

**West Pennant Hills Sports Club
Men's Bowls Section**

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**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Business Papers & Agenda - Amended
1st August 2011
Meeting Commences 6:00pm**

1. Correspondence Inwards

- 1.1 Keith Robinson – correction to previous minutes regarding logos on proposed shirts.
- 1.2 Don Stubbin – certification of sections accounts to 30th May 2011-07-31
- 1.3 Aaron Barnett – update on school bowls (Pacific Hills) commencing Monday 1st August 3.30- 4.30pm and requesting support from committee. (Forwarded to committee)
- 1.4 Zone 10 – Annual Report
- 1.5 Beecroft BC – notice and entry forms for Spring Carnival 9/11/12 September (posted on events clipboard)
- 1.6 North Ryde RSL BC – notice and entry forms for %a side carnival 10th October (posted on events clipboard)
- 1.7 Doug McPherson – inquiry re availability of coaching, and membership at WPH.
- 1.8 Zone 10 – Invitation to Zone 10 Presidents Day 17th September (reply required by 2/9/11)

2. Correspondence Outwards

- 2.1 WPHSC – updated member listing for club to correct their records
- 2.2 Wilf Morschell – response to concerns over plaques for bubblers. Plaques have been cleaned, are in safe keeping until decision on location of bubblers.
- 2.3 Prostate Cancer Foundation – (sent by WPHSC) chq for \$650.10
- 2.4 RNSWBA – deletion of registration for David King, Ralph Smith, Barrie Stuart
- 2.5 Harry Boland – welcome letter
- 2.6 Ross Smith – welcome letter
- 2.7 Doug McPherson – response to enquiry (see 1.7)
- 2.8 Roy Forsyth – request for name badges for John, Burton, Denis Rolles, Bob Banks, Harry Boland, Ian Smith, Ross Smith, Roy Robinson, Bevan Crossman, Gerard D'Costa. Some of these are replacements.
- 2.9 WPH Members – invitation to Appreciation day (those with email addresses)
- 2.10 RNSWBA – 'Change of Registration' details for Ross Twose, John Leonard, Mark Kakoschke, Ian Thompson, Ron Jamieson, Ken Anderson, Jonathon Rixon, Mick Thompson, Tony Boughton, Max Bell. Corrections to addresses on RNSWBA database.

3. Reports

3.1 President

I am happy to report that on Wednesday July 27th the WPH Sports Club Board of Directors approved us to proceed with the submitted design for our Bowls Section shirts and jackets. I will now submit the appropriate forms to Zone 10 and await their response. I can also organise for a sample shirt to be made before proceeding if required.

We will also need to summarise sizes required and quantities. (I will follow this up with Dallas)

The ladies design will be the same so I will now pass on the details to President Bernice to follow up with the manufacturer. I understand the ladies require pockets in some place that we don't. In that case, it's best they take it from here as the prices will vary.

I have also now (July 28th) received a design for Caps which I will submit for the board meeting next month. I'm more than happy to follow through with this project until completed.

Another year has come to an end for our management committee and I would like to extend my personal thanks for the support from all members of the team during this time.

To Peter Eagle, Dallas Palm, Tony Boughton and Mal Horner I pay an extra mention to. The dedication for the club from each of you is well appreciated by the members and I congratulate you on your efforts and offer my sincere thanks.

The work done by everyone on the committee has contributed greatly to our achievements for the year.

The major tournaments such as the Turn Around Triples and our first ever 3's to 7's Triples event were well organized and well managed.

I'm sure the Koala Carnival for 2011 (September 5th, 8th and 9th) will be just as successful as previous years, if not better.

The incoming committee will have our support when a date is determined for our first "5 a side Tournament". Hopefully early in 2012.

Well done to all!

It has been an interesting year both on and off the green. We have lost many days due to inclement weather and yet our financial situation is looking OK for the year.

As a club we should be proud of the level of enthusiasm amongst our bowlers and I congratulate all those who have competed at higher levels than they normally have in recent years.

The standard of bowls is improving very nicely and the efforts by Rod Gamble and Mal Horner in the President's Pairs prove this. I also note that Rod, Steve Watson and Peter Booth will represent the club in the post sectional play of the Zone 10, 5's to 7's triples.

Rod's effort in winning his section of the Zone 10 President Singles and going on to a narrow defeat in the final of the post sectional play offs should also be commended.

These results again confirm that you do lift to another level when competing at that level.

I can only hope that this kind of achievement continues into the future.

The 2011 pennant season proved somewhat of a tough challenge for us. Although some results were encouraging, we found it very difficult to win away from home. I congratulate Alan Bowry and the selectors for initiating a comprehensive training program and feel sure this will yield much improvement across all grades next year.

I would like to extend our thanks to our major sponsors over the last 12 months and trust they continue to support our club in the future.

- § Homeway First National Real Estate. (Bill Austin)
- § Richard Hickey & Co
- § Independent Gaming

I would also like to offer my sincere thanks to our Sports Club Administration. Jason Read and his team in the office have again been a wonderful assistance to us with much behind the scenes support which is very much appreciated. We have developed a very amicable relationship with Jason and his team and I hope that this continues into the future.

Thanks also to our Sports Club Board Members, lead by Chairman, Richard Hickey, our Directors Keith Robinson and Steve Brady.

Finally, after much deliberation, I have decided not to nominate to seek a third term as your President. There are various reasons for this decision. Primarily, there have been many changes in my work commitments in the last 12 months which have involved more travel and longer hours. At this time in my life my career is of most importance to me and I must preserve the longevity I have with my employer.

The committee has been most supportive of my situation but I feel my role as President may have been better performed if time had been more plentiful.

I therefore wish the incoming Management Committee of the Men's Bowls Section the very best for 2011-12 and obviously offer my assistance where needed over the next few months.

It has been an honour for me to be your President for the last 2 years and I wish you all good health and success in the future.

Terry Barnett

3.2 Senior Vice President

This is my last report for the 2010/2011 year. It has been a mixed year with some good results by individuals and teams who have represented the club at various competitions; however we were not successful in the Pennant competition. The lack of success has been discussed by the selectors and hopefully the program recently agreed to by the Committee will provide satisfying results in the future. Rod Gamble and Mal Horner have shown we do have bowlers who can succeed in outside events.

Unfortunately, the combined submission from WPH and Pennant Hills to host the State Fours Pennant final was not successful. The submission was excellent in its presentation. Clearly, the submission was not expected by Zone 10. I believe one of the reasons why the submission did not succeed is due to the fact that WPH in particular is seen to be more of a social bowls club. In some respects Zone is correct. This mindset needs to be broken not only at WPH but at clubs within our Zone.

I would like to thank Terry Barnett for his support over the last twelve months. It has not been easy for Terry due to his business commitments as well as being President of the club. I also wish to thank all of the Committee members for their support. Without that support it would have been a lot harder to find solutions to the problems that arose.

The 2011/2012 year can be successful for WPH provided we all pull together in the same direction.

Peter Eagle

3.3 Vice President

No report.

David Wilson

3.4 Secretary

Current financial membership stands at 149. Membership details have been verified with RNSWBA.

The AGM is scheduled for Saturday 27th August. As per the Club's constitution, there are timing requirements for advising members and managing nominations.

The key dates now are:

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| ▪ Nominations close | 6 th Aug | DP |
| ▪ Invitations posted to members | 4 th Aug | DP |
| ▪ Completion of annual report, available for distribution | 20 th Aug | DP |
| ▪ Attendance responses close | 20 th Aug | DP |
| ▪ Keys and office badges returned to Secretary | 20 th Aug | ALL |
| ▪ Confirm numbers for catering | 20 th Aug | TB |
| ▪ Arrange drink vouchers | 22 nd Aug | DP |
| ▪ Finalise running sheet | 24 th Aug | DP |

So far, there have been 7 nominations received – secretary, 1 committee and 5 selectors. We need to encourage others in the club to step forward, particularly as a large portion of the committee has decided to not stand in this election. Those not standing could assist greatly by promoting membership of the committee.

Dallas Palm

3.5 Treasurer

No report – awaiting information from Sports Club.

Tony Boughton

3.6 Bowls Coordinator & Match Committee

No Report

Mal Horner

3.7 Selectors

Pennants Wrap

Grade 3 - Finished 4th

A commendable Side performance against very strong Club Sides in this Grade. On review, this Side won all games at home but found it difficult to win away visiting other Clubs. The potential to win this Grade is there if we can overcome our inability to win away games. I have no doubt this problem will be addressed in the coming months and we look forward to 2012 with great anticipation.

Grade 5 - Finished 5th

High expectation was expected from this Side which did not come to fruition. This was a season of lost opportunities where the Side was in the position to win games only to lose in the final ends important games. Again this Side Struggled to win away games, a telling factor which will be addressed in the coming months. All members of this Side tried hard and can be encouraged that 2012 will be a vintage year for this Side. Mark my words!

Grade 6 - Finished 3rd

Congratulations to our most successful Side who led this competition for most of the season only to falter in the last 2 games and finished a close 3rd. The experience and benefit gained by all members of this Side this season, is that concentration on your own Team's position and that of the Leader board is the key to success in winning games. Well done all players. (Bring on 2012!!)

Selectors Meeting

Following a review of all our performances in each Grade together with the Mid Week pennant experience, it is clear that our Club has a problem in winning games away visiting other Clubs, be it Pennants or other competitions. This is a telling statistic together with our inability to adapt to changing conditions and circumstances during the course of a game. We need to find a solution as this is paramount if we as a Club are to go forward and be competitive under all conditions. Therefore, after lengthy selectors meetings on which way we as a Club are to improve our performances, we enlisted the help and advice from Michael Beaumont from the RNSWBA Development Team. He was able to provide us with a Training Program that will be invaluable to all our bowlers who wish to improve their ability, skills and a greater understanding of our great game. This will be introduced to our Club by having our own Training Manual which features various training exercises in developing a bowlers' ability to adapt to changing circumstances and above all, improving a bowler's individual skills. We are now entering a very exciting and positive era of our Club.

Alan Bowry

3.8 Schools Committee

No report.

David Wilson

3.9 Zone 10

The AGM for Zone 10 is being held on Wednesday 27 July. WPH will be represented and will be voting on positions to be filled as discussed at the June meeting. Those elected to Zone positions will be advised.

Other matters will be subject to another report if required. See Attachment 1

Peter Eagle

3.10 Greens

The condition of the bottom green is not good. Although, the speed of the green is fine running at around 18 seconds, the patches are extending in size. The recent wet weather may be of assistance in preserving the green until October. I would suggest subject to agreement by the Committee, that all roll ups be confined to the top green.

The top green is wearing well. Provided all bowlers consider the green when playing and proper maintenance is provided it should last the distance.

The 21 metre rubber markers are still a concern. The nails holding the markers in place have not been dealt with in a satisfactory manner. Steve Brady has raised the concern with Proturf again.

The area along the Northern section of the bottom green during winter is continually wet. It is a matter that needs to be addressed if possible. When the contract for the greens comes up for renewal in 2012, subject to the Sports Clubs agreement this should be an item for consideration.

Peter Eagle

3.11 Coaches

Thanks to the support of the coaches this year. There have not been as many newbies as in some years, and unfortunately we have failed to retain some trainees.

The coaches are keen to support the proposal of the selectors in developing the skills within the club.

Dallas Palm

3.12 Umpires

No report.

Don Couch

3.13 Welfare

This month has been one of sadness for many of our bowlers with the passing of John Boslem, Ken McCrum and David King. Messages of Condolence have been sent to each of the above. Bowlers were represented at each of the Funerals

Peter Booth has had a health scare, spent a couple of days in hospital, turned out to be a false alarm which is good news.

We have not seen much of David Penny, I checked in and he is OK. Work and family commitments are keeping him away from bowls. He appreciated the contact.

Keith Robinson

3.14 Mixed Bowls

No activity – no report.

Peter Eagle

3.15 Communications

No report.

Dallas Palm

3.16 Corporate

No Report

Paul van Tilburg

4. General Business

4.1 New Shirts & Jackets – update on approval of design.

4.2

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 5th September at 6:00pm unless altered by incoming committee.

Attachment 1

ZONE 10 – SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT – JULY 2011

The Zone 10 Annual General Meeting was held on 27 July 2011. The following were elected onto the various committees:

Executive Committee:

President: Gary McAndrew
Snr Vice President: Mervyn Wright
Vice President: Kevin McCarthy
Secretary: Tony Hyem
Treasurer: Allan Fowlie
State Councillor: Michael Schwarcz

Match/Greens Committee:

Dennis Harmer: Wentworthville Leagues
Chris Wallace: The Hills
Leighton Ball: Castle Hill
Michael Schwarcz: WPH
Jim Hiotellis: Gladesville
Les Watkins (WPH) and Robert Calvert (Toongabbie) were not elected.

Selection Committee:

Jim Stuart: West Epping
John Farr: Northmead
Michael Harry: Northmead
Dennis Harmer: Wentworthville Leagues
Brett Hughes: Toongabbie
Peter Stockham (Carlingford) withdrew.

Umpire Committee:

Terry Ryeland: Toongabbie
Les Watkins: WPH
Patrick Scullen: Merrylands
John Wilkinson: Wentworthville Leagues
Noel Thomas: The Hills
Don Couch (WPH) and Bob Cole (WPH) were not elected.

Coaches Committee:

Michael Schwarcz: WPH

As five have to be elected to the committee, the executive of Zone 10 will be addressing the matter.

General Business:

- The Tax Invoice for the 2012 Affiliation Fees for WPH has been received. It will be placed in the mail box of the Sports Room.
- As mentioned in previous reports, the Zone 10 Presidents Day is being held on 17 September 2011 at Rydalmere Central. From memory, I believe the Orange Blossom

carnival and the Hornsby Cup are being held on the same weekend. This needs to be confirmed. I have placed the invitation in the mail box of the Sports Room. Zone 10 needs replies from all clubs by 2 September 2011. WPH needs to attend accordingly

The next meeting for Zone is to be held on 7 September 2011.

Peter Eagle