

West Pennant Hills Sports Club
Men's Bowls Section

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

6th August 2012

Meeting Commenced 6:00pm

Present: Alan Bowry, Tony Boughton, Maw Walters, Stephen Watson, Warren Phillips, Mathew Stubbs, Peter Eagle, Mal Horner, Dallas Palm

Apologies: Michael Schwarcz

Previous Minutes: Tony Boughton/ Warren Phillips

1. Correspondence Inward

- 1.1 Bowls Australia – invitation to Bearfoot bowls
- 1.2 Don Stubbin – confirmation to act as auditor for 2013
- 1.3 BowlsPro – offer on bowls cloths and other items
- 1.4 Bowls-stickers.com.au – advertising sickers fo rbowls
- 1.5 Sports Club – approval of increase in fees and budget for 2012/13.
- 1.6 Ross Smith – complaints about website
- 1.7 WPHSC – Sports club to submit Club Membership Application
- 1.8 RNSWBA – member invoice June 2012

2. Correspondence Outward

- 2.1 WPHSC – confirmation of arrangements for AGM
- 2.2 WPHSC – request to distribute AGM invitation
- 2.3 WPHSC – Open Day arrangements
- 2.4 Zone 10 – article for bowls magazine
- 2.5 Ross Smith – response to website complaints

3. Reports

3.1 President

This is my last report for the 2011/2012 year. When considering what has taken place over the last twelve months, we have taken a number of big steps and accomplished more than I expected. There has been an improvement in the greens, new uniforms are now in place, a member's survey completed, the inaugural Challenge Cup between West Pennant Hills and Pennant Hills has been held, training programs developed, the Open Day requirements have mostly been completed as well as the staging of the Turn Around Triples and the Koala Carnival. On top of these achievements, internal and external championships have been held as well as acting as host for the Zone Senior Pairs and Singles events.

I would like to thank the Committee as a whole for your support during the year. All of you have played a part in making sure the requirements have been completed. Your positions are voluntary and without your commitment, the Men's Bowling Section would not function. I sincerely appreciate what has been done. I hope 2012/2013 will be as successful.

Congratulations to Rod Gamble in winning the Minor Singles competition. I would like to mention Kevin Hoffman who has played in the last three finals. Kevin has always been gracious and it has been hard to watch him go down by one point on two occasions. It is a credit to Kevin and I hope that he has success in this event in the future.

The combination of Steve Brady and Norm Jackson has won the Minor Pairs competition. Congratulations to Steve and Norm. To Max Walters and Con Ganis, both of you played well. With one point separating the teams shows the closeness of the game.

For the second year, West Pennant Hills bowlers have been successful in winning the Zone 10 Triples. The combination of Warren Phillips, Micheal Schwarcz and Mathew Stubbs defeated Merrylands in the final which was played at Northmead. On behalf of all the bowlers at WPH congratulations on your win.

Peter Eagle

3.2 Senior Vice President

No report.

Warren Phillips

3.3 Vice President

No report.

Mathew Stubbs

3.4 Secretary

Membership stands at 130. *Now at 131 with Merv Cannon having joined since last month, coached by Warren Phillips.*

AGM – Planning is well under way.

- Nominations are posted on the notice board regularly.
- Nominations close Saturday 11th August.
- Acceptances for the meeting and for bowls close on Saturday 25th August.
- Awaiting Treasurer's report to complete draft of annual report
- Office badges and keys are to be returned Saturday 25th August
- The list of bowlers will be provided to selectors by Monday 27th August to prepare selections.
- Catering requirements will be confirmed with Peter 27th August.

Dallas Palm

3.5 Treasurer

No report.

Steve Watson

Past 3 months have been positive. Believe overall result will be close to budget despite loss of bowls day due to poor weather as previously discussed.

Still awaiting full year results for annual report. Stephen to follow up with Keryn.

SW

3.6 Bowls Coordinator & Match Committee

No report.

Mal Horner

3.7 Selectors

No report.

Warren Phillips

Selections for Mid Week Triples teams have been made. Entering 2 sides, 1 being composite.

3.8 Schools Committee

No report.

Aaron Barnett

Hills Christian School has started on Thursdays. Aaron Barnett was present for first week.

3.9 Zone 10

As mentioned in my last report, the Zone 10 AGM is being held on Wednesday 1 August 2012. A number of West Pennant Hills bowlers have nominated for positions. Those details were also supplied in my last report. More information will be supplied in due course.

Peter Eagle

3.10 Greens

In the last twelve months a lot of improvement has taken place in relation to the quality of both greens. Comments made internally and externally have confirmed this position. I hope there will be further improvement in the next twelve months. I cannot see why this should not occur as we have an excellent greenkeeper in Steve and a close working relationship has developed.

Both greens are holding up well during the winter months. We only have one more month of winter to go and we head back into the growing season. There are still concerns about drainage in the North West corner of the bottom green as well as the shadows cast by trees which limits the drying process. These problems need to be addressed.

Currently, a trial is being held (*Thursday 9th August*) to remove the twigs and gumnuts that fall on the top green. The purpose of the trial is to try and eliminate as much of the material as possible. In the next few weeks, the results will be evaluated. The Sports Club Board is supportive of the trial and the purchase of equipment.

To the Greens Committee, thank you for your support. What has been achieved has stopped a lot of comments that have been made in the past some justified and some not justified.

Peter Eagle

3.11 Coaches

Warren Phillips has drafted a revised coaching guide which will be discussed at the next Coaches meeting. The proposal reduces the rigidity of previous method. It incorporates planning of lessons in advance to ensure individual's needs are addressed.

Dallas Palm

3.12 Umpires

All events have been covered where required.

Don Couch

Umpires held their annual meeting to elect Chairman for 2013. See minutes attached.

3.13 Welfare

Michael Dalgairns

Michael is due to see his specialist in August to determine a course of action for the calcium build-up behind his eye.

Peter Carritt

Peter returned to Sydney last week. I spoke to Peter today, and he is very happy about being home with his family. His Cardiologist here in Sydney claims he should buy a lotto ticket for he is very lucky to be alive. He is in good spirits and hopes to be able to come to the club to see us all in a few weeks.

David Roles

Peter Booth is recovering slowly.

3.14 Mixed Bowls

No report.

Tony Boughton

3.15 Communications

Mal continues to keep the calendar up to date on the website and providing results of the championships in comments on the blog.

Articles have been supplied to Zone 10 for inclusion in the Bowls magazine.

Dallas Palm

Next edition of Koala News is ~85% complete – will be released post both AGMs.

MW

3.16 Corporate

No report.

Pfizer held corporate day recently, fees collected \$108.

4. General Business

4.1 *Bowls Stickers – possibility fo rbearfoot bowls to make easier to correctly select bias – max doesn't see as a problem.*

4.2 *BearFoot bowls (fundraiser for Childres's hospital) – Triples challenge organised on local/district and state basis. Good opportunity for Sports Club. Peter to forward information to WPHSC, and to raise with Ladies.*

PE

4.3 *Additional Lockers/Locker Room capacity – Dallas to raise with Sports Club. May be opportune during renovations. Concern over structural integrity of existing shed to be moved.*

DP

4.4 *Vote of appreciation for Peter Eagle for his 'lead by example' style. Meetings have been well run and attended.*

4.5 *Twilight bowls – Peter emailed Richard Hickey for support from Sports Club. Peter to follow up.*

PE

4.6 *Open Day – Max has redone leaflet drop plan to include more of Cherrybrook. Have received pricing via Sports club for 6000. max would like to increase to 8,500 and has volunteers for the delivery.*

Max is still waiting for artwork from RNSWMA – Max to follow up with Michael Schwarcz.

MW

RNSWBA can apparently provide small bowls for the day. Max to check with Michael.

MW

Banner requires change of date. Office is arranging this.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 3rd September, commencing at 6:00pm

Meeting closed 7:00pm



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UMPIRES PANEL MEETING
Minutes
4th August 2012
Meeting Commenced 11:30am

Present: Don Couch, Dallas Palm, Geoff Seamons, David Wilson, Michael Schwarcz, Tony Boughton, Lorraine Begg, Peter Eagle, Warren Phillips, Rod Roberts

Apologies: Barbara Hazeltine, Bob Cole, Les Watkins

General Business:

- Use of equipment: 2 incidents relating to damaged equipment. Don urges all umpires to treat the equipment as personal property. Don expressed his thanks to Warren Phillips for arranging repairs to equipment – equipment had rusted as a result of being left in rain, orbital damaged.
- John Skidmore is doing accreditation.
- Peter Eagle doing reaccreditation.
- Lorraine expressed thanks for buying orbital for women, making their kit complete.
- Thanks by David Wilson & Peter Eagle thanked Don for his efforts over the past 12 months.
- Currently have 13 umpires with about half due for re-accreditation in 2014.
- Thanks to Warren for managing umpires duties whilst Don on recent holidays.
- Lorraine was agreeable to umpiring men's matches if available. The lady umpires need to keep their hours up for reaccreditation.

Election of Chairman. Don has been happy with the support of all umpires over the past 12 months. He does not assume he has lifetime tenure on the Chairman's role. Don's reaccreditation expires August 2014. Rod Roberts moved Don be re-appointed chairman for 2012/13. Agreed.

Discussion:

- Foot faulting: In a recent match, Rod was asked about a bowler foot faulting. Rod watched the bowler then advised what he was doing, & how to address. This is a pragmatic approach to the problem, giving the bowler a chance to correct the error.
- Geoff asked about players stopping bowls going into ditch. Should he have spoken to the bowlers about this infringement? Yes. Rule is interference with bowl in motion.
- Michael advised there will be rules changes introduced from July 2013. He is uncertain what they will be at this stage.

Meeting closed: 11:55am