

Waikato Hockey Umpires Committee AGM Agenda

16th October 2018 – 6.30PM

Held at Gallagher Hockey Centre, Hamilton

1) Welcome Meeting opened at 6.35pm

- Present: Jacob Camilleri, Peter Cawkwell, Emma Yarnley, Rhys McLachlan, Lani Jackman, Bruce Rosemergy, Des Meads, Richard Baggs, Bruce Winders (WHA Rep), Bevan Nichol, Luisa Balsom

2) Apologies for absence

- Owen Pratt, Ned Sanders

3) Previous AGM minutes

- Tabled by Baggsy & Seconded by Peter Cawkwell

4) Matters arising from minutes

- Strategic planning by WHA, was not done. Still waiting for NZ Hockey to finalise? Calendar meeting next week may help with this.
- Peter Cawkwell has moved into the role for taking care of the website – going well

5) Chair-person's annual report

2018 was another successful year for the Waikato hockey umpires. Once again, we were present at all levels and had many notable achievements. Over the year we appointed to over 800 fixtures and helped Waikato hockey achieve a level of hockey that surpassed the year before.

On a personal note, I would like to thank our committee and my Co-Chairman, Bevan Nichol. Your tireless efforts do not go un-noticed and I whole heartedly believe this year was the most beneficial and successful the committee has seen. We have made huge in-rows into developing a culture that is enjoyable and prosperous and takes us all back to the reason we pick up the whistle every week, for the love of the game.

To further help us in the 2019 season we welcomed three new members, our Bruce, Peter and Des. All of which bring a wealth of knowledge and different skills and we are extremely lucky to have them on board. Last month we have had Bruce Winders appointed as an umpire coordinator role by Waikato Hockey to once again look after the administrative side of the on goings of the Waikato hockey umpires. This role will be hugely beneficial to all those involved and will help streamline our activities.

This year we continued to appoint to all club levels, both Saturday and Sunday, as well as Thursday night 6-a-side and Secondary School A and B grades, intermediate and secondary school finals, representative fixtures and various other cries for help from around the region.. A huge thank you must go to Owen, Darleen and Bruce for their hours appointing and many follow up hours with late night emails to make sure that each and every game had umpires present. Without your guys efforts this simply wouldn't happen and for this everyone in the hockey circle is hugely thankful.

At rep level we saw another successful year. Waikato hockey umpires continued to be among the top nationally with finals appointments the goal for many. Sabina East worked tirelessly and was rewarded with the final at the U15 girls A tournament. For some of our top umpires Lani Jackman and Bevan Nichol, a successful season was had. Appointment to NHL was among many other high and prestigious appointments and we congratulate them on a list that is too long to place in this report.

2018 saw a continued issue with providing umpires to our satellite grounds and in particular Matamata. With a few games going without an or even both umpires a problem that will need to be solved heading into 2019. A continuing theme once again throughout all areas of our hockey community is the constant aggression and abuse seen by our officials. A few prominent cases this year has illustrated both our and the associations lack of procedure around the handling of such cases. As we move forward a huge emphasis has been placed on this and I'm sure a resolution will be found before the season commences.

The successful season was hugely pleasing for me to be a part of. I have witnessed hockey and umpiring climb another rung on the ladder and am looking forward to seeing it climb many more. We wish Jacob all the best who is leaving us for a different region, as well as those who no longer have enough free time to be a part of the umpire circle as well as the hockey family.

Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of this group.

Rhys McLachlan

Waikato Hockey Umpires Committee Chairperson

6) Election of officers

- Chairperson – **Rhys McLachlan**, moved by Committee
- Secretary – **Bruce Rosemergy**, nominated by Rhys, seconded by Baggsy & all favoured
- Treasurer – moved by Peter C & seconded by Des M that umpires co-ordinator covers this role
- Umpires Co-ordinator – **Bruce Winders**, nominated by Peter C & seconded by Bruce R
- General Counsel

Education Officiator - **Richard Baggs** – nominated by Rhys McLachlan and seconded by Peter Cawkwell.

Assessment Role - part to be decided later as role gets defined.

General Role #7– **Bevan Nichol** - nominated by Bevan and seconded by Baggsy

Judicial Officer – **Julena Phillips?** Nominated by Bevan and Peter C seconded

Des Meads and Peter **Cawkwell** to be consultants for the Committee.

7) General business

- Rhys moves that Bruce W's memo regarding his intended course of action for the umpires (see previous minutes) is accepted. Seconded by Des Meads
- No voice within the committee for the secondary schools, someone to be found as roles get defined.
- Calendar meeting with Ned next week. Rhys & Bruce W to meet with Ned.
- Discussion from Peter Cawkwell regarding the WHA role covering the Secretary role and treasurer. Smaller committee – Chairperson, minute secretary, mentoring rep, appointments rep, disciplinary rep, WHA rep.
- Bruce W has asked Declan to define & confirm the umpires' budget, regarding payments for appointments, trainings and what is expected from the money.
- Discussion about giving Bruce W governance regarding his Umpires Coordinator role. We are to identify with Bruce W what priorities need to be addressed first etc and assist where possible.

8) Date of next meeting

Tuesday 27th November 2018 at 6.30pm

9) Close of meeting

Meeting closed at 7.27pm