## Metropolitan Veterans Cricket Association

Minutes of Meeting

Date: August 15th 2022

Time: 7.00pm @ Paddington Alehouse

Attendees: Representatives of, Hillbillies, Harlequins, NextClimb Warriors,

Western Tigers, Western Suburbs, Wanderers (Saints)

Absentees: Maratha Warriors, Barbarians

## **MINUTES:**

- Damien Bainbridge (DB) welcomed all attendees and informed the meeting about the new team Maratha Warriors to join the association for the next season
- Tony Watson (previous Chairman) has left the seat and passed the duties of the chair to DB
- DB informed the meeting about the absence of a constitution and elected officials for the organisation, and called for Election of Chairman, Deputy Chairman, and Secretary / Treasurer.
- Sanjay Mukhedkar (SM Western Tigers) nominated DB for Chairman and was seconded by the meeting. DB has been appointed Chairman.
- DB nominated Amit Patil (AP NextClimb Warriors) for Deputy Chairman, and was seconded by the meeting. AP has been appointed Deputy Chairman.
- Sanjay Mukhedkar (SM Western Tigers) nominated David Stead (DS - Western Suburbs) for Secretary / Treasurer (if required for setting up a Bank account for association, and was seconded by the meeting. DS has been appointed Secretary / Treasurer (if required).
- The meeting asked the association officials to draft a constitution as a basic backbone to govern the association, and open a bank account for association matters, at the earliest
- Bank account to have 2 signatures of the Chairman DB and Deputy Chairman AP

- Chairman informed the meeting the following
  - of the need to have all teams' players to be appropriately registered on mycricket app, which will facilitate insurance arrangements, without which ground bookings are not possible. mycricket app registration has been recommended by WACA.
  - Also, as informed by WACA, for the following season (2023-24), the registrations will be migrated to another app platform, playhq.
  - The insurance cost for the current season will be \$110+gst per team. The cost will change to ~\$25 per player in the following season (2023-24). The change is due to Cricket Australia withdrawing the subsidisation of insurance.
- Chairman proposed a schedule of fixtures, with due consideration to factors such as xmas break, public holidays, and after deliberations and modifications, the following schedule was agreed by the meeting

| ROUND      | Date             |
|------------|------------------|
| Round 1    | 16 October 2022  |
| Round 2    | 30 October 2022  |
| Round 3    | 13 November 2022 |
| Round 4    | 27 November 2022 |
| Round 5    | 11 December 2022 |
| Round 6    | 5 February 2023  |
| Round 7    | 19 February 2023 |
| Semi Final | 26 February 2023 |
| Final      | 12 March 2023    |

## Proposed inclusions and changes to Bylaws

- In recognition of the brilliant job of running the competition for as long as he has done, Chairman proposed recognition of Tony Watson by conferring Life Membership of the association.
  - Approved unanimously
- Chairman proposed the following in the event of a match being abandoned due to unsportsmanlike behaviour / captains dispute
  - If a match is simply abandoned after play has started and the captains and managers cannot continue, both teams to receive a point penalty
  - Suggestion by few teams to appoint third party umpires for matches. Meeting agreed to let teams arrange for umpires in case both teams felt the need to do so.
  - Approved after deliberations
- Chairman proposed ladder percentage to be changed to mycricket standard
  - o (runs made / overs faced ) (runs conceded / overs bowled)
  - Approved unanimously
- Chairman proposed the following as helmet rule-
  - all batsmen to wear helmet, no waiver form
  - This will ensure compliance to insurance rules
  - Approved unanimously
- Hillbillies proposed the appointing of umpires for all matches
  - After deliberations, meeting resolved to let teams arrange for umpires in case both teams felt the need to do so, in line with the match abandonment due to unsportsmanlike behaviour proposal
- Hillbillies proposed the adjustment of the No-ball rule to include disallowing a bowler any further bowling in the match, after two full tosses above the waist.
  - Approved after deliberations

- Western Suburbs proposed the implementation of mycricket for scoring
  - After deliberation, the meeting decided to continue with the current system of updating scores only on mycricket, in the interest of minimising discretionary time and effort.
- Western suburbs proposed the change of number of overs to 35 from the current 33 overs.
  - Chairman informed the meeting that the 33 over rule has been a long standing tradition of the competition, and makes it stand out amongst other competitions.
  - After deliberation, the meeting decided to keep the 33 over limit for the competition.
- Western Tigers invited suggestions on the Wide Ball rule, in relation to calling a wide ball on the leg side.
  - Rule shall be discussed and confirmed before the start of fixtures.
  - o Rule to be given more definition.
  - DB to action and distribute.
- General Business
  - Meeting agreed to continue with the Facebook page and shut down the website
  - Chairman asked for support from the teams in obtaining sponsorship for the competition. Sponsorship would help cover / offset costs of running the competition
- Sanjay Mukhedkar presented the Treasurer's Report 2021-22 for the last season. Copies given to DB for archiving and actioning of outstanding debts.
- Chairman adjourned the meeting and proposed to convene on 13
  September for the next meeting

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

- to arrange for preparation of a draft constitution and enact the constitution after approval
- Chairman and Deputy Chairman to arrange for opening a bank account for association banking matters
- Chairman and Deputy Chairman to set up MyCricket to accept player registrations.
- All teams to ensure that their players are registered in mycricket app before the start of round 2 (October 29th)
- Grounds to be booked and fixture to be finalised before October 1st.