

TUA Meeting Minutes

THURSDAY 23 MARCH 2010



Meeting Open: 6:48

Present: Shavawn Donoghue, John Kristensen, Felix Kennedy, Tim Johnson, David Cooke, Eliza Burke-Polden, Huddy Fuller, Warwick Reed, Masni Bennett, Jason de Puit, Matthew Smith

Apologies: Joe Boyer, Jemery Day, Andrew Binny, Patrick Dunne

Confirmation of minutes: Warwick confirms, Huddy seconds

Correspondence

AFDA State Sporting Association Survey

- Anna Hayes (ADFA development officer) has sent a survey to all states
- The survey results will allow the AFDA to prioritise which states need development assistance.
- Due beginning of April.

Expenditure

Approved Expenditure

Date	Amount	Person if Applicable	Product	Event
04/02/2010	\$ 20.00	Andy Cole	Fee Refund	Summer 10
04/02/2010	\$ 20.00	David Cooke	Fee Refund	Summer 10
04/02/2010	\$ 20.00	Charlie Prevost	Fee Refund	Summer 10
04/02/2010	\$ 20.00	Alysia Prevost	Fee Refund	Summer 10
04/02/2010	\$ 20.00	Andrew Binny	Fee Refund	Summer 10
04/02/2010	\$ 80.00	Huddy Fuller	Fee Refund	2 Hat 09
04/02/2010	\$ 98.30	The Duke	TUA meeting food	Admin

- \$1574 - Hobart City Council for Spring League field hire

University of Tasmania

TUU Clubs and Societies Raffle

- Eliza is selling tickets to raise funds
- Tickets are \$2 and 50c goes to the UTAS Ultimate Club

State-Wide Development

- Huddy is planning a push into Launceston this year
- Eliza went to a University Orientation Day for first year students at the Launceston Campus
 - There are three definite players up there already.

- Hopefully they can rustle up a few more
- Funding - Huddy might request some financial assistance from the TUA to help with setting up
 - Disc(s)
 - Coaching
 - Come & Try Day
- David mentions the recent Water Polo start up in Launceston
 - Apparently they ran a big advertising campaign
 - As much as we want to help from Hobart, we need to identify key people to promote ultimate in Launceston, who will also be happy to run things

Societies Day

- Uni Club membership is now around 50 members, the largest it has ever been
- Part of the success was people signing up to buy a frisbee - \$12 for frisbee and membership

Summer League

Summary

- Registrations are all in. There is one person is unpaid, one anonymous payment and Shavawn's fee still outstanding.
- \$2141 in the bank
- 91 players in total
 - 45 beginners, 60 intermediate
 - 69 men, 25 women

Summer League 2011

- We will need to increase fees next year, to cover the increased field hire costs
- We should look at correlations between forfeits and public holidays, and think about how best to avoid these in the future

Autumn League

"Clique and Pick" format

- Matthew is proposing trial a "Clique and Pick" team-creation format in Autumn League, hopefully continuing to Winter League if successful.
- People can sign up as a group ("clique") or as an individual ("pick")
 - Cliques must contain 5 people: 3 boys and 2 girls
 - Picks will be pickups for other teams
 - Picks will be used to help balance gender and skill across teams
- The "clique and pick" format is mainly a formalisation of the current system, but with a bit more control and responsibility for teams

"Posse" (team-based) Leagues

- Matthew, Huddy and others are hoping to use "clique and pick" as a transition into a "team-based" format for the next Spring and Summer Leagues (Intermediate Division only).
- Team-based leagues are still in debate, so it is agreed that Autumn will be run in the "clique and pick" format as described above.

"Clique and Pick" ideas

- New Players - if a 5-player clique has been created, new players can be added but don't count towards the clique quota. This will ensure new players will still be able to play with friends and to encourage recruitment in spite of having an established "clique".
- If there are too many cliques, the league organiser will contact the individual cliques and negotiate combining or splitting them as necessary.
- First registered and paid cliques will get precedence.

Registration

- The registration page will describe the clique and pick system
- There will be a disclaimer saying that the league organiser can combine or adjust cliques at their discretion, however they will be in contact to confirm any changes.

Annual Dinner

The TUA Annual Dinner will be held on Saturday 8th May.

Venue (Shavawn)

- Shavawn has been in contact with The Duke
- Dinner options are set menu or carvery. Shavawn and the committee agree that a set menu sounds nicer.
 - Set menu is \$35 or \$45 per person (\$15-18 for children)
 - There will be a vegetarian option
- Room hire:
 - \$300 total room hire fee, aiming for 50 people
 - 50% discount if we have more than 70 people
 - If we have less than 40 people, the TUA will need to subsidise the cost, or organise with The Duke to hire only half the venue.

Awards (David)

- David has been thinking about awards and writing some criteria
- The TUA Exec will decide upon the following awards:
 - Volunteer of the Year Award
 - Black & Blue (President's) Award
 - Lifetime Achievement Award
- Performance (Rising Star) Award - will be decided by league organisers and captains
- Spirit Award
- Recruiter of the Year Award
 - Difficult at the moment, because it is a bit subjective.
 - From Autumn League onwards, a field will be added to the registration form that asks "if you are a new player, who recruited you?"
- There will be a call for award nominations from the community
 - This can be part of the Annual Dinner registration form

Tickets (Masni and John)

- \$35 per person, \$5 surcharge for cash payments
- Room hire fee of \$300 will be paid by the TUA
- Masni will design some physical tickets, promote them and hand them out
- John will create the Annual Dinner registration form on the website

TUA Website

Still coming. Masni has done some work. 30th April.

Regionals Teams

Bad Apples (Open Division)

- Bad Apples came 5th
 - Thanks to Shelley and Emily Johnson for filling in for the last game against Chilly B
- Stan hurt his achilles and is going to apply to the AFDA for insurance
- Bad Apples are going to Nationals in South Australia!

Victas (Women's Division)

- Victoria and Tasmania combined to create a team. They came 5th
- Bush are looking forward to rebuilding next year!

Regionals 2011

- Huddy offers to run regionals next year, with the proviso that it might be held out of Hobart
- Officially we forfeited our turn at hosting regionals this year, so Victoria and South Australia would have to let us host the tournament.

Strategic Plan

Subcommittee: David Cooke, Masni Bennett, Stewart Wilde, Charlie Prevost, Alysia Prevost

Strategic Plan

- David and the Strategic Plan sub-committee have created a draft Strategic Plan which outlines the goals of the TUA for the next three years, focusing on the following areas:
 - Promotion of ultimate
 - Coaching
 - Leagues
 - TUA Administration
- The next step is to prioritise items
- Masni will set up a form in Google Docs where the TUA committee can indicate their priorities for the major items in the strategic plan

Idea

- Create a questionnaire for the TUA community

Coaching Sessions

- Huddy proposed to run a series of "elite development" coaching sessions, but the TUA was unsure about priorities and funding
 - The official reply was supposed to be that the TUA would cover the costs for one session, but an accredited coach was required to attend for legal purposes
- Huddy is now going to run it under the UTAS banner
 - He is now aiming it half at university students and half at experienced players
 - Free for university students, cost for other players

- David brings up possible issues with insurance, as only Uni Club members will be insured for a Uni Club event.

TUA Budget

- We need to get a budget together so we know how we can spend money
- Felix says that, tentatively, with our capital, we could spend around \$1000 a year and have a maximum \$500 deficit.
- Felix will put together a budget for the next meeting

Fundraising

- Do we need a Fundraising Officer?
- Grants:
 - We need to keep an eye out for grants that we can apply for, especially when organising events
 - We do try to keep informed about grants, maybe not as thoroughly as we could
 - We have applied for grants in the past
 - Anna Hayes is proactive, sending grant information to state associations
- We would prefer clubs to be doing fundraising rather than the TUA, because the TUA has income, whereas clubs do not have a regular income

Volunteers

Volunteer Management Program

- Masni has been putting together a draft TUA Volunteer Management Program
 - She has been in contact with Anna Hayes, the AFDA Volunteer Officer
 - She has been trying to research what other states have in place
- John suggests that we think about how we approach people to be volunteers, eg. having a job description.
- Shavawn says she thought the WAFDA committee member polo shirt was a good idea.
 - Something to identify committee members at league as someone who can be approached
 - Currently people often don't know who the league organiser is, let alone a committee member or the TUA President!
 - Eliza suggests hats/caps/visors

Other Business

Grants

- Huddy suggests we talk about who we think should receive grants next meeting

Next meeting: 20th April 2010

Meeting closed: 9:00pm