



Ku-Ring-Gai Netball Association Inc. ABN: 22 897 530 107
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COMPETITION FORUM – Tuesday 18th July 2023

Held 7.25pm pm on Tuesday 18th July 2023 via Zoom and in person at Kissing Point Sports Club, Auluba Road, South Turramurra.

ATTENDEES:

Executive:	Office Bearers:
President: Rod Jackson (Chair)	Grading: Kissane Gray
Treasurer: Ian Eldershaw (Zoom)	Coaching: Tanya Baker
Secretary: Helen Pratt	NSG Convenor: Sharon Addison
Exec Member: Mick Flarey, Gillian Boyd	Grounds: David Funk
	JRSC: Andrew Younan
	RLO: Cheryl Nolan
	Snr Registrar: Tanya Sinclair (Zoom)
	SRSC: Louise Woods (Zoom)
Life Members:	In Attendance:
Jo-Anne Perry	Stuart Moore
Keri Sheraton	

Delegates:	
Berowra: Dana Summerhayes, Marilyn McTaggart	North Turramurra: Kate Walther, Caroline Macdonald
Corpus Christi: Therese Cameron	Sacred Heart: Jacqueline Williams, Karie Bradford
Hornsby Heights: Genelle May	St Ives: Melissa Costa, Kylie Middleton
Killara: Carolyn Sinclair, Michael Hooton	Wahroonga:
Kissing Point: Beth Stewart, Vanessa Forte	
Lindfield: Benn Murphy, Louise Woods (Zoom)	West Pymble: Gizelle Stollznaw, Sarah Noble

In Attendance: Stuart Moore (KP)



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This is a Forum in which there are no formal policies decided, only proposals and ideas are presented.

AGENDA:

1. Apologies

Brenda Williams, Ruth Havrlant, Katie Bonjer, Robyn Rowland, Allison Gill, Cathy Dell, Lee Field, Miriam Kluger, Edwina Stuart, Peta Stewart, and Stephanie Sheppard.

2. Items for Discussion – Comp Forum

a. Rod Jackson gave a Presentation – please find attached. The main points were

- i. We are supposed to be having fun. If not having fun, please do not come to the courts. We are getting tired of the abuse being dished out to officials and players.
- ii. KNA is the 8th Biggest in NSW, but our numbers are falling.
- iii. The U9's are coping better now. Feedback is showing that the Thursday night competition has a better vibe, it's more fun and they are all feeling much more included in the KNA family. They like the BBQ and canteen being available, both of which are selling produce well.
- iv. Canteen has updated its offerings with Ana being a great cook, homemade ideas are working well.
- v. Senior Squad numbers are down with the colder weather. We need to encourage more of the younger cohort within the seniors ranks.
- vi. Our KNA Fun Day was a huge success with Umpires training and Under 9's grading also happening on the day. Feedback has been very positive.
- vii. We have had a fashion day and our market day is coming up on 12th August.
- viii. Giving c and d grade teams the chance to play on the top courts has been a huge success although it is a lot of work for Katie, as manual adjustments need to be made. We will do this again next year.
- ix. Under 10's Skills Sessions were a resounding success with special thanks to all the coaches and their helpers. Those include Gary Cornius, Larissa Daniels, Leigh-Anne Hartwig, Justine and all their helpers. We could not have put on these sessions without all their hard work and enthusiasm. Thank you to you all!
- x. Over 50 people went to our Volunteer Appreciation Day, which was well received.
- xi. NSU Home game had over 300 people go to their game at Barker. Well done everyone!
- xii. Supershot Days were overall well received with 75% being positive feedback. We tweaked the rules for the final day in Round 10. This will be in



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this years Spring Competition, with Supershot times in every game. More to come of this.

- xiii. Uniforms. We have allowed more clothing to be worn by players, especially in the earlier time slots.
- xiv. This year we have asked Cadets teams to come down and play a game with our All Stars. This is working well.
- xv. Crazy Hair and Sock Day was a huge success with the most money raised ever! We note that the winners of the day were a team wearing light-up scrunchies. Well done to everyone who participated and donated. Thank you!
- xvi. Lofberg resurfacing. KMC has committed the money to resurface Lofberg courts within this financials years budget but have not committed to a timeframe. The resurfacing will take two weeks and will involve significant leveling works – being different levels and drainage. This should happen before next years winter competition. David Funk wanted to know what type of goal posts everyone would prefer. Discussion ensued giving David an answer.
- xvii. Spring Competition this year will trial things ready for next years Winter Competition. Rod introduced our two new Convenors in this area – Kelly Norris who is our new “Boys” Convenor and Robyn Rowland who is our new Spring Comp Convenor. Both bring enormous drive and enthusiasm to their portfolios. Kelly will be setting up a 12/13/14 year old Boys competition within our existing Spring Competition, to be run Tuesday nights at 6pm, but could be flexible if required. This year or next we are also considering a father / daughter competition. We have a paid convenor for Spring Comp now. Fees have increased slightly to cover the extra cost to KNA.
- xviii. Presentation day on 12th August will be revamped this year to include fun with gala day type party atmosphere. Teams can have their EOY parties and join in the fun.
- xix. Under 8’s will come and play one Thursday night so that they can try out and see what 2024 will bring.
- xx. The same with Under 9’s, they will be able to play a game at Canoon on a Saturday to show them how it will work for 2024.
- xxi. 29th July is the All-Stars celebration with surprises, food and State Titles teams coming to help celebrate the All Stars win at State Titles. It was noted that the All-Abilities Carnival will be held at Canoon on 27th August 2023.
- xxii. NTNC – KNA has been working with NTNC to help them grow. Many initiatives have been introduced there that could be run elsewhere within KNA or at KNA level. Our Clubs are working together to help each other – wonderful to see.



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- xxiii.** Cadets – we need to help them find an appropriate team with friends in at all possible. If 18 and friends are still playing Cadets, request exemption from Grading to play with them – there is some flexibility with these rules. Need to think about moving a senior’s time slot to an earlier time, we are losing teams that don’t want to play at 3:40pm. Actively looking for a partnership with a school/venue with an indoor facility we could use during the week. Schools require stronger netball competitions are being encouraged to come and join KNA. Opinions are that cadets’ players are not emotionally ready to play in seniors competitions.
- xxiv.** We are encouraging the use of the PlayHQ feature that blocks certain players from transferring without the Club first discussing their options with them.
- xxv.** NSG new format is being considered with training sessions to be done as a Club whole with a head coach not only coaching the players but the coaches as well. There will be a structured program of 14 different weekly training sessions.
- xxvi.** Building Fund Panel – This is moving but moving very slowly. KMC is delaying. Rod has promised that they will not break him or wear him down, and this will progress. He informed the meeting that our relationship with KMC was improving, and we were finding a much more harmonious relationship with them. Rod suggested that if your Club was having a problem dealing with KMC, to please reach out to him so that we have a common contact and details, and finally
- xxvii.** Discussion took place about what to do with Cadet’s age group players, playing in our seniors’ competition. After much discussion it was decided to set up a workshop at Canoon one Saturday with interested people from each Club to discuss options. Grading and registrar are asked to be there as well.

There being no more business, the meeting closed at 8:30pm.