

Meeting Minutes

Date	Fri 03 Nov 2023 19:30
Type	Committee Meeting
Location	Zoom Online

Attendees

Evans, Mark	Horn, Michelle	Jay Toope, Gold Coast PCYC -
Leone, Sammy	O'Malley, Sam	Pianto, Frank
Pitt, Stephen		

Meeting items

Item #1. MEETING OPEN (raised by Sam O'Malley)

7:30pm

Item #2. Closed Items (raised by Sam O'Malley)

> Serology

The uploading of serology reports is not working and creating unnecessary stress and strain on our volunteers.

The process in 2024

In 2024 Serology no longer required to be uploaded

The newer blue books have a serology section added, which includes multiple areas for multiple years, this is additional to the section included with the medical - if Boxers have one of these books, moving forward in 2024 and onwards this section needs to be completed.

Alternatively if the boxers blue book is an older one, and does not have the serology section in it, they would need to attach (staple) the BQ single page serology form we already utilise, to the inside of the back of the book. see attached

<https://cdn.revolutionise.com.au/site/5tqc3prlhwwsvfnu.pdf>

This will be checked at weigh in, if your boxer should have a serology and does not have either of the options above, they will not be permitted to compete - It is the coaches responsibility to ensure the blue books are in order.

In addition when boxers are selected to compete in a BA event or interstate, ie National titles, they will need to provide their full serology report, keep in mind some states require the report to be current within 6 months. Again this is up to the coach to ensure their boxers details are in order.

- In 2024 the age of our serology will change from 15yrs, to all boxer in the (u17) junior division.
- Once they are in the Junior age Division they now require a serology.
- in 2024 this will be for all boxers born 2008/09.

> 2024 Age Divisions

U11 (2014) - Must have turned 10yrs old

U13 sub Junior- 2012/13

U15 Schoolboys/girls - 2010/11

U17 Junior - 2008/09

U19 Youth - 2006/07

Elite - 2005/1984

Masters - 1983 and earlier.

Item #3. Ongoing/Carry over (raised by Sam O'Malley)

> BQ rep Selected Athlete/Coach team travel subsidy

Selection to represent Qld.

All Athlete & Coach selections are at the full and unfetered discretion of the elected selection panel & or BQ committee

- 'A' selected Boxer - 50% Subsidised
- 'B' selected Boxer - User Pay
- Team Manager 100% subsidised
- Head Coach 50% subsidised
- Lead Coach 30% subsidised - cannot be selected as a lead coach if you have not attended a National event as an assistant coach.
- Assistant Coach - User Pay....

Nb: There may also be trips that are full **user pay** events outside of National Titles and selection events.

*** All selections are at the full and unfetered discretion of the Committee.**

> Match up Process

[match up process](#)

- Match ups are conducted by the BQ match maker (as the BQ representative)
 - The RJ coordinator needs to be advised if any match ups need a weight or age waiver signed.
 - If there are any concerns regarding match ups and the process, the secretary, or their representative has the final decision on the match up.
 - working group Mark, Franky, Jay, Sam
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> State team Manager/Coach Appointments

- Must be supportive of BQ - non participation in unsanctioned events (min 12 months), no negative social media comments, no negative reports back from outside principals etc.
- Selection in 4 areas - All selctions are at the committees full discretion

- Manager selection based on, experience, BQ support
- Head coach, coordinates the coaching team structure - (min Level 2)
- Lead Coach, (must have experience) runs tgroup training, for the athletes appointed to them - (min Level 2)
- Assistant Coaches, (coaches in training), follow lead coach direction, assist in team training, assist in corners - (min Level 1)

> **Tournament fee restructure**

- Standard tournament fee \$1000.
- Clubs to be invoiced for the tournament fee and payment made prior to the tournament going ahead.
- No club can run multi day events!
- Clubs to cover all RJ expenses, including fee, travel and accom. - this is to be coordinated and agreed on prior to the tournament commencing.
- BQ to assist Regional clubs that require RJ to be flown in, if there are not enough local officials available.☒
- Assistance **will not** be generic it will be assessed on a 'tournament by tournament' basis.

> **Funding**

- New funding options to be searched and discussed on a regular basis.
- Programs and plans need to be put in place for all funding.☒
- DTIS AIBF funding has been received, action plan to be followed and signed off as expenditure occurs
- [AIBF Project PPlan](#)
- **UPDATE** - Investigate a sub bank account for funding received in order to track expenditure for accounting purposes. -☒
- What purpose does this serve as expenditure is reconciled on invoices and receipts. Not on which bank account it is drawn from.

> **Coaches Lanyard system**

Introduce a lanyard system for each coach to display their current coaches qual.

Frankie to follow up.

Update for Discussion - All coaches as per athletes must be registered - we should also introduce a coach nomination system for tournaments?

Nb; if something should happen and the coach is not registered through our system or appropriately certified we (BQ) are not covered by insurance and we (BQ) will be directly liable.

Further to this, anyone who steps inside the field of play must have a blue card linked to BQ and also be registered online with BQ - this extends to athletes, coaches and all officials, the only exception is the Dr.

The **MC** must remain outside of the field of play unless they are registered, ie; a coach or official

I have held discussions with Rev Sport regarding the input of coaching credentials on registration and the ability for the system to send reminders on expiration etc

> **Incomplete Blue Books**

Open discussion on solutions.

> **Update for discussion:** Needs to be driven at point of weigh in, no athlete moves through the weigh in process unless their book is up to the min standard.

- Min standard
 - Current Photo
 - Personal details complete in full page 2
 - Medical complete and signed by Dr, no lose medicals accepted - All boxers now have access to blue books prior to completing their medicals so there is no excuse, the club coach is responsible for this.
 - Serology section complete if they have a new book, otherwise the single page BQ form should be stappled in the back.
 - [Serology Form](#)
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- Remembering that the athlete will require their full report if travelling interstate to attend a Boxing Australia event.
 - Page 37 signed

> **First Nations Development Program**

The Boss Boxing First Nations Boxing Academy in Zillmere and discussing if BQ can support with developing an athlete development program for The Boss Boxing to run during camps.

Need to identify coaches that would be willing to assist with future development camps from The Boss Boxings First Nations Boxing Academy in Zillmere. (Lock in some tentative dates for a local Brisbane based camp prior to First Nations Tournament in November)

Update: Due to time restraint and availability we were unable to conduct any camps prior to the First Nations Tournament.

Action items	Status
Athlete development program for The Boss Boxing	In progress

> **First Nations Tournament**

Promote the First Nations Championships in November.

Can Boxing QLD send out date claimer for The First Nations Championships on November 11th to clubs across the State and Australia.

Update: All states have been notified in addition Boxing Australia have also sent out a social media post promoting the event with the event link attached.

What other assistance is required?

Item #4. Junior Coach Program (raised by Sam O'Malley)

- Appoint Junior coach mentors
 - Clubs to sign up as a junior coach provider and club coaches to be given a junior coach program.
 - Junior coach program -☐
 - complete the level 1 coaches course, as a junior coach, can not be issued until they are 18yrs of age, however with the program in place insurance will recognise and cover them and us.
 - complete RJ seminar
 - shadow judge min 10 bouts
 - once signed off to Judge - Judge min 20 bouts
 - Attend state development camps
 - Conduct/run elements of the camps under the direction of the BQ development coach
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- Every Level 1 course conducted should involve a junior coach participant.

This needs to be recognised by Boxing Australia so these junior coaches can travel with the Boxing Qld team and participate in the corner as a junior coach.

If this succeeds BA will more than likely take it on as a National program. As it can be justified to the insurer as an official program.

Mark, Michelle, Jay and Frankie are the program coordinators.

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1. **Latest Update** - Mark has completed/updated an outline to the program which has been forwarded onto Boxing Australia.
 2. Forms to be created for official sign off☐
 1. Club Coach
 2. Futures Coach
 3. RJ Coordinator

1. Participant, home coach & BQ agreement to be created

Update:- BA are very keen for this program to be piloted and work. SA want to run with it without even knowing the ins and outs, we'll be assisting them with this and sharing our plans (also with BA), regular updates, participant numbers etc. This all has to be regulated closely as BA are going to utilise this program with The Aus Sports Commission to seek National funding etc.

- **Need to set our state title dates for April -**
- **May has the NQ Games scheduled in.**
- **June is to late.**

Jan -

Club Affiliation (only) open - As part of your affiliation your club will be issued 5 new blue books, if you require more blue books, they can be order from the BQ shop (they are not issued with boxer registration) - Boxers, assistant coaches cannot order books, Only books ordered by the club affiliate will be sent. A reminder the club head coach is responsible for the distribution of the blue books.

Feb -

Boxer, coach & officials registration open. Attention Boxers & Coaches, if your club is not affiliated do not attempt to register. Speak to your head coach before attempting to register, they will also issue you your blue book - Do not complete your medical without your blue book, your medical and serology (junior age div and older) must be completed in your book as per the new (2024) process, again speak to your coach.

March

- **Fri 8th/Sat 9th/Sun 10th - Novice Titles, Brisbane - Weigh in Friday morning - competition Fri/Sat/Sun**
- **Sat 16th - Tatts Club (BQ), Brisbane - Closed event**
- 23rd - Hinterland Boxing Club - Beerwah, TBC
- 30th - Shamrock Boxing Club - Maroochydore Junior Rugby League Club

April - Please note the Qld state titles are yet to be scheduled in, but the date will possibly be in April see option below.

- TBC - Friday 5th - Matrix Boxing Club, Closed inhouse corporate event. **re schedule to another date..**
- 6th - **CLOSED - Add state titles in here**
- 13th - All Stars Boxing, Norths Leagues Club, Kallangur. - **close the 13th**
- 20th - Impact Boxing & Fitness Centre, Noosa District State High School
- 27th - **move either All stars or Impact to the 27th????**

May

- **Sat 4th/Sun 5th - NQ Games (BQ), Cairns.**
- 11th - **Closed**
- 18th - Matrix Boxing Gym, venue TBA
- 25th - Dig Deep Boxing Club - Dysart

June

- 1st - Powerhouse Boxing Club - Hervey Bay Sports Club
- 8th - Gold Coast PCYC, Surface Paradise State School
- 15th - **Closed**
- 22nd - Curry Heat Boxing Club, PCYC activity center Cloncurry
- 29th - Rebels Boxing Club, Ipswich Showgrounds Warwick Road Ipswich

July

- **2nd - 6th - Australian Schools Championships - Perth WA (2nd sports entry/draw/tech meeting, 3rd to 6th competition)**
- **Closed**
- 13th -
- 20th - Hard Knocks Boxing Club, Mackay Table Tennis Stadium, 76 Bridge Rd Mackay
- 27th - Albert Boxing Club, venue TBC

August

- 3rd -
- 10th -
- **17th - Closed**
- **Thurs 22nd/Fri 23rd/Sat 24th/Sun 25th - Golden Gloves, Brisbane**
- **31st - Closed**

September

- 7th
- 14th - TBC - North Coast Combat & Fitness, PCYC Aitkenvale
- 21st - The Boss Boxing, The Boss Boxing Club.
- **28th - Closed**

October

- 5th - PCYC Dalby, 56 Cooper st, Dalby
- 12th - Rockhampton Boxing & Sports Promotions, 125 Robinson Drive, Frenchville
- 19th - Against The Ropes, Hervey Bay PCYC
- **26th - Closed**

November

- 2nd - Middlemount Boxing & Fitness, Middlemount Community Hall
 - 9th -
 - **(13th - 16th tbc) - Australian Elite Championships - NT (20th sports entry/draw/tech meeting. 21st to 23rd competition)**
- subject to confirmation**
- **(20th-23rd tbc) - Australian Elite Championships - NT (20th sports entry/draw/tech meeting. 21st to 23rd competition)**
- subject to confirmation**
- 30th -

Boxing Qld Calendar of events closed for 2024, we wish you a very merry xmas and a happy new year.

Update:- I have set up a link for tournament date EOI's, see above dates already scheduled, its going to be a busy year - where possible I've tried to limit the amount of tournaments in a row but it's presenting a problem.

Mark to set Dev camp dates

Michelle to set RJ course dates

Item #6. Participation in unsanctioned events (raised by Sam O'Malley)

- If there is evidence presented to BQ or a committee member becomes aware of it, the club and boxer/s are to be suspended immediately pending investigation.☒

- It is the coaches decision where their boxer competes

- This applies to all BQ/BA registered boxers, coaches and officials.
- Boxers from that club can join another club with no prejudice from BQ

Unsanctioned organisations are ? ABC - Australian Boxing Council, ? Sunstate Boxing League, ? MBA - Masters Boxing Association, ? WBF - World Boxing Federation (also Masters)

If it is an amatuer event and not sanctioned by Boxing Qld, it is an unsanctionedtournament.

This does not include open (inter club) sparring days, any club can run open sparring days. If however, there is a door charge, requires referee, judges, supervisor, is scored and a winner declared, that then constitutes a tournament, and would therefore be an unsanctioned event.

THERE ARE NO GREY AREAS.

2023 has seen approx 5 clubs deregistered for participation in unsanctioned events, 4 of those clubs made the decision to not provide BQ with a guarantee they would not participate in any further unsanctioned events.

These decisions were based on tournaments being held in their own back yard and finance/cost of travelling. In addition it's easier to hold a tournament with less rules and regulations for athlete safety to adhere to.

Recommendation moving forward for 2024 and beyond - We no longer entertain single tournament registration for clubs/boxers that are members of these small groups. If they want to participate in our events they need to be fully registered and follow the BQ rules and regulations, this goes for Athletes and Coaches alike.

No flip flopping back and forth any longer.

Clubs that hold in house events like Matrix do, we can create a 1 off fee for that as those boxers participate in a 12 week traning program then box off at the end, this event is sanctioned by BQ, all boxers register and have blue books, we supply the RJ & Matrix pay the fees.

Item #7. Multi Day events (raised by Sam O'Malley)

The Golden Gloves are a Multi day event, hosted by Caboolture Boxing Club.

No other club is allowed or permitted to run a multi day event, as it gives the perception it is a BQ hosted event or a pathway.

(Update:- BA up until the weekend also thought the Golden Gloves were a BQ coordinated event)

No other standard tournament can charge a nomination fee, that fee is specific to multi day BQ title events.

Discussions to be had with Caboolture Boxing Club regarding the extensive behind the scenes work required by the BQ committee to ensure the event goes ahead and is compliant with BQ/BA rules, reg's & requirements.

Currently the sanctioning fee is a minimal \$3200 which isn't a reflection of the work required.

Update Required?

Action items	Status
<i aria-hidden="true">Multi Day events	<td width="200">In progress

Item #8. General Business (raised by Sam O'Malley)

• Club Level Funding

Clubs should be sourcing/seeking funding to assist with travel etc to events. They are relying to heavily on BQ to fund, especially to self funded events.

This funding should include their coaches and athletes.

There is an EAP funding program in place already for pathway events for our youth and younger athletes.

There is also a number of other options available to clubs if they do the research and set their club up accordingly

• NQ Games 2024

The NQ games are scheduled for May 2024 and is shaping up to be a great event with all the promotion that is going to happen around the 40th anniversary of the event. We have secured the rights to host the Boxing and we'll continue to work closely with the Cairns council and the NQ sports foundation to make the boxing event one to remember.

It would be fantastic if the committee members could make themselves and clubs available for this event.

- In addition to the above - BA have released the School age championship date which is being held July 2nd-6th, I'd like to propose that we run our state u19 championships in Cairns in conjunction with the NQ Games. If this is put out early enough (instead of our usual rush process of giving 3 weeks notice) it allows clubs time to raise money.

We can't hold the u19's in May, it'll effect the NQ Games, we cant hold it in June because that just puts us back to the drawing board of last minute rush organisation. So that leaves April if we can't think outside the square and it would have to be early April so it doesnt effect the NQ Games.

- Please remember the u19's is a pathway event so it will be added to the Sport and Rec EAP calendar (if I remember to do it), there are conditions, but every boxer that participates in the u19's championship should be eligible for funding. We could in essence make the NQ Games the u19 championships and all participants could be eligible for funding?????

• Points Riased from BA AGM

1. Boxing Vic discussed the options of introducing a 'body' only style competition as an addition. This is due to the increasing pressures on concussion in sport. This isn't something to replace traditional boxing, just a possible alternative to full contact boxing which in essence might bring more members to the sport of boxing.☒

1. Vic are going to trial it in some form? Maybe BQ could trial it as well and run it parallel to standard boxing, this may introduce a lowered age limit to possibly 8yrs if it were just body punches no head contact.☒

1. As a suggestion we could run an A & B comp nomination, A is standard boxing B is body only. This might encourage parents to keep their kids in the sport? also possibly limit it to the sub junior divisions, u13 and younger

1. **Membership at state level**

1. BA spoke about funding for them (from Sports commission) at a national level, which is based on member association national numbers. They've suggested that all states introduce non competition membership at club level, (we had this at one stage but wasn't accepted/taken onboard by our clubs). BA have even gone to suggesting we have a supporter membership option. If our member numbers increase, BA's funding increases and then the more they can give back or put back into the MA's. If we were to re introduce the non comp membership for a fee this would also be covered under our insurance should they participate in club sparring etc, obviously their membership would need to be upgraded if and when they wanted to compete. Open for discussion and ideas, but in essence the more members there are, the more funds BA will be able to do for the MA's.

• **Secretary's Role - Mark Evans.**
