

Ordinary Council Meeting
Under Separate Cover Annexures
Tuesday, 20 February 2024



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13 Feb 2024 Sports Council Minutes

Tuesday, 13 February 2024 7:30 PM

Meeting Formalities

Chairperson

Al Gersbach

Commencement and Location

7:34pm in the Committee Room at Parkes Shire Council and online via Microsoft Teams

Welcome

Chair Al Gersbach welcomed all in attendance.

Attendance

Al Gersbach (Chair), Luke Nash (Finances), Greg Morrissey (Cricket), Cr Ken Keith (Councillor Representative), Ian Westcott (Hockey), Kerrie Edwards (Little Athletics), Wayne Osbourne (Parkes Soccer)

Online

 Kerrie Edwards (Little Athletics) and Glen Harbidge (Netball)

Guests (online)

Nil

Apologies

Geoff Finn (Sports Fields Supervisor, Parkes Shire Council), Rachel Rice (Touch, Masters Games), Michael Greenwood (Community Representative), Gail Richardson (Community Representative), Wilbur Harris (Netball), Cr Louise O'Leary (Councillor Representative, Peak Hill), Anthony McGrath (Secretary), Andrew Daley (Hockey) and Andrew Thomas (Junior League)

PREVIOUS Minutes.

Moved for confirmation by Ken Keith. Seconded by Greg Morrissey. Carried.

Next Meeting Date

12 March 2024

Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 8:40pm.

Meeting Minutes

Notable Sporting Performances or Events

Hockey

- Archie Daley, Jett Johnstone and Sam Westcott made the U16 NSW State Team and Sam Quince U16 NSW Blues to attend National Championships in Hobart
- Parkes had two teams attend Indoor State Championships. Parkes team were awarded Joint Champions Dragon Boating
- Parkes residents selected in the NSW State Team (Trevor Whitaker, Warren Edwards, Al Gersbach) to head to Perth for Nationals

Little Athletics

- Parkes will have several athletes attending State Championships

Cricket

- Blake Macdonald (Grandson of the late Duncan Macdonald) selected in the NSW State Team and excelling at Sydney Grade Cricket

Grants Update

Details of any new grants received by sporting groups (other than the Northparkes Mines PSC Sports Grants).

- Nil

Review of Outstanding Action

11/09/2018	1	That a draft version of the new constitution be put to a meeting of the Executive and Patrons before it is tabled at a future Sports Council meeting.	Anthony McGrath
13/8/2019	2	Sports Legends Board at Parkes Leagues Club to be reviewed and alternatives considered.	
14/10/2020	3	Dedication ceremony for the Cheney family trophy to be conducted before the first Grinsted Cup match this season	Luke Nash
8/3/2022	4	Parker Stone light out on North West end. Geoff to investigate next week. Works to be scheduled when fields become accessible for contractor.	Geoff Finn
12/9/2023	5	Investigate the cost of sewing winter grass on Jock Colley Field to improve the appearance of the ground for the end of the Winter season	Geoff Finn
12/9/2023	6	Contact the contractor to review and repair the cracks on the netball courts at McGlynn Park	Geoff Finn
14/11/2023	7	Seek information on the breakdown of the Recycled water plant from Andrew Francis	Cr O'Leary
14/11/2023	8	Arrange a meeting with Council and Andrew Thomas to discuss potential projects at Pioneer Oval	Tim
12/12/2023	9	Silt has washed down over Spicer Oval carpark, making gates difficult to close. Water will lift up asphalt if not diverted. CRM-SP2023/0026 raised.	Anthony
12/12/2023	10	Junior League request that goal posts be moved when drainage works are being completed at Cheney Park and for some additional training posts to be erected at the Northern end. Anthony to set up discussion with Tim.	Tim
12/12/2023	11	With the expansion of the Woodbridge Cup, the Peak Hill Roosters are seeking assistance from Council to improve the playing surface and irrigation. They also have reported issues with the canteen and dressing rooms.	Tim

Discussion / Action Taken

Geoff and Tim have advised the following:

4. Lighting repairs at Parker- Stone Field: Littles Power have replaced two lamps and running gear on one light also replaced.

5. Rye Grass at Pioneer: After investigations in the process it is not an option with the usage of Pioneer. (see process)

- Timing of overseed (needs to be completed no later than start of April)
- Time ground can be closed for seed to strike and then mature enough to handle the wear (no foot traffic for minimum 4 weeks, 5-6 weeks is ideal)
- Resources for overseeding (field needs to be double scarified 2 directions, over sowed with Rye Grass, starter fertiliser applied and if possible, a light sand top-dress)
- Once established Rye grass requires more irrigation, more fertiliser, and more mowing from May to September
- The rye grass needs to be removed from the field in September, so the host grass (kikuyu) is not shaded out and hindered in its spring growth.

- Any field that is seeing more than 3-4 days use is receiving damage to the rye grass as it has no time to recover (especially the corridors post to post and goal mouths) requiring seed top ups and some are using growth blankets on days the fields are not in use (both with very mixed results as the fields are still open for play and no time for the new seed that's been applied to grow or mature)
 - You will get uneven surfaces during the season when the rye grass in the centre corridors thins/dye and the flanks are still in reasonable condition, you will also get clumping areas.
 - We have had soil testing completed with recommendations to improve the health and coverage of the kikuyu so it's as strong as possible to handle the upcoming season.
 - We have started the recommended yearly program that includes.
 - Granular Fertiliser
 - Granular Gypsum
 - Foliar Fertiliser
 - Pre-Emergent Herbicide
 - Insect/Grub Control
 - Wetting Agent
 - Growth Regulator
 - Soil Conditioners
6. Site meeting with Scott McFarlane (Kangaroo Courts) Monday 5/2
Have engaged Contractor to complete crack repairs. Will commence works Monday 26/2 with courts to be closed for the week. Wilber Harris has been advised
7. Recycle Water Supply: Andrew Francis advised the following regarding the Recycling Water plant:
- Hi Louise, I apologise for not getting back to you, it took some time to get to the bottom of what was wrong, as it appears everything has been working well. The only issue I have been informed of is the lack of operation of the AWRF treatment facility, that was due to the UV lamp replacement parts taking a few months to arrive. In the meantime, the system was fed with bore water so no break in continuity. The AWRF is back on line.
 - There was an issue with one site for a few days, the site was pulling too much water from the system, someone had tried to adjust the control valve to feed more water which faulted the whole system. That was rectified and the valve locked off to prevent further tampering.
8. Pioneer Oval: Have spoken with Andrew Thomas, he mentioned the Grandstand move to Southern end and Rye over sowing. (rye addressed in action 5 above).
- Have met with Andrew Thomas and Tony Dwyer to discuss the following issues
 - Storage.
 - Moving of existing Grandstands & media box's to Southern end of field.
 - Upgrade scoreboard / Screen
 - Upgrade lights
9. Spicer Oval carpark and scour at Victoria St entrance.
- Clean up and repairs have been done.
10. Extra training field at Cheney Park. Sleeves ordered for Existing post to be moved.
- Survey team asked to investigate set out of League field Northern End of Cheney.
11. Lindner Oval treatment: Contractor (Cutting Edge) engaged to inspect bare patches on Lindner oval. With Fertiliser & Insecticide applications there was some improvement.
- Geoff Finn inspected 6/2 top dressed and seeded Kikuyu 7/2. Investigate adding extra sprinkler to sub soil irrigation

Correspondence

The following items of correspondence was received or sent

1. Advice of meeting and minutes sent out to groups.

Action

1,2 For information

Sports Projects Update

