



West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Club

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Business Papers

6th May 2010

Meeting Commences 6:00pm

1. Business arising from the Minutes

1.1.

2. Carried forward from previous meetings

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| 2.1. Inclusion of 'Achievements' to Honour board | Sept | DP |
| 2.2. Discussion with WPHSC re changing of membership fees to Nov. | Feb | DP |

3. Correspondence Inwards

3.1.

4. Correspondence Outwards

- 4.1. Roy Forsyth – request for name badges for Ian Thompson, Geoffrey Tweeddale, Noel Johnston, and replacement for Peter O'Keeffe. (received)

5. Reports

5.1. **President** – nil report

5.2. **Senior Vice President**– nil report

5.3. **Vice President** – nil report

5.4. **Secretary**

5.5. **Treasurer**

March 2010 and Year to Date Financial Results:

Attached is a copy of the March 2010 accounts provided by the main club.

The month of March 2010 and Year to Date does however contain some errors which will need to be corrected next month. I have emailed the Club about the errors. The errors are Raffle Takings are understated by \$180.00, Other Income is overstated by \$420.00 and Green Fees are understated by \$240.00.

Month of March 2010:

- We lost two days bowling this month. This has had a \$600.00 approx adverse impact on our Green Fees.
- Raffle takings were also down by around \$300.00 approx due to the two lost days.
- Even with the two lost days green fees were again well up on budget.

- Greens Maintenance is well up on budget due the cost of plinths \$1,200.00 (this is 70% of the full cost of \$1,700.00). Are we sure this is a cost for us and not the Club?
- Other Costs in the month was the result of a Friday Jackpot of \$360.00.
- Catering Costs were the result of Pennant games at home.

Year to Date March 2010:

- The Loss Year to Date of \$3,480 compares favourably to a budget Loss of \$3,674.
- Sponsorship Income and Other Income remain an issue and was the subject of comments in previous month's reports.

Sponsorship:

Following is an update on the invoices we sent out mid January 2010 for last year's advertising:

- Jacobs Creek for signs \$1,000 plus GST. - Not paid yet.
- Image Pools for signs on Green \$500 plus GST. - Not paid yet.
- Independent gaming for signs \$500 plus GST. – Club working on contra deal and will advise
- Cherrybrook Pharmacy for signs \$500 plus GST. – Paid the full amount but 30% given to Ladies Club.
- Albert Meyer for signs \$250 plus GST. - Not paid yet.

We need to consider our next steps with these companies. Perhaps our President should contact each of them to determine if there is a future with them advertising on our score boards.

Warren Phillips

5.6. Bowls Coordinator

Turnaround Triples

The WPH Turnaround Triples Tournament proved a great success. Apart from a minor scoring mishap, the rest of the day went off without a hitch. Many thanks go to all of the Management Committee members who helped out on the day, particularly Dallas Palm and Peter Eagle.

In the meantime, Pennant Hills will hold their Turnaround Triples on Monday the 24th May. Entries forms are available in the sports room.

Club Championships

The Major Singles as reached the quarter-final stage. There 4 great games to be played this coming Sunday and the final scheduled for the 22nd May should be a great spectacle.

The nomination form for the Minor Triples has now been posted and the first round will be held on Saturday 29th May. Several entries have already been received.

The Mixed Fours will follow on from the Minor Triples. The nomination form will be posted on the notice board on or about the 22nd May, entries will close on Saturday 19th June and the first round has been scheduled for Sunday 27th June.

Koala Carnival

Planning for the 2010 Koala Carnival is well underway. Entries received to-date are 17 men's teams, 8 women's teams and 11 mixed teams.

In the coming weeks we will need to determine who we will need to assist run the event on each of the days.

The ladies have already been advised that the men's club will be on hand to run the ladies day. The men will also do all of the scorecards, draws etc., but we will require the ladies to help out

on the mixed and men's day.

I will shortly be in touch with several of the key people from the TAT day to enlist their assistance for the Koala Carnival.

In the meantime, I must say that I'm disappointed by the poor numbers received to-date, particularly in the mixed and ladies sections. I think the Management Committee needs to consider what would be a satisfactory minimum number of entries on each day in order to make the carnival viable. I would suggest between 20 and 28 teams would be acceptable.

Our representatives on the Koala Committee will meet with the ladies reps soon so we will need to have a clear idea of the numbers required.

Mal Horner

5.7. Match Committee

The changes to our club's conditions of play have been made as per this committee's request at the last meeting.

David Wilson

5.8. Selectors

Pennants

Grade 3

After a promising 1st Round the Side has struggled to produce that form in the 2nd Round against improved opposition teams. However it is important to recognise the performance and effort of this Side who achieved such success in this Grade 4. Well done.

Grade 5

An outstanding effort by all Teams in this Side where an opportunity now exists for the Side to finish 2nd and therefore qualify for the Sectional Playoffs. Congratulations to all Players, a super effort.

Grade 6

This side has been unlucky in recent games against quality opposition. However, consistency by all teams must be a priority if the side is to improve and achieve the anticipated success of this side.

Grade 7

The potential of this Side has yet to be fully realised with mixed results in the 2nd round has seen the Side struggle to improve its position on the ladder. However the experience gained by our new and developing Bowlers will be invaluable.

Alan Bowry

5.9. Schools Committee

Marion College returns to WPH this coming Friday (7th May). I hope that available committee members will lend their help to Peter Eagle and Mal Horner with the facilitation of this program over the next 8 weeks.

David Wilson

5.10. Zone 10

At the time of writing this report, the Zone business papers for the May meeting have not arrived.

From the April meeting, the main points of interest are:

- WPH has indicated to Zone that we are interested in a Zone recruitment drive; however we require more details to be supplied. Nothing further has been received.
- Budget detail and fee increases for 2010/2011 have been advised. Details have been supplied to WPH treasurer, secretary and president.

- Approval for Artificial Devices has been clarified. Walking sticks do not require approval. An application to use a bowler's arm is required.
- WPH coaching details received from Zone (Harry Arthurs) and supplied to Bill Arnott for updating. A meeting for coaches was held at The Hills on 12 April re the new coaching requirements.
- A successful new umpire's course involving twenty two candidates has been completed. A further accreditation and re-accreditation course may be held in June 2010.
- A number of clubs have lost points for contravening clearance requirements. Clubs need to be careful about moving players up and down. The use of fill-ins may have them unfairly graded for next season. This always needs to be considered.

Peter Eagle

5.11. Greens

The No2 mower used on the Sullivan Green has finally been repaired and is back in use.

The three signboards for greens 1 and 2 previously discussed in minute papers are now in our possession. Discussion between Terry and Jason have agreed on the wording and the signs will read 'PLEASE KEEP OFF THE GREENS'. Two signs will be placed on the No 1 green and the 3rd will be placed on the No2 green at the close of play each day. Blake has been suitably rewarded for his efforts by the Sports Club Management.

There will be some action in regard to the tree on Council property on the Western side of the No 2 green. Shannon Bridger has discussed the problem on site with a Council representative and the Council will have the offending branches removed and maybe the tree removed completely. The work required to be done has been put out to tender.

Blake has inspected the shades on both greens following comments that some shades were in need of repair or replacement. Blake has advised me that 2 shades need replacing and others repairing. We have the butterfly clips to do the repairs but need to order new shades. Three shades have been ordered at a cost of \$609.95, two will be used immediately and the 3rd kept for future replacement.

Planting of annuals on the Western side of the No1 green is in hand for a good showing in time for our Koala Carnival.

Keith Robinson

5.12. Coaches

Trainees

- Coaching of Tony Hindle is still in progress, Keith Robinson having filled in for Bill Arnott during his recent absence, and we are both of the opinion that it will take some time and patience to get him to the point where he will be able to participate in organised social games.
- Ken Wighton has continued coaching Maria Heidegger and hopes to complete her formal training before she moves out of our area for a period of several months. She is keen to finish the course and become a registered player before her departure to enable her to play at other clubs during her time away.
- Barrie Stuart continues handling the formal coaching of Margaret Gillies.
- William May, who was being coached by Dallas Palm, has suffered a serious set-back in his health and will be unable to continue.
- We are attempting to contact Doug McClymont and Geoffrey Tweeddale, both of whom have advised Peter Eagle that they wish to be coached.

Bill Arnott

5.13. Umpires

I am grateful for Warren Phillips attending to the maintenance of the Umpires equipment. Also purchased during the month was a 2nd line siter, 1 pair of calipers & a tool box to store the equipment. This totalled \$161.90. The previous small tool box was broken. All club events, including some women's events, have had umpire involvement.

Don Couch

5.14. Welfare

Contact has been made during April with:

- Ralph Smith
- Jim Collins

I have kept up-to-date with the progress of:

- Owen Dowling – I spoke to Teddy – Owen has no phone in his room, so I will keep in touch with Teddy – he is gradually getting weaker.
- I sent a Sympathy Card to Val Harvey – she sent a very nice note of return thanks. I contacted her to see how she is going – she has her good days and bad days. She appreciates the support and friendship given to Doug by his bowling friends.
- Margaret Read, a member of the Women's Bowling Club and known to many of our members, has been in hospital since late December. She has just gone into Chesalon Beecroft for rehab. She is very weak from being in bed for such a long time.

I have given news of the above members and also made birthday announcements on bowls days in April.

Barrie Stuart

5.15. Membership

Current membership now stands at 150, having gained James Hindle this month.

Steve Brady has proposed a draft leaflet to be included in mail outs by the Sports Club. Terry has endorsed the idea. The draft requires some 'cosmetic' work to make it generate interest.

Members' Directory has been produced by the Sports Club office with direction from Terry and members will receive their copy by post.

Dallas Palm

5.16. Mixed Bowls

The Anzac mixed bowls day was a successful event. The only down side was the number of entries. Twenty four people attended out of an expected thirty to forty people. It seems both bowls sections want the mixed bowls committee to run events, however the support is lacking in members attendance.

The assistance provided by Steve Brady, John Leonard, Alan Cotton, Betty Lamb and the staff of the WPH Sports Club is very much appreciated and welcomed by the committee.

A net result of \$158 was made which will be split 50/50 between both bowling sections. The treasurers of both sections need to attend to the financial requirement.

Due to the Koala Carnival being run in the week prior to the June long weekend, it has been decided to hold the next mixed day in October. If the support is again lacking then consideration needs to be given to holding further events.

Peter Eagle

5.17. Communications

The experiment with '*Bowler's Blog*' is indicating that the effort involved in developing and maintaining the website has been misplaced. I have been monitoring the level of access (not just the no. of registrations) to the blog as an indication of usage of the website and am underwhelmed. Monitoring will be increased to cover the entire site to determine whether it is a site wide problem or a general reluctance to read a blog. I will provide an update at the next meeting.

Dallas Palm

5.18. Corporate – nil report

6. General Business

6.1.

7. Next Meeting

Tuesday 1st June, start 6:00pm