



ACT Rugby Referees Association

Executive Operational Minutes

05 April 2022

The RUC

Meeting opened 1840

Conflicts of Interest

Nil

Previous minutes meetings 01 Mar 22

Approved

Key Dates/ Calendar

1. Upcoming Exec meetings 03 May 22
 - AGM 16Nov21
 - Round 1 JID, 23 April 2022
 - DRAFT Senior Development night, 24 May 22
 - DRAFT Junior development night, 7th June 22

Financial Summary

2. Find attached Treasurer summary.
- a. Expenditure that hasn't been incurred has been added back into the actual budget.
3. Additional sponsorship money has come in.
4. All current invoices have been paid, no outstanding. No major purchases are forecasted.

Motion: Accept the change to the actual budget, noting point 2a. Proposed: Peter Langford, seconded: Matt Huggins. All in favor.

Motion: Statement of receipts and payments be accepted. Moved: peter Langford, Seconded: Matt Huggins., All in favor.

Action: Treasurer to update budget, specifically member's clothing financials.

CCAG report

5. The appointments are ramping up as we work towards the start of the season. Difficult to manage 2nd division games as well as Canberra based games with A and Senior b panel referees.
6. Priority as this moment is 2nd division game over the Canberra trial games.
 - a. Junior Appointments is working with ACTJRU and RA in sanctioning games.

Discussion

7. Website - member's section
 - a. There is some reluctance to uphold the financials onto the website, and even the member's section. The security of the member's section is compared to other services available, such as google Drive, or drop box.
 - b. There is some controllability on the ACTRRA executive side allowing what can be seen by members.
 - c. ACTRRA Secretary or ACTRRA Webmaster will be able to approve member's application for access once they have filled out the link and form as advertised.





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Motion: Password protect the member's section of the website, and allow the Secretary and ACTRRA Webmaster approve these member's application., Moved: Sam Whittle, Seconded: Peter Langford. All in favor.

8. Ref ready courses – Face to Face
 - a. Clubs have shown interest in having a referee ready/ introduction to refereeing session. These including the following.
 - b. 26th April – Jindabyne, 27th April Vikings. QBN, TBC (Sunday 1st or 8th May), and Uni Norths TBC, 11 May.
 - c. If we can get the education session to be organized, who do we send? Our availability is slim, and the more recent Brumbies employee does not have the qualifications.
 - d. Dennis confirmed that the information online states a face to face session can be done, however the referee must then do an online component as well as a lv1 course or the 'refereeing junior rugby' (i.e. u8s) online afterwards.

Action: President to ask if this face to face session will give the refereeing participant the qualification of a new referee.

9. Sponsors open box invitations
 - a. Open box is available for a date of our choosing for the sponsors of ACTRRA and two ACTRRA Exec members. Matt and Nathan to be on standby for tickets.
 - b. Ask Kevin Cullen to host the sponsors on behalf of ACTRRA, and then write out to sponsors.

Action: President to write to the sponsors inviting them to box.

10. SSS incentives
 - a. Offer to send the SSS referees interstate and give them some local games with coaches, and provide tickets to a Rugby game such as the Wallabies.
 - b. Another option is to look for various tournaments and/or carnivals available, and targeted that the refereeing level (u14s or 15s).
 - c. If sending interstate, allow for a guardian to travel as well.

Action: President to investigate with RA regarding carnivals/ tournaments.

11. Penrith travel / NSWRA involvement
 - a. NSWRA wants little involvement with ACTRRA and Penrith games. This leaves ACTRRA in a position to solely appoint to these games, noting that they are in our competition, with the accommodation and travel provided as of minutes 01Mar22.
12. Accreditations – impact on appointments
 - a. ACTRRA can still appoint to games if someone has smart rugby. This means that, although a referee's accreditations have lapsed, they can still be appointed. This therefore provides no incentive to maintain accreditations.
 - b. RA is investigating the impact that accreditation has on appointment.
 - c. Dennis has provided some options going ahead for ACTRRA to consider regarding non-accredited referees.





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- i) Do nothing. Let referees decide if they obtain/retain accreditations. Not our problem to solve?
- ii) Targeted emails to referees requiring re-accreditations to request they complete Season Ready and/or take actions in Learning Centre to commence re-accreditation qualifications.
- iii) Option 2, but apply the week before finals as a deadline to update (no accreditations, no finals).
- iv) Option 2, but apply mid-season deadline (2 July. Approx 3 months to comply)
- v) Option 2, but apply immediate no appointments (no re-accreditation, no appointment).

Motion:

- a. the executive approve the senior and junior coordinators send targeted emails to referees requiring re-accreditations to request they complete Season Ready and/or take actions in Learning Centre to commence re-accreditation qualifications, and
- b. where any referees that do not have referee re-accreditations 'current' by the **week before the finals series** will not be appointed or considered to any fixtures (centre) within a final series (juniors or seniors)

Action: CCAG out targeted emails as outlined above.

13. Red Card written judgements process

- a. Advise Karl of Junior red card process, as Karl is on top on Seniors.
- b. Question was raised as to, when the judicatory outcome report is sent to us, where are they then. Drop box folder will be created for the purpose of filing the reports.

Action: Secretary to create folder for such report, and advise Karl of filing process.

14. MOPP

- a. ACTJRU MOPP has been signed by ACTJRU. A system is in place to review this yearly.

Action: President to send out MOPP to ACTRRA members.

15. Various competition points and an ACTRRA POC

- a. Newsletter should target referees doing their points for 1st division 1st grade, women's, and 2nd division games.

Action: President to add message in next Newsletter for referees to submit their points for the respective competitions

16. Referee Exchanges

- a. Referee exchange section of the website has been hidden from the new website.,

17. ACTRRA End of season luncheon

- a. Seniors Preliminary round is 3rd September

Action: Executive to consider end of season function ideas.





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18. Life members function

- a. Executive to consider a function to take the Life Members out for a meal. Consider functions, ideas etc. Date to consider dates.

Action: Executive to consider end of season function ideas, along with dates for the function.

19. Development nights

- a. There is an option to resurrect face to face development nights, along with the RA development nights that are advertised monthly.
- b. Consideration should be given to having Senior and Junior development sessions, in order to attract Juniors to attend.
- c. Consider 24th of May as the first Seniors development, with the theme of trends.
- d. A 7th of June, fortnight after the seniors, should be targeted at the Juniors.

20. HUDL

- a. Currently do not have access to the most recent games on HUDL
- b. We also don't have the correct cable to connect to the cameras.

Action: Treasurer to follow up with Matt Vowles regarding access to HUDL.

Action: ACTRRA Secretary to purchase 6x 3.5mm to XLR cables.

Meeting closed 2030

