

# Wagga Baseball Agenda

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> August 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*), Deb Hoogers (*Representative*)

<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 True and Correct?
- 4.0 Actions arising from previous minutes

	Action Arising	Person Responsible	Time Frame	Progress
4.1	Peter Cook Meeting	Board	Thurs 23/8	In Progress
4.2	Bendigo Bank Change	Board	Next Season	
4.3	Outstanding Rep Fees	Everyone	NOW	
4.4	Junior development	Simon Jamieson	For Next Season	

- 5.0 Correspondence In
- **6.0 New Business**
- 7.0 Board Reports

	Board Member	Attached
7.1	President	Yes
7.2	Vice President	No
7.3	Secretary	Yes
7.4	Treasurer	No
7.5	Umpiring	No



7.6	<b>Public Relations</b>	No
7.7	Competitions	Yes
7.8	Representative	Yes

### 8.0 Club Reports

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

Next Meeting: 24<sup>th</sup> September 6:30pm

### **Attachments**

#### 7.1 President

Our first Month off from the Baseball season has been just as busy as during. A very successful trip to Blacktown which can open further doors to our Association. More on that below as well as the standard issues to discuss.

#### 7.1.1 Representative Team

Our Blacktown trip was a lot of fun, all the players had a great time, both on and off the field. Our result of 4 loss, 1 draw and 1 win to finish 5<sup>th</sup> out of 7 teams is something to learn from. We were a bit jittery and awestruck for a couple of games. We could have quite easily come away with 4 wins as we were only either a couple of hits away or made an error at a bad time. To everyone who came along, the players, support staff and team supporters, we thank you for your efforts in making the weekend a success. Some feedback from the powers that be in NSW Country Baseball was that as a team we played well together, some lapses in concentration and a lack of clutch hitting is what held us back. They are very happy with our return and are keen to have us back next year. They mentioned that next years Championships will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in August.

#### 7.1.2 Fundraising

We are running a Bunnings BBQ on August 31, can we please put the call out for volunteers to help out at the BBQ on the day. We need 3-4 members from 8:30am until 4:30pm. Any and all help is welcome and appreciated. The Jackals are hosting a Trivia Night to raise funds for their club on September 12 at 6pm at the Rhythm and Rhyme Café. It would be great to see some support for one of our own with a good showing of Baseball Representatives for what should be a great night out. They allow BYO Alcohol so there's no reason not to enjoy yourself. I have heard a suggestion of calling some businesses with shopfronts around town that might be interested in selling chocolates to help us raise funds. The suggestion is that we give them a box of chocolates for their display and collect the \$50 up front to make it easier for us to collect and as the sell them they recoup their money. I think this is a great idea as we would basically be raising money for minimal work. I am happy to put some work in on this over the coming months should everyone agree that it would be worth the time taken.

#### 7.1.3 North Western Titans/Illawarra Baseball

As previously discussed, the North Western Titans are coming up for a few games next month (September 15-16), training will be commencing soon once the teams are organised. The President of Baseball Illawarra has contacted myself and Tracy regarding Wagga hosting as invitational tournament with 4 different teams coming to Wagga for a weekend of Baseball. This is in the very early stages and is only a discussion so far but this could certainly be an avenue we can go down in the future to better our players and also use the tourism and other benefits for Wagga when discussing our future with Wagga City Council.

#### 7.1.4 Sponsorship

I've had some technical difficulties recently and lost all of my files, the sponsorship letters were only sent as PDF files so I need to start from scratch to make up the new ones going with the same format. I hope to have this completed in time for this meeting. I have some ideas of businesses that we can target and will start putting the time in when the letters are ready to go.

#### 7.1.5 Grants Seminar

I attended a seminar held by the NSW Office of Sport on applying for Grants for sporting and community organisations to gain access to money for facility upgrades, personnel training and increasing participation in Local Sport. There are a lot of different grants on offer that could be handy to help Wagga Baseball moving forward. We need to develop a vision and strategic plan to go along with our applications. Obviously with any facility upgrade you need to have Council approval for work aiming to be carried out otherwise it will be rejected by default. We really need to drive this meeting with Peter Cook regarding our field upgrades so we can put together a Grant Application to hopefully help us out financially.

We are fielding nominations for all positions for our upcoming AGM, a few members of our current Executive have decided against running again so it would be great to get some people keen to be involved. We have had a massive few months with Wagga Baseball and feel like we are in a great position moving forward to garner more interest in Baseball and improve our competition.



### 7.3 Secretary Report

I have booked the fields from 10<sup>th</sup> March till the 22<sup>nd</sup> September. This allows for 25 weeks excluding weekends that are set as general byes i.e. Easter, June Long Weekend and Rep Weekend (August) 2019.

## **2019 Season Dates**

4 Team Comp (16

5 Team Comp (20 Rounds

Rounds + 3 Final Series)

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Round	Date
1	10 March
2	17 <sup>th</sup> March
3	24 <sup>th</sup> March
4	31 <sup>st</sup> March
5	7 <sup>th</sup> April
6	14 <sup>th</sup> April
BYE	21 <sup>st</sup> April
DIE	(EASTER)
7	28 <sup>th</sup> April
8	5 <sup>th</sup> May
9	12 <sup>th</sup> May
10	19 <sup>th</sup> May
11	26 <sup>th</sup> May
12	2 <sup>nd</sup> June
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13	16 <sup>th</sup> June
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15	30 <sup>th</sup> June
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	(4 <sup>th</sup> August)
20	11 <sup>th</sup> August
EF/QF	18 <sup>th</sup> August
PL	25 <sup>th</sup> August
GF	1 <sup>st</sup>
5	September

6 Team Comp (18 Rounds + 3 Final Series)

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Presentation night will be on the Friday following GF

#### **Come and Try**

Lets get dates in stone now for the come and try days please

#### **Hume Bank Sponsorship**

I would now like to take the time for everyone to help fill out the Hume Bank Sponsorship form together.

#### 7.7 Competitions Report

#### 7.7.1 Scoring Clinic

NSW Country championships was a great introduction to the NSWBSA. I was able to meet a couple of the people on the committee including Kaye Cooper NSWBSA president.

We were able to discuss the possibility of the scorers clinic for next season. We would need at minimum 6 people preferably around 10 and need to organise somewhere to hold the theory training.

Possible agenda would be Saturday morning basic scoring, Sunday more advanced with stats and possible scoring of a game over one of the days. Kaye is unsure of what the cost would be at the moment as she needs to talk to NSW Baseball in regards to what costs they may put towards the training.

At this stage we are looking at some time in March for the clinic. Kaye will keep in touch over the next few months.

#### **Possible Suggestion**

Another affiliation like we have with Melbourne is the Illawarra Association. Throughout the tournament, everyone seemed to have a great relationship with the members of the team. I was made aware from their scorer Emma Bennet that most members of the team were from the Pirates club.



#### 7.8 Representative Report

Our trip to Blacktown was another great experience for all the boys who participated . The first night saw them go down to Illawarra under lights 7 / 3 very exciting not having played under lights before. The next game was against Coffs Harbour which saw them have a shocker with multiple errors throughout the game , but to their credit held their heads high . Game 3 was also a loss to Newcastle. We had a long break between the games on Saturday which was good as they were feeling a bit worse for wear only having 15 minutes between games , so we all had lunch then back to watch other games . Game 4 saw the boys win 3 / 2 against Hastings and they played beautifully. Game 5 they went down to Shoalhaven by 1 after leading all game , another great fought match . Game 6 was very exciting with a 4 all draw . To all the boys it was a pleasure once again to be your Manager . You are all a credit to Wagga Baseball so Congratulations. A big thank you to all our supporters , having you all there was fantastic. To Coaches / Tracy for scoring , Bundy for Umpiring a huge thank you as without you it would not be possible to do these trips .

