



West Pennant Hills Sports Club Ltd Men's Bowling Section Minutes for the 43rd Annual General Meeting Held on Saturday 27th August 2011 at the West Pennant Hills Sports Club

Meeting opened at 10:52

Welcome

President Terry Barnett welcomed Life Members - Doug Gunton, Wilf Morschel, and Sport Club directors - Keith Robinson, Steve Brady, and Richard Hickey.

Attendance

There were 50 members in attendance as recorded in the attendance sheet.

Apologies

There were apologies from 29 members as recorded in the attendance sheet.

Minutes

Moved by Peter Eagle, seconded Alan Bowry that the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting are taken as read.

2010/11 Annual Report

Moved by Michael Schwarcz seconded Stephen Watson that the Annual Report for 2010/11 be accepted.

Business Arising from Previous AGM

There were no matters raised.

Presentations

Terry Barnett presented Mal Horner with Merit Award (tie bar) and spoke of his dedication to the role and thanked him for sacrificing his chance to bowl in tournaments.

Terry also presented Michael Schwarcz with the Merit Award.

Terry Barnett spoke of his mixed feelings over his decision to not stand for President in the new committee, to allow him to focus on family and work.

Terry expressed concern that there had be no nominations for the role of Treasurer, whilst acknowledging the efforts of Tony Boughton and Warren Phillips over the past 2 years. Terry described the Treasurer as critical to the committee and called for nominations from the floor.

Election of Management Committee

Terry thanked each of the current members by name for their support and contribution during his presidency. Terry explained the decision to not replace Barrie Stuart on the committee after his passing as a mark of respect for Barrie.

Terry made note that the committee's role is to serve all members of the section.

Terry then called on all current Committee members to vacate their seats and for Barry Walker to take control of the meeting for the elections.

Barry Walker thanked Terry for his leadership as President over the past 2 years.





Barry related some history around bowls before confirming Peter Eagle as President being the only nomination. Barry congratulated Peter on his election and presented him with his badge of office.

Peter thanked Barry and recognised Barry as being a long serving member of the club and patron.

Peter then thanked the outgoing committee, noting that weather conditions and zone schedule make for a difficult environment to operate in. He congratulated the committee and selectors on a great job.

Peter gave Terry his thanks for the past 2 yrs as President, recognising that Terry had fulfilled his obligations extremely well, including reaching agreement on the new uniforms which we will have for the coming Pennant season. Peter then presented Terry with the Past President's badge.

Peter said he would like to see the club make progress in competitions in Zone like other clubs have done. We are lucky to be part of a larger Sports club to provide the facilities. Two areas Peter would like us to consider are Saturday morning bowls and a balance between social and competitive bowls to better cater for the needs of our members.

Peter observed that we are well known within the zone, but not as a competitive club. The recent attempt to get Pennant Zone Finals held at our club illustrated the lack of knowledge of our club by Zone representatives, who admitted to having not visited the club before the submission.

Peter then announced the results of the elections, presenting each person with their badge of office.

The new Committee is:

President Peter Eagle (un-opposed)
Senior Vice President Warren Phillips (un-opposed)
Vice President Mathew Stubbs (un-opposed)
Committee Secretary Dallas Palm (un-opposed)

Treasurer no nominations

Bowls Coordinator Mal Horner (un-opposed)

Management Committee Alan Bowry, Tony Boughton, Robert Mitchell, Max Walters

(nominated from the floor)

Election of Selectors

The following members accepted nominations as Selector: Alan Bowry, Michael Schwarcz, Warren Phillips, Peter Booth, Kevin Tuckerman, Nev Roach, Col Johnston.

Following a ballot (scrutineers were Barry Walker, Terry Barnett) Alan Bowry, Michael Schwarcz, Warren Phillips, Peter Booth and Kevin Tuckerman were elected as Selectors for 2011/12. Peter congratulated them and presented each with their badge of office.

The selectors were requested to hold a meeting to elect a chairman and advise the Management Committee of the result by 5th September. (Note: a meeting was held immediately after the AGM on 27th August with Michael Schwarcz elected as Chairman).

A motion was moved by Terry Barnett to destroy the ballot papers – this was carried by the meeting and the scrutineers requested to ensure their destruction.

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Peter asked that Don Stubbin be returned as Auditor for the coming year, and for Doug Gunton, Barry Walker and Wilf Morschel to be re-elected as patrons – each accepted and the meeting agreed with the nominations.

General Business

• Kevin Tuckerman on Cherrybrook Probus bowlers. Probus have been bowling every 2nd/4th Thursday each month for ~4yrs and contribute significantly through green fees (\$1200). However, Kevin voiced concern that they struggle to be recognised as legitimate part of club, having to cancel or make other arrangements when ladies section need the greens on a Thursday. Little communication or respect is given.

Response: Kevin to raise with Mal and the Ladies to ensure they are considered in preparation of the calendar.

 Pennants & skills development programme. Request for feedback to bowlers in Pennants to improve the skill level of teams, and for reasons why they have been dropped to be provided.

Response: this issue has been raised several times in the past. It will be addressed in the coming season.

Nev Roach asked for an update on the uniforms.

Response: Terry advised the design has been completed and mock ups are the next step to confirm design. The shirts will be available in short and long sleeve versions. Orders will then be taken with the goal of having available by end of the year. From start of 2012, all competition and all club representative games will be in new uniform. Old uniform will be acceptable for social games.

Mal Horner asked for response to playing on Saturday mornings.

Response: suggestion for a trial to evaluate. This was well accepted and will be arranged.

Richard Hickey welcomed all members to a new year in the club. Richard recognised there are problems in the greens and is prepared to work on fixing these. Richard confirmed the Sports Club was in full support of the Men's bowls section.

The meeting was declared closed by Peter Eagle at 11:46 and was followed by light refreshments and social bowls.

Dallas Palm Secretary

Men's Bowls Section

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