A.C.T RUGBY UNION PREFERENCE ASSOCIATION

ACT Rugby Referees Association

Executive Operational Minutes 03 May 2022 The RUC and Online

Additional Attendees: Graham Cooper (RA)

Apologies: Karl Hamlyn

Meeting opened 1840

Conflicts of Interest

Nil

Previous minutes meetings 05 Apr 22

Approved

Key Dates/ Calendar

- 1. Upcoming Exec meetings 07 Jun 22
 - AGM 16Nov21
 - DRAFT Senior Development night, 24th May 22
 - DRAFT Junior development night, 7th June 22
 - Junior state championships, 12-15 July 22

Financial Summary

- 2. Find attached Treasurer summary.
- a. Total balances are at \$66 557.09.
- b. Expenditure includes \$1666.5 for flags, \$150 for training, \$58 for MYOB subscription, and \$67.96 for HUDL/BarTV comms equipment.
- c. Expenditure that hasn't' been incurred has been added back into the actual budget.
- 3. Sponsorship was briefly discussed for the 2023-25 seasons.

Motion: Expenditure for flags ordered by Nathan Mass. Proposed: Peter Langford, seconded: Matt Huggins. All in favour.

CCAG report

- 4. Synchronization between Seniors and Juniors for the commencement of the junior system.
- 5. Senior referee appointment are a balancing act at the current, with limited availability.
- 6. ACTRRA refereeing panel to be updated and put into the Member's section of the ACTRRA website.
- 7. In addition the Seniors, Junior refereeing appointments are slim due to availability. Juggling Appointing not to availability and triage, however to appoint to the refereeing standard.
- 8. Senior refereeing appointments will be done on Tuesday, with brumbies and ACTRRA to be done on Thursday. This allows clubs to self-appoint if need be.



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Action: ACTRRA Juniors to update refereeing panel grades on website, and place into member's section.

ACTRRA Kit in Sydney CAS/GPS competition, not appointed by ACTRRA

- 9. Briefly discussed about an individual case who was previously refereeing with ACTRRA but now refereeing in Sydney in our Uniform. Was previously supported by ACTRRA Executive.
- 10. ACTRRA will send the member on 'exchange' to the season, and will intermittently report back.

Action: ACTRRA Juniors to follow up with a situation update on the member.

Mental Health Workshop

- 11. RA mental health support is being extended out to Association clubs. If association members do need assistance, they will be brought under the RA employee banner for the help.
- 12. Building a robust program to give assistance by providing training, scenarios, how to deal with situations and what to do. Continuous development program in order to continuously accredit members and be recognised with this qualification.
- 13. ACTRRA to provide four members to attend the training.

Club feedback/ clarity

- 14. Association representative in order to take and consolidate feedback in order to give back to the referees.
- 15. Association has recommended Karl Hamlyn. ACTRRA will organise this within the association, and will discuss with Matt Vowles.
- 16. Little consultation with the A panel referees has been done to get out what has
- 17. Emails have been reaching the ACTRRA email box direct from the coaches. This is not how the process should be.

Action: President to discuss with Matt Vowles on the club feedback process, and remind the clubs presidents at next week's President's meeting.

Super Rugby game day process

18. Is there a process for and coordinating referees with a curtain raiser and no4,5,6. ACTRRA are having trouble with getting information from Brumbies, and seem to be 'fishing for information', for which we've been asked to help out.

Gold Card membership

19. Brumbies has these available for us to pick up.

Action: Jack to pick up from Brumbies in order to distribute to association

Tournament refereeing and SSS persons

20. President raised the question to Graham Cooper as to current opportunities and tournaments that the SSS persons could be involved in. Graham advised that there are state championships that will be available to referee in.



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- 21. The Junior state championships (u12-u18)will be held in Canberra from 12-15 July. Logistics for this referee wise will be dealt with by ACTRRA in coordinating this.
- 22. Referee payments may differ between states. Should we consider applying a RA rate for mixed states

Discussion

MOPP

23. A synopsis of MOPP payments will be sent to members giving an overview of match day payments.

Action: President to provide synopsis to ACTRRA members in Newsletter.

Comms kit

- 24. Matt has chased up spare comms kit equipment for us to utilise. Jack and Dennis will cross check in order to monitor what we have an what we need.
- 25. ACTRRA need more push to talk to allow coaches to listen.
- 26. Acquiring extra equipment is debated for use of spares, and the addition of carnivals, tournaments etc. During the season, the spare equipment will be for use by a referee coach or no.4, with the referee coach taking priority.

Action: Matt to order spare communication equipment necessary, as consolidated by CAG team.

No.4 for JID

27. The appointment of a no.4 is becoming a necessity. Geoff Palmer has previously printed cards off to give to the teams. ACTRRA Secretary to look at options of getting these to the No.4.

Motion: No.4 to be paid \$20 per game appointed to at the end of the year. Moved: Sam Whittle. Seconded: Peter Langford. All in favour. Carried

Action: Secretary to put together no.4 rules and responsibilities, which will be promulgated in ACTRRA newsletter.

Action: President to add to newsletter.

Clubs concern for lack of referee variety

28. Brumbies have forwarded a concern from a club that has had the same referee appointed to them for the previous three games. This is noted as, with referee unavailability, this issue is unlikely to be a short term fix and results or a solution may not be found immediately in all circumstances.

Recruitment/Retention

29. ACTRRA executive to consider recruitment activities, with retention of referees in mind.

Events

Action: Secretary to put together a list of events for discussion at the next executive meeting.





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Meeting closed 2025

