

West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Club

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Business Papers 5th September 2010 **Meeting Commences 6:00pm**

- 1. Business arising from the previous Minutes
- 2. Carried forward from previous meetings
- 2.1 Inclusion of 'Achievements' to Honour board

Sept DP

- 3. Correspondence Inwards
- 3.1 Malcolm Irvine enquiring after when his welcome pack and name badge would be provided. This has been answered verbally.

4. Correspondence Outwards

- 4.1 Zone 10 confirmation of those attending Zone Presidents' Day
- 4.2 Pat Jones requesting level of support for mixed Pennant competition.

5. Reports

5.1 President

It seems a quick turn around this month as our first meeting was held later than scheduled.

There is much activity at the moment. The NSW Bowls Challenge is underway and I congratulate the WPH team that went along to North Sydney on September 25th after difficult circumstances were placed upon them by the North Sydney Club.

It's disappointing that our club appears to have been disadvantaged due to a corporate event being held at the North Sydney club on the scheduled day of play. (Enough said!)

We fielded teams in the Orange Blossom Festival held at The Hills Bowling Club on September 18th. Congratulations to The Hills being the outright winners. WPH finished a gallant second place following a strong performance by our C Grade team. Emails of thanks and appreciation were sent by Mal Horner and myself to Chris Wallace from The Hills Club thanking our neighbours for their hospitality and great greens.

Well done to those WPH bowlers that were selected to play in the Hornsby Cup on September 19th. Good games all round with some very close scores. Congratulations to Asquith on being undefeated in all games.

Our calendar continues to be a busy one with the Club Fours soon to start. Inclement weather and player dispensation has delayed the Major Triples tournament however Mal Horner assures me we can pick up a day in the next few weeks to get us back on schedule.

The Tuesday Afternoon Twilight Pairs will commence on October 12th. The format will be 13 ends of 3 bowl pairs, 5.30pm start, \$6.00 per team green fees, ladies welcome.

Greenmaster Bowls will hold a bowls demonstration at our club on Wednesday October 20th at 11am. The demonstration will take approx 90 minutes and I would encourage as many bowlers to attend as possible. Light finger foods will be served afterwards prior to the commencement of regular Wednesday afternoon bowls.

I have had a personal meeting with Jason Read during September and discussed the following issues:

- Greenmaster Bowls Demonstration (approved and booked for October 20th)
- Bring a Friend Open Day (approved for November. Our Committee to confirm date and details)
- Koala Carnival (Jason happy to be rescheduled to September in 2011)
- Additional Carnival in 2011 (approved by Jason. Our committee to determine format and timing)

I have also had discussions with Ian Corke regarding design ideas of our proposed jackets (and possible new shirts) for our bowlers. Ian will put together some ideas for me and we as a committee will submit some suggested proposals to the Sports Club Board in a comprehensive format. There are also standard designs available which I believe we should also pursue.

I am keen to move forward with these details due to the possible increase in sponsorship support available to us.

I communicated by email to Pat Jones on October 1st (see below) regarding the Koala Carnival dates, combined Presentation evening and Christmas Party. I also confirmed with Pat of the reintroduction of the Tuesday Twilight Pairs on October 12th and asked her to promote this with the ladies on their playing days.

Finally, I would like to extend our combined congratulations to Aaron Barnett for being selected in the Zone 10 Under 25's Challenge held at Redhead Bowling Club on September 25th & 26th. (Well Done!)

Good Luck and Good Bowling

Hi Pat,

I hope all is well.

At the first meeting of the men's committee after our AGM we discussed a few issues which I would like to keep you informed of and which may require your feedback. Firstly, it was mentioned that the timing of the Koala Carnival for next year be reviewed. I have suggested that the event should be held in September. The weather this time of year is much friendlier. I observed many of our senior bowlers this year feeling the effects of the winter cold weather by early afternoon.

I have discussed this with Jason and Dennis and they are supportive of the event moving to September also. Mal Horner is preparing a draft calendar for the 2011 year so we will see how this suggestion fits with all other plans.

At our meeting next Tuesday night we will determine a date for a bowls (bring a friend open day). This will probably be in November when the weather is warm and obviously a Sunday. We will of course confirm a date with the ladies and be looking for mutual assistance and attendance. I will confirm a date with you next week.

Also, the Tuesday afternoon twilight pairs (so popular last year) will commence on Tuesday October 12th, much earlier this year.

The format will be 3 bowl pairs, 13 ends, ladies welcome. \$6.00 per team.

I would like you to promote this with the ladies on your playing days.

It will soon be time to organize our Christmas Party so we may need to discuss further in person to put some plans in place. You will recall last year was one of the best ever (Monday evening) so I would like to at least match the same effort.

I would also like some feedback on a joint Ladies and Men's Presentation Evening this year. With the running of 3 mixed events, Pairs, Triples and Fours (although disappointing participation) it seems the likely manner in which to celebrate the achievements of our champions, ladies and men together.

Your thoughts on these matters would be appreciated?

Kind regards

Terry Barnett

Terry Barnett

5.2 Senior Vice President

No Report

Peter Eagle

5.3 Vice President

No Report

David Wilson

5.4 Secretary

Currently have 158 members registered.

Dallas Palm

5.5 Treasurer

A. General

Green fees are spot on budget for the first two months, but raffle takings are down slightly.

Overall income is very close to budget.

Our expenses are below budget estimation.

To date the overall loss is well below budget forecast.

B. Wrong Bias Collection

One of our members has organised a "collection box" collecting a gold coin for wrong biases; with the money to go to the Prostate Council.

Can we please legalise this collection of money and the charity to which it is to go?

Thanks to Norm Scott for the production of the box.

Tony Boughton

5.6 Bowls Coordinator

Preparation on the 2011 Events Calendar will commence upon receipt of the Zone 10 Timetable which Michael Schwarcz has promised to pass onto me over the next few days.

Apart from the Zone's Timetable, I will need to get an idea from the selectors exactly how many Internal and External trails they require in order that these can be included in our schedule. In addition we need to look at possible dates for special events such as Presentation Day, Christmas Party, Appreciation Day, Annual General Meeting Day and Open Day.

It would be a good idea if I can make early contact with some of the other clubs so that I can organise external trials. It would be helpful if the Selectors can give me a rough idea of the number of teams we will field in pennants and their likely grades.

For the 2011 season I would suggest each side would play at least three trials chosen from clubs such as Dural, The Hills, Castle Hill, Northmead, Beecroft, Warrawee, Dundas Sports and perhaps Denistone Sports.

At this October meeting, I will be seeking guidance from the Management Committee in regard to the Mixed Championships for the 2011 season. Clearly there has been a lack of real support for the two events run to-date, both from the Women's and Men's club's.

I would like the committee to consider the number of Mixed Events we should run next year, i.e. just the pairs and drop the triples and fours, or keep the pairs and triples but drop the fours. Or should we persevere and again run all three events. Before making a decision I would remind the members that this year we had just five entries in the fours and four entries in the triples. Hopefully the Mixed Pairs, scheduled to commence on the 14th November will provide more competitors.

Provided I can get all of the information I need, the Draft 2011 Events Calendar will be ready for distribution to the Management Committee Members at the November meeting.

Mal Horner

5.7 Match Committee

Due to a number of factors such as the Club's involvement in the Orange Blossom Challenge, the Hornsby Cup, the State Club Challenge and a number of granted dispensations, the Men's Major Triples Competition has been thrown into disarray.

In order to get our playing program back on line, the following changes have been made to the October, November and December Timetable with the following effect:-

Date	Event	Venue (WPH unless otherwise stated)
Saturday 9 October 2010	Men's Fours – Round 1	
Sunday 10 October 2010	State Club Challenge Round 2 v Bondi	
Tuesday 12 October 2010	Tuesday Nominated Pairs Commences	
Saturday 16 October 2010	Men's Fours – Round 2	
Sunday 17 October 2010	Men's Novice Singles – Round 1	
Sunday 17 October 2010	State Club Challenge Round 3 v South Coogee	South Coogee
Saturday 23 October 2010	Men's Fours – Final	
Sunday 24 October 2010	State Club Challenge Round 4 v North Sydney	
Saturday 30 October 2010	Men's Major Triples – Completion of Round 2	
Sunday 31 October 2010	Men's Novice Singles – Round 2	
Sunday 31 October 2010	State Club Challenge Round 5 v Bondi	Bondi
Saturday 6 November 2010	Men's Major Triples – Round 3	
Sunday 7 November 2010	State Club Challenge Round 6 v South Coogee	
Saturday 13 November 2010	Men's Major Triples – Final	
Sunday 14 November 2010	Men's Novice Singles – Round 3 (if needed) – AM Games	
Sunday 14 November 2010	Mixed Pairs – Round 1 – PM Games	

Sunday 21 November 2010	Mixed Pairs – Round 2	
Sunday 28 November 2010	Mixed Pairs – Round 3	
Sunday 5 December 2010	Mixed Pairs – Final	

In the event that there are insufficient entries for three rounds and a final in both the Novice Singles and Mixed Pairs, then provided there is sufficient green space available, the final for each of those events may be brought forward by one week.

Mal Horner

5.8 Selectors

September Tournaments

A. Orange Blossom @ The Hills BC - Saturday 18th Sept

With ideal weather conditions and a lightning fast green was to prove a real challenge to our 3 Grade Sides.

- **A Grade** Dallas Palm, Peter Eagle, Mat Stubbs & Terry Barnett were competitive against strong opposition Teams however, they were unsuccessful in their 3 matches played.
- **B** Grade Mark Kakoschke , Warren Phillips, Keith Robinson & Geoff McIntosh had success with a win and were unlucky to lose their other two other games against quality opposition.
- C Grade Norm Jackson, Aaron Barnett, Mal Horner & Peter Booth Congratulations to our most successful Team. With two wins and a narrow one point loss they came so close to winning this Grade. Well played!!

Our Club were Runners Up to the winner The Hills.

B. The Hornsby Cup @ Pennant Hills BC - Sunday 19th Sept

- **Singles** Dallas Palm played outstanding bowls to lose narrowly to a brilliant player in a high standard game.
- **Pairs** Keith Robinson & Peter Eagle played to the best of the ability against an opposition who proved difficult to contain. Well played!!
- **Triples** Aaron Barnett, Warren Phillips & Terry Barnett combined superbly to record an outstanding win. Congratulations!!
- **Fours** Michael Schwarcz, Bob O'Brien, Rod Foster & Geoff McIntosh A most encouraging Team performance against quality opposition to only lose in the final ends. Well played!!

C. NSW Club Challenge @ North Sydney BC - Saturday 25th Sept

West Pennant Hills v Nth Sydney

With the problems of arranging this Game (which left a lot to be desired) was finally played on Saturday 25^{th} Sept with the following results –

Singles - Lost

Dallas Palm played to the best of his ability but could not overcome a resolute and consistent opponent.

Pairs - Lost

Keith Robinson & Neville Roach after a slow start our team gained the momentum and played outstanding bowls only to lose in the final ends.

Well played!!

Fours - Lost

Rod Gamble, Warren Phillips, Peter Booth & Kevin Hoffman after a promising start and being competitive for most of the game, the opposition proved to difficult to contain in the ends. Well played!!

Many thanks go to the Bowlers of our Club who responded to (fill in) for unavailable players for these games against Nth Sydney.

Alan Bowry

5.9 Schools Committee

No report.

David Wilson

5.10 Zone 10

On Saturday 25 September 2010, the Zone President's Day was held at Rydalmere Central Bowling Club. West Pennant Hills was represented as were 22 other clubs from the Zone. Representatives from the Royal NSW Bowling Association as well as the Zone also attended. A game of bowls was played in the morning followed by lunch and presentations to award recipients.

The Business papers for the Zone meeting to be held on Wednesday 6 October 2010 have not been received. Matters of interest will be brought to the committee's attention at Tuesday's meeting. The only item that requires attention for the Zone meeting is the reply from Pat Jones re Zone 10 Mixed Pennants. This is receiving attention.

As a reminder, if WPH wishes to have any articles in the monthly Bowls Magazine, they need to be submitted by 30th of each month or 2 days before the end of February. Details can be emailed to the Zone 10 Publicity Officer: dharmer@wentyleagues.com.au

Peter Eagle

5.11 Greens

I have asked Blake to weed the gardens on the Northern bank of the No1green; they are in urgent need of some care. He has promised to make it a priority.

The No2 green is now out for renovation and it is hoped that it will be back in play some time in December.

The No 1 green will follow. At this time we are considering changing this green to Tiff Dwarf (not sure of the spelling) but it will be a matter of costs and Terry's selling ability? I am sure the bowls committee will support this action.

The retraction of the shades is becoming a problem particularly on a Tuesday after the Ladies have played. I can understand their problem of not being able to retract them. We need to consider how we can resolve this before we are up for expensive replacement.

Keith Robinson

5.12 Coaches

Current coaching activity:

· Keith Robinson - John Skidmore, John Burton, Bob Banks (refresher)

- Ken Wighton Loretta Polley, Sue Gamble
- · Michael Schwarcz Jack Cargill

Dallas Palm

5.13 Umpires

No Report

Don Couch

5.14 Welfare

I have kept members up to date with news of the following members:

- Clive Montague
- Ralph Smith
- Steve Brady
- David King

Our friend, Vitale Giovenali, is gravely ill and our thoughts go out to his family. Matt Stubbs has kept us up to date because he knows the family.

I appreciate members advising me when any of our mates are having health problems.

Barrie Stuart

5.15 Mixed Bowls

The Mixed Bowls Committee will meet shortly so a plan for the next twelve months can be completed. Currently, if the men on the committee do not push ideas for events, nothing takes place.

At the meeting it will be proposed that one of the ladies takes over the Chairman's role. The men have taken the role for the last three years and the time for change has arrived. The Men's Bowling Club section will still receive updates of events and matters discussed.

Peter Eagle

5.16 Communications

No report

Dallas Palm

5.17 Corporate

No Report

6. General Business

6.1

7. Next Meeting

Proposed for November 2nd 6pm.