

Brisbane Hockey Association Umpires

Meeting Minutes

Date: Wed 14 July 2010

Location: State Hockey Centre

Attendees. Leon Cross, Paul Ludwig, Jan Hamilton, Adrian Cross, Andrew Chambers, Jim Thomas, Steve Grehen, Adam Kearns, Daniel Thomas, Angus Hay, Scott Baldwin, Allen Schasser, Ian Smith

Apologies:

Chair: Allen Schasser

Minutes: Ian Smith

Agenda Items

Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed

Junior rep – 12 new umpires need mentors. 3 Umpires went to U13s Drew Martin, Sam Hallet, ... U15s Angus Hay, Daniel Thomas, Scott Sweet

Umpires for U15s should be recommended by the Junior Committee and ratified by Umpires Association then approved by BHA.

Green shirts to be given to Junior Committee for distribution.

No progress on New Umpire Shirts

Allocations: New web based appointments and allocations system is being trialled, we will start with Div 1 appointments and see if there are any issues. This will run in parallel to the usual spreadsheet. Ian is in discussion with the Vendor to modify some features to customise to our requirements.

Proposed Finals schedule has Div 1,2,3 semis 14 August, 4 September for preliminary finals.

Copy of rules for finals will be sourced by Leon.

Noted that Yellow cards attract points for players receiving the card, which amounts to 1 point for each minute. Umpires should check that minutes are correctly recorded on the match card.

Umpires committee discussed the latest guidance from BHA Board regarding umpires responding to spectator abuse or supporters misbehaving on the sidelines. The committee recommended that this policy not be dealt with by umpires and that they should look to alternative measures of dealing with crowd or spectator issues. The umpires felt they should only control player behaviour and other measures with spectators could create greater problems than they solve.

It was noted that at State Hockey centre there was no first aid at two matches 12 and 1.30 . Umpires sought clarification on BHA policy.

Question on how to interpret stick checks, senior umpires suggestion was to listen for noise but not necessarily react to only a noise as sometimes there is not a breach of the rules watching which way the ball travels after the stick check will help guide decision on who has breached.