



BASA Delegates Meeting

18th December 2007

Attendees:

Polar Bears: Massey, Lee
Coyotes Ian Potter, Dave
Isotopes Rod N, Kim
Polar Cubs Darin, Luka
Assassins Nush, Kate
Redbacks Ceitlin, Shaps
Destroyers Graeme, Ben

Notes from Meeting.

Key Issues for each team:

Redbacks.

- New equipment needed.
- More referees
- Stamp out intimidation

Assassins

- Could improve the social aspect of BASA
- Girls competition, and new starters
- More umpires

Polar Bears

- Getting too physical
- Where is the line – contact
- Consistency with refereeing
- Captain should be the only one speaking to Ref

Coyotes

- Consistency with refereeing
- Hire equipment – could be better managed

Polar Cubs

- Have had lots of help from other teams
- Time-keeping and fees – we need an Info pack!

Ice-otopes

- The mixed game is getting too physical
- Too much aggression on the ice.

Destroyers

- Great to see the Cubs out as a new team
- The mixed game is getting too physical
- Could develop incentives for new players
- Consistency with refereeing

Team Structure and Ice Time

- Is there Ice Time available to expand the competition?
- Cannot go to 10 teams currently due to lack of Ice Time (after 11pm)
- Having a “bye” pleases some teams but not others.
- Idea: Could the “bye” team be responsible for equipment, refing, and time-keeping?

Expectations

1. Time-keeping each team must turn up for time-keeping. If this issue continues, then a penalty will be agreed to and imposed.
2. Wet Ice – Umpire calls “wet-ice” and how long should it be?
3 minutes between games – should be adhered to.
There should be some relief if you have just refereed a game.
3. Captains need to sign off on score sheets, with particular note to any new players, players names etc. In some sports teams can lose premiership points if they play a player who is not on the sheet. If this issue continues, then a penalty will be agreed to and imposed.
4. We should be stricter on uniforms. Uniforms should be approved by the committee prior to teams purchasing new ones!
5. We need to find a better solution to the hire gear. Do we need to “sign-out” the hire gear?

Nationals

- Deposits will be asked for players attending Nationals, so that people don't "drop out" at the last minute
- The Nationals Committee will manage training sessions, etc
- Women look to have 12 players at this stage
- We need to be clear and transparent about funding
- Position on SA players playing for the Vic team was made clear

End of Season Event

- Discussion about how the end-of-season event would be held.
- General agreement was that the last one was great.
- Should it be on the Saturday night following the Grand Final?
- Not all agree that it should be – vote taken 6 for Saturday, 4 for Tuesday
- Possibly once per year on Saturday?
- Should the AGM be with the presentation?
- Decision will be made by the committee.
- There will be more roles in the committee available including Social, Youth development, and competition.

Next Season

- General discussion on whether we should move to 2 nights per week.
- General agreement was that if we are going to grow the local competition, then we need another night, or we need to start earlier (7pm)
- Will not happen quickly, but change will have to happen for BASA to grow.

Next Steps

Kim to distribute notes from meeting

Committee to note the opinions and thoughts of the delegates and should consider including in their priorities:

- Improving the consistency of the refereeing
- Tightening up on contact in the mixed game
- Develop an information pack for new players / teams
- Clarify the expectations for team-keepers between games.
- Ensure that Captains sign-off the time sheets, and develop penalties if necessary
- Improve the management of the "hire gear"
- Decide and communicate the structure of end-of-season events
- Ensure that any funding of the Nationals teams is transparent
- Put together a plan for growing the competition in SA, including how game will be scheduled.