



West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Club

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING Business Papers 1st February 2010 Meeting Commences 6:00pm

1. Business arising from the Minutes

2. Carried forward from previous meetings

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| 2.1. Inclusion of 'Achievements' to Honour board | Sept DP |
| 2.2. Resubmit schools bowling programme to Sports Club | Oct DW |

3. Correspondence Inwards

- 3.1. Probus – change of date for carnival & request for donation.
- 3.2.

4. Correspondence Outwards

- 4.1. Roy Forsyth – name badges for Robert O'Brien and Mark Kakoschke, and Umpire tags for Peter Eagle and Geoff Seamons.
- 4.2. RNSWBA – Annual membership return
- 4.3. Jim Lynch – supplied club badge for collection.
- 4.4. WPHSC – change of price of bowls shirts to \$35.

5. President's Report

6. Senior Vice President

A number of bowling Clubs in Zone 10 and in other zones are now running some of their events as mufti days. I appreciate that not all bowlers are happy with what is taking place, however we at WPH need to consider if this is a way to move forward, especially if we are serious in wishing to attract new bowlers to the club. Naturally, the wearing of the club colours is still paramount but a more relaxed attitude for some events may be the way to proceed.

As a suggestion, why don't we experiment by making Friday bowls a mufti day. From this the Committee can gauge the success or otherwise of wearing mufti. Controls will need to be applied. Wednesday, Saturday, Championship and Pennant games will continue to be played in uniform. Twilight bowls on Tuesday afternoon seems to be becoming a successful event. One of the reasons is that it is played in mufti.

What are your thoughts?

7. Secretary

Membership

As of the 27th January, 140 members were financial. Late 2009 the membership stood at approx 175 although quite a few did not bowl frequently. There are still bowlers that will want to bowl

however have not paid their membership fees for 2010 and until these fees are paid, they will not be able to participate in bowls at the club. The directory has been updated to only include financial members. The Annual return has been prepared and returned to the RNSWBA. Members that pay or have paid since 27th January, and new bowlers, will be advised to RNSWBA on a monthly basis from now.

Gil Furzer has transferred to Castle Hill Bowling Club.

8. Treasurer

Financial Results for the Month of December 2009 and Year to Date.

Attached is a copy of the December 2009 accounts provided by the main club.

I have also attached a set of accounts that I prepared with a little more data and includes corrections I have asked the club to make.

Month of December 2009:

- Profit for the month is \$748 compared to Budget of \$4,468 ie a negative variance of \$3,720.
- The shortfall is made up of Annual Fees (\$1,475), Raffle Costs from last month (\$684) and over budget spending on trophies and catering (\$1,500 approx). This later variance is the result of poor budgeting rather than anything else.
- The Xmas Party Income and Expenses have been split 70/30 except for the catering cost. I have asked Keryn to charge the Ladies with \$602.18 to bring everything into line. This will be done in January.
- We lost one days bowling this month (Friday 18th December 2009). This has had a minor adverse impact on our Green Fees.
- Green Fees Income however again well up on budget.
- Sports Fee Income is down but should pick up in January when the remaining members pay their annual fees.

Year to Date December 2009:

- Loss Year to Date is \$1,758 compared to a budget of Profit \$2,197 ie a negative variance of \$3,955.
- The year to date short fall is made up of the loss from not holding the full Koala Carnival \$1,077, net shortfall in raffle profit of \$1,218, shortfall in sponsorship income \$760, over budget spending on trophies and catering (\$1,500 approx) and the shortfall in annual fees \$2,511. All the other variances basically offset each other.
- Green Fees are \$3,518 up on Budget. This is a very positive trend which is continuing each month.
- Sponsorship Income and Other Income remain an issue and was the subject of comments in previous month's reports.

Sponsorship:

We sent invoices in mid January 2010 for last year's advertising as follows:

- Jacobs Creek for signs \$1,000 plus GST.
- Image Pools for signs on Green \$500 plus GST.
- Independent Gaming for signs \$500 plus GST.

- Cherrybrook Pharmacy for signs \$500 plus GST.
- Albert Meyer for signs \$250 plus GST.

I am not yet aware if any one has paid as yet. I will give the committee a further update at our meeting in March.

Fees charged for Bowls:

Following is a summary of what is charged for bowls:

- Tuesday - \$2.50 per person (\$20.00 prize for highest margin).
- Wednesday - \$8.00 per person.
- Thursday - \$5.00 per person for non members while members are free.
- Friday - \$10.00 per person (\$2.00 per person goes into the jackpot).
- Saturday - \$8.00 per person.
- Sunday Championship Events - \$8.00 per person.
- Corporate Days - \$10.00 per person.
- School Children - \$3.00 per person.
- Probus days - \$7.00 per person.
- Away Pennant Players - \$4.00 per person.
- Home Pennant Players - \$8.00 per person.
- Mixed Days - \$10.00 per person includes fee for the food or snacks.

There are two questions I need to raise, namely:

- Should we increase the Probus Fees to \$8.00 from the current \$7.00?
- We are having Mixed Championships this year so should the fees be split 50/50 with the Ladies Club?

Other Matters:

- Committee members need to be aware that the office requires around 2 week's notice of any amounts to be paid by cheque or Eftpos. If the matter is urgent I suggest we use our own funds and I will reimburse as quickly as possible.
- Are we increasing the cost of shirts to \$35.00 from 1/2/2010?
- Do we agree that our annual membership fee be increased to \$65.00 for 2011?
- We had 42 players at Our Australia Day Mixed Bowls Event and made a profit of \$230.00 which will be split 50/50 with the Ladies. Financially this was a much better result than our last mixed event.
- Annual Bowling Fees - I have it on good authority that some of the renewal letters were not sent out till mid January and clearly some have been missed altogether. Perhaps our Board Member can follow this up to ensure it does not happen again.
- FYI the fees to the Royal are as follows:
 1. Full Members \$35
 2. Junior Members \$23
 3. Dual Members \$17.50
- I am finding it difficult to have my report to the Secretary on time as the Club will not let me have the accounts until after the Board Meeting. Perhaps our Board Member

could find out why this is the case. If I received the accounts before the meeting I could ensure there are no errors or omissions.

9. Bowls Coordinator

Pennant Trials

The table below sets out the remaining Pennant Trial activities prior to the commencement of Pennants on the 27th February 2010.

| Date | Event |
|---|--------------------|
| Comments <u>30 Jan 2010</u> 3's to play in State 4's – Possible 2 games Saturday and 2 on Sunday. 5's, 6 and 7's will play Internal Trails | External Trial |
| <u>6 Feb 2010</u> 3's versus Dural at Home 5's versus Dural at Home 6's versus Dural at Dural 7's versus Dural at Dural | External Trial |
| <u>13 Feb 2010</u> 3's and 7's at Warrawee. 5's versus Denistone Sports at Home 6's will play Social Matches | External Trial |
| <u>20 Feb 2010</u> 3's and 5's will play The Hills District at home. If we can get a reasonable assurance from our Greenkeeper that the 2nd green will be back in action, we will arrange for the 6's and 7's to also have trials against The Hills District. All games will be played at WPH. | External Trial |
| <u>27 Feb 2010</u> Good luck to all four teams | Pennants Commences |

Turnaround Triples

Preliminary preparations for our Turnaround Triples Tournament, which will be held on the 19th April 2010, are already underway. The Nomination Form and accompanying letter have been produced and the front office has agreed to print envelopes and post the nominations forms to the addresses we provide to them. We will need to provide them with a soft copy of the recipients on an Excel Worksheet.

We will soon hold a meeting of the TAT Committee to iron out some of the logistical requirements to ensure we run a successful carnival.

Club Championships

Nomination forms and competition rules for the Minor Pairs and Major Pairs championships have been posted on the notice board. The entries for the Minor Pairs closed on the 30th January

and at the time of writing this report we had ten teams entered. Hopefully a few more entered last Saturday to make it a worthwhile competition.

Friday Nominated Pairs

I would like to put forward for the Management Committee's consideration, a proposal that the dress code for Friday Nominated Pairs be changed from the Club's traditional uniform and be replaced by "Mufti".

Most modern thinking clubs these days only use their full club uniforms for Pennants, Club Championships and when representing or playing under the club's banner.

I believe that whilst most players would embrace the change for Friday Bowls, most would want to retain the traditional uniform for Wednesday and Saturday social bowls, just as I do.

If this change is approved, I propose to implement it on Friday 12th February.

10. Match Committee Chairman

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members on behalf of the Match Committee for their co-operation over the last few weeks. Whether it has been due to extreme rain or extreme heat, everyone has been most compliant with the direction given by the Controlling Body with regard to play. As always, the Match Committee is always open to suggestion from our members.

With that in mind and with a run of extreme heat occurring over the next couple of weeks, I would ask that members use their common sense and exercise some responsibility of their own. If an individual know they don't handle the heat well, I would hope they wouldn't put their name down to play. While we welcome everyone to play all the time, it isn't fair to put pressure on the Controlling Body to act in the individual's best interests. Sometimes the individual needs to make a decision about whether to play or not based on their individual ability. Furthermore, while no-one thinks any less of anyone for pulling out of bowls due to their health, please inform the selectors as soon as possible to avoid any problems with regard to numbers in organised competitions.

The Match Committee is in the process of refining the extreme heat sub-section of the Conditions of Play. My personal thanks to Steve Brady for his assistance in this matter, especially in making representations to the main club's board on our behalf.

11. Chairman of Selectors

Pennants

1/ We can now confirm that our Club will have (4 Grade Sides) in the 2010 State Pennant Competition.

Grades - 3, 5, 6, 7. Many thanks to Michael Schwarcz for his efforts in this area.

2/ With the month of February now upon the business end has now been reached in the selection of Teams for the forthcoming Season, where each Saturday there will be Pennant Trials against Clubs either at home or away.

Beginning with Saturday 6.2.10 all (4 Sides) will be in action against the Dural Club. Grades (3 & 5) at Home and Grades (6 & 7) away at Dural.

3/ In view of the number of Trial Games arranged for February this provides the opportunity for all selected Teams to consolidate and to develop harmony and understanding of each others ability and blend as a Team. Therefore regular Team training during the Pennant season is essential if success as a Team is to be maintained.

With the enthusiasm shown by our Bowlers to play Pennants for our Club this year this forthcoming Pennant season certainly shows great promise for all our 4 Grade sides.

12. Schools Committee

I would remind the committee that from this Friday (5/2/10), Marian College will be joining us of a Friday morning for an hour from 11.30am to 12.30pm. This week's group is 30 girls with the following week about 25 boys. Perhaps the committee should ask some of the ladies if they are interested in assisting with the facilitation of the bowls. The school has also asked us to invoice it for the 25-30 students at \$3.00pp.

13. Zone 10

The 2010 Conditions of Play for Zone 10 is now on the website. I suggest that those interested should download a copy for reference purposes. A report will be completed and sent to the Zone confirming that WPH does not have any suspended bowlers and no bowler from another club will be denied access to play at WPH.

The next Zone meeting is on Wednesday 3 February 2010. A meeting has also been arranged for 9 February 2010 at Zone concerning the 2010 Pennant season. Representatives from WPH will be attending both meetings.

14. Greens Report

We are having some trouble with Black Beetle on both greens. It seems that these pests are flying in, not from under the grass itself. The No 2 green has being treated with "Nemecure" to treat the Black Beetle on this green.

The No2 green's Western edge, because of the extra topsoil needed to level the green after Laser leveling is slowly greening up. To speed up the process extra fertilizer is being spread on this area. We hope to have the green back in play on Saturday the 20th February.

Wind Socks and the appropriate posts on which they sit have been purchased and will be installed as soon as possible.

Sand for the No1 green will be in place next week (commencing 1 Feb 2010)

We have 2 mowers, one for each green. At the moment the mower used for the No1 green is being used for both greens, this is not satisfactory for either Blake or the greens. I have requested that we get a quote for a full maintenance service as soon as possible and that the maintenance service be done immediately the quote is approved.

The Petunias on the western side of green No1 are finished and will be taken out prior to Pennants. We will need a working bee some time later in the year to replant with appropriate flowers. The Northern garden will be enhanced with a bark mulch to give it some colour. This will be done week commencing 1st Feb.

We are still waiting for a quote to supply the 3 PROTECTION OF GREEN signs. When this comes to hand we will seek advice from Jason Reed as to the wording of such signs.

15. Coaches' Chairman

There is no further news regarding William May (currently being coached by Dallas Palm) but it is hoped that he will continue with his lessons when the weather becomes cooler.

Bob Banks has completed his formal coaching sessions and has been cleared by his coach (Bill Arnott) to play social bowls. He is still in employment so only expects to be able to play on Saturdays.

Further contact has been made with 36 year-old Rohan Limaye who, along with his wife, expressed a wish to be coached. He has recently received a promotion in his employment and now has some doubts about being able to commit to bowls for the time being. However, his wife is still keen and already has a set of bowls. I have asked that she get in touch with me after the 12th of February so that coaching can be arranged for her and that Rohan do likewise when he so wishes.

Camillis, Bryan Joyce's wife, and Patricia, Peter O'Keefe's wife, are currently being coached by Keith Robinson who was responsible for teaching both of these members.

A "Coaching Aids for New Bowlers" folder has been prepared for Margaret Gillies and passed to Barrie Stuart who expects to start her formal coaching this week.

I still have no news as to the coaching status of Barbara and Jack Nugent (coach- Micheal Schwarcz) for whom "Coaching Aids for New Bowlers" folders were prepared some months ago.

16. Umpires' Chairman - no report

17. Welfare

Contact has been made during January with:

- Doug Harvey
- Col Johnston
- Ted Barfoot
- Ralph Smith
- Clive Montague
- Barry Fisher

Jonathon Rixon is having a spell in hospital. I will keep the Club informed of his progress.

Owen Dowling is now in permanent care at Woodlands Nursing Home. I keep in touch with Teddy. She has had a good result with her treatment.

It has been good to catch up with our friends who haven't been able to come to the Club for a while due to ill health and various other reasons. During January, Roy Forsyth, Ken McCrum, Col Johnston and Norm Swift have dropped in to see us. It was great to see Billy Woodman looking so well – he spends time in both Queensland and New South Wales.

During the month of January I have given up-to-date news of the above members and I have also made birthday announcements.

18. Membership Committee Report – no report

19. Mixed Bowls Committee

The Australia Day Mixed Bowls event was an enjoyable day. The comments from those attending were all positive. As the day was warm with considerable humidity, arrangements were made for breaks to be taken at the 7th and 14th ends.

Forty two bowlers attended. Some were in club uniform while others were in mufti. A variety of headgear was worn which added to the relaxed attitude of it being a "fun day".

After expenses a net result of \$310 was achieved. This will be split 50/50 between the men's and women's sections.

The day would not have been successful if it were not for the assistance provided by:

- Alan Cotton
- Steve Brady
- Ken & Margaret Wighton
- Denise Hopkins
- David Roles
- Judy McCreadie
- Betty Lamb
- Warren Phillips
- The Staff of the Sports Club

The donation of 6 bottles of wine from the Sports Club was very much appreciated by the Mixed Bowls Committee. They were raffled to the bowlers.

As it was Australia Day, Mr Wan Lam supplied a cake which was cut and distributed to the bowlers. Being a new Australian Mr Lam enjoyed the day and it was noticed that he sang Advance Australia Fair with passion after the Australia Day address was delivered by Ken Wighton.

The next mixed event will be held on Monday 26 April 2010 – the Anzac Day long weekend.

20. Communications Committee – no report

21. Corporate – no report

22. General Business

23. Next Meeting

Monday 1st March, start 6:00pm

West Pennant Hills Sports Club Limited

Section Profit & Loss

MEN'S BOWLING SECTION
31 December 2009

| | December Actual | December Budget | Variance | % | YTD Actual | YTD Budget | Variance | % |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| MBC Raffle Takings | 1,260 | 1,600 | (340) | 78.75 | 8,372 | 9,200 | (828) | 91.00 |
| MBC Green Fees | 3,704 | 3,100 | 604 | 119.48 | 21,043 | 18,200 | 2,843 | 115.62 |
| MBC Green Fees No \$ Rec'd | 180 | 0 | 180 | | 675 | 0 | 675 | |
| MBC Total Green Fees | 3,884 | 3,100 | 784 | 125.29 | 21,718 | 18,200 | 3,518 | 119.33 |
| MBC Sports Fees | 4,145 | 5,620 | (1,475) | 73.75 | 5,346 | 7,857 | (2,511) | 68.04 |
| MBC Koala Income | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 899 | 5,593 | (4,694) | 16.07 |
| MBC Club Shirt Sales | 114 | 63 | 51 | 180.95 | 500 | 125 | 375 | 400.00 |
| MBC Sponsorship Income | (141) | 0 | (141) | | (142) | 618 | (760) | (22.98) |
| MBC Catering Income | 109 | 1,300 | (1,191) | 8.38 | 691 | 2,105 | (1,414) | 32.83 |
| MBC Other Income | 1,555 | 0 | 1,555 | | 1,567 | 534 | 1,033 | 293.45 |
| Total MBC Income | 10,926 | 11,683 | (757) | 93.52 | 38,951 | 44,232 | (5,281) | 88.06 |
| MBC Affiliation Fees | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 2,238 | 1,530 | 708 | 146.27 |
| MBC Raffle Costs | 1,419 | 740 | 679 | 191.76 | 4,660 | 4,280 | 380 | 108.88 |
| MBC Green's Maintenance | 3,584 | 3,775 | (191) | 94.94 | 21,989 | 22,650 | (661) | 97.08 |
| MBC Other Costs | 674 | 620 | 54 | 108.71 | 2,741 | 3,720 | (979) | 73.68 |
| MBC Other Expenses | 1,326 | 0 | 1,326 | | 1,503 | 0 | 1,503 | |
| MBC Koala Expenses | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 1,360 | 4,977 | (3,617) | 27.33 |
| MBC Catering Costs | 3,175 | 2,080 | 1,095 | 152.64 | 6,218 | 4,878 | 1,340 | 127.47 |
| Total MBC Expenses | 10,178 | 7,215 | 2,963 | 141.07 | 40,709 | 42,035 | (1,326) | 96.85 |
| Gross Profit (Loss) on MBC | 748 | 4,468 | (3,720) | 16.74 | (1,758) | 2,197 | (3,955) | (80.02) |

| | YTD December Actual ex Club | Corrections | YTD December after corrections | YTD December Budget | Variance B / (W) |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | | | | | -\$547.44 |
| Normal Green Fees | \$19,445.70 | -\$1,076.00 | \$18,369.70 | | |
| Schools | \$58.00 | \$12.00 | \$70.00 | | |
| Corporate | \$1,264.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,264.00 | | |
| Probus | \$745.00 | \$0.00 | \$745.00 | | |
| Thursday | \$205.00 | \$0.00 | \$205.00 | | |
| | | -\$1,064.00 | \$20,653.70 | \$18,200.00 | \$2,453.70 |
| Sport Fees | \$5,345.46 | \$0.00 | \$5,345.46 | \$7,857.00 | -\$2,511.54 |
| Koala Income | \$899.24 | \$0.00 | \$899.24 | \$5,593.00 | -\$4,693.76 |
| Shirt Sales | \$500.00 | \$0.00 | \$500.00 | \$125.00 | \$375.00 |
| Sponsorship | -\$142.44 | \$0.00 | -\$142.44 | \$618.00 | -\$760.44 |
| Pres Day | \$336.36 | \$0.00 | \$336.36 | | |
| AGM | \$245.45 | \$0.00 | \$245.45 | | |
| Prize Day | \$109.09 | \$0.00 | \$109.09 | | |
| Xmas | \$0.00 | \$1,229.20 | \$1,229.20 | | |
| | | | | | -\$184.90 |
| Other Income Lockers | \$1,566.90 | -\$1,521.90 | \$45.00 | \$534.00 | -\$489.00 |
| TAT Income | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Total Income | \$38,949.62 | -\$1,076.00 | \$37,873.62 | \$44,232.00 | -\$6,358.38 |
| EXPENSES | | | | | |
| Affiliation Fees | | | | | |
| Honsby Cup | | | | | |
| | | | | | -\$1,338.17 |
| Raffle Costs | \$4,659.06 | \$0.00 | \$4,659.06 | \$4,280.00 | -\$379.06 |
| Greens | | | | | |
| Plants/ Fertiliser | | | | | |
| | | -\$1,076.00 | \$0.00 | | |
| Engraving/Trophies | \$708.50 | \$1,414.44 | \$2,122.94 | | |
| Shirts | \$7.73 | \$0.00 | \$7.73 | | |
| Coaching Costs | \$87.29 | \$0.00 | \$87.29 | | |
| Orange Blossom | \$104.55 | \$0.00 | \$104.55 | | |
| Mixed Day | \$126.00 | \$0.00 | \$126.00 | | |
| Law Books | \$15.00 | \$0.00 | \$15.00 | | |
| Cards | \$9.09 | \$0.00 | \$9.09 | | |
| Others | \$1,503.34 | -\$1,503.34 | \$0.00 | | |
| | | -\$1,164.90 | \$3,079.79 | \$3,720.00 | \$640.21 |
| Club Shirts | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Koala Costs | \$1,360.03 | \$0.00 | \$1,360.03 | \$4,977.00 | \$3,616.97 |
| Catering Costs | | | | | |
| | | -\$602.18 | \$1,757.89 | | |
| Prize Day | \$800.13 | \$0.00 | \$800.13 | | |
| EOY | \$181.82 | \$0.00 | \$181.82 | | |
| Others | -\$167.40 | \$0.00 | -\$167.40 | | |
| Total Catering Costs | \$6,216.99 | -\$602.18 | \$5,614.81 | \$4,878.00 | -\$736.81 |
| TAT Costs | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$40,708.15 | -\$1,137.08 | \$39,571.07 | \$42,035.00 | \$2,463.93 |
| Profit / (Loss) | -\$1,758.53 | \$61.08 | -\$1,697.45 | \$2,197.00 | -\$3,894.45 |