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Present: *Stephen Watson, Warren Phillips, Micheal Schwarcz, Keith Robinson, Peter Eagle, David Wilson, Dallas Palm, Geoff McIntosh, Kevin Tuckerman, Bob Cole*

Apologies: *Max Walters,*

Previous minutes – *accepted.*

1. Correspondence Inward

- 1.1 Women's Section, 3/12/13, re request for greens in 2014 (replied 4/12/13)
- 1.2 Zone 10, 7/12/13 re Zone 10 Business Papers
- 1.3 Women's Section, 8/12/13 re availability of green for 16/6/14
- 1.4 Zone 10, 13/12/13 re Preliminary 2014 Agenda
- 1.5 Zone 10, 18/12/13, re hosting Zone Fours Final 19th/20th July
- 1.6 Henselite, 19/12/13, re sale on jacks and coaching bowls (forwarded to Chair of Coaches)
- 1.7 WPHSC, 29/12/13, re member renewal status
- 1.8 RNSWBA, 30/12/13, re State Match Committee Casual Vacancy Elections
- 1.9 WPHSC, 2/1/14, re New member invoices (replied (2/1/14)m

2. Correspondence Outward

- 2.1 WPHSC, 12/2/13, re quote for rink numbers
- 2.2 Women's Section, 2/12/13, re quote for rink numbers
- 2.3 RNSWBA, 3/12/13, re registration of James Ede
- 2.4 WPHSC, 4/12/13, minutes of committee meeting
- 2.5 Women's Section, 6/12/13, re availability of greens over Christmas/New Year
- 2.6 RNSWBA, 10/12/13 re Bereavement notice for Michael Chambers
- 2.7 WPHSC, 10/12/13 re Bereavement notice for Michael Chambers
- 2.8 RNSWBA, 13/12/13 re Application for new member – Rob Crowhurst
- 2.9 Rob Crowhurst, 13/12/13, Welcome letter
- 2.10 David Nelson, 13/12/13, re resignation form Bowls section
- 2.11 WPHSC, 15/12/13, re request to have garden sprinklers repaired replied 15/12/13)
- 2.12 Roy Melbom, 19/12/13, re resignation from club
- 2.13 Barry O'Rourke, 19/12/13, Re Welcome letter
- 2.14 Pennant Hills BC, 19/12/13, re Club Clearance for Bevan Crossman
- 2.15 Bill Dougall, 19/12/13, re Club Clearance for Bill Dougall
- 2.16 Proturf, 30/12/13, re requirements for green over New Year
- 2.17 *Women's Section, 5/1/14, re restrictions to use of green (replied 6/1/14)*

3. Business and action from previous meetings/Outstanding Issues

3.1

4. Reports

4.1 President

The Year Ahead – 2014 promises to be a very interesting time due to the various changes and improvements that have been made with your support. We will have a new green, a new fee structure, changes to existing bowls competitions, new bowls events, a new approach to competitive selections, a new constitution and new regulations to name just the key changes.

I would like to give a special mention and thank you to our group of gardeners who devoted their time and efforts to improve significantly the appearance of our bottom green. The group was made up of Geoff McIntosh, Kevin Tuckerman, Ken Henry, Eric Hilton and David Howell. The boys moved 500kgs of mulch and planted 250 flowers. Great work and thank you for the great effort as we will all now enjoy the fruits of your labour. I also want to the Jason who allowed us to purchase the materials and Paul who has now fully repaired the watering system.

Greens – With the full support of the Sports Club we are now moving forward with our plans for the top and bottom greens. The greens report has more details.

Championships – All events for the year are now complete. Presentation Day went off very well and many thanks to David Wilson for all his great work in ensuring the day was a success.

New Constitution – This is now passed and in force. Thanks to Dallas, David and Michael for all the hard work they put in to get this new Constitution in place.

New Regulations – These can now be finalised following a discussion at the General Meeting. Naturally these Regulations are a living document and will continue to develop over time.

The new format for Friday Mixed Mufti Pairs started on Friday 3rd January 2014. The new format is for single entries only where you nominate whether you are a skip or lead. Teams will be created by blind draw, there will be no triples, games will end no later than 4.30pm and the minimum jackpot will be \$200.00 each week rising to \$1,000.00 if it is not won. The full details of the event are published on the web and on the notice board in the selector's room.

Twilight Bowls – This weekly event seems to be gathering momentum and it is hoped that we will attract more new bowlers into our club as a result of this activity. We need to review the outcomes of this event once it is completed this year.

Umpire Shirts – Have finally been delivered and distributed.

New Boundaries – I have attached my latest draft for your consideration.

Warren Phillips

4.2 Senior Vice President

No report.

David Wilson

4.3 Vice President

5. No report.

Max Walters

5.1 Secretary

Registrations – at 29/12/13 there were 95 renewals (of 125 members in 2013). This is made up as follows:

Year (\$480)	23
Quarter (\$120)	31
Game (\$10/game)	41

Locker renewals are being received with *19/39* paid, *16 outstanding*, *4 now available for release*. *Available lockers will be allocated from start of February according to registration list.*

Dallas Palm

5.2 Treasurer

We had a strong month in November with both Green Fees and Sports Fees up on Budget. There were 11 bowlers that paid the New Fees for 2014 which we had budgeted for in December which has made November look better than it should be. The scoreboard Sponsorship income with show in January's reports as there had been an issue in raising the invoices which have now been done. See below November 2013 P&L for more details.

Discussed process for collecting fees/dockets. Process to be detailed & documented to ensure consistency each bowls day.

SW

Stephen Watson

5.3 Bowls Coordinator & Match Committee

No report

Trial Pennant game against Asquith 22nd February, 4s vs their 2s, 5s vs 5s, 6svs 6s

Offer from Brush Park under consideration, for immediately before Pennants. This clashes with Singles rounds.

MS

Dundas to be followed up for suitability of trial match.

MS

Michael Schwarcz

5.4 Selectors

Wednesday: Numbers down a little during Christmas/New Year (holidays, one Green, weather).

Friday: New Single Entry Pairs commencing 3rd Jan. Increased numbers for first game.

Saturday: Team selections will be based upon Pennant Nominations as soon as they are finalised via the Selection Panel. Those not wishing to play Pennants will be in "Social" Teams.

Kevin Tuckerman

5.5 Competition Selection Panel

21 have completed test to date.

Some have completed 2nd test.

Several booked in for 9th January.

Tony Boughton

5.6 Schools Committee

I contacted Chris Green and will follow up his suggestions in the New Year.

Warren Phillips

5.7 Zone 10

The Meeting was held on 11th December 2013.

There were no changes of significance due to the end of the year.

Reminders that any Submissions for reallocations of Zones must be sent through the Zone before January 31st 2014.

The long-awaited Umpires' Shirts have arrived and have been given to those who ordered them. There is 1 shirt still looking for a body. *Now sold.*

Christmas Greetings were given to delegates and each Club.

A general reminder that the AGM for the District will be early in the New Year and consideration should be given to Positions.

Bob Cole

5.8 Greens

The preparation work for the 2014 year has been completed. All that is now required is to have both greens back in operation. The bottom green is coming on very well and although slow at the moment, it will improve. There are some bowlers who expect the green to run at 15/16 on the first day back from renovation. It will not occur at WPH nor does it occur at other clubs. The bottom green was bought back into play a little earlier than expected but over the last few weeks the surface has closed and will continue to do so during the growing season.

The top green is doing very well. It will be receiving its first rub in within the next few days. Ross Irwin is happy with its progress. The green has been well watered with the sprinkler system working on a timing system. For those who happened to be on the top green when the watering commenced, they probably would have received a shower. I was caught on a number of occasions. At this stage, we are still looking at late February early March before it is ready.

Geoff McIntosh and his team of gardeners have done an excellent job planting the seedlings. Unfortunately, the sprinkler system was not working, but this has been rectified with the help of the Sports Club. The flowers will certainly add to the colour around the bottom green, which has always been commented upon by bowlers who visit the club.

Mention should be made of the support that we have received from the Sports Club. Payments for equipment that had been ordered were required before delivery. This was completed by Keryn on each request. I would like to thank Keryn and the management of the Sports Club for their assistance.

Let us hope that 2014 will be a successful year for WPH.

Emailed greens committee re meeting with Ross Irwin. Greens remain closed Mondays unless organised event. Happy for Tuesday afternoon and Thursday rollups to recommence on pegs. No roll-ups on Sunday. Women's section has been advised (see correspondence).

Probus play 2nd & 4th Thursday, 9:30 – 12pm

Top green is progressing well.

Drains cleaning – Peter has raised and Ross will review this week. PE

Shades on bottom green on N side are in very poor condition. Request Sports Club to have them repaired. PE

Thursday Twilight bowls – concern over some users wearing shoes with aggressive tread, and dropping bowls on green. This needs to be raised each night to minimise issue. MW

Need to address footwear by all bowlers to ensure appropriate footwear. Match Comm

Peter Eagle

5.9 Coaches

No report.

2 new bowlers for training, to be allocated Coaches MS

Michael Schwarcz

5.10 Umpires

No report

Don Couch

5.11 Welfare

Alex Stewart is recovering from having a pterygium removed from his right eye. After having trouble with stitches coming out not once but twice he is now starting to get better.

Ian Corke will be going into hospital on the 7th January to have a leaky valve in the heart replaced. We wish him well.

Peter Carritt recently had a stent replaced in the heart as a result from a faulty one inserted when he was in Canada. He is ok and resting.

Don Carpenter is recovering from having a stent inserted after having a 70% blockage in the heart.

VALE: Michael Chambers Passed away early this month after a heart attack. Michael had also been suffering from Parkinson's disease for quite some time. May he rest in peace.

David Roles

5.12 Mixed Bowls

A meeting was held by the Mixed Committee on 28th November and was visited by Michael Schwarcz.

It was decided to go ahead on Monday 27th January with a 3 Bowl Pairs Competition or if numbers warrant it, as we only have 1 green, 2 Bowl Triples.

The day will commence at 10.00 am with: **Welcome to Country, Raising the 3 Flags and singing "Advance Australia Fair"**

Costs: \$15.00 per head Non-Bowlers: \$5.00 per head.

There will be lots of prizes and will conclude with a BBQ lunch.

Dress: Green and Gold or Mufti.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 7th January at 3.00 pm

Still looking for representative for 'Welcome to Country'.

BC

Bob Cole

5.13 Communications

Following attendance at training session for the new Bowls Australia Whole of Sport website initiative at Blacktown Workers, I have decided to cease development of alternate site. This initiative provides free hosting, technical support, and features beyond my capacity to deliver (e.g. competition modules, integrated membership).

The current site will be maintained and even developed further pending release of the demonstrated features later this year.

The facebook page continues to be visited and added to by members from both bowls sections.

Dallas Palm

5.14 Sponsorship

Steve is following up a contact with ARV to see if they may be interested in sponsoring our Koala Carnival. Keith is also following up a contact with Albert & Myer. If these are not successful we will need to look for alternatives. We will keep the committee up to date on progress with this matter.

No response from ARV.

Letter given to Albert & Meyer – awaiting response

Geoff has received initial offer from Blackie who has offered \$1000 as co sponsor.

Warren Phillips

5.15 Corporate

Nothing to report this month.

Warren Phillips

6. General Business

6.1 Members' Directory – *revisit Feb meeting, when membership renewals completed.* DP

6.2 *Finish times – suggest 4:30 close off. Alternate suggestion is to collect tickets from bowlers, draw raffle at 4:30. Discussed and agreed – draw raffle now later than 4:45pm. Update conditions of play.* MS

6.3 *Friday bowls – consider having triples to accommodate bowlers whilst we only have 1 green. Discussed and felt best to leave as pairs only.*

Possibly not put next sheet up until Saturday to give chance to others.

6.4 *Coloured pants – can we move to them?*

6.5 *Scorecards – Bob has contacted Carol Printing (Asquith provider). No cost for cards. No control over advertising, they advise who they lined up. Discussed option of getting local club sponsor as in the past. Our current sponsor will not continue. Richard Hickey has apparently agreed to \$500 sponsorship via Carol Printing. Bob to follow up* BC

Keith to assist Bob with contact/estimate to produce BC/KR

Recommendation for next meeting. BC

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 3rd February 2014, commencing at 6:00pm.

Meeting Closed: 7:05pm

West Pennant Hills Sports Club Limited

Sports - Men's Bowls 30 November 2013

	November Actual	November Budget	Variance	%	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance	%
MBC Green Fees	7,115	4,525	2,590	157.24	22,108	21,641	467	102.16
MBC Raffle Takings	645	725	(80)	88.97	3,044	3,055	(11)	99.64
MBC Sports Fees	1,273	80	1,193	1,591.25	1,491	400	1,091	372.75
MBC Other Income	0	10	(10)		739	50	689	1,478.00
MBC Club Uniform Sales	27	40	(13)	67.50	531	200	331	265.50
MBC Sponsorship Income	0	0	0		320	3,000	(2,680)	10.67
MBC Multi/T'around Triples Inc	0	0	0		2,400	0	2,400	
Total MBC Income	9,060	5,380	3,680	168.40	30,633	28,346	2,287	108.07
MBC Affiliation Fees	0	55	(55)		321	1,155	(834)	27.79
MBC Raffle Costs	420	350	70	120.00	1,920	1,750	170	109.71
MBC Greens' Maintenance	4,146	4,000	146	103.65	19,595	20,000	(405)	97.97
MBC Sports Promotions	888	2,010	(1,122)	44.18	4,608	4,406	202	104.58
MBC State Playoffs	0	0	0		0	500	(500)	
MBC Open Day Costs	0	0	0		23	500	(477)	4.60
MBC Club Uniform Purchases	0	0	0		1,630	200	1,430	815.00
MBC Catering Expenses	227	100	127	227.00	1,814	1,200	614	151.17
MBC Multi/T'around Triples	0	0	0		1,262	0	1,262	
Total MBC Expenses	5,681	6,515	(834)	87.20	31,173	29,711	1,462	104.92
Men's Bowls Profit (Loss)	3,379	(1,135)	4,514	(297.71)	(540)	(1,365)	825	39.56

BOWLS ZONES/REGIONS IN NSW

DISCUSSION PAPER – FEEDBACK

The Directors of the NSWWBA and RNSWBA openly invite all NSW Bowling Members to review and provide feedback and comment on the proposed composition and distribution of Zones/Regions in the **'Bowls Zones/Regions in NSW' Discussion Paper**, which has been commissioned as a joint initiative by the NSWWBA and RNSWBA to ensure that evidence-based and informed decisions can be made when planning for the future of the sport in NSW.

The Zones/Regions outlined in the paper are **not** final and have been proposed as an objective 'starting point' by an independent sports consultant using measurable criteria. As such, we welcome you to provide as much objective and measurable feedback/comments based on the criteria below to assist with this project.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION PERIOD OPEN UNTIL 31st JANUARY 2014

NAME: Warren Phillips

CLUB: West Pennant Hills

Please note that your name and your club name are essential to be considered for feedback.

PLEASE STATE THE AREA (ZONE/REGION) THAT YOU ARE PROVIDING FEEDBACK ON: Zone 10 and Area 13

Please provide objective opinion, feedback or comment on the following: **YES NO**

Q1 Would travelling times/distances in the proposed zone/region be acceptable? X

Further comment: West Pennant Hills is centrally located in both our current Zone 10 and in Area 13. We have also considered that we only need to travel a long distance once per season based on the home and away system. Naturally we would prefer not to travel to the Hawkesbury Area but if it is not changed we are sure we can manage this once per year.

Q2 Would any particular road conditions/accessibility issues make travel within the proposed Zone/region difficult? X

Please comment: As stated above the Hawkesbury area is not ideal but we could live with it.

Q3 Are there other geographic conditions (mountain ranges, lakes etc.) which may make travel within the proposed zone/region difficult? X

Please comment: We have nothing to comment on here.

Q4 Would the proposed zone/region directly influence Pennant competition? X
For better or worse? *Consider composition, strength, structure, sustainability, number of entries, grades played, greens space, etc?*

Further comment: Given the grades we play in we see no real issue with the change.

Q5 Would the proposed zone/region directly influence any other championships? X
(I.e. district/zone/region championships) – For better or worse?
Consider strength, structure, number of entries, greens space, etc?

Further comment: We cannot see this change impacting on any of our events.

IF MORE SPACE REQUIRED, PLEASE WRITE NAME ON ANY ADDITIONAL PAGES AND STAPLE TO THIS FORM

	Yes	No
Q6 Would the administration and/or governance capacity of the proposed zone/region be any different from the existing structures? <i>(Consider meetings, officials, committees) For better or worse?</i>		X

Further comment: The extra travelling time for some clubs may impact on the ability of the new area to attract officials etc.

Q7 Would YOU or your club be directly influenced or affected by the proposed zone/region? How?	X
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Further comment: Certainly there is potentially more travel than present but as it is only once per year it is not a big issue.

Q8 Please feel free to make any further comment on the Boundaries Discussion Paper
Following are our additional comments:

We have no issue with reorganising the Zones via council areas. After all there has to be some basis for any change.

A number of the areas (Councils) in the city are long and narrow and run north/south or east/west. Naturally it would be preferable if the areas were squarer. The trip from Wisemans Ferry to Five Dock is 72 kms and will take according to Google Maps 73 minutes to go one way. This is basically double the furthest distance we travel currently.

Brush Park is in Ryde Council and should not be in Area 14 if we are sticking with Council Areas. With the loss of Carlingford, Merrylands, Northmead, Toongabbie and Wentworthville Leagues, Area 13 is much weaker than currently under Zone 10. As mentioned before, the addition of the lower North Shore clubs adds nothing to the picture. With the exclusion of Carlingford and the addition of Brush Park, there are now only three Grade 1 clubs and 9 Grade 2 clubs. The addition of the Canada Bay clubs is not of much assistance either. From my understanding, the only club with any strength is Greenlees Park.

To take a broader view we would prefer to see the following removed from area 13 i.e. Hawkesbury, Lane Cove, Canada Bay, Willoughby and Hunters Hill. In return we would like to add Ku-ring-gai. This would turn area 13 into an area which is conveniently located for all clubs.

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORMS BY 31st JANUARY 2014:

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