

South Coast Women's Hockey

Minutes

3 March 2015

6:10pm

Croome Rd Complex

ATTENDEES	Emma McLeish (Albion Park), Maree Lackenby (Albion Park), Wendy and Tamara Thorburn (Flames), Danielle Ford (Gerringong), Tracey Kras (Jamberoo), Nichole Harris (Kiama), Amy Flanagan (Kiama), Kath Tibbotts (Kiama), Michele Dunn (Oaks), Julie Horn (Oaks), Bev Thomson (Oaks), Jan Massie (Rail), Lynne Frew (Rail), Rhonda McKinley (Rail), Alisha Edwards (Warilla) and Tracey Shephard (Warilla)
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1 **WELCOME** Emma welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Nichole Harris and Clubs for their support during her absence while on her overseas Australian Representative duties. Emma outlined the agenda.

2 **APOLOGIES** Jodie Simms (Berry)

3	Feedback from joint meeting/discussion with Illawarra <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2015 fee update from the board meeting that was held on 22nd Feb
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- Expressions of Interest were received and accepted by the Board to fill the South Coast Competitions Committee. The Committee comprises:
 - Chairpersons (Co) Lynne Frew and Tracey Shepherd
 - Secretary Faye Worner
 - Fixtures Tracey Kras
 - Registrar Jan Massie
 - Officiating Bev Thomson
 - ISCH Board Nichole Harris
- The Board received more nominations than vacant positions. It was decided to accept all nominations and appoint Co-Chairpersons
- Emma and Nichole thanked the above people for their commitment.

3a	Difference between ISCH South Coast Field Competition Committee and SCWHA
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- South Coast in a unique position – merged with the new entity – did not amalgamate
- South Coast Women's Hockey Association still exists as an entity
 - Has existing committee
 - Has financial interests – future of which needs to be determined by all 2014 SCWHA Clubs
 - SCWHA to have AGM – notification to be sent
- Clubs no longer exist under SCWHA
- There are 26 players who continue to be members of SCWHA – South Coast Minkies
- The South Coast Club has 1 vote

3b	SCWHA life members standing on ISCH life members group
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- SCWHA Life Members are not automatically members of the ISCH Life Member Group
- Life Member Group of ISCH have votes
- Process to request transfer of SCWHA Life Members to ISCH Life Members: SCWHA need to request transfer
- Points to clarify:
 - Criteria for life membership
 - Do rights of life members transfer
- Action Item: Faye to draft request to ISCH Board ready for AGM for approval.

4	Team Nominations/ team preferences for draw purposes. Re: times/ nights
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Club	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	U15 Girls	U18 Women
Albion Park	1	1				
Berry			1			
Flames		1	1	1		
Gerringong	1		1		1	
Jamberoo	1	1	1			
Kiama		1	1	1	1	
Oaks		1	1	1		
Railway Greys	1	1	1	1	1	1
Warilla			1			
Total	4	6	8	4	3	1

Competitions

- ISCH to run:
 - Men's Competition
 - Women's Competitions: South Coast and Illawarra
 - Juniors – Mixed U7 – U18
 - Monday Juniors – U15 and U18 Girls
- Fixtures
 - Meeting 10/3/2015
 - Issues: Division 1- align draws, fields
 - Clubs need to send preferences for playing times
- Competitions will run the same as in 2014 i.e joint 1st Division and U15's

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Competition Rules Update/ Thoughts on by laws that were amended at board meeting on 22nd Feb

Emma outlined the process the Board went through to produce ***the Draft Illawarra South Coast Hockey Field Hockey Competition Rules***. All rules from all four associations were compared and aligned as much as possible. It was a marathon effort.

All present congratulated the Board and especially Wes Johnson for compiling a comprehensive document.

Copies of the ***Draft Illawarra South Coast Hockey Field Hockey Competition Rules*** were emailed to all clubs seeking feedback. Emma stressed the importance of Clubs directing feedback to the Board by the next meeting 16/3/2015.

Discussion regarding feedback – Individual Clubs should submit feedback.

The meeting had suggestions regarding some of the proposed rules:

4.2.13 – clarification on bottom 4 players can play down – grading system?

5.3 – 35 minutes – men, possible for 1st Grade Women: discretion of Fixtures Committee

5.3 – Umpire time out for 1st Grade – further discussion/clarification

5.6 – Management software – instructions to be provided

5.13.6 – Rule to be made clearer in its intent: 1st Grade games only – GK off/11 field players (Refer to FIH rules)

5.13.10 – any player can play down to fill in as a goalkeeper.

7.3 & 7.4 – Tech Bench? For all grades?

9.4 – Players should have a right of appeal within the 7 day period		
9.6 – Card and points for final series should be different		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If more than 1 rule applies to certain occurrences there should be a cross referencing system to allow reading of the rules to be comprehensive and inclusive of circumstances.• Rules should be written in plain English so the intent of the rules are clear• The application of the new rules needs a degree of flexibility on their enforcement and should be seen as a work in progress over the 2015 season.		
8	Junior Development update	
Tracey Shepherd coordinating the Monday Development Clinic at Croom Rd		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registration 23/3/15 – 4.30 pm – 5.30 pm• Season beginning 23/3/2015 concluding 27/7/2015• Volunteers needed• Fees to be determined - possible sponsorship/ reduction in turf fees?• Meeting with the Game Development Committee• Ben will attend a couple of days		
10	Other Business	
Uniforms		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Railway Greys new uniform was approved prior to the merger• All new uniform proposals must go through the ISCH Board for approval prior to any changes being made		
9	Next Meeting Date	AGM 30 March 2015 6:00 PM Croom Rd Complex
	Meeting Closed	7:20 PM

Jan Massie
Note taker for meeting
SC Women's Competition Committee

Action Items

<i>ACTION ITEMS</i>	<i>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</i>	<i>DEADLINE</i>
Notification of AGM	Emma McLeish	9/3/2015
Draft request to transfer all existing SCWHA Life Members to Illawarra South Coast Hockey. These Life Members will then be members of the ISCH Life Members Group	Faye Worner	30/3/2015 (AGM)
Clubs to send playing time preferences	All clubs	asap
Clubs to send feedback to ISCH Board regarding draft rules	All clubs	16/3/2015
Meeting's comments on the Draft Rules to be forwarded to ISCH Board	Jan - Email minutes to be forwarded by Emma/Nichole	16/3/2015