

EASTERN REGION JUNIOR SOCCER ASSOCIATION

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

21 June 2010

Opening:

The meeting of the Eastern Region Junior Soccer Association General Committee was called to order at 1940hrs on 21/6/2010 in the Cambridge Memorial Oval Clubrooms by Stuart Allan.

Present:

Stuart Allan, Barry Hardwick, Daniel Boddy, Jason Grandfield, Brad Try, Andrew Hickman, Brett Clark, Craig Westwood, Jake Undy, Michelle Castle, Craig Crawford, Sarah Davidson (Play by the Rules Website Item).

Apologies:

Adrian McMullen.

A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

B. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous General Committee meeting were submitted for approval.

Proposed: Daniel Boddy

Seconded: Andrew Hickman

Approved

C. Correspondence

Copies of official correspondence in and out were tabled for noting and/or discussion:

- In: from NTSJA by email, re Tom Strickland Cup in early October. It was agreed that details should be posted on the ERJSA website as they became available.
- In: from FFT by email, re Deaf Football Australia. Noted.
- In: from Adrian McMullen by email, re Harassment Free Sport workshops. Noted.
- In: from FFT by email, re Cottee's 5-a-side World Cup. Clubs were encouraged to submit details of this U8 competition into school newsletters.
- In: from FFT by email, re registrations. It was agreed that Stuart Allan would remind Adrian McMullen about the Montagu Bay registrations.
- In: from ESS by email, re fees for girls playing in both ERJSA rosters. It was agreed that fees should only be charged once (clubs to let Barry Hardwick know of numbers).
- In: from Clarence Council by mail, re Cambridge Oval and Clubrooms licence agreement. Noted.

D. Open Issues

* Treasurer's Report. The May 2010 statements, Treasurers Report and payments ratification list were put forward for approval. Further costs of \$27.50 for Brad Try were raised (total reimbursement adjusted to \$187.85).

Proposed: Andrew Hickman

Seconded: Craig Crawford

Approved

It was noted that the school holiday clinics had been a success from a financial as well as a participation and development view. The engagement and input from FFT was appreciated.

* 2010 Season. It was noted that: -

- The ground markings for U12 games at Rokeby High had not been changed, and the Emmanuel team was happy to move. It was proposed that the Emmanuel games be moved to Wentworth Park, Ground 3 at 11:00. Jason Grandfield would send out an email notification and change the U12 roster.

Proposed: Brett Clark

Seconded: Andrew Hickman

Approved

- A Montagu Bay coach had apparently intimidated a Howrah coach into playing 5-a-side at Kangaroo Bay. The Montagu Bay team had a total of nine players, and had also apparently been ignoring instructions from the Game Leader. Adrian McMullen had committed to address the situation. In such situations, it was felt that a coach was within their rights to call off the game. Other issues were raised at the meeting in regards to goalkeeping skills and slide tackles (not allowed at all). It was agreed that clubs should continue to stress the need to follow the FFA rules to their coaches and parents.
- The U14 Girls' State team had run a barbeque at Edgeworth on the previous Saturday, but not made any profit.

* Director of Coaching (DoC). It was noted that: -

- An eastern shore Grassroots Coaching course was scheduled for Wednesday 30 June. It was hoped that a Junior Licence course could also be arranged.
- The DoC would be assisting with the U10 development program. Cathy Ransom was helping with the logistics, and Daniel Boddy would be sending out a flyer to encourage coaches to assist. There were too many U10s to include them in the regional competition days. The program possibly needed to be made more 'girl-friendly'.
- The DoC would be requesting coach details by email.
- The school holiday clinics had gone well, with thanks to Brad Try. One improvement that could be made was the use of a payment stamp to mark kids who had paid the \$5 fee.

* Regional Program. It was noted that: -

- Team selections were complete (although one spot had opened up in the U12 boys) and the teams had competed well enough at the Devonport Cup.
- A girl who had been excluded from the U12 team for being too young had gone to Central. The girl's full circumstances were not known when she was excluded, and it was noted that there had been several instances of complaints/rumours about players' ages this year.
- The U10 program would commence on Friday (25/6/10) and continue until mid August. The U9 program would commence soon.

* Club & Regional strips. It was noted that photos of the Richmond uniform had been received but not yet placed on the website.

* FFT/JSC. It was noted that: -

- John Boulos would probably be the new CEO of FFT.
- Some minor amendments to SSG next year were being considered.
- Steve Payne would continue to encourage the 4-4-3 structure, especially for State teams.
- FFT were planning to hold briefings for officials, prior to each carnival, to set out the playing conditions.
- The structure of State squads (state-wide v North & South) was being considered.
- Government money might be available for an FFT 'home base', possibly at the Showgrounds.
- ERJSA had no coaching credits left.
- Bellerive could take charge of the SSG Game Leader tops for Kangaroo Bay, along with the goals. It was agreed that Jason Grandfield would send out a directive to clubs for them to encourage Game Leaders to wear one of the tops while they were in charge of a game (one at a time only).

* FFA. It was noted that spare participation packs and shirts for U6 & U7 players were available for redistribution to clubs that were short, and that Emmanuel was also looking for 13 extra ERJSA badges.

* Bumper Stickers. It was agreed that Stuart Allan should organise a competition to create a slogan for the bumper stickers.

* Clubroom Bar. It was noted that the area had recently been successfully used for a fundraising event, and that other events could be arranged by contacting Stuart Allan.

E. New Business

* Play by the Rules Website. Sarah Davidson from Sport & Rec attended the meeting to give a PowerPoint presentation on the website. It was agreed that a link should be placed on the ERJSA website to publicise it. A handout was tabled for those present at the meeting. It was noted that: -

- The website had been rolled out to various sports over the last year or so.
- It contained various sections with information about different aspects of making sport inclusive, safe and fair.
- Interactive role-play scenarios were available on the site, as well as online training courses and legal & government information
- A free 2-hour course was available for a nominated 'member protection officer' (possibly at FFT level?).

* Honour Board. It was agreed that Stuart Allan would pick up the board from Wentworth Park and consider updating it.

* Vale **Barry Bourke**. The passing of life member Barry Bourke was noted.

* Edgeworth. It was agreed that Stuart Allan should investigate the benefits of establishing a 'home ground' at Edgeworth Park. Clarence Council had indicated that the ground should be available about ten months of each year. The addition of facilities such as lighting and clubrooms would allow much more use of the ground.

* Off Season. It was agreed that the possibility of an U12 State Club Championship after the end of the regular season and/or an SSG program over summer should be discussed at the next meeting.

F. Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 2210hrs by Stuart Allan. The next General Committee meeting was scheduled for 1930hrs on 19/7/2010 at the Cambridge Memorial Oval Clubrooms.

Minutes submitted by:

Jason Grandfield