

## West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Club

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#### MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING Business Papers 1<sup>st</sup> June 2010 Meeting Commences 6:00pm

**1. Business arising from the Minutes** 1.1.

#### 2. Carried forward from previous meetings

- 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. Rod Roberts re Pennant season and social bowls.
- 3.2. WPHSC resignation of Alan Joss
- 4. Correspondence Outwards

4.1.

5. Reports 5.1. President

#### Koala Carnival

At the time of writing my report we have the minimum of 20 teams for each day of the carnival. I am therefore pleased to advise that all 3 days will go ahead as planned in 2010.

The BBQ donated by Homeway First National Real Estate is displayed in the foyer of the club and tickets are available to purchase at reception.

We should also sell tickets to patrons on our regular bowls days leading up to the carnival.

I would ask that all committee members in attendance each day assist where possible in matters such as promoting and selling raffle tickets and general hosting of our members and guests. I would imagine we will have 3 busy days.

No doubt, Mal will have further comments in his report.

#### Major Singles

Congratulations to Dallas Palm on winning the Major Singles title for 2010, a great game of bowls that neither player deserved to lose.

Congratulations also to runner up, Keith Robinson, for being gracious in defeat, a worthy finalist and former champion.

Such games produce much pride in the quality of our players at WPH.

### Barry Walker Classic Pairs

Barry has written to the committee regarding the conditions of play and eligibility for this event. It has always been Barry's intention to have a certain prestige associated with this championship.

This event is unique to our club and should therefore be held within the criteria of Barry's wishes.

## **5.2.** Senior Vice President

Over the past year there has been an increase in the number of bowlers taking part in roll ups during mornings but more so in the afternoons. This activity should not be discouraged as it shows bowlers are wishing to practise and hone their skills.

As a committee we need to be mindful that on certain mornings and afternoons, coaches attend to the requirements of new and existing bowlers. The coaches have priority to rinks of their choice on greens that are open on that day and are entitled to request bowlers to cease activity or move to another rink if applicable. The same position applies to umpires. If there are problems stemming from bowlers who are not complying then the matter needs to be addressed. Any problems should be raised with the President or myself.

As a suggestion if there are problems, coaches and umpires should raise the matter with the respective heads of coaching and umpires for action to be taken.

## 5.3. Vice President

#### 5.4. Secretary - no report

#### 5.5. Treasurer

April 2010 and Year to Date Financial Results:

The report from the Club finally arrived on Monday 31st May 2010. Financial Results for April 2010 and year to date are attached. The result is again inaccurate as the Prize Money (\$750.00) for the TAT was not brought to account in April even though the cash was received in March. I have asked the club to correct this in May 2010. The club has also opened two sponsorship income accounts and I have asked that the new figure be transferred to the old account. This too will be done in May 2010.

#### Month of April 2010:

- \* The loss in the month should be \$2,507.00 not \$3,237. See comment on \$750.00 above.
- \* There were no lost days in the month.
- \* Green Fees and Raffle Income were well up on budget in the month.

\* Sponsorship Income of \$636.00 was received from Pernod Rickard. This is 70% of \$1,000.00 less GST. The ladies Club receives the other 30%. I am totally unsure what this covers. I suggest President Terry discusses this with Jason Reid.

\* The bulk of the TAT income was brought to account in March so the overall income variance in the month was minus \$30.00.

Green Maintenance Costs were well up on Budget due to the following:

- o Lawn Mower Repairs \$849
- o Shade Cloths \$387
- o Plantings \$297

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- o Total Costs \$1,533
- o Note that these costs are 70% of the total less GST.

\* Other Costs were over spent due to \$130 for changing locks and \$147 for Umpiring Equipment.

\* Catering Costs are caused by Pennant Games at Home.

## Year to Date April 2010:

\* The loss year to date should be \$5,987.00 not \$6,737. See comment on \$750.00 above.

\* The net profit from the TAT was \$545.00 excluding Raffle Income \$386.00 and Raffle Costs \$150.00.

\* Meeting our budget loss for the year will now be very difficult as we have spent \$2,500 more on Greens Maintenance than planned, we have some \$2,000 shortfall in Sports Fees and we still short on sponsorship income.

## Other Items:

\* We received \$2,220.00 in entry fees for the Koala Carnival which has been kept out of the accounts until June 2010.

\* We need to clarify who pays the entry fees for State Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours. I was told the club pays but should this be the case?

## 5.6. Bowls Coordinator

## Barry Walker Classic Pairs Championship

The eligibility rules for participation in this prestigious event have been reviewed and in keeping with Barry Walker's wishes the following will apply.

Each team will consist of one Major and one Minor player. The definition of a Major is anyone who has won, or has been a member of a team that has won a Singles, Pairs, Triples or Four Major Club Championship at this or any other club. A Minor is anyone who has been a runner-up in a Major Singles, Pairs, Triples or Fours, or has won or been runner-up in a Minor Singles, Pairs or Triples Championship at this or any other Club. It is not a requirement that the Major must skip.

The standard requirements regarding club membership etc will remain unchanged.

The amendments to the eligibility rules will see this event return to be one of the Club's premier events on the Championship ladder.

## **Club Championships**

The draw for the Minor Triples has now been posted in the sports room with the first round due to be completed by Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Unfortunately one match will be held over until the following week due to the granting of dispensation the Les Watkins who will be the Controlling Body at the Zone 10 Grade 5 Post Sectionals at Merrylands.

It must be mentioned that only seven (7) teams entered this competition which is disappointing to say the least.

The nomination form for the Mixed Fours will be posted on the notice board on the 29<sup>th</sup> May. I will have been in touch will the ladies and it was decided that both groups will try to get as many starter as possible. Entries close on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June and the first round has been scheduled for Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

The nomination form and rules for the Barry Walker Pairs Championship will also be posted on the notice board this week

## Koala Carnival

Final entries received are 21 men's teams, 20 women's teams and 18 mixed teams. Although we hoped for more entries, these numbers will be sufficient to enable us to carryout a successful three day carnival.

It's important to note that the men's section didn't receive one entry from either West Epping Panthers or Beecroft. A decision as to whether we need to push their carnivals in the future could be considered at this June meeting.

Mal Horner

## 5.7. Match Committee

It is disappointing to see the limited number of entries in the Minor Triples. The Match Committee has granted dispensation to Les Watkins for the first round as he is officiating at the No. 5 Pennant play-off at Merrylands this week. Also, Allan Meaker is replacing Roy Robinson in this same championship.

David Wilson

#### 5.8. Selectors

2010 Pennant Season Review

Congratulations to all Bowlers who represented our Club with distinction in all Grades in the 2010 Pennant season.

The overall performance of our 4 Sides has been both rewarding and successful when one considers that in Zone 10 we have 3 Premier League Clubs and those bowlers played in this years Pennant season.

Grade 3 Finished 4th

The performance of this Side in the First Round was outstanding. However the momentum was lost in the Second Round losing 3 games in a row then regained with two brilliant wins to finish

on a high note. To have achieved a win against each Side in this competition is major achievement and certainly underlines the quality and standard play this Side can produce.

Congratulations to all players on a successful season.

## Grade 5 Finished 3rd

This has been an outstanding performance by this Side where consistency and a positive attitude was the key to their success.

A determined second Round effort with two resounding wins in a row against the leading Sides propelled the Side to a position of qualifying for the sectional playoffs. However they were unlucky to lose by 3 shots in the last round and did not qualify. The potential to win this Grade is certainly there and we look forward to 2011 with great anticipation.

A special mention to the most successful Team in all Grades with 8 wins from 10 games - Norm Jackson, Les Watkins, David Jeffrey & Kevin Hoffman ( a brilliant effort ) Well played to all members of this Side for a wonderful season.

Grade 6 Finished 5th

After varied Team performances in the First Round due to unavailable players (valid reasons) consistency was finally gained in the Second round with solid and encouraging efforts by all players. On review this Side has been unlucky where often they have been in a position to win games only to lose in the final ends. Notable consistent performance from Barry Walkers Team of David King, Max Bell, Max Walters. All players can be encouraged by their efforts and the experience gained by playing Pennants.

Grade 7 Finished 4th

The results achieved by this Side is indeed a reflection on the positive attitude, enthusiasm and the will to win by all players of this Side. With a mix of new and developing bowlers and experienced players to finish in 4 th place is a great achievement. The success of this Side will be measured in the progress of each player where the experience gained from playing Pennants this year will be invaluable in there development now and in the future. Well played to all members of this Side.

A special thanks to all those Reserve Bowlers of our Club who filled in when required to make this Pennant Season a Successful one.

Alan Bowry

David Wilson

## **5.9.** Schools Committee

5.10. Zone 10

On Wednesday 2 June 2010, prior to the commencement of the Management Committee meeting, a special general meeting is to take place. The purpose of the special meeting is to pass amendments to the constitution for the election of office bearers at Zone 10. The amendments relate to:

- i. Permanent and other sub committees
- ii. Coaches sub committee

## iii. Umpires sub committee

The amendments are minor and will not affect the operations of Zone 10 clubs management. I have a copy of the amendments if Committee members wish to view them.

The Zone 10 Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 28 July 2010. For those who are wishing to nominate for any positions, nominations have to be submitted by 5pm Monday 28 June 2010. Forms can be obtained from the website: <a href="https://www.zone10.org.au">www.zone10.org.au</a>

#### Management Business

- 1. Of the 28 clubs in Zone 10, seventeen have replied to the Zone's 10/12 recruitment drive in August and October. The recruitment drive is subject to further information.
- 2. Umpires and Coaches shirts are to be ordered. Coaches and umpires need to download order forms from <u>www.zone10.org.au</u>
  - Shirt size and sleeve length need to be advised.
- 3. Unification is moving along slowly with a draft constitution being formulated.
- 4. Bowls NSW coaches communiqué No.4 for 2010 was forwarded to all clubs on 13 May 2010. I assume this has been received.
- 5. The Champion of Club Champions Singles/Pairs entries close on 17 July 2010.

## 5.11. Greens

There is little to report this month-

However I can report that the flagpole repairs have been completed and an additional cross bar has been fitted providing us with additional flag space.

Thanks to Peter Booth Blake and Paul pansies have been planted on the West side of the No1 green, hopefully they will be in full flower for the Koala Carnival.

The No1 green is being used sparingly so that it is at it's best for the upcoming carnival. The rain last week no doubt will help in this regard.

The replacement shades have been delivered and Blake will replace the faulty shades as time permits.

The Notice Board replacement is still in its planning stage.

#### Keith Robinson

Peter Eagle

## 5.12. Coaches

#### <u>Trainees</u>

Coaching of Tony Hindle is progressing slowly and may require further lessons before he is able to take part in organised play. While he is able to deliver a bowl well (he can group all four bowls close to the jack), he has difficulty in understanding even the most basic concepts. When he has been cleared to play, I would urge the Selectors to be sure that he is placed with members who will show a great deal of tolerance, and give him every assistance in ensuring he has an enjoyable game.

Ken Wighton has completed coaching Maria Heidegger who, unfortunately, is moving out of our area and will not now be joining the Women's Club. Her copy of "Coaching Aids for New Bowlers" has been returned and is available for assignment to a future new member.

Barrie Stuart continues handling the formal coaching of Margaret Gillies.

Contact has been made with Douglas McClymont and Geoffrey Tweeddale, and both are currently being coached by Bill Arnott. Doug has completed Stages 1, 2 and part of Stage 3 of our programme, while Geoff, who has had some previous bowling experience, has completed the first two stages and will resume his training on his return from vacation next week.

Bill Arnott

## 5.13. Umpires

Don Couch

## 5.14. Welfare

Contact has been made during April with:

- Ralph Smith
- Jim Collins
- Clive Montague
- Doug Gunton
- Craig Hawes
- John O'Reilly
- Roy Robinson

I have sent a sympathy card to Mark Kakoschke - his brother had passed away in Adelaide.

Margaret Read, a well-know member of the Women's Bowling Club, who had been ill for some time, passed away on May 11. Our members were well represented at her funeral.

I have kept in touch with Val Harvey to let her know we are thinking of her - she is coping very well.

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

5.15. Membership

Currently stands at 151.

## 5.16. Mixed Bowls

There is nothing further to report at this time. The next mixed bowls event is to be held in October 2010.

Peter Eagle

Barrie Stuart

**Dallas** Palm

## 5.17. Communications

The next edition of the Newsletter will be released shortly.

Since late April, *Bowler's Blog* has recorded 286 unique visitors from many parts of the world. Most do not leave a contribution but that may change over time. There have been 2 surveys posted -1 on women's bowls, 1 on the greens. Results will be published once the numbers are significant or responses stop.

The bowls website has recorded 357 hits from 70 unique address over the past 2 weeks. Championships and calendar seem to be the most popular pages (excluding the main page).

Dallas Palm

# 5.18. Corporate

## 6. General Business

6.1. Use of mobile phones6.2. Game start times

## 7. Next Meeting

6<sup>th</sup> July, start 6:00pm