



Ku-Ring-Gai Netball Association Inc. ABN: 22 897 530 107
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SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING – Wednesday 13th March 2024

A Special General Meeting of Ku-ring-gai Netball Association was held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 13th March 2024 at Kissing Point Sports Club, Auluba Road, South Turramurra and via Zoom.

A quorum was established. RJ opened the meeting at 7:32pm.

Attendees

		Patron
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Name	Club	Position
	BER	Delegate
Marilyn McTaggart	BER	Delegate
	CC	Delegate
	CC	Delegate
	HH	Delegate
Peta Stewart	HH	Delegate
Carolyn Sinclair	KILL	Delegate
	KILL	Delegate
Beth Stewart	KP	Delegate
Jocelyn Barber	KP	Delegate
Louise Woods	LIN	Delegate
Benn Murphy	LIN	Delegate
Jocelyn Barber	SH	Delegate
	NT	Delegate
Caroline Macdonald	NT	Delegate
	SH	Delegate
Karie Bradford	SH	Delegate
Marc Gozzett	STI	Delegate
Melissa Costa	STI	Delegate
Abby Smith	WAH	Delegate
Kelly Winlin	WAH	Delegate
Giselle Stollznov	WP	Delegate
Sarah Draper	WP	Delegate

Name	Club	Position
Rod Jackson	LIN	Executive
Ruth Havrlant	KNA	Executive
Ian Eldershaw	WP	Executive
Helen Pratt	KNA	Executive
Gillian Boyd	BER	Executive

Name	Club	Position
Tanya Baker	LIN	Coaching
Katie Bonjer	STI	Fixtures
Kissane Gray	NT	Grading
Andrew Younan	LIN	JRSC
Cheryl Nolan	NT	RLO
	LIN	Registrar
Louise Woods	LIN	SRSC
Zac Aubourg	KP	Umpires
Cathy Dell	STI	Umpires

In Attendance:

Name	Club	Position
Michelle Rae		NSG Skills
JoAnne Perry (Zoom)		LM
Alex Conway	KILL	
Lisa Ashton	STI	



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1.	Presentation
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RJ tabled to the meeting a “Respect the Past – Embrace the Future” slide-show. Slides included:

1. A huge thankyou to all Clubs and their officials for getting the upcoming season up and running,
2. A summary of registrations for the year –
 - a. same no of teams and we have stopped the slide.
 - b. Non-player registrations are now free, so RJ encouraged all Clubs to register all their officials with special mention to get their WWCC numbers at the same time. Tanya to ask for PlayHQ to make input of WWCC’s compulsory, RJ asking Clubs to ensure they enforce the two-person rule – someone must be always with the coach at training,
 - c. All Abilities to be registered under their own names with a request that one of the questions be reworded within PlayHQ for future registration years,
3. Barker indoor dates for upcoming events –
 - a. 24th March KNA Reps and Umpiring Day,
 - b. 14th April Coach the Coaches Session,
 - c. 5th May Under 9’s Development Day,
 - d. 19th May Under 17 and Opens Invitational Rep Carnival, and
 - e. 2nd June Under 10’s Development Day – like last years except on one day,
4. An update on the new Grounds role/s –
 - a. the role is now much smaller with the introduction of a new Facilities Manager/s
 - b. RJ highlighted that until the Junior registrar and Grounds Committee positions are filled, Clubs will need to provide volunteers to help with the Registrar and Grounds Windows and with the restocking of fridges, etc,
5. Information regarding the NNSW online toolkits for Clubs and Associations, and
6. A call for interest for a new person to be the face of NSG.

2.	Apologies
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Brenda Williams (Life Member), Tanya Sinclair (Senior Registrar), Lee Field (Administration and Life Member), David Funk (Webmaster), Barbara Pope (Life Member), Keri Sheraton (Life Member), Miriam Kluger (Life Member), Peter Havrlant (Life Member), Belinda Snook (BER Delegate), Sophie Siclari and Therese Cameron (CC Delegates), Carley McCarthy (HH Delegate), Michael Hooton (KILL Delegate), Kate Walther (NT Delegate), Jacquii Williams (SH Delegate), Stephanie Shepard (WAH Delegate).

3.	Minutes requiring ratification
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None required ratification.



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4. Business arising

None arising.

5. Notices of Motion

None were received.

6. Canoon Road Area Plan of Management Update

Action 39 of the Canoon Road Recreation Area Plan of Management currently states:

Operating under lights:

- *For training on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays on up to 9 courts (courts 1 – 4, 20, 22 – 25) between 4:30pm – 8:00pm for the winter season*
- *For competition games or training on Thursday on up to 9 courts (courts 1 – 4, 20, 22 – 25) between 4:30pm – 8:00pm for the winter season. (This is a key action and high priority in the PoM to reduce usage on Saturdays – the Under 9 age group will be moved from Saturdays to Thursdays.*

No fixtures or training under lights on Fridays.

RJ has been in contact with Ku-ring-gai Municipal Council to get the above changed as the restrictions made it no longer fit for purpose. The idea is to have another competition on Thursday nights instead of currently the 9's. Greg Taylor took on the challenge of getting the above Action changed to the below. A huge thank you to Councillor Greg Taylor for driving these changes. This now means we can plan our Thursday night competitions around these changes.

Notice of Motion from Councillor G Taylor dated 24 November 2023, was adjoined in the December meeting, and was re-introduced to KMC Meeting in February 2024.

It was resolved that the following changes be made to point 39 of the Action Plan in the Canoon Road Recreation Area Plan of Management:

Operating under lights:

- *For training on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays on up to 9 courts (courts 1-4, 20,22 – 25) between 4:30pm – 8.00pm for the netball season, from March to September.*
- *For competition games or training on Thursday on up to 9 courts (courts 1-4, 20, 22-25) between 4:30pm and 8:00pm for the netball season, from March to September.*

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For the resolution: The Mayor, Councillor Ngai, Councillors Kay, Lennon, Smith, Spencer, A. Taylor, Ward and Wheatley.
Against the Resolution: Councillor Pettett.



Councillor Greg Taylor

RJ informed the meeting that there are a few conditions for the above change to occur, none of them onerous though, like Landcare of the land around the complex and an audit of the facility to be undertaken.

Submissions for the above change close 4th April 2024. RJ encouraged our members to write to KMC, pushing the positives of this change for our members.

7.	Election of Office Bearers
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Nomination forms and Job Descriptions are also on the KNA website – www.kna.com.au.

Grounds Convenor

Junior Registrar

No nominations were received for the above roles. RJ informed the meeting that Chris Shi, the new Facilities manager, was a fantastic addition. RJ informed the meeting that as a result, Clubs would need to supply extra volunteers to fill the Registrar and Grounds Committee Windows during the foreseen future.

Please go back to your members and ask for help.

7.	Election of Non-Office Bearers and Committee Members
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Court Booking Officers Assistant

Junior Registrar Assistant



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Marketing Assistant

Minute Secretary

Senior Registrar Assistant

Spring Competition Registrar

Spring Competition Umpires Convenor

Spring Competition Coordinators Assistant

Club Coaching Committee

Grounds Committee

No nominations were received for the above roles. Please go back to your Clubs and ask for help.

8. General Business

1. Working with Children Checks

TS to ask whether WWCC numbers can be made to be compulsorily entered by members with PlayHQ at registration time.

2. Cadets Division – Spring Competition - changing the cadets comp to both mixed and all girls, 14-year-olds.

15-year-olds want to play in their own division of seniors, in a mixed competition. This could be trialled within our Spring Comp Ladies division on Thursday nights.

3. Rep Transfer and Policy. Link:

https://www.kna.com.au/files/ugd/a0c038_2c8989c4ca2d4f3b844f85fd73114d08.pdf
https://www.kna.com.au/files/ugd/a0c038_066f2fd391ed4202a1fb96c48b65088e.pdf

The Rep Transfer Policy has decimated smaller clubs and KNA would like to change the policy so that it supports smaller clubs more. Clubs should push the “It’s okay to have fun at Club Level” motto to new Rep players in an attempt to keep them in smaller Clubs. Reasons for transfer also need tightening.

This will be covered more fully at the President’s Forum on 14th May 2024.

4. Definition of “Home Grown”.



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This will be covered at the President's Forum on 14th May 2024. A suggestions survey to be distributed beforehand.

5. Sponsorship on Club Uniforms.

KNA has no rules stopping Clubs from having their sponsors on their uniforms but the cost involved with changing uniforms every time Club sponsors changed is one of the reasons why Clubs did not want to have their sponsors on their uniforms.

6. Changing game times back from COVID settings.

There has been much discussion re the last time slot at Canoon each Saturday being too late. In an effort to alleviate this problem, the following was agreed to:

Age Group	Start Time	Game	Quarter length	Breaks	Time (mins)
10's	8.00am	Game	4 x 10	2,3,2	47
		Break			13
11's	9.00am	Game	4 x 10	2,3,2	47
		Break			13
12's	10.00am	Game	4 x 12	2,4,2	56
		Break			14
Inters	11.10am	Game	4 x 14	2,4,2	64
		Break			16
Cadets	12.30pm	Game	4 x 15	3,5,3	71
		Break			14
Seniors	1.55 pm	Game	4 x 15	3,5,3	71
		Break			14
Seniors	3.20pm	Game	4 x 15	3,5,3	

Request to increase q

With the above changes, the last game will now finish 22 minutes earlier.

There were no objections, carried.

7. New umpiring rules – implementation and communication.

Rules Session will be held on 24th March. This session is open to everyone.



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In summary the changes are:

KNA Competitions

It is the intent that all KNA competitions will implement the below rule changes from our Day 1 2024, **except for** our Net Set Go competitions (i.e., the 7 NSG, 8 NSG and 9 NSG), who will not be implementing Rolling Substitutions.

All other KNA competition coaches will be permitted to use Rolling Substitutions when they see fit, from Day 1 2024.

9 NSG will begin to use Rolling Substitutions in the second half of the Winter Competition, at the same time as the rotation rules are relaxed. At that time, 9 NSG coaches will be permitted to use Rolling Substitutions when they see fit.

For Rolling Substitutions to be made in a timely manner it is recommended that teams have 2 sets of bibs of the same colour.

2024 Rules of Netball – Update

With the introduction of updated rules in 2024, Netball NSW would like to provide some further information, guidance, and options on their implementation at community level. The rules came into effect on 1 January 2024 for International Competitions. As previously communicated, NNSW recommends the start date for the rules to be at the commencement of all Winter Competitions. This gives all stakeholders a chance to be educated on their application. Note that the new rules must be implemented for all competitions by 1 September 2024. This time period takes into account the different start times of competitions of countries across the world.

In 2024, Netball NSW has made the decision to implement Rolling Substitutions for all NSW competitions including Premier League, Metro League, Senior State Titles {Opens, 17's, 15's and Men} and Junior State Titles (14's, 13's and 12's). This aligns our pathways to Suncorp Super Netball, the Australian Netball Championships, and the National Netball Championships. Given this, we recommend association carnivals are played using Rolling Substitutions to align with NNSW competitions (further information will be provided regarding application of the Junior State Titles 40% rule).

As rules are written for elite competition (and individually timed games), we have highlighted a number of these to provide some context at community level. Note we have not highlighted rules that pertain to individually timed games.

Rule 21.4 of the World Netball Rules of Netball 2024 Edition states that a decision regarding variations to the rules will be made by the controlling authority for the competition, and any variations should maintain the integrity of the game.



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Rules of Netball Rule Reference	Rules of Netball Rule Summary	Recommendations for Community Implementation
Rule 3: Team 13(f)	The on-court captain must wear identification as specified by the event organiser (for example and arm band or patch on their playing uniform).	Not required, umpires can ask for the on- court captain(s) if required.
Rule 5: Technical and Event Officials 1&2	Refers to World Netball Technical Officials Manual, World Netball Event and Commercial Operations Manual and World Netball Event Disciplinary Regulations.	There is no need for umpires or competition organisers at community level to read these manuals and regulations.
Rule 5: Technical and Event Officials 8 and 9	<p>This a new clause that refers to event organiser responsibilities for such things as; preparing the playing enclosure, length of the game, breaks, extra time requirements and includes dealing with team officials, bench players whose behaviour is inappropriate.</p> <p>This rule also states a requirement for event organisers to arrange an independent concussion observer for every event.</p>	<p>The majority of responsibilities included in this clause are already happening at community level. We encourage you to continue using the processes for your competitions that are already in place and that you have been using to manage poor/inappropriate behaviour.</p> <p>Further clarification around the requirement to have an independent concussion observer and guidelines and education around concussion at the community level will be provided by Netball Australia and Netball NSW in the coming months.</p>
Rule 10: Stoppages 18	If there is blood on the ball it should be swapped	At the beginning of each game, we would encourage umpires to ensure they have two balls that can be used



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		throughout the match (one from each team).
Rule 10: Substitutions and Team Changes 1-4	<p>Both teams may make tactical changes immediately after a goal has been scored following a request from an on-court player to hold time for this purpose, ensuring that:</p> <p>a. The umpire is clear the request is for a tactical change and not for injury/illness of a player or blood.</p> <p>b. Any on-court players leave the court or change playing positions without delay.</p> <p>c. Any substitutes take up their position on court without delay.</p> <p>d. All team officials including primary care persons remain at the team bench.</p> <p>e. The umpire is able to restart play quickly, so the momentum of the match is not affected.</p>	<p>Netball NSW will be replacing this rule with Rolling Substitutions.</p> <p>As most of our community games are centrally timed whilst the game can be stopped, time cannot be held as required in Rule 10.2.</p> <p>For centrally timed games, we would recommend the use of Rolling Substitutions to ensure equality of time for all teams.</p> <p>You can choose to play either Rule 10 (1-4) Substitutions and Team Changes or Rolling Substitutions, they cannot both be played together.</p>

Rules for Rolling Substitutions

While play is in progress, any team may choose to use rolling substitutions provided the rolling substitution is performed with players on the team bench who have been named on their team sheet.

- (a) The rolling substitution stands at the designated area. This is normally set up as a small box or line to the side of each team’s bench, next to the score bench. At community level this designated spot may be in line with the centre circle or some other area as advised by the competition organisers.



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- (b) Before leaving the designated area, the substitute tags (with hands) the player leaving the court.
- (c) Only 1 rolling substitution per team can be made at a time.
- (d) Play is not to be held up for rolling substitutions. If play is delayed, the player will be penalised under Rule 19. Foul Play, Unfair Play 2. Delaying Play, which state a player or team may not intentionally waste time or delay play.
- (e) Players must observe the offside rules as they enter/leave the court, in the event a player goes offside: Sanction: Free pass where the infringement occurred (offside area) unless this places the non-infringing team at a disadvantage when the sanction will be given where the ball was when play stopped, or advantage applied.
- (f) Players must not interfere with the umpire's movement during the substitution, in the event a player interferes with an umpire: Sanction: Free pass where ball was when play stopped unless this places the non- infringing team at a disadvantage when advantage will be applied.
- (g) If a player leaves the court as a rolling substitution and there is no player at the designated area, the replacement player will be treated as a late player under the rules and can enter at a "break in play" (defined in the Rules of Netball 2024 Edition).

8. Amendments and additions to existing club uniforms HHNC

Proposed By: Megan Bowen

Seconded by: Peta Stewart

- a. Addition of long black sleeve skivvy and black long leggings to be worn under the dress.
- b. Addition of a polo collared t-shirt to be worn with shorts. In club design.
- c. Change to racer back dress from normal wide singlet style dress.
- d. Please note the tracksuit pants and long jackets are additional items but not part of our players uniforms.





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No objections, carried.

9. Additions to the Berowra Netball Uniform.

Proposed by: Mick Flarey

Seconded by: Marilyn McTaggart

Addition of black leggings that players can wear with our already approved singlet - both 3/4 and full length plain black leggings as pictured below.



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Addition of a white skivvy worn under the uniform. To be worn by younger player.



No objections, carried.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:30pm.