

This wording is taken directly from the RDCA Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on August 24th 1951 for the 1950/51 season. The writing in the RDCA Minute Book is sometimes hard to read, hence this 'translation'.

Annual Meeting R. D. C. A.

24th Aug. 51.

clubs

Represented: Methodist, Wonga Park, Lower, Boronia, E. Ringwood
 Leysdale, Reservoir, Leysdale, Heathmont,
 North Leysdale, Hawthorn, North Ringwood, St. Warrigal.
 Men's Social Club

Abseentees :- Kibbyth, Lelydale, Shearn

Apologies :- Hawthorn Delegates, L. Gibbs,
 J. Leach, S. A. Hall.

The president ^{Mr. Silvester} in opening the meeting welcomed club delegates, and by the attendance this evening cricket should boom in this district, after a successful seasons ~~had~~ in 1950-51.

Minutes

: The minutes of the Annual Meeting & adjourned meeting were read and on a motion of J. Crane sec. L. Hall were confirmed.

Life Members. In reporting that the Executive had recommended a Life Membership of the association be awarded to Mr. W. Baldwin, the President paid Mr. Baldwin a real tribute, and on a motion Mr. A. Neil, sec. by W. Lawrence, supported by C. Beaumont, was carried.

Secretary's Report. The Secretary, Mr. G. Holloway, submitted a comprehensive report on last season's activities, and on a motion of Mr. R. Johnston, sec. Mr. J. Marsh, supported by Mr. P.V. Eadie, was adopted.

Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer Mr. R. Bisset read the balance sheet showing a credit balance of twenty-four pounds and eleven shillings, but owing to outstanding receipts not to hand, the report was adopted subject to audit on a motion of Mr. L. Sleeth(?), sec. Mr. Rowe(?).

Entries. Entries were received from the following clubs subject to executive grading. Croydon United (2 and junior), Boronia (2), Ringwood (3), Croydon (2), Heathmont (2), North Croydon (2), Montrose (2), East Ringwood (2 and junior), North Ringwood (2), South Warrandyte (possibly 2), Wonga Park (2), Methodists (1), Soccer (1 and junior), Ringwood Union Social Club (1).

The President extended a welcome to the new club and on a motion by Mr. Eadie, sec. Mr. Crane, that they be admitted.

Election of Office Bearers. *President* – In nominating Mr. Salvana, Mr. Sleeth(?) paid a tribute to him, and Mr. Beaumont in supporting the nomination it was carried unanimously.

Vice Presidents – P. V. Eadie, W. Baldwin, L. Gibbs, F. Leach, A. Westcott. *Executive* – L. Salvana, C.E. Sleeman, L. Gibbs, P. Eadie, R. Bisset, secretary and assistant. *Wet Weather Committee* – R. Bisset (WU 6134), J. Marsh (WU 6523), K. Burch (Wonga Park) and F. Brown (Croydon).

Selection Committee- C. Beaumont, A. Neil, W. Baldwin. *V.J.C.U. delegate* – L. Salvana, *Treasurer* – R. Bisset.

Secretary – Mr. G. Holloway, tendered his resignation owing to business and schooling and will find it impossible to carry on. Nominations were invited, but no response from delegates made this position, plus assistant, be left over to the adjourned meeting. A suggestion was made by a member of the Executive that applications be called for a paid secretary. The position remained that unless a secretary is appointed immediately, no cricket association can carry on.

Auditor – K. Pratt.

Correspondence. From E.H. Bowles re. rules, V.J.C.U. re competition matches, Union Social Club team entry, account from Hughes Park committee, Amor Engineering Co. On a motion by C. Beaumont, sec. J. Marsh, was carried.

General Business. Matches – Motion by C. Beaumont, sec. J. Lindsay, that we play a round of matches on Cup Day – motion lost. Motion by Mr. Hann (?), sec. Mr. Sleeth(?), that letter received from E. H. Bowles be referred to executive was carried.

Accounts. Motion by Mr. Lawrence, sec. Mr. H. Rowe, that the account of Hughes Park be paid immediately.

Rule Amendments. Moved by D. Lindsay, sec. G. Holloway, that rule amendments submitted by the association be taken as read.

Rule Books. On a motion by H. Rowe, sec. L. Read, that Rule Book be indexed.

Rules. Part 1 *Constitution -and part 2 Trophies* – Rules 1-7, and 35,37,38 be adopted and also rules 9 and 10.

Moved by A. Neil, sec. by F. Brown, that trophies be purchased at a value of Two Guineas (two pounds, two shillings). Carried. Moved C. Beaumont, sec. J. Lindsay, that A grade premiers be presented with a pennant each year, the motion being defeated.

Part 3 – *Competitions* – Rules 8,11,21,27,28,29 – moved Mr. Lawrence, sec. Mr. D. Lindsay, that every match receive the same number of points – 4 for each match, that is 4 points outright, 3 points first innings win, 1 point first innings loss, 2 points each for a tie. *Amendment* – moved A. Neil, sec.

H. Also, that it be 5 outright, 3 first innings, 1 for first innings loss, 2 each for a tie, 1 each for a draw. The amendment being put was carried and when being put again as the motion was carried.

Part 4 - *Special Rules* - Rule 30, rule 18, M.C.C. These being adopted on a motion by Mr. Crane, sec. Mr. Beaumont. Carried. Part 5 - *uniform* - carried. Part 6 - *registration, clearances, etc.* - adopted.

The meeting being over the required time was adjourned until September 7th at Croydon.

Adjourned Annual Meeting held at Ringwood on 28th September 1951.

R.O.C.A. ANNUAL MEETING. RINGWOOD. SEPTEMBER. 28th 1951.

Present: Union Social Club, East Ringwood, Ringwood.
Hilydale, Croydon, Heathmont, Botonia, N. Croydon
St. Wotandyke, Methodist: Same.

Absent: Wonga Park, Croydon United, N. Ringwood.

President: The President of the R.O.C.A. (Mr. L. Salvana) was in the Chair & opened the meeting at 8.10.

Secretary: The President introduced the new Secretary, Mr. P.W. Flinton, to the delegates present who accorded him a hearty welcome. Mr. Flinton suitably replied to say that he intended to "feel" his way round during the 1951-52 season & would then do anything he could to keep the administration on a sound footing. He appealed to the delegates for their complete support.

Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted on the motion of G. Holloway, Sec'd by Mr. Lane (?).

Correspondence: No details in Mr. Holloway's report.

Apologies: Messrs Hare (Helyar) Jervis (Montrose) T.A. Hare & P.V. Cole.

Adoption of Draw. Moved by Mr. Brow, sec. by Mr. F. Leach, that the second last round be played as a two-day game on February 23 and March 1 and the last home and home game be played as a full day game on November 13 - carried. Moved by Mr. Rowe, sec. by Mr. Gibb, that the draw as recommended be adopted. Passed.

Umpires. Only 4 have applied and the Executive can only wait and see if others apply.

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Treasurer Report: Moved by Mr. Holloway, sec'd Mr. Burns "that the accounts as stated by the Treasurer be passed for payment". Moved by Mr. Leach, sec'd by Mr. Lindsay "that the report be adopted". Carried.

Under 16 "D" Grade: B.P.A, Ringwood (1) Ringwood (2) Soccer, East Ringwood, Raydon United. That an advertisement be entered for the under 16 teams be put in the "Ringwood Mail" closing date, 14th October. Carried (No money or records put in except by Mr. Holloway)

Honourarium for Secretary: That £1 for 1st team, 15/- for Second + 10/- for 3rd team. Moved by ? sec'd by Mr. Marsh. Carried.

Scores for Meltham

Papers: Good use must be made of the space made available for the scores to be flown to the Secretary every Saturday night.

New Score Book: Mr. Les. Lindsay reported on a new score book which would be of use to Secretaries.

General Business:

Lilydale Ground: Teams visiting Lilydale should not get to the new ground through the old one but to enter by Clarke St.

Junior Union Matches. promising players should be nominated for the Junior Union Carnival to play during Christmas. Forms will soon be available from the Secretary. Players to be Under 21.

Visitors. The President extended a welcome to Mr. Kevin Pratt and Mr. (?) to the meeting.

Presentation. The President presented the retiring Hon. Secretary with a suitably inscribed cricket bat as a mark of appreciation from the RDCA and he hoped that Mr. Holloway would make good use of it. In his reply, Mr. Holloway said that being Secretary to the Association was a heavy task but he had enjoyed it very much and had made lots of friends. He wished Mr. Flint every good wish as Secretary and said that he felt that he would be fully supported by the Executive, Secretaries, Delegates and captains.

Close. There being no further business the President thanked the meeting for attending and closed it at 9.20 p.m.