



Ku-Ring-Gai Netball Association Inc. ABN: 22 897 530 107
PO Box 5067
Turramurra NSW 2074

EXECUTIVE MEETING – Monday 4th December 2023 at 6:30pm

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present: Rod Jackson (chair), Ruth Havrlant, Ian Eldershaw, Helen Pratt, Gillian Boyd, and Mick Flarey.

1. Vice President Nominees and vote (if required)

Ruth Havrlant nominated for the Vice President role and was elected unopposed.

2. 2024 Portfolios

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| a. NetSetGo! | Mick Flarey |
| b. NSU Delegate | Gillian Boyd |
| c. NNSW Delegate | Rod Jackson |
| d. Coaching | Mick Flarey |
| e. Gala Days | Mick Flarey |
| f. Marketing | Rod Jackson |
| g. Reps | Ruth Havrlant |
| h. Umpires | Ruth Havrlant |
| i. Competition/Fixtures/
Grading and Registration | Gillian Boyd |
| j. Grounds | Gillian Boyd |

3. Status follow-up

- a. 2024 Kick Start will be held on 10th March 2024 with the same format as 2023 Kick Start with Umpire Junior / Beginner Umpires, NetSetGo! Introduction to Coaching / Umpiring, etc.
- b. Structure of cadets age groups for 2024 (15-16 and 17-21)
Meeting discussed expanding the new second cadet competition to include up to 21-year-olds. There was discussion about what to call the new cadets division. Grading/Registration and Marketing to make the decision re name. The meeting also discussed the idea of moving this new competition to a Thursday night. Grading Committee to discuss and advise.
- c. Boys playing after U12, so competitions become mixed.
The meeting discussed raising the age boys can play within KNA from 12 to 14 years old. All agreed that this was a good move for the future development of inclusive netball games and gender identification. Clubs would need to be canvassed for their thoughts.



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d. Structure of NSG

The trialling of NSG Saturday games being a Clinic then a game each Saturday was discussed. All agreed that this was the best way forward for NSG. RJ will chat with MF re this.

e. Timing of games

The meeting discussed the shortening of time between games back to pre-COVID timings, so that we could reduce the overall time from start to finish on a Saturday. If we do reduce the times between games by 10 minutes, this give a total saving of approximately 1 hour, meaning our finish time could be 4pm rather than 5pm, or we can get another time slot included in the day.

f. Council Forum

KMC Councillor Greg Taylor has been helping KNA to change our Plan of Management (PoM) via a Notice of Motion at KMC's next council meeting to be held 5th December 2024.

Canoon Road Recreation Area Plan of Management and Ku-ring-gai Netball Association

Notice of Motion by Councillor Greg Taylor

Ku-ring-gai Netball Association (KNA) is recognised as a leading netball association on the North Shore, comprising 12 clubs and 3,600 members from the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai area. Currently KNA holds Saturday competition at the Canoon Road Recreational Area with the Under 9 age group playing on Thursday nights. These restrictions no longer suit the KNA or its members. Opening up the Thursday competition time slot to any age group, at the discretion of KNA, is more appropriate and would allow the KNA to further reduce the impacts on surrounding neighbours of competition on weekends and better manage competition logistics.

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



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- 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.

To accommodate the current and future needs of netball in Ku-ring-gai, it is recommended that the wording in point 39 of the Action Plan be amended.

I therefore move:

A. 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 – 8.00pm for the netball season, from March to September.

No fixtures or training under lights on Fridays.

B. The amended Plan of Management be placed on public exhibition for a period of at least 28 days with a period of public notice of not less than 42 days, in accordance with Council's Community participation plan and section 38 of the Local Government Act.

C. A report be produced outlining a pathway to the redevelopment of the Canoon Road Recreation Area community building amenity, and options to improve storage capacity on the site.

D. The above-mentioned community consultation results and pathway report be brought back to an Ordinary Meeting of Council as soon as possible.

E. Council note KNA's interest in collaborating with Ku-ring-gai Council's Bushcare team to develop a program aimed at improving the health and



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quality of the bushland within Canoon Road Recreation Area, and its surrounds.

g. Player Transfer review

We have asked that player transfers get the agreement between Clubs before the player transfer is officially recognised. This is to help reduce players transferring from smaller Clubs to already stretched larger Clubs. TS has advised that we can “flag” such transfers so that smaller Clubs can chat to the player to find out reasons before okaying the move to the larger Club. Reos are happy for this to proceed. All players transfers will now be flagged. The meeting discussed the practicalities but overall felt that this was a positive step forward for all Clubs.

h. Communication of Supershot Days

The meeting discussed how to communicate the Supershot days earlier so our members were more aware when they would occur. HP advised that she send out the updated Calendar highlighting the Supershot days of Day 7 and Day 10. Also discussed was adding Supershot to our 2024 Spring Competition. It would have occurred in 2023 Spring Competition, but the Executive was unsure whether the Supershot lines would have been added in time. They have now been added ready for 2024 Spring Competition.

i. Creche Proposal for senior timeslots.

Peta Stewart put forward the suggestion of having a Creche as part of playing the final time slot for those women who have small babies but also want to come back to play a game of netball each week. BHNA runs a Creche. The consensus was that more investigation required before committing.

j. An earlier time slot for senior games

The meeting discussed having an earlier time slot for seniors players. With the time reducing between the games, this could now to accommodate. Fixtures to advise.

k. Christmas Get together.

RJ suggested two dates and the meeting decided 15th December 2024 was more appropriate for the Christmas get together. RJ to send out invitations to all Clubs and Executive.

l. Non-Player Registration



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Now that Non-Player Registrations are now free within the PlayHQ software, there should be a big push to get all Clubs to register everyone volunteering with them – including all coaches, managers, Executive and committee members. All agreed to keeping the Volunteer Day at a Swifts game during the season, after the successful 2023 Volunteer Day.

m. Sponsorship

AY has had success in having a grant from Hornsby RSL award to the Rep program, with the prospect of more in the following years. The meeting agreed that this was a fabulous result, and that AY should be congratulated. AY also informed the Executive that there could be more coming via community grants for the replacement of tents.

The next meeting will be held 13th February 2024 instead of the Gazetted 20th February to give extra time for staging and implementing early events planned for 2024 Season.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 9pm.