Mid South Coast Zone



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Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday 25th October 2010

Venue: Bomaderry RSL Club

Present: Zone Co-ordinator: Craig Scott

Zone Treasurer:

Zone Secretary: (Vacant Position)

Centre Delegates

Albion Park: Brett White Kiama: Mitch Terry

Lake Illawarra: Col Anderson, Kristie Hodges

Milton Ulladulla:

Shoalhaven: Tony Hush

St Georges Basin: Paul Joines Jackie de Vries

Sussex Inlet Tenille Moroney Kate White Lucie Tekis

Apologies: Graham Nash, Janet Poppett (K), Michael Waldie (K)

Visitors:

Meeting opened at 7:35 pm

Previous Minutes

Moved Tony Hush (Sh), seconded Brett White (AP), "that the minutes of the meeting held 23rd August 2010 were a true and accurate record." Carried.

Business Arising

1. Equipment – Under 17 Boys

Equipment (5kg Shot, 1.5kg Synthetic Discus, 1.5kg Wooden Discus and 700g Javelin) required for the Under 17 Boys has been procured.

2. Zone Tape Measures

All worn, damaged and "closed face" Zone tape measures have been replaced.



3. Zone Entry Form

The family Zone entry form, for use by Centres, is now available from the Zone website (www.msczone.org.au). This form is for Centre use only. Centres that are not using the Bob Wardle System are required to submit their Zone Championship entries on the official LANSW Zone Championships entry form.

4. Regional Conference

The Regional Conference at Bomaderry Bowling Club on Saturday 9th October was a resounding success. Let's hope that this encourages more Centres from the Zone to attend the LANSW Conference in Orange next year.

5. Sportsfield Fees And Charges - Shellharbour City Council

Since the last meeting the Zone Co-ordinator has met with the Albion Park and Lake Illawarra Centres. Estimates were prepared of the charges that will be incurred by these Centres under the proposed fee structure. Correspondence, containing the Centres' concerns and these estimates, was then forwarded to Kerry O'Keefe the CEO of LANSW. Kerry then wrote to Shellharbour City Council on behalf of LANSW.

Shellharbour City Council as of 1st October 2010 implemented the proposed fees and charges. Albion Park and Lake Illawarra Centres will now be charged \$10.00 per athlete for the current season.

6. Sponsorship

BlueScope Steel has responded positively to our request for sponsorship again this season by providing a cheque for \$600.00.

7. Zone/Region Restructure - Proposal

Work is continuing with the review of the Zone/Region structure. The sub committee consisting of Board members and Zone Co-ordinators has met on several occasions. Questionnaires have been sent to Centres and members in an effort to gather meaningful data for analysis.

Correspondence In:

St Georges Basin Re Committee

GA Miller Re Medals

Shoalhaven Re Committee

LANSW Re BOM September 2010

LANSW Re September Newsletter

LANSW BOM August 2010

LANSW Re BOM October 2010

LANSW Re BOM October 2010

LANSW Re October Newsletter

Lake Illawarra Re Committee

LANSW Re Officials Accreditation

BlueScope Steel Re Sponsorship

Lake Illawarra Re Region

Correspondence Out:

All Centres Minutes Of Previous Meeting Email All Centres Re False Start Rules
Email All Centres Re Meet Manager LANSW Re Officials Accred. (H Vandervord)
LANSW CEO Re Shellharbour Sportsfield Charges LANSW Re Officials Accred. (K Atkins)

Reports

1. Treasurer

Due to the Zone Treasurer's inability to attend this meeting the Zone Co-ordinator presented this report on his behalf.

General account current balance: \$1,845.66 Term Deposit: \$10,765.41

All Centres have paid their Zone Admin fees. Milton Ulladulla is to be contacted regarding a shortfall of \$5.00 in their payment.

Moved Craig Scott (Zone Co), seconded Mitch Terry (K) "that the Treasurer's report be accepted." Carried.

2. Zone Co-Ordinator

Centre Visits

Since the last meeting I have had the pleasure of visiting the Albion Park, Kiama, Lake Illawarra and Shoalhaven Centres during weekly competition. I was suitably impressed by each Centre's administrative and organisational ability. I did however note that convincing parents to volunteer their time to assist continues to be a challenge for some Centres.

Officials Courses

The Mid South Coast Zone recently conducted Officials Courses at the Shoalhaven and Lake Illawarra Centres. Participants were instructed in Discus, High Jump, Javelin, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Race Walking and Shot Put. They were also given the chance to study Place Judging, Timekeeping and Starting.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Paul Joines (St Georges Basin) and Brad Weyland (Girraween) for assisting as presenters.

A total of nineteen (19) attendees successfully completed forty seven (47) C Grade exams. Upcoming carnivals at Albion Park and St Georges Basin will provide participants with an opportunity to complete some of the relevant practical components to qualify for their accreditation.

Last season we had twelve (12) participants at the Officials Courses held by St Georges Basin and Albion Park. To date two (2) of these people have completed their practicals and received the relevant accreditation. This represents a 17% completion rate, which is very disappointing. Centres are reminded that completed theory papers are valid for a period of two (2) years. After this time individuals will be required to resit their theory component.

Zone Championships

The Zone Championships will be held 11th and 12th December at Kiama. Entries will close at midnight Sunday 28th November. The family entry form, for use by Centres, is available from the Zone website (www.msczone.org.au). This form is for Centre use only. Do not submit your Zone entries on this form. Use the LAANSW Championship Entry Form. As has been the case for several seasons Centres using the Bob Wardle System are requested to submit their entries electronically.

The timetable for the Zone Championships is:

Saturday

8:00am First call for Officials
8:15am First call for March Past
8:30am March Past commences
8:45am Official Opening
9:00am First call for Events

Sunday

8:30am First call for Officials8:45am First call for Events9:00am First Events commence

Region 5 Championships

9:15am

Region will be run on a two (2) day program at the Botanical Gardens, Forbes on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th February 2011.

First Events commence

The Mid South Coast Zone will be required to provide officials to cover High Jump. In addition to these requirements each Zone will be required to provide 2 Timekeepers, 2 Place Judges, 1 Track Umpire and 1 Walk Judge as well. If anybody would like to volunteer for a particular role please contact the Zone Co.

Centres will be asked to supply officials based upon the number of athletes they have had qualify for Region.

Meet Manager

LANSW has used the Wardle Carnival System at Zone, Region and State for quite a number of years. However for the past few years Meet Manager has been used at the State Carnival quite successfully. Meet Manager is a product distributed by Hytek worldwide and it is supported by a large organisation.

LANSW continues to move in a direction that will rely on new and developing technology and the further development of the Wardle system is no longer possible. As such it has been decided to roll out Meet Manager using a top down approach from State to Region in the 2010/2011 season.

To handle the rollout of the software for this year, training for people within all Regions will take place in the coming months. The success of the rollout requires identifying 4 people in each metropolitan Region (ideally 1 per Zone) and 6 people in each Country Region (again ideally 1 per Zone), who would like to be involved in the introduction of Meet Manager to the Region. Part of the training will include importing the results from the Zones within the Region into the Region system. It is anticipated that the training will occur in Sydney for the metro Regions and within Regions 4 and 5 for their training.

Small groups of people, who currently run Zone and Region recording areas plus those who have previously indicated an interest in Meet Manager, will be invited to attend.

Sussex Inlet Centre

For those that are not aware our latest member Centre, Sussex Inlet will be running their first meet tomorrow afternoon commencing at 3:30pm. I'm sure you will all join with me in wishing them all the best for a successful season.

3. Delegate Reports

Albion Park

We have approximately 220 athletes registered this season, which is well down on previous years where we averaged around the 300 mark. There are a number of possible reasons for this including the implementation of the Shellharbour Council fees which forced us to refrain from actively promoting our club with the local schools and the Shellharbour Sports Expo due to the uncertainty the new fee would have on our finances. Also with Lake Illawarra moving to a new facility some people may have chosen to move over.

The Albion Park carnival is on next Sunday the 31/10/10. Preparations are in hand and we are hoping for good weather. Early entry deal has closed but athletes still welcome to show up and register on the day so we would ask clubs give the carnival a last minute plug at their club nights this week.

Our new place judge stands have been delivered and installed. Kiama have accepted the offer of having our old stand, which should be fine with a new coat of paint and some minor repairs, and we are happy that another club could make use of it.

Thanks to the Lake Illawarra club for allowing us to use 20 sets of medals we had in stock, which have their trademarked logo on them. The medals will be used for the upcoming carnival. The co-operation and understanding is appreciated in these financially trying times.

Lastly thanks to the Zone Co-ordinator, Craig Scott for the numerous hours of his time he volunteered to help us set up our new point scoring system on the computer.

Kiama

The Kiama Centre has had an interesting start to the 2010/2011 season losing three (3) of the first six (6) weeks to rain and the Junior Soccer State Championships. For the fifth successive season our numbers exceed two hundred (200). Our current registrations come in at two hundred and ten (210) but we expect more to arrive over the next few weeks.

Our Orientation Days were well received again this season. This was probably due to the significant number of first time athletes we have registered. Athletes and parents appreciated being given the opportunity to learn the basics in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere prior to point score commencing.

The track at the Leisure Centre Sporting Complex is in good condition courtesy of the recent rain but a good top dressing would not go astray, particularly at the Northern end. Unfortunately Council funds are such that this is not possible at this point in time.

Preparations are well in hand for the Zone Championships in December and we look forward to hosting the Centres of the Mid South Coast Zone.

Lake Illawarra

October Carnival had 200 entrants and from all accounts everyone in attendance liked what they saw of the new venue on the day.

The Centre has 270 registrations to date.

Officials Day was well attended considering the inclement weather.

With some six weeks under our belt now all is going well at the new ground. Things have been made a lot easier putting the gear out with the purchase of a quad bike. This was possible after the Centre won \$2,000.00 from Stockland Shellharbour. Our thanks go to the families who entered the awards which led to our club winning this annual prize.

Milton Ulladulla

No report submitted.

Shoalhaven

We have been running 6 weeks now and only one wash out to date.

The Centre currently has 240 odd athletes registered and our numbers are still growing.

Tuesday nights are running very smoothly and our parent helpers going quite well.

We are looking forward to the local carnivals, which start this weekend.

Our new hurdles (50 Off) arrived recently. Lukweld Engineering manufactured these locally and we saved ourselves at least \$1,500.00. They made last Tuesday nights hurdle events much easier.

Last Saturdays Officials Course was well received with 14 people in attendance.

St Georges Basin

The season has started off very slowly. We only have about 70 registered at this stage, which is down substantially on previous years. We aren't sure why but know that we need to build up our profile in the area.

As a mostly new committee there are a lot of issues that need sorting out as Peter Cotter has most of the information that we need in his head, Dragon Derby being the main concern at this stage.

Dragon Derby is going ahead on the 14th November, hopefully the weather will cooperate. We hope we will have everything running OK on the day; other clubs may need to be a little patient with us!

Sussex Inlet

No report submitted.

General Business

1. Officials Courses

There seems to be a misconception that the Officials Courses are difficult to pass and people are intimidated by what they believe will be a daunting experience. In reality nothing could be further from the truth. The Officials Courses are conducted in a friendly atmosphere and the presenters are there to help, not hinder.

2. Zone Medal Design

It will be necessary to redesign the Zone medal courtesy of the addition of the Sussex Inlet Centre to our Zone. We have one set of the current style medal in stock, which will be used at the Zone Championships in December 2010. The recent introduction of the new logo means that we are no longer permitted to use the "LAANSW" acronym so this will also need to be removed from the medal. Several new medal designs are attached to these minutes. A copy of the existing medal design is also included. Centres are asked to select their preferred design and come prepared to vote upon a new medal at the next meeting. *Attention: All*

3. Region 5 Championships – February 2012

The Mid South Coast Zone is hosting the Region 5 Championships in February 2012.

The following nominations for the Region 5 Championships venue were received at the previous meeting:

Myimbarr Community Park Self nominated by Lake Illawarra Centre Kiama Leisure Centre Playing Fields Self nominated by Kiama Centre

All Centres received correspondence from Lake Illawarra prior to the meeting requesting permission to run a Raffle and retain a percentage of the profits from the "Coffee Man" at Region if it is hosted at Myimbarr Community Park.

Moved Tony Hush (Sh), seconded Tenille Moroney (SI) "that Coffee and Raffle proceeds be retained by the home Centre at Region in February 2012." Carried.

Complete Sports Marketing has been engaged to negotiate with Shellharbour City Council regarding Myimbarr Community Park. This company is contracted by Shellharbour City Council to help identify sporting events, bid for them, and win them on behalf of Council. This approach may result in significant financial benefits for the Zone if successful. To date Complete Sports Marketing representative Jason Sleeman has been unable to confirm a booking with Council relating to Region. It appears that Council are reluctant to commit funding at this time. It is possible that Council may already be aware that we are considering this venue and, as such, can see no reason to commit funds. Should Council choose not to provide a cash injection it is possible that infrastructure support may be considered but there are no guarantees at this stage.

The Kiama District Sports Association has been contacted and fully supports Kiama's bid. However little support, with the exception of minor ground preparation, will be provided by the Association or Kiama Council should the bid be successful.

Moved Mitch Terry (K), seconded Tony Hush (Sh) "that a decision on the venue for Region in February 2012 be delayed until such time that a response is received from Complete

Sports Marketing. Carried.

4. Zone Championships

Preparations for the Zone Championships are well in hand.

St Georges Basin has been asked to provide their stopwatches for Zone.

The appointment of Officials for Zone is proving to be a challenge this season. Several positions still need to be filled. If any Centres are able to assist with nominations for Officials positions please contact Craig Scott.

There being no further business the Zone Co-ordinator closed the meeting at 9:18pm.

Next meeting will be at 7:30pm on Monday 22nd November 2010 at Bomaderry RSL.

Craig Scott
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