**CANTERBURY CRICKET CLUB**

**MINUTES 136th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**HELD IN THE JEAN GREEN ROOM AT CANTERBURY SPORTS GROUND**

**ON 7th JUNE 2023**

**AT 7:00PM**

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| **PRESENT** | Paul Townsend  John Kent  David Williamson  Sam Warner  Harry Crothers | President  Vice President – Seniors  Vice President – Juniors  Secretary  Treasurer |
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| **IN ATTENDENCE** | As per the attendees Register |  |
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| **APOLOGIES** | Jack McCarthy, Sam Gardiner, Bob Trengrove, Ann Brennan, Connor Whiting, Lachlan Streat, Jono Wilson, Andy Mills , Luke McIntosh, Stephen Seymour |  |
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| **QUORUM** | The President advised attendees that a quorum of Members was present. |  |
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| **PREVIOUS MINUTES** | The previous minutes from the 135th AGM were read to the attending Members and accepted. | MOVED: Matthew Mcintosh  SECONDED: Harry Crothers  CARRIED |
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| **MATTERS ARISING** | President Peter Jago welcomed all Members to the 136th AGM of the Club, and in particular welcomed those Life Members in attendance, and proceeded to delivery his President’s Report to those in attendance.  Peter discussed the challenging beginning to the season for the Club, with weather once again delaying the start of the year, and playing havoc with the fixtures – especially for the Senior Men’s sides.  The 1st XI had a mixed season, finishing in 6th position over all, but winning their final two fixtures, including over eventual Dunstan Premiers Old Carey. Thanks was extended to Captain Chris Moore, as well as Andy Mills, Lachie Streat, Stephen Seymour and Steven Duckworth for their collective leadership.  The 2nd XI under Captain Ryan Arians fought their way through the pack to make their third Grand Final in a row against Old Carey. It eventually proved to be third time lucky for the side, with a comprehensive victory, earning the team promotion to A-Turf next season. Peter Congratulated the side, especially Ryan for his leadership, and Roger Bryce for scoring.  The side most impacted by availabilities and the weather throughout the year was the 3rd XI. Although this side finished in the bottom half of the ladder, they had solid victories over teams who eventually contested finals, and Luke McIntosh as Captain deserves our thanks for his efforts getting a side on the pack in challenging circumstances. Thanks also to Bill Salter for his ongoing work as team scorer.  The 4th XI under John Forwood were struggling for numbers in the first few rounds of the season, but eventually made it into the Semi-Finals, falling just short against eventual Premiers North Balwyn. A wonderful group of U/14s and their fathers made up this team, and big things are expected of them in the coming years.  Thanks to Stephen Seymour who will be stepping down as Senior Men’s coach, although will continue to play when available for the Club.  Peter also extended his thanks to everyone involved in the Women’s Senior program, given the significant challenges they faced coordinating such a large proportion of the side through their Year 12 exams. Well done to Coach Josh Martin, Captains Kate Roberts and Elle Bonnett, as well as Ann Brennan, David Meagher, Greg Arvidsson and Emma Wood for their efforts. Finishing in 5th place, the side can be proud of their efforts given the disruption to their season.  While Veterans numbers were slightly down in the 40s and 50s cohorts, the 60s continue from strength to strength, representing the Club well again at the Echuca Carnival. Peter also thanked the Veterans for their extra effort supporting fundraising this season through their Bunnings BBQ contributions.  Peter thanked David Williamson for his leadership of the Junior Program. While the numbers for Boys have stayed lower than we’d like following on from the COVID decline, our Girls numbers continue to grow and Peter acknowledged the work of Allison Mitchell in this important work.  This season saw the return of the CCC Trivia Night, and Peter thanked and acknowledged everyone involved with the evening – especially Pat McCormick and Emma Ellis  Finally, Peter acknowledged the work and contribution of the Committee during the season, thanking all for their efforts. In particular, he acknowledged those stepping off the Committee, including Harry Crothers (Treasurer), David Williamson (Juniors), Michael Angwin (Veterans and Special Projects), and Ann Brennan (Women’s Cricket). | MOVED: Paul Townsend  SECONDED: Ryan Arians  CARRIED |
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| **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** | Harry Crothers (Treasurer) gave a detailed accounting of the Club’s financial statements for the year ending 30th April 2023.  Harry reported to Members that the Club had returned a small profit of $1100, in line with our aims of modest annual growth. This increase was mainly due to the removal of COVID restrictions allowing access to the bar once again, and to the fundraising efforts, especially the Triva Night and recent BBQs at Bunnings. The end of season Raffle had also made a significant difference to our bottom line, in light of earlier forecasting for a loss.  Harry stated that the Club should anticipate ongoing increase in expenses in the coming years, especially ground rental and possibly association fees. The difficult economic environment will likely hit local clubs and organizations hard as people tighten their belts, and the CCC will not be immune to this situation.  Having said this, Harry acknowledged that the Club maintains a health reserve of funds at this time.  Finally, Harry thanked all Members for their support during his tenure as Club Treasurer, and wished his successor luck. | MOVED: Michael Angwin  SECONDED: Roger Bryce  CARRIED |
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| **LIFE MEMBERSHIP ELEVATION** | Sam Warner (Secretary) informed attendees that no nominations for Life Membership of the Club had been received by the General Committee this year. |  |
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| **ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS** | The President advised the attendees that all positions of Office were now open and the Chairmanship of the Meeting was handed to Life Member Tom Hickie.  Tom Hickie informed the attendees that only one nomination for the Presidency of the Canterbury Cricket Club had been received, and that Peter Jago had been elected unopposed. Tom relinquished the Chairmanship to Peter.  Peter advised the attendees that the following persons had nominated as Officer Bearers and had been elected unopposed:  John Kent - Vice President – Seniors  Vacant - Vice President – Juniors  Sam Warner - Secretary  Sam Townsend - Treasurer |  |
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| **ELECTION OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE** | The President advised the Meeting that the following persons had been nominated for the General Committee and had henceforth been elected:  Paul Townsend  Peter Scott  Emma Ellis  Joe Saliba  Matthew McIntosh  Ellie Bonnett  Pat McCormick  Peter acknowledged that the following persons had indicated they wished to be appointed as assistants to the General Committee, and thanked them for their support:  Ryan Arians  Roger Bryce  Peter extended his thanks to Michael Angwin, David Williamson, Andy Mills, Ann Brennan, & Harry Crothers for their service to the General Committee, following their decisions to step down. |  |
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| **AUDITOR** | The Secretary advised the Meeting that no nominations for the position of Honorary Auditor had been received for 2023/24. |  |
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| **FEES FOR THE 2023/24 SEASON** | The following fees were proposed to the Meeting by the President, with the Committee reserving the right to review the Junior Membership fees at a later time, following the appointment of a Junior Vice President:  Senior Men’s - $385  Senior Women’s - $200  Student (Men’s) - $275  Student (Women’s) - $150  Veterans Over 60’s - $275  Veterans Over 50’s - $220  Veterans Over 40’s - $220  Juniors - $250  Social - $50 | MOVED: Ryan Arians  SECONDED: Pat McCormick  CARRIED |
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| **GENERAL BUSINESS** | The President informed the Meeting that Mr. Chris Moore had been reappointed as the Club Captain and Captain of the Men’s 1st XI.  Sam Warner (Secretary) informed Members that following David Williamson stepping down as Junior Vice president, the search for a new Junior Coordinator was ongoing. A letter to all Members had been sent out asking for expressions of interest from the parent cohort. The Committee has also explored the concept of paying someone to run the Juniors, with fees to be increased accordingly.  Sam informed members that Mr. Tony Smith had presented to the Committee to increase the size and scope of the Women’s Program this season. Accordingly, Tony had been appointed as the Head Coach for the Women’s Program, with the objective of establishing two Senior Women’s teams this season.  Sam discussed the move of the 3rd XI from Sunday Turf on to Saturday Sythetic cricket. This decision was made in consultation with the likely 3rd XI playing group to encourage availability.  Peter provided a general update on the state of the ground and facility works. Club’s position is to target all works at once, however likely to be staggered as we are at the mercy of the Council.  Sam discussed the upcoming swap over in the local cricket administration system, from MyCricket to PlayHQ. Thanks extended to Roger Bryce who is leading this alteration at the Club. However, this will be a significant change and the Committee acknowledges that there will be teething issues with the new system.  Peter updated Members of the search for a Men’s Head Coach and discussions around an international player. The Senior Director of Cricket and president have met with several candidates for both positions and will be making a decision in the coming weeks. However, should any Member be in a position to accommodate an international player for a period of time, they are asked to contact Peter or Sam to discuss.  Peter asked all present to consider any sponsorship opportunities within the Club Community. It is the intention of the Committee to increase Club sponsorship revenue if possible, and local connections will assist in this process greatly.  Questions from the floor were at this point invited:  Peter Scott asked: ‘Will the Club have access to the ground during the rooms construction project?’ – Peter replied: ‘Yes, as far as we have been told by Council.’  Peter Scott asked: ‘Will we have access to the turf nets during the building project?’ – Peter replied: ‘This will depend on the final scope of the project. If we get approval for both the rooms and ground at the same time as we’d like, then we’ll need to relocate for a period. We just don’t know yet.’  Steven Duckworth asked: ‘If the ground is unavailable, will we be playing home fixtures on Sundays?’ – Sam replied: ‘Yes, my guess is at Stradbroke Park, or maybe North Balwyn.’ |  |
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| **CLOSURE** | There being no further General Business or Agenda Items, the 136th AGM was declared closed by Peter at 7:49pm. |  |