

Minutes of the TUA Committee Meeting
31st July, 2007, 70 Hampden Road Battery Point

Meeting Opened: 5:43pm

Present: Jemery Day, David Cook, John Kristensen, Kathleen Downey, Kerry Herman, Matt Smith, Jase de Puit, Masni Bennett, Tania King, Shavawn Donohue

Apologies: Joe Boyer, Aaron Pinkus, Halena Bilton

Confirmation of last minutes Moved by Shavawn, seconded by Tania.

Correspondence

1. We have got confirmation that we have submitted the Sport & Rec grant application.
2. Inventory update request from Sport & Rec, they require our club information, and contact person

Business arising from previous minutes

1. Tas Uni Report

- **AUGs (Tania)**
 - Some people have booked flights
 - They're finalising numbers and will *probably* have a team: 7 or 8 guys, 4 women
 - Training's been running a few weeks now, might extend it to 3 hours on a Sunday afternoon, will continue Thursday fitness training
- **Friday Pickup (Cookie)**
 - Friday pickup numbers are going well, more girls than guys at the moment
 - Double booking issue with the Rugby and Footy oval, with Collegiate. Currently happily co-habiting.

2. TUA Website (Jem)

- Still nothing from Button at worlds
- There is stuff from SUG and AUG
- Nothing from regionals yet
- JK fell asleep when writing the Tiggers report, should be getting onto it this week

3. TUA Logo (maz)

- Similarities to Southern Cross logo
- Jem notes that the tiger's back arches the other way, so that is good
- Jem notes that it isn't in use any longer anyway

- Matt asks whether the logo can go on the 2-Hat shirts, Jem says "I don't see why not"
- It is agreed that the words "tasmanian ultimate association" should be added (as per the 2nd version of the logo), in place of the "tua" text
- Maz says she will look into tweaking the blue colour so it prints brighter on not-so-great printers
- The crowd applauded
- It was asked whether we should wait to unveil the new logo for when JK launches the new website
- Decided that it should be used straight away (esp on correspondance)
- JK says he is planning the website to be done for Spring league-ish

4. Coaching

- Tania is continuing her progress, and might beat Shavawn to the post

5. Youth Development

- Tania says that she and Joe would like to have a meeting (especially about the Gala Day) for people interested in Youth Development.
- Waiting to get in contact with Joe
- Gala Day
 - Late November date is planned
 - Hopefully uni students might be finished with exams by this time and could help out for the day
 - Jem asks whether it is a good name - is the phrase in common use in Tasmania?
 - Ren says that they have been playing Ultimate at Clarence High recently
 - Matt asks whether Anthony from Hutchins might be interested in being involved
 - He's from WA and is playing indoor at the moment

6. Mixed Nationals

- Shavawn says it looks like there will be a team this year
- Might be issues of committing
- Lots of people are interested
- Selection criteria will be:
 - Attendance at training
 - Payment of \$75 by August
 - Will select team soon after, to give them 6 weeks to book tickets
 - (optional) General skills, how they play with others, positions that are required
- Team numbers: 8 girls, 8 boys
- Jem asks whether the deposit of \$75 is too low - how about \$100?
- \$75 is probably fair, more could be a bit too much for people
- Three selectors: Basil, Shavawn, ???

- Shavawn is thinking of another girl, Tania volunteers, No objections to these decisions.
- It is agreed that there will probably only be one team. Chances of getting a wild card are very slim.
- Thankyou to Shavawn for running the Mixed Nats team!

7. Tas Ultimate Social Events

- Joe has booked August 18th at the Theatre Royal
- Shavawn would prefer Friday... for selfish reasons, because she is going to be away that weekend.
- Shavawn explains to Matt the reasoning for a social event:
- It would be nice to have an annual dinner to say thankyou to members of the frisbee community
- Since it is already late this year, we thought it would be nice to have a more casual event as a predecessor
- Brief discussion of possible other venues, since Theatre Royal is booked out on other weekends
- Ren says to make sure that it isn't seen as "just" a AUGs/nationals thing, but a social league event for everyone in
- Everyone approves of August
- It would be great to have a Friday instead
- If not, look into other venues - Bridies?
- Jase will pass this on to Joe

8. Website Makeover - New Registration System

- To be put into use for 2-Hat and then Spring League
- Front-end looks the same, back-end has some new features
- Automatic confirmation email of signup
- Automatic subscription to the tas-ultimate mailing list
- Next steps for registration system
 - Now needs to be integrated into the TUA site
 - Needs some changes to text/wording (overseen by Jem), both on the form and on the confirmation email
 - Needs some changes for specific pricing (overseen by Matt)
- Matt asks whether the registration system handles signing up for multiple leagues
- Jase says this will be necessary for Spring League
- JK says this is easy and he can do it

9. Winter Indoor League

- There have been some spirit issues
 - Disparity about the "average" score
 - JK says 5 should be an average game - this will be mentioned tomorrow at the captain's meeting

- Matt asks whether the captains are required to turn up early - JK says no, it can be before the game starts, or in half time. Some issues about how nice teams are playing
- Should 5 be a base for the spirit scores? Cookie says no, 5 is a fail at university, Maz says that 5 isn't a fail at Frisbee
- Cookie says that compared to nats games, we generally play with really good spirit here, Ren asks whether we should be giving spirit scores compared to a Tassie standard or Nationals standard?
- JK says that the average score seems to have gotten higher than when he first started - there's more 9s and 10s now, rather than 7s
- Matt suggests that the scale should be described more like the "Strongly Agree" - "Strongly Disagree" scale, instead of purely numerical
- A meter scale from "Strongly Enjoyed" to "Strongly Disliked"

- Matt says that an experienced player on his team didn't know what spirit was.
- Ren points out that good and bad spirit is amplified at indoor, somewhat, since there are fewer players
 - More obvious if someone is playing a certain way
 - More obvious if someone stays on for a long time
- JK says the schedule needs to be rejigged a bit, the courts may be double-booked
- One of the issues is that the league isn't long enough for everyone to play everyone twice
- Cookie suggests that it could run later, to 8:30 or 9:30. This isn't so late compared to some other sports

10. Spring League

- Jase is going to amalgamate his notes and send them to TUA admin SOON
- Sign up dates and costs for Spring League need to be confirmed next
- Matt asks about the lights at Sandown
- Shavawn/Jem says that the Sandown contact (Shannon?) should be "back now", so can probably get in contact with them soon for an update on the lights status.

11. 2-Hat

- Matt revisits his massive email from a few days before.
- Fields: North Hobart vs Wentworth
 - Matt has been having trouble getting information about Wentworth, but managed to get some info this afternoon
 - Jem asks if anyone is for or against one in particular?
 - Shavawn says we don't really have a choice. We have to use Wentworth because we have outgrown the North Hobart oval.
- Wentworth details:

- Is *pretty much* available
- Line marking: \$165 flat fee, plus \$27 per field per hour
- Jem asks whether we could mark the fields ourselves? Cookie says he has a distance wheel measure thing.
- Matt says the answer will most likely be "no" and doesn't really want to ask, but will try and pressure them about it.
- Booking: \$25 per field per hour, we're going to need 3 fields
- Matt says that it will probably be the "upper" fields (the girls side at regionals). Shavawn suggests it would be better to ask for the "lower" fields (the boys side at regionals).
- Liquor license is a go: 1pm-11pm
- Club rooms: \$7.50 per hour
- Total field costs: \$580-\$680 (without field markings)
- Last year, fields cost \$320. Jem mentions that we might have to increase the costs of 2-Hat accordingly, but that will be discussed another time.
- Wentworth worries:
 - Jem asks about the rumours of maintenance happening on that weekend
 - Matt says that they seem to be trying to dissuade us by bumping up the line marking to be really high
 - Matt says that they have said our booking is "weather permitting". If the fields are closed at the last minute, the only possibility might be to talk to Hutchins (or somewhere) and ask if there is a possibility of using their fields in an emergency
 - Jem suggests we could talk to Hobart City Council and explain the importance of us having somewhere to play. Jem will talk to Shannon about this directly (he will also ask Shannon about the lights at Sandown).
- Cookie notes that we might not get enough numbers to need Wentworth anyway
- Matt will find out how late the bookings can be left. Apparently the councils aren't taking official bookings for the grounds yet anyway
- Jem will chase up North Hobart, Matt will get back to Clarence
- Quick mention of other possible locations
 - The Domain
 - Cornelian Bay - is it windy only in the evenings?
- 2-Hat Registrations
 - Shirt size
 - Diet requirements
 - 1 or 2 day tournament
 - Flight information?
 - Are you interested in being billeted? (JK and Jem say that maybe that should be in the confirmation email)
- Registration Fees
 - Shavawn says we've never ever made any money on the Hat, \$100 loss is average

- Matt says ... the fields will cost more than last year, shirts and food will be about the same - should we raise the costs?
- Fees are suggested to be around \$50-\$65
- Cookie suggests that the late fee could cover the booking uncertainties
- Fees last year: \$45 (standard), \$50 (late), \$55 (very late), \$65 (on the day)
- Suggested fees: \$45 (standard), \$60 (late), \$65 (very late), \$70 (on the day)
- Dates
 - 2-Hat is on October 13th
 - Registrations open: this Friday
 - Early-bird close: end of August
 - Late fee starts: end of September (2 weeks before the 2-Hat)
- Golf
 - 18 holes, 2 x St David's
 - Jem, Ken, Geoff are going to organise the golf - the teams, etc
 - Matt will ensure the contact information is up
- T-Shirts
 - Matt asks whether there are any problems with Tas Clothing Co... nobody has any issues with them
 - Prices are about \$11 per shirt
 - Matt will ask about the blotchy prints on last year's t-shirts
 - Matt will find out the dimensions for the t-shirts
 - Ren suggests that we should specifically ask for children's sizes too
 - Will be the same cut and fabric as last year
 - Maz and Beans will collaborate for the shirt design
 - Matt has an idea of "branding" the 2-Hat with a distinctive style/logo/look for the t-shirts - a continued theme, eg. The ghost, or just bowler hats
 - Ren asks whether we have to have really bright coloured shirts
 - As a general thing to keep in mind, it would be nice for them to be wearable! ie. a good size, nice design
- Theme
 - Matt asks whether we should or could have themed hats, eg. a pirate hat
 - Matt asks whether this is copying others too much, but JK says that most hats have themes
 - Jem says that he doesn't mind leaving it up to Matt to decide
- Discs - Custom frisbees for the 2-hat? Shavawn says no.
- Catering
 - No Frills for snacks and various things
 - Matt asks whether he should use his card, or whether the TUA should get a card. Shavawn says it is fine for Matt just to use his

- Shavawn suggests Matt asks Ash about whether there is some Gatorade left over from last year.
- Lunches
 - Ask Stan (or someone else) to cater or just have washing baskets? Washing baskets are probably easier.
 - Jem suggests that it would be good to delegate this to someone.
 - Matt says that it's not as big as regionals, so he doesn't mind - he's happy to do it, or happy not to do it
 - Shavawn points out that he'll be doing other organising things - the draw
 - **Kath** puts up her hand for this
- Coffee and Ice-cream people
 - Matt asks whether it was worth it? Coffee was probably good, ice-cream probably not so
 - Kath to call up people about this - just a general invite
- Liquor License
 - Matt will organise this, he has done it before
 - Jem suggests that maybe Matt should delegate, because you have to put signs up and various things - but Matt is happy to do it
 - Ren asks whether Cascades or Boags will sponsor us. Matt thinks this is unlikely because they haven't been doing it recently
 - Matt will look into sponsorship in general
 - Jase can ask a workmate about sponsorship from Cascades
- Sausage Sizzle during finals
 - Jem says yes, if there is someone who is willing to run it
 - Need to source a bbq
 - Shavawn suggests that if there is a bbq, there shouldn't be pizza.
 - JK and Jase say that they would prefer pizza to a bbq.
 - Uni club providing pizza? No.
 - Ash might take part in this.
- After Party
 - Quiz masters can be JK and Felix, if it goes ahead
 - Some concerns that the quiz is too anti-social
 - Suggestion of random teams or 2-hat teams
 - Matt suggests it could be a bit more of a party/dancey venue
 - Closer to town might be nice
 - Matt suggests the back room of Irish Murphys
 - JK suggests Montys or a quietish place that won't necessarily need a booking
 - Jem says that we probably need to make a decision about this soon. Delegated to JK and Felix.
- Billeting
 - Ren is now "billeting organiser"
- Publicity

- Matt says that "of all the things I am crappy at, this is what I am the most crappy at". Of all the jobs that can be delegated, he would really like to delegate this one.
- Shavawn says she can get in contact with Tim.
- Jemery has something planned for the 2-Hat in Trash Talk
- Should we advertise it in The Bull? (the university bulletin)
- This is something we should keep in mind for Spring League, probably
- School Publicity - Matt asks whether it is worth thinking about notifying schools, Shavawn says maybe not to bother, and focus on schools for the Gala Day instead
- Equipment
 - Cones, scoreboards and first-aid kits are all accounted for
 - Matt will source eskies
 - JK's whiteboard will be used
- Prizes
 - Same types of prizes as last year
 - JK prefers silly fun things to keyrings
- Draw and Teams
 - Matt and JK will collaborate on the draw
 - Matt asks about the "beginner girl as captain" tradition
 - Good points - Good to have someone as a leader in name who might not boss the team too much
 - Bad points - Sometimes teams need good leadership and can be a bit lost otherwise

Finance Report

- Shavawn says the finances are pretty much the same as before, there is about \$6000 in the bank
- Two grants are pending
- Expenditures: Pizza x 2

Shavawn moved that we approve the following expenditures. Seconded by John Kristensen.

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| ○ \$50.00 | Key deposit – Hobart College |
| ○ \$63.00 | Pizzas – Da Angelos |

Closing

- Next meeting: Tuesday 28th of August (Spring League registrations are scheduled to open the first week of September)