

South Metropolitan Cricket Association

MINUTES for the SMCA Executive Meeting 31 August 2026



Venue: Thornlie Clubrooms, 6:33pm

PRESENT:

Peter Anderson, David King, Mario Baeli, Shamez Rashid, Sean Ingram, Ian Del Rosso, Joe Covic, Jacob Landsmeer (Teams), Gary Hartman (minutes), Ian Hale (Life Member)

APOLOGIES: Mark Iannello, Steve Kemp, Andrew Ring, Saba Pillai

ABSENT: Nil

MINUTES of PREVIOUS EXECUTIVE MEETING:

Moved: Sean Ingram Seconded: Mario Baeli that the minutes of the previous meeting *held on 10 August 2026* — be accepted as a true and accurate record. **CARRIED**

MATTERS ARISING:

Last Man Standing No update was provided. Formula 15 will remain as the Tuesday afternoon competition.

Mario provided a price for a storage locker. A 3-square-metre unit, which appears adequate for our needs, would be \$85 per month. Mario will investigate further to determine whether a discount is available for longer-term rental.

30th Anniversary Tickets. Kardinya Lakes have paid for their tickets. The Umpires Association remains outstanding. Sean will provide Mario with the contact details for the Umpires Association Treasurer.

Fines and AGM Attendance. The Secretary wrote to Forrestdale and SJ Blues regarding their \$100 fines and the warning of potential suspension or expulsion due to consecutive AGM absences. Both clubs responded with apologies. Mario will submit fines to these clubs and to any others that did not attend the General Meeting and the AGM.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Peter advised that he had been in contact with Anglicare regarding a Domestic Violence round. There was no further information available at this time.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Gary advised that the First and Second Grade fixtures had been completed and published.

To date there have been 79 team nominations: 38 two-day grades and 41 one-day grades. With the move to 10-team one-day grades, Gary again emphasised the need to balance each one-day grade by ensuring an even number of teams with an open ground and those whose grounds are already half-used

by a lower-grade team.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Cash Reserve: \$ \$40,398.09

Community Reserve: \$ \$48,974.39

No funds had been transferred from the Cash Reserve to the Community Reserve.

The Swan Yacht Club has been booked for the end-of-season Windup on 2 April 2027 at 7:00pm. A "save the date" notice will be sent to clubs, with notices also placed on the website and social media. A \$2,500 bond is required for the event and will be deducted from the overall cost provided all conditions are met.

Bank Signatories. Mario advised that Ian Del Rosso is a co-signatory on the Westpac account, giving Mario, Gary and Ian signing authority, with any two required to sign.

UMPIRE'S ADVISOR:

Sean is still waiting on Norm for a full handover.

Shirts have been ordered.

He is continuing to contact clubs regarding a meeting with captains.

Sean had a discussion with John Sherry to clarify several rules; John advised there was a chance regarding overflow umpires being provided to the SMCA. John will also provide Sean with access to OfficialsHQ. Gary suggested that Norm's access be removed.

CRICKETWEST:

Joe advised that there had been no CricketWest meeting. Peter advised that a submission had been made to WA Cricket for funds to have the CricketWest Associations' Constitution and By-Laws reviewed. There may be a funding shortfall, which CricketWest will hopefully cover.

CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS:

Nil

PROTESTS AND DISPUTES:

Nil

GRADINGS AND FIXTURES:

First and Second Grade fixtures had been completed and published.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Gary queried the following rule which was passed at a 2025 General Meeting. The trial period is now over.

Following a motion passed at the General Meeting in May 25, Clubs may now forfeit any team in a One-Day grade. This initiative is being conducted as a trial for the 2025–26 season and the By-Laws have not yet been amended.

It was agreed that this trial should be continued and placed into the By-Laws.

Shamez queried playing shirt approval if there was just a change of sponsor. It was agreed that this was necessary. Under By-Law 54g any sponsorship logos must meet the approval of the Executive.

Jacob advised that he would be ramping up social media with advertising for umpires, team nominations, etc.

Good feedback on the First and Second Grade fixtures being provided early and this should continue in future seasons.

Several members attended Stuart Lockyer's funeral, which was a solemn occasion.

The enforced 5:30pm close was discussed, with some clubs expressing concern. It will be enforced for the season. If a team is dismissed early play will proceed to 5:30pm.

David advised that a decision is needed regarding clubs wishing to enter more one-day teams than the By-Laws permit. There is little that can be done until all team nominations are received and the overall position is clear.

Joe advised that the 30th anniversary book remains a work in progress.

Sean requested that information be placed on the website regarding visiting clubs and other umpiring matters. He was advised to provide what he required to both Gary and Jacob.

Ian Del Rosso advised that an early start is needed on advertising for the CricketWest Cup. Ian will write to Gary and Jacob outlining what he requires.

Ian further advised that Kardinya Lakes will be getting lighting in the coming seasons.

CLOSURE: As there was no further business the meeting closed at 7:35pm.

NEXT MEETING:

Executive Meeting 21 September at Thornlie – 6:30pm