



Queenstown Ice Hockey General Club Meeting Agenda
Wednesday 26 April 2023, 7:30pm
Shufflehub, 153 Glenda Dr

Welcome: Braden Lee, Steve Reid, Ross Burns, Colin McIntosh, Leon Walker, JC Lavoie, Ben Rotto, Ingmar Eriksson, Ruth Abraham, Gigi Hollyer, Rachel Evans, Kylie Strain

Apologies: Sarah Aitken, Kimberley Dixon

Meeting started: 7:34pm

Minutes of previous meeting:

[Date 19 October 2022](#) Moved Steve/Braden

Correspondence In:

- SIHL schedule is finalized - noting a change in venue for Erewhon, now in Naseby
- School newsletter push was done last week of term, and requested to run through first half of Term 2

Correspondence Out:

Financial Report - Treasurer

Kylie presented her report. Draft accounts for 2022 season are now finalized and under review for the auditors, which is quite late as many grants require finalized accounts and is impacting our ability to apply for grants. With our new EOFY date of 31 October we have pushed that we need audited and finalized accounts by end of February.

Moved Whitney / Braden.

Group Reports

LTP | U9 | U12 - Emma | Ruth | Ingmar

Overview of what's been happening	Next steps and tasks	Any other information
Gear has been handed out during pre-season. We seem to be in need of a few hockey helmets in size small (only 3 left), we also need 2 goalie sticks and 1 goalie helmet. We have plenty hockey helmets in size medium left un-used at the moment. We had 25 children on the first Monday and 17 on Tuesday (today). It was noted by a coach that children who do or try goaltending should always wear goalie helmet with good throat protection, hence the request for goalie	Sending out information and 'how to register/ show interest' next week for the tournaments. Do we need to advertise or post more to get new members in the U-12 category?	

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U15 - Kimberley Dixon

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Great first night, with a good turn out. Looking forward to a great upcoming season.	Clarification on partial fees for U15 for out of town players, or injured.	Dispensation for Shiloh Thurston - first year playing and may be better suited to U15 than U18.

- Injury on a case by case basis. Players going for extended holiday, pre-notified, who will be away for 4 weeks or more, are eligible for partial fees.

U18 - Leon Walker

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This week is the start of the season for our U18 players and we have 18 registered players so far. We have been asked to provide player numbers to SIHL so that they can draft the teams for this coming season. We have only 3 rounds this season and will also try look at some drop in games to increase game time for the players.	As its just the beginning of the season and I'm really new to the Club Captain role I don't have any firm next steps in place but have already started to investigate some fundraising opportunities and also keen to get any guidance from past Club Captains.	N/A

- Is there interest from other clubs to have a 4th round? Something in early AUG would be good. need to gauge interest from other teams first.
- Alex are keen for a QT/Alex series if possible.
- Steve/Leon to ask around in Dunedin for interest, then see if we can get any ice.

U15 Junior Stampede

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N/A		

U18 Junior Stampede

Overview of what's been happening	Next steps and tasks	Any other information
N/A		

Adult Senior Social

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Sunday Social league has kicked off (23/4). Thanks to Sarah again who had everything lined up for the season. 10 teams - saying goodbye to world bar and hello to the hot dawgs. Successful captains meeting held. Format - double round robin with 3 round playoff structure. Total of 21 games guaranteed per team. All for \$600 (including registration) for a standard player. The exact same cost as the Jurassic league player cost for this coming season.	Score box review needed?	~60-70% of teams are paid up, and captains know who is owing. Payments are a good option.

JC is involved - wk 1 scoring 2 games and observing the ref's as well as joining a team to play also. He will either ref or score a minimum of 2-3 games per week. Noted an exposed wire was discovered on Sunday on the cord for the score box. Prudent to get it looked at? Also no heater for the score box? Does anyone know where it's gone? Portacom?		
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- Are heaters allowed? Braden/Colin to confirm the rules around heaters and Braden potentially to donate one.
- Need to ensure all drop-in players are registered.

Women's

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WOMENS - Gigi Hollyer We had a social women's team the "Ice Cubes" play and win the social grade of the Challenge Women's Tournament in Dunedin at Easter. Wakatipu Wild team coaches and management have been appointed and remain the same as last season: Head Coach = Colin McIntosh, Asst Coaches = Dave Dubnick and Jacques Kemp Manager = Rebecca Dobson Wild trials are on Wednesday May 3rd.	Following a successful off season local Women's Hockey League of 3 teams playing round robin over 6 weeks it would be great to see such a league continue throughout our winter season - even if it was only a short season leading into the NZWIHL which starts on June 23rd. The organisers are Amy Ballagh and Esther Chan. Our women's players have been a major growth area over the last 5 season and the Wakatipu Wild won the NZWIHL in 2022 in their 3rd season of existence. We now have women players be they social or national league players that prefer to play with women not men. The QIHC should be prioritising this and making it happen. I know finding ice time and funding is a challenge. Amy and Esther tried really hard to get ice time from the rink but it was impossible. They were resigned to only having a Women's League in the off season. The issue we face is limiting opportunities for female players as the only chance they have too to play or practice regularly is mixed with men and women. This is an issue for both social, competitive and age groups players - some of whom are in the Wild. We have several girls who have aged out of U15 and do not want to play U18 club hockey as it is with boys and is checking. Currently the Wild is the only place they can play women's hockey. I can see an easy solution to this. QIHC has strategically grabbed the social drop in ice time on Thursday nights from 9-10pm. The Wild have 6 of these Thursday's for Wild trainings starting on June 22, which is great as that really supports their NZWIHL campaign and gives the girls extra ice time. I propose the QIHC makes the 6 weeks prior to this date ie starting on May 11 for a short Women's league season to run. Amy and Esther are happy to facilitate this. I would also like to propose that I be permitted to seek funding options for the NZWIHL with Tania Pimm who is the NZ Women's Ice Hockey Portfolio holder. There are a few large sources of funding that may be available to NZIHF as women's sport is seeking equality of opportunity for girls	

	and women to have access to sport nationwide.	
WILD - Colin McIntosh Resuming 2023 planning now that management is selected. Season pushed forward 2 months which leaves us very low on expected numbers due to players planning holidays in June/July over a 6 month to a year ago thinking season would be more July/august/September as well as 2 players have moved (out of country and to Dunedin to study), one is pregnant.	Eois and trials may 3rd. Sponsorship recruitment. Budgets. Fundraisers Grants- Liz and Bex Ticketing ? W/Nicky.	

- WILD: Budget is still yet to be released and cost increases are making it very cost prohibitive for only 8 games. We need to consider other funding opportunities.
- WOMEN: For this short term league, can we waive the registration fee if we borrow some club ice time? We need to be careful of setting any precedents on associate vs full members. It was decided that Gigi will discuss wider funding for womens league with Tania; also will source non-club ice time for a few rounds whilst the U12 crew feel out whether we can give up some ice time to trial this league.

Sky City Stampede - Nicky Thompson

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We have been busy gearing up for this season - tickets for Home Games are on sale now. The team have started ice training and we handed our team squad list in at the end of March as per the events manual. We have some new faces this year and are also looking forward to welcoming 2 imports in May to the team. We have finalized with our main sponsors and Jersey's are currently in production. We are in the process of finalizing our new merchandise - hats and caps ready to have it at our first home game. We are as always on the hunt for volunteers in particular for Scorebox and also off ice - penalty and goal judge. We are continuing to tick off the what seems like never ending list of jobs and catch ups before Season starts.	N/A	N/A

- Off ice officials are meant to be qualified officials. Many of the list provided are younger players and we need adults in this environment.
- Fundraising opportunity - Stampede have a budget to allow teams to do some fundraising at the games. 5 rounds - Wild, JS x2, National team. Wild are happy to take the first round opportunity - 26/27 May.
- Quiz night is June 17th. Doing a Trade Me auction for a trip to Queenstown as well.

Gear and Portacom

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Code to portacom has been changed.		

Group reports are moved by Whitney, seconded by Braden.

Fundraising | Grants

- None organized yet, needs to be an immediate focus.

- Braden to reach out Hinano to move forward on some fundraising
- We missed a few grant applications due to late financial reports.

General Business

- Registrations are low - do we need to do another push? If so, how/what?
 - Discussed LWB, flyers at school, get some players down at the schools, Braden may reach out to Scoop.
 - Could we look at a coffee card style, with 11th session free?
- Junior Stampede appointments - to be discussed
- Livestream equipment (we now have some on the way from nzihl) so just ensuring that crew is trained etc on it.
 - Our normal streaming crew is unavailable this season, so NZIHF applied for a grant to get the Stampede geared up. This will be available for use for Stampede, Wild, etc.
 - Where will it be stored. Braden offered to store at the gym, where it can be secure and temperature control.
 - Michael will fly in to do the training?
 - Need more volunteers to be trained. Gigi to ask at WHS if any students would be keen to learn and gain some experience.
- Police checks need to be submitted - form to be completed as required in next 2 weeks
- Out of town kids who are coming for one session a week etc (not sure if we covered or not last meeting) how do we charge ? - Offer a concession card at \$20 per session (\$200/ for 10 sessions). Or Fee can invoice if we know how many sessions. Agreed to do pre -paid, can sell half a card if needed.
- NZIHF camp June - Darren Blong wanted a push on social for the Dunedin
- Referees clinic in May - would love to get another session here in Queenstown
- SIHL draw is now confirmed
- Launching the President's Grant. - President/VP/Treasurer are the committee.
- LTP cheat sheet - last year Whitney did an all-in-one sheet with the details for LTP, including coach phone numbers, etc. Need to know if we want the same again? Are people ok to include phone numbers on the sheet? - Whitney to update and include on website, no phone numbers required.

Any Other Business

- Finance replacement for Fiona. Emma to pop a note on whiteboard at the next few U12 trainings.

Matters Arising

Next Meeting

Date: 14 June

Venue: TBC - most likely Forsyth Barr building,

Meeting closed 9:20pm.