

D. C. A. Annual Meeting Croydon Hall Aug. 12th 1949

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This wording is taken directly from the RDCA Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12th August 1949 for the 1948/49 season. The writing in the RDCA Minute Book is sometimes hard to read, hence this 'translation'.

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Correspondence. From V.J.C.U. re umpire's fees for the coming season, this being not greater than 15/- (fifteen shillings) for half day, 22/6 (twenty-two and six or one pound two shillings and six pence) full day. Also from V.J.C.U. pointing out draw for this season.

From Croydon in the form of an account for the hire of material during the season. Moved by G. Holloway, sec. L. Salvana that correspondence be taken as read. *

Secretary's Report. The secretary in submitting the Annual Report for last seasons activities, said with the cooperation of delegates and office bearers the season ran very smoothly.

Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer reported owing to the books not being returned from Auditor no Balance Sheet would be presented till the adjourned meeting.

V.J.C.U. Delegate. Mr. Salvana stressed the point for umpires but said that every association was having difficulty in securing same.

* Croydon account for hire of material. (this section was the next recorded point even though appearing out of order in discussions). After a lengthy discussion between delegates, a recommendation was made by Mr. Leach that one pound, one shilling (a guinea) be paid for match Kilsyth and Boronia. Against the motion by Mr. Kenney and delegate as other clubs are entitled to same. No action to be taken was finalized.

Election of Office Bearers. *President* P.V.Eadie; *Vice Presidents* F. Leach, T.A. Hall, L. Salvana, L. Gibbs, C.E. Sleeman; *Executive* L. Gibbs, C.E. Sleeman, L. Salvana; *Wet Weather* W. Baldwin, C. Cameron, G. Chandler, W. Simmonds; *Selection Committee* F. Leach, L. Gibbs, W. Baldwin; *VJCU Delegate* L. Salvana; *Treasurer* Mr. Bisset; *Hon. Secretary* J. Austin; *Assistant Secretary* G. Holloway; *Auditor* K. Pratt; *Life Member* T.A.Hall.

Presentation of Trophies. Before vacating the chair, Mr. Hall presented the following trophies: *A Grade Batting*- J. Baldwin (Kilsyth); *B Grade Batting* A. Chapman (South Warrandyte); *C Grade Batting* R. Pratt (East Ringwood); *A Grade Bowling* R. Cousins (Boronia), *B Grade Bowling* G.E.Chapman (South Warrandyte), *C Grade Bowling* F. Leach (Croydon North).

A welcome and congratulations was extended to Mr. J. Baldwin who arrived later.

Entries. Boronia (3), Croydon (3), North Ringwood (2), Heathmont (2), Kilsyth (3), Lilydale (2), North Croydon (2), Ringwood (3), East Ringwood (3), Methodists (1), Soccer (3), South Warrandyte (2), St. Johns (3), Wonga Park (2), Montrose (2). (YCW Doubtful).

Junior Competition. After discussion it was decided this season to form a junior grade under 16 at December 31, 1949, with the association to have direct control.

Rule Amendments.

Rule 3 – addition of Assistant Secretary, *Rule 4*, point 3, Selection Committee W. Baldwin, F. Leach, L. Gibbs; point 4 Wet Weather W. J. Simmonds to replace J. Moore.

Rule 5 – Delegates moved by J. Austin sec. Mr. Evans that a senior member be in attendance. Carried. *Rule 8* Competitions – moved by Mr. Hall sec. Mr. Knee that a junior competition named D Grade under 16 at 31st December 1949. Carried.

Rule 9 – Shields – a handsome cup donated by Mr. G. Ford was allotted to D Grade to be competed for each season and held by premier club. *Rule 10* Juniors.

Rule 11- entries- moved by Mr. Gibbs, sec, by Mr. Evans, that a recommendation for Guarantee be raised from 10/- (ten shillings) to one pound one shilling (a guinea), thus making new clubs one pound one shilling old clubs 11/- (eleven shillings) because to overcome non-payment of fines. Affiliation for D Grade to be 10/- (ten shillings). Carried.

Rule 12- Registrations – moved by Mr. Leach sec. Mr. Wescott that a block list of D Grade to be accepted at a cost of 2/6 (two shillings and six pence). Carried. A sub committee be formed and take control was moved by Mr. Austin sec. Mr. Evans, was left to decide at adjourned meeting.

Rule 18- delete D Grade. *Rule 20*- East Ringwood in bringing forward on a motion by Mr. Hall sec. Mr. Sleeth, that hours of play be 2 – 5 p.m. Amended by G. Holloway sc. J. Williams that play be to 5.30 p. m. It was finally decided to report back to the clubs for their views and discuss at adjourned meeting.

Rule 20 Match Reports- the President said he wanted to see this particularly carried out with correct time on score sheets. *Rule 27* Motion by Mr. Hall, sec. by Mr. Sleeth, that the Association revert back to one ball in A grade, and additional one after 200 runs have been scored. The motion was defeated. *Rule 34* definite action to be taken.

Professional Umpires. Moved by Mr. Austin, sec. Mr. Gibbs that pro. Umpires be appointed in A and B grades if possible. Carried. The Executive to call for umpires with fee at 11/- (eleven shillings) half day was moved by Mr. Wescott sec. Mr. McAlpin. Amendment by Mr. Hall sec. by Mr. Gibbs that fee be 12/6 (twelve shillings and six pence) half day and one pound one shilling (guinea) full day was carried. Moved by Mr. Salvana, sec. by Mr. ? that closing date for umpires be 16th September and to be advised accordingly. Moved by Mr. Salvana and sec. by Mr. Patterson that umpires wear correct cricketing attire.

The meeting was adjourned till 26th August at Ringwood if Hall can be arranged.

Adjourned Annual Meeting Ringwood Town Hall 26th August 1949.

The President in opening the meeting extended a welcome to several new Delegates and said by the attendance it looked as the Association was in for a good season.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting were read and confirmed on a motion by F. Leach, sec. W. Baldwin.

The Treasurer presented his Balance Sheet for season 1948-49, and it was noticed that although we had a very heavy expenditure of seventy-one pounds six shillings and three pence we still had eighteen pounds sixteen shillings and eleven pence at the E.S. & A. bank. On a motion by Mr. F. Leach, sec. by Mr. Hall the balance sheet was adopted.

Correspondence. Consisting of advertising only, was taken as read.

Rules.

Rule 20 which was reported back to the clubs over hours of play from the Annual meeting, owing to East Ringwood bringing forward a motion that hours of play be from 2-5 p.m., and Ringwood and amendment to 5.30 p.m., was finally defeated and now the rule stands as previously 2.30 to 6 p.m.

Patrons. Moved by J. Austin, sec. Mr. Sleeth, that the Mayor of Ringwood, Shire Presidents of Lilydale and Ferntree Gully be Patrons.

Entries. Moved by J. Austin, sec. H. Johnston that closing date be 10th September. Entries were received from:

Boronia (3), Croydon (A & D) , North Ringwood (A & C), Heathmont (2), Kilsyth (3), North Croydon (1), Ringwood (A,B &2xD), East Ringwood (A,B,D), Methodists (1), South Warrandyte (2), Wonga Park (A7C), Montrose (A,B,D possibly). Soccer and Lilydale were not finalized.

The Secretary reported that he had a definite application from Silvan for two teams namely A and C. The President said he was very pleased to see this club in our Association as it has had a very successful seasons with the Mountain Districts and he hoped that the Delegates would overcome the travelling problem as it only meant one match. On a motion by South Warrandyte supported by Kilsyth, Silvan were admitted, and Mr. Baldwin asked the executive to give Mt. Evelyn an invitation also.

Umpires. The Secretary reported that the difficulty in getting paid umpires again, was noticed as only 4 applications had been received to date.

Fines. Moved by F. Leach, sec. L. Gibbs that all outstanding fines in future must be paid to the Association before they make entry(?) to RDCA. Carried.

It was decided to appoint a sub committee for D Grade comprising of G. Wilson, J. Williams, D. Hardidge.

Moved by V. Hunter, sec. J. Austin that no rule books be printed, but have an amended rule card with draw.

Junior Competition. Mr. Salvana in asking the Association to take advantage of this under 23 junior competition at Christmas. On a motion by Mr. L. Gibbs, sec. Mr. Hall that we enter a team to the V.J.C.U. Christmas game under 23.

Gate Money. It was decided at Final Games of A Grade teams this season to appoint members of the Executive and Delegates to officiate.

Medallions. Moved by J. Austin, sec. W. Baldwin that Medallions for Life Members be left in the hands of the Executive.

There being no further business the President closed the meeting.