

# West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Club

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#### MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING Business Papers 11<sup>th</sup> August 2010 Meeting Commences 6:00pm

#### **Business arising from the previous Minutes**

#### Carried forward from previous meetings

Inclusion of 'Achievements' to Honour board

Sept DP

#### **Correspondence Inwards**

Bowls Australia – National Census WPHSC – clarification on rules for AGM PHBC – Hornsby Shire Cup details RNSWBA – confirmation of latest member applications WBC – Notice of new committee

# **Correspondence Outwards**

Roy Forsyth – request for badges for Bob Cole, Malcolm Irvine RNSWBA – Notice of Bereavement & Deletion of Registration – Chun Nam KAM

#### Reports

#### President

Our Appreciation Day for 2010 was a great success with 65 members joining us for lunch and 62 bowlers competing in the Handicap Carnival afterwards. Our thanks goes to Dallas Palm, our Secretary, for coordinating the invitations and luncheon. Well done also to the selectors for picking such competitive teams.

I would like to extend my personal thanks to the Management Committee for their support and effort contributed to the Men's Bowls Section in 2009 -10.

I believe we have had a very successful year (on and off the green) and have developed a positive momentum within the club dedicated to the enjoyment of our sport and good fellowship amongst our members.

The personal contribution made by everyone is very much appreciated and I'm sure that the year ahead will see the same commitment take us a few steps further forward in the clubs activities.

The relationship we have developed with the club's board and administration is very solid and allows us further opportunities to build a stronger bowls section as we move into 2010 - 11.

Our year ahead will of course have it's challenges but we have a positive outlook for open days, membership drives and our regular carnivals. Our Koala Carnival in 2011 has already received a positive boost with additional sponsorship being secured with Independent Gaming. This is due to the efforts of Jason Read, our CEO.

Our collective thanks go to the Sports Club Board, the administration team, restaurant, duty manger's and staff for their support and goodwill throughout the year.

Congratulations to all on a job well done!

# **Senior Vice President**

As this is my last report for the 2009/2010 year, I would like to express my appreciation to Terry Barnett and all members of the committee for the support provided over the last twelve months. The committee has worked well together and although there have been differences of opinion on some matters (life would be dull if there wasn't) the 2009/2010 year has been successful and rewarding. Unfortunately there is a minority of club members who always complain, however, from the feedback I have received, the majority appreciate the hard work, time and effort put in by the committee and the results achieved.

What has impressed me over the last couple of years is that WPH is now taken more seriously in providing strong opposition to other clubs. The tag of WPH being social bowlers only and making up the numbers has altered. The work of the current and previous committees has achieved this result. The way ahead is to win more pennants and competitions. The will to win by WPH bowlers is evident in both internal and external competitions and may be one of the catalysts to attract bowlers from other clubs to West Pennant Hills.

Peter Eagle

# Vice President

As this is the last meeting of this committee before the AGM, I would just like to extend my thanks to you all. I feel we have achieved a great deal over the last twelve months and we can all be very proud of what we have achieved.

David Wilson

# Secretary

# Appreciation Day

I am happy to say 'it's good when a plan comes off'. Thanks to all committee members who assisted in planning and on the day. For the stats – we had 94 responses, 65 for lunch, and 62 for bowls, or 61%, 42%, and 40% of bowlers respectively.

AGM – 28th August

Activity	Duration	Week Ending	25-Jun	02-Jul	1000	16-Jul	23-Jul	30-Jul	06-Aug	13-Aug	20-Aug	27-Aug
Nominations Open	-42 d	Sat 17-Jul										
Notice of Meeting & Nomination forms posted on notice board	-42 d	Sat 17-Jul										
Reports Due to Secretary	-35 d	Sat 24-Jul										
Report draft prepared & distributed	-30 d	Thu 29-Jul										
Report finalised	-25 d	Tue 03-Aug										
Notice of Meeting, previous Minutes, Invitation posted	-23 d	Thu 05-Aug										
Nominations Close	-21 d	Sat 07-Aug										
Report Printed & available	-21 d	Sat 07-Aug										
Attendance Responses Close	-7 d	Sat 21-Aug										
AGM	0 d	Sat 28-Aug										

Planning is on track for the AGM in line with the above schedule. Documents (Annual Report, Notice of Meeting, Past Minutes) were handed to members at the Presentation Day function. Documents have been posted to those members who did not attend the Appreciation Day.

Terry Barnett

Nominations for each position on the Committee have been received, with a ballot required for Selectors and Committee only.

Responses received total 47, with 42 attending the AGM and 43 for bowls.

Shane has been advised of the date and requirement for 'finger' food following the AGM.

I have confirmed the meeting room is booked and will be set up appropriately.

I have advised the Sports Club of requirement for drink vouchers and these will be produced for us once I confirm final numbers.

# Membership Renewals

I have had a discussion with Keryn Smith regarding advancing the timing of the membership renewal to November so that the return to RNSWBA can be accomplished by Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. We have agreed to include a note from the section explaining the reason for the change in timing to be included with the renewal notices to bowlers which will be issued by Keryn's team.

Finally, a very big personal thanks to all the committee members, for your support and patience with me over the past 12 months. I look forward to serving the club over the next year with a greater knowledge of the role than I started with 12 months ago.

Dallas Palm

# Treasurer

June 2010 and Year to Date Financial Results:

The final accounts for June 2010, as supplied by the Club Administration, are attached as usual along with a copy of the Annual Report. As you are aware I have asked for some items to be reallocated to their correct accounts (refer emails 4/6 and 1/7 copies available if required) so that we have a correct comparison to our budget and last year. The entries, albeit not significant, were not processed as it was deemed by the Club that they did not affect the final net result. It is a shame that the final accounts are not as accurate as I would have liked.

I have been asked why our accounts are received in the last few days of the month when in February I advised the committee that the accounts would be received one week prior to the Sports Club's Board Meeting and just after the Sports Club's Finance Committee Meeting. I have followed this up and have been advised that the accounts are sent after approval by the Board. I was not aware of this change. This timing would not allow the Committee Meeting to be held any earlier. If you recall we discussed moving the meeting forward by one week.

You will note in the accounts for the month that the Koala Income is \$1,718.00 and Koala Costs are NIL. This is a departure from the normal reporting for events and I asked the Club why there was a change in approach. The reply was "that a break up of the income/expenses of the Carnival was provided to all concerned. Allocating it as income and expenditure will not change the bottom line". This is the only event where the income and expenses were netted and not shown separately.

# Month of June 2010:

- The profit in the month is \$1,747.00 and is \$2.404.00 better than budget due to delay in Appreciation day and shirts were purchased earlier in the year
- There were two lost days in the month.
- · Green Fees were well up on budget in the month while Raffle Income was down on Budget.

# Year to Date June 2010:

• The loss year to date is \$5,722 compared to a budget loss of \$6,674. See note to annual accounts for more detail but in simple terms the extra green fees covered all the other variances.

Warren Phillips

Mal Horner

# **Bowls Coordinator**

# Match Committee

As resolved in between meetings, there is a revised schedule for the Minor Singles. This will see the quarter-finals and final played on Saturdays. The conditions of play have been changed in line with the resolution of this committee at the July meeting.

Other than that, I would like to thank the members of this committee for their commitment this year. It takes great strength of character to endure what some of you have endured from one's own peers. I feel we have achieved a healthy balance between strict enforcement and compassion in our administration of the club's conditions of play. To Mal, Alan, Don and John - my profound thanks.

David Wilson

# Selectors

#### Mid - Week Pennants (2 bowl triples )

With 23 Players and 5 confirmed reserves available for selection, 2 Sides only will represent our Club in this year's competition - 1x B Side & 1 x C Side.

The first Round on Wed 28<sup>th</sup> July was cancelled due to inclement weather and Round 2 is most unlikely to be played with current poor weather.

# 2010 N.S.W Club Challenge

The response from our bowlers indicates that to play in this competition on Sunday afternoon is not popular. Therefore, with 12 players available for selection to date for the 6 rounds of this completion, at this stage only ONE Side can be entered to represent our Club in the Silver division. To support 2 Sides over a period 6 or 7 weeks we need a minimum of 20 bowlers.

All entries for this completion close on Wednesday August 11th.

Alan Bowry

# **Schools Committee**

Following on from last meeting, Marion College has agreed to start at an earlier time and to try and foster greater enthusiasm in their students. Initial reports from those involved suggest this is the case. My thanks to Peter Eagle, who has been the real chairman of the schools committee in facilitating this program over the last 6 months and to Mal Horner, Peter Booth, Aaron Barnett and Warren Phillips for their assistance during this time - it has not gone unnoticed!

David Wilson

# Zone 10

The Zone 10 AGM was held on Wednesday 28 July 2010. The following people were elected to positions:

Positions.		
Gary MacAndrew	Castle Hill	President
Merv Wight	Wentworthville Leagues	Snr Vice President
Kevin McCarthy	Dundas Sports	Vice President
Tony Hyem	Gladesville	Secretary
Allan Fowlie	Wentworthville Leagues	Treasurer

State Councillor

Micheal was also elected onto the Coaches Committee and Match/Greens Committee. Les Watkins has also been elected to the latter committee.

The Umpires Committee election did not take place due to level2 re-accreditation requirements. The Zone Executive Committee will appoint qualified umpires in due course.

I have a copy of the Treasurer's Report should anyone wish to read the report.

The Zone 10 President's Day is to be held at Rydalmere Central on Saturday 25 September 2010. Invitations will be posted to all club Presidents within the week. RSVP is 4 September 2010.

Peter Eagle

#### Greens

Being mid winter there is little to report.

Both greens are playing as well as can be expected but the No 2 green has been a disappointment this year. This was due to conditions beyond our control after the green was laser levelled and top-dressed. It will be a much better green in 2011.

The ongoing saga with the gum tree on the Western side of the No 2 green is still not finalized or any action taken by Council to this date. I will be taking this matter up with the main club.

Keith Robinson

#### Coaches

Michael Schwarcz has been coaching Lynden Kirkness since early July and will be ready to start playing shortly.

MC (Ming Choi) Mak has been coached by Thompson Lee (MC's uncle) and is ready to start playing.

Keith Robinson has agreed to coach John Skidmore who was introduced to us by Peter O'Keeffe.

All current coaching activity is being covered by Keith Robertson, Michael Schwarcz, and Ken Wighton. No new students are being directed to Barrie Stuart until he indicates he is in a position to resume coaching.

Dallas Palm

# Umpires

Don Couch

# Welfare

This report is being written on behalf of Barrie Stuart while he is undergoing medical treatment.

#### Barrie Stuart:

Barrie has undergone treatment at St Vincent's Hospital and is now at home. Although he is starting to improve health-wise it may be some time before he is able to return to bowls. Barrie has a keen interest in what is happening at the club and with the support of his wife Jan, he hopes to visit the club as soon as possible.

#### John O'Reilly:

John has recovered from his operation and is now bowling again.

#### Vitalie Giovenali:

A decision has not been made regarding the course of action required to address his medical condition. On or around 6 August he will be receiving further medical advice.

Ross Twose:

**Membership** 

**Mixed Bowls** 

Ross recently spent a few days in Hornsby Hospital. He is back at home and is keen to return to bowls which may be as early as Wednesday 11 August 2010.

Peter Eagle for Barrie Stuart

Current membership stands at 157, with Lynden Kirkness and MC Mak joining on 27<sup>th</sup> July. Apart from these 2 new members, the club records align with the Royal's (at last).

Dallas Palm

There is nothing to report at this time. The next mixed bowls event is planned for the October long weekend. The selection of committee members will need to be considered by the new 2010/2011 men's and women's committees.

# Communications

Our editor, Tony Boughton, is looking for articles to include in the next Newsletter which will probably be published early September after the AGM. Please forward articles to <u>editor@demaj.com.au</u> or discuss with Tony directly.

Dallas Palm

# Corporate

No Report

# **General Business**

Purchase of Bowls Jackets (KR)

- Game times (DP) Proposal to recommence Tuesday Twilight & Thursday Twilight at the start of daylight savings with 5:30pm start time, following same format as 2009/2010.
- Game Times (DP) Proposal to revert Wednesday, Friday, Saturday social bowls to 1:00pm start time from start of daylight savings.
- Saturday Women's bowls (DP) Proposal to allocate a number of rinks (2 or 3) for the Women's section each Saturday on a 6 month trial. The Women's section is to arrange and manage games for Women. The proposal is aimed at providing an opportunity for the section to attract and hold new bowlers.
- Bowls Lockers (DP) more bowlers are requesting lockers than available. Proposal to allocate lockers annually based on ballot, or allocate lockers to frequent bowlers, or retain current system of only allocating lockers as they become available.
- CHS Bowls (PE) look into the possibility of exploring if high schools in the Cherrybrook/ West Pennant Hills area would be interested.

# **Next Meeting**

Proposed for September 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Peter Eagle