be here Friday the 14th of September and would like to play Saturday and Sunday (15th & 16th) before going home. This year they are bringing two teams, the Mens team has a squad of 20 odd players who want to play 3 games and a Ladies team that want to play 1 game. They have suggested that we have two teams, an A Grade and a B Grade, with the A Grade to play two games against their best lineup in the Mens team and our B Grade to play the game against their Ladies and another game against their Mens backup team. Council have approved us for two games timeslots on the Saturday and one early on the Sunday because we need to be off the field by 12:30pm for Touch. This means we will need to play on both fields for 1 timeslot. If we see that would be

great. We are concentrating on Blacktown at the moment but after that we will put the call out for players and coaches to start training.

