



## **West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Club**

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### **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING Business Papers 7<sup>th</sup> March 2011 Meeting Commences 6:00pm**

#### **1. Correspondence Inwards**

- 1.1 WPHSC – confirmation the function room bookings.
- 1.2 Zone 10 – notification re Grade 3 Pennant accommodation plans.
- 1.3 WPHSC – request for information to update the Sports Club's honor board.

#### **2. Correspondence Outwards**

- 2.1 WPHSC – Follow up with Keryn Smith on Jan 20<sup>th</sup> request for function room bookings.
- 2.2 David Nelson – transfer of David Rolles from Eastwood BC to WPHSC BC.
- 2.3 WPHSC – Request for Jason to follow up function room bookings.
- 2.4 Keith Robinson – re dispensation request for Fours final.
- 2.5 Keith Robinson – advising Fours final delayed until 5<sup>th</sup> March.
- 2.6 WPHSC – Information to update club honor board.
- 2.7 RNSWBA – New Member registration for John Burton.

#### **3. Reports**

##### **3.1 President**

I would firstly like to congratulate the Major Pairs Champions for 2011, Mark Kakoschke and Matt Stubbs. A game played in fine spirit and sportsmanship with only a few shots being the difference. Congratulations to our runners up, Dallas Palm and Geoff McIntosh. A great effort all round.

Our Major Fours Championship will be decided on March 5th and I offer my best wishes to both teams competing. The Major Triples are to commence on March 13th.

It was good to see a couple of WPH teams entered in the South Coogee two bowl triples event on February 27th. Warren Philips, Mal Horner and Peter Eagle had two good wins and then struck a dynamite team (the outright winners) from Kensington in the 3rd game. Aaron Barnett, Matt Stubbs and myself had 2 wins and a draw and were beaten just out of the prize money in to 5th place on a count back (8 ends to 7). Well done to all on a great effort.

Our Pennant trial against The Hills was a great day for everyone and a good test for the 2011 season. The 3's had a close win on a slick Hills green, the 5's showed much spirit in defeat and

the 6's on our home ground was just beaten. I wish all teams and players the best of luck for season 2011. Well done once again to our Selectors on a tough job each week.

We have secured sponsorship from *Homeway First National Real Estate* (Bill Austin) for new signage on our bowls mats and a few new mats as well. I also have some further designs and prices on shirts/jackets which I will detail at the meeting.

Our thoughts go out to those bowlers that are not enjoying the best of health at this time and wish them a speedy recovery.

I sent a personal email to Jan and Barrie Stuart this week with sincere wishes from all members and the committee.

Terry Barnett

### **3.2 Senior Vice President**

In my January 2011 report the question of social bowls and competition bowls was discussed. I feel the matter needs to be taken a little further.

Currently, Wednesday bowls is all social. The question is whether this needs to be altered? The majority of Wednesday bowlers are only interested in social games. Those bowlers who play competition bowls do not have the opportunity to play in games which allow them to compete at a higher level as those bowlers are spread amongst the social bowlers. It is appreciated that social bowlers want to play with competition bowlers, but is this fair overall?

What I am proposing is that social bowls continue on Wednesday, however, bowlers who wish to play at a higher level should be allowed to do so if the opportunity is available. With the pennant season and other competitions about to start it allows those bowlers to hone their skills and be in a position to be competitive elsewhere.

The proposal will not sit well with some bowlers but as competition is well to the fore in the modern game either you go with the changes or you are left behind.

What are your thoughts?

Peter Eagle

### **3.3 Vice President**

No report.

David Wilson

### **3.4 Secretary**

New registrations have been received from Ian Smith (Dural) and Michael Quinlan (returning after a couple of seasons at The Hills). The RNSWBA has been advised of these 2 bowlers joining our club. There are now 151 financial members of the bowls section.

Dallas Palm

### **3.5 Treasurer**

- 1) Green fees are dropping back because of lost days due to heat and rain.
- 2) Raffle income is keeping up and only dropping slightly behind budget.
- 3) Overall income is about 97% of budget, while our expenditure is still \$6,500 inside budget.

I propose that we write to the Club and get their agreement to match the donations toward the Prostate Cancer Foundation and send on our money at the end of March.

Tony Boughton

### **3.6 Bowls Coordinator**

The Club's Conditions of Play has been up-dated and a copy will be placed on the notice board during the coming week.

The first of our 2011 Club Championships, the Major Pairs was completed on the 19th February and congratulations to the winners, Mark Kakoschke and Mathew Stubbs. The runners up Dallas Palm and Geoff McIntosh also played well going down by six shots 25 to 19.

The final of the club Fours had to be held over to the 5th March due to dispensation being granted to Keith Robinson following surgery on his left hand two weeks before. The winners were Mark Kakoschke, Aaron Barnett, Mathew Stubbs and Terry Barnett. They defeated Dallas Palm, Bob O'Brien, Eric Hilton (sub for Keith Robinson) and Rod Foster. The final scores were 26 to 15.

Entries for the Major Triples closed on Saturday the 5th March. There were ten teams entered and the draw has thrown up some interesting match ups. The first round will be played on Sunday morning on the 13th March.

The first of our carnivals, the 3's to 7's Triples will be held on the 24th March and at the time of writing this report we have received 21 out of a possible 28 entries. I will be taking blank copies of the entry forms to the Beecroft Turnaround Triples carnival on Monday in the hope of taking further entries.

Our Turnaround Triples Carnival will be held on the 16th of May 2011. The entry form has been completed and will be made available to our own club members before being released to the other TAT clubs.

Mal Horner

### **3.7 Match Committee**

See Bowls Coordinator report.

Mal Horner

### **3.8 Selectors**

#### Pennants 2011

Following the results from our trial games against The Hills Club on Saturday 26.2.11, the Teams for all Grade Sides are now taking shape with a few exceptions in Grades 5 & 6.

Results from those games

Grade 3 (5 – 1 win) an outstanding performance against quality opposition of that standard. The season ahead looks very positive indeed.

Grade 5 (½ - 5 ½ loss) the experience gained from this loss should propel this Side to greater efforts for future games as the potential is there.

Grade 6 (½ - 5 ½ loss) a disappointing result as the opportunity was there to win. To win games all players must be focussed on the leader board.

It is clear that we as a Club have the potential to win in all Grades if we are dedicated to practice regularly as a Team, have a positive attitude and a will to win and be focussed at all times, than success will follow.

The best of luck to all teams in our three Grade Sides this Pennant season.

Mid Week Pennants ( 2x bowl triples ) 25 ends

This competition commences on the 20th April and at this stage we currently have 14 bowlers available to play and I would expect more will apply. Therefore we will submit to the Zone two Sides - Grades B & C.

Alan Bowry

### 3.9 Schools Committee

No report.

David Wilson

### 3.10 Zone 10

The Zone meeting was held on 2 March 2011. Unfortunately I was unable to attend the meeting however my apology was passed to Michael Schwarz and Tony Hyem.

The minutes have been received. Matters arising and discussed were:

1. The duty of care by clubs to bowlers on days of high temperature and humidity. Zone will support clubs who make decisions to postpone or abandon play due to extreme weather conditions.
2. Replacement/Substitute rule DR 4.1.4 & DR 4.3 need to be strictly adhered to otherwise clubs may be penalised
3. Rule DR 3.4 The scoreboard should be kept and completed by the skip of each team. If there is no scoreboard attendant (not players) the skip will update the scoreboard every second end.
4. Rule DR 4.1.3 Clubs need to be fully aware of the laws relating to Intended Players, Replacements and Substitutes applying to all Association games. The requirement, as advised by Michael Schwarz, is as follows:

*An intended player is one whose entry has been accepted in a team or side for a particular competition. From the time entry has been lodged until game commences the player is an intended player.*

*To reconstitute the team;*

*a) The zone must be notified in writing of the change of player*

*b) The controlling body of venue club would need to receive in writing from the Zone notification of the change of player.*

*Unless a) and b) have been observed in totality the venue club should disqualify the team that has been changed. Remember if there is doubt or just information required please ring me or email me and I will take to Zone 10 Match Committee for a decision. Please don't ring other members of the match committee because they cannot give you a definitive answer.*

5. Mid-week triples entries close 18 March 2011. The first game is on 27 April 2011. Rollups commence at 12.10pm and games start at 12.30pm. Grading for MWT will be based on the 2010 season.
6. Expressions of interest to host and sponsor Zone Championships (2011-2013) were received from Northmead, The Hills, Pennant Hills, Parramatta, Rydalmere Central and North Ryde R.S.L.

Peter Eagle

### 3.11 Greens

Report to be provided at the meeting.

### **3.12 Coaches**

Keith Robinson is coaching Marie DeMellow and Helen Simmons, whilst Ken Wighton has started coaching Norma Sneddon.

The Saturday morning remedial coaching sessions have been put on hold until after the Pennant season. Anyone requiring coaching can request Keith, Michael, Ken or myself to assist iron out their bugs.

Dallas Palm

### **3.13 Umpires**

Don Couch will be on holidays from 20<sup>th</sup> March to 7<sup>th</sup> April. Warren will appoint umpires for matches during this period. Rod Roberts has again offered to umpire the home Pennant matches this season.

Don Couch

### **3.14 Welfare**

Due to recent hospitalisation and ongoing treatment, Barrie Stuart has requested this report be completed on his behalf.

Contact has been made with the following:

Ron Jamieson

Ron hopes to be back playing bowls within the next two weeks.

Roy Robinson:

Roy is out of hospital and recovering at home. Due to the nature of the operation he will not be able to play for at least 6 weeks.

Stephen Brady.

Stephen has recovered from his operation and the results are good. He is back playing bowls and driving as if he had not been away.

Keith Robinson

The operation on Keith's hand has been completed. He managed the 3's at The Hills on Saturday 26 February and hopes to be back bowling prior to commencement of Pennant season.

David King

David has a number of health problems to overcome. He is receiving ongoing treatment. Hopefully he will be back in the near future.

Peter Eagle for Barrie Stuart

### **3.15 Mixed Bowls**

Since the last report nothing further has taken place. A meeting needs to be arranged to consider holding an event on Anzac Day, Tuesday 26 April 2011. I will contact the chairperson about the matter.

Peter Eagle

### **3.16 Communications**

The March edition of the newsletter should be available this week.

Dallas Palm

### **3.17 Corporate**

No Report

#### 4. General Business

##### 4.1 The question of scoreboard sponsorship needs to be addressed.

As far as I can ascertain only three/four sponsors are currently sponsoring scoreboards: *Richard Hickey*, *Cherrybrook Pharmacy*, and *Homeway National Real Estate*, probably "*Independent Gaming*" as well.

This raises the question of what to do about the others. Do we just white them over? Where can we find more sponsors?

For new sponsors

- 1) Cost of putting on the new logo (waiting on the office)
- 2) Cost of display on the bottom green. ? \$300pa? If we charged less would we get more sponsors?
- 3) Cost of display on the top green (less exposure). ? \$200pa?
- 4) Could we give a discount for paying up front for 2 or 3 years? E.g., 10% discount for two years and 20 % for 3 years?
- 5) Should we work to a calendar year or financial year? Probably does not make much difference.
- 6) Should we give a discount for sponsorship of more than boards? E.g., 5% discount for 2 boards, 10% for 3 boards etc.
- 7) All costs should be excluding GST.

##### 4.2 Prepay of Pennant season green fees.

#### 5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Monday 4th April at 6:00pm