

NEWCASTLE BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

Record of Meeting



MEETING TITLE:	NBA Board Meeting		
MEETING LOCATION:	Softball Clubrooms, Stevenson Ave, Mayfield.	MEETING DATE:	Tuesday 24 th January 2023
		MEETING START:	7:31pm
		MEETING END:	8.28pm
CHAIRPERSON:	Duane Harrison	RECORDED BY:	Maxine Poole
ATTENDEES:	Duane Harrison <i>NBA- Chairman</i> Maxine Poole <i>NBA – Secretary</i> Scott Foster <i>NBA – Treasurer</i> Ian Hook <i>NBA / Life Member</i> Travers Searle <i>NBA</i> Brian Sullivan <i>NBA</i> Jason Picot <i>NBA</i> Megan Doudle <i>NBA</i>		
APOLOGIES:	Fiona Hinton-Rodgers		

AGENDA:	
1	Review of Rep meeting and merger
2	Representative Season
3	Season 2023
4	General Business

1 REVIEW OF REP MERGER MEETING WITH PARENTS

Meeting was attended by 12 parents in person as well as 13 parents via zoom. The overall vibe from parents was good. Duane outlined the timeline of the proposed merger. Central Coast will not be entering teams in the State Championships, CC kids will be given exemption from BNSW to play this State Championships for Newcastle as they were not aware of the situation at the beginning of the summer comp. After season 2023 a full merger between Newcastle and Central Coast will occur. All players that are present at trials will be treated equally, some CC coaches will be utilised as selectors and coaches/assistants. Mark Marino will address the CC meeting on January 30th at 7pm. This merger is only for State Champs, Newcastle will play as their own association for Country Championships. Will look at setting up a panel to discuss all things merger with Ben Terry as our rep.

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2 REPRESENTATIVE SEASON

State Championships

LL- 13-16th April @ North Narrabeen Reserve

JL- 7-10th April @ North Narrabeen Reserve

SL- 19-22nd April @ BISP.

Trials Monday 6th February 5.30-7.30 @ Boomerang Field.

Little League- Greg and Fiona Rodgers to be joined by Richard Beath.

Junior League- Ian Hook, Emily Barclay, Daryl Connett, Duane Harrison. EO Andrew Gardner.

Senior League- Jason Bartlett, Jason Picot

Jason dealing with Chris Swan from Elite Sports to organise uniforms.

Brian to chase up umpires for State Champs. NBA to pay the umpires accommodation.

Australian Women's Championship trials will be at Windsor Park, Gateshead on Sunday February 5th at 9am-1pm.

3 SEASON 2023

Wallsend Diggers has been booked for our **Season Launch on March 17th**. We have emailed asking for exemption of room hire fees. Need to decide on food platters.

Duane has spent time joining local community pages adding our info flyer and competition info and will also add the BNSW recruiting video. Joel Hudson has been doing some good work preparing videos from the travel ball comp and may be a good link. Please share any FB posts.

The Lake Mac Women in Sport Festival will run from 4-12th March with the main open day on Sunday March 5th in Speers Point Park. We have registered our Association as a sport and will set up a marquee similar to last year. Maxine has let Emily, Fiona and Tanith know the date. Duane and Jason are able to attend.

Baseballs- Wilson 1010HS baseballs will be used and are available from our Sponsors 'Red Stitches'.

Travers will be working as the registrar and will endeavour to set up a formula to cover all aspects of gradings.

A **Junior Coaches Meeting** will be held on Tuesday 14th March, a date for Presidents meeting TBA.

The By-laws update is almost complete. The Proposed penalty list is the area to be looked at we can review further and finalise at the February meeting.

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GENERAL BUSINESS

IH- Hunter Academy Start date will be 13th February and conclude on March 20th.

Ian Boulton should be congratulated for his umpiring work at the Australian Youth Championships.

BS- The Umpires AGM is in February. Fees will remain the same as in 2022. Brian will continue to do the draw entry on our website.

JP- A Newcastle venue has been added to the Women's trials for players from Newcastle and North Coast. Jason will be in attendance.

Meeting closed at 8.28pm. Next Meeting Tuesday 7th February.

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