

## Minutes of the YAG Meeting

Held in the Metro offices on Tuesday 16 September 2014

**Present:** Mike Johnston, Matt Parr, Dave Grocott, Bruce Day, Mike Harvey (Metro), Keryn Ambler (Metro), Mike Fisher (Metro-Chair)

**Apologies:** Warren Lidstone, Richard Pithey

**1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Mike J/Matt**

**2. Matters Arising**

2.1 Gillette Cup final is 5 November at Hagley Oval; Reserve Day - 6 November.

2.2 Representative schedule was outlined.

- No Under 19 Regional tournament; replaced with a series of trials
- Under 17 Regional is to be held on 8-12 December in Timaru.
- There will be no Sunday tournament for Under 17s; rather, a series of net trials.
- Under 15s will play over three Sundays (23-30 Nov- 7 Dec)

2.3 Secondary Schools T20 tournament; schools to be contacted now for Summer Sports week in March 2015.

2.4 Grounds update - STAC 1 will be out until 25 October. Cashmere, CBHS and SBHS should be fine.

2.5 Reminder that ball size in Year 9 is 156grams.

2.6 Sledging in lower grades. Mike F stated that Metro's expectations around Code of Conduct were very clear in the Handbook (p 7, and 55)

2.7 Ashburton Domain - Mike F reported that Chris Lewis and he had met with Garfield Charles at the ground. Chris provided a report and the school knows that if there is no improvement in the quality of the playing surface, the pitch may be taken out of the competition. Mike F would revisit this.

**3. Playing Dates** - Mike F spoke to these. He reminded the group that TBHS and Ashburton College would be playing a promotion-relegation best of three series in December-January 2015.

**4. CricHQ** - Mike H outlined Metro's move to a new draw/results system and demonstrated how to enter results.

**5. Premier One-day competition** - Mike F updated the meeting on the rationale behind the Board's move to restrict this competition to eight teams. The Board wished to canvas the feeling of the clubs including YAG. Two members had strong views for retaining the Canterbury Under 20 team but no view was expressed on the presence of Canterbury Country.

**6. AGM** - Mike J was nominated as the YAG delegate to the Metro AGM on 15 October. Matt Parr decided to allow his name to go forward for consideration as a Board member.

**7. Team entries** - The number received to date was 61 which was considerably down on the previous term. There was some discussion around this including the possibility of clubs taking over some schools. The general feeling on this was that it

would be detrimental to the schools and it would detract from the strength of 1<sup>st</sup> XI cricket in Christchurch.

8. Dave sought **dispensation for Ben Michel** to continue playing for SBHS 1<sup>st</sup> XI; he had just left school. Dave was to seek dispensation in writing.

Meeting finished at 7.35pm