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**Business Papers
2nd March 2015**

Present: Steve Watson, Les Watkins, Micheal Schwarcz, Ross Fitzpatrick, Geoff McIntosh, David Wilson, Dallas Palm

Apologies:

1. Correspondence In

- 1.1 Women's Section, 8/2/15 re Coaching, Koala Carnival
- 1.2 Peter Eagle, 9/2/15 Re Greens issues
- 1.3 Steve Arnold, 9/2/15 re confirming personal details
- 1.4 RNSWBA, 17/2/15 re payment of annual fees
- 1.5 Peter Eagle, 17/2/15 re Greens Update report
- 1.6 Peter Eagle, 17/2/15 re Galston High request to host CHS match 23/2/15
- 1.7 Women's Section, 18/2/15, re Green availability for NSW/QLD Teachers Test match 28/9/15
- 1.8 Peter Eagle, 19/2/15 Re Galston High request
- 1.9 Zone10, 20/2/15 re Pennant Draw
- 1.10 RNSWBA, 20/2/15, Member Reconciliation
- 1.11 Peter Eagle, 23/2/15 re Probus event
- 1.12 Zone10, 23/2/15 re Zone Boundary survey
- 1.13 RNSWBA, 24/2/15 re Shade Grants
- 1.14 Zone10, 24/2/15 re 2015 Zone Capitation fees
- 1.15 RNSWBA, 27/2/15 re Bowls Sticker Guidelines

2. Correspondence Out

- 2.1 John Wingate, 2/2/15 re Resignation from club (club clearance)
- 2.2 Richard Hickey, 4/2/15, re no links on club website to bowls website
- 2.3 Peter Eagle, 9/2/15, re Report on green condition and plans
- 2.4 Women's Section, 12/2/15 re New caps (colour)
- 2.5 WPHSC, 12/2/15 re Sponsor advertising (Independent Gaming)
- 2.6 Andy Nice, 16/2/15, re Welcome to club
- 2.7 RNSWBA 16/2/15 re Annual Membership return
- 2.8 WPHSC 18/2/15 re payment of Annual Membership
- 2.9 Women's Section, 23/2/15 re Cap provider details
- 2.10 Peter Eagle, 24/2/15, re circulation of greens report
- 2.11 Zone10, 24/2/15 re report for In the Zone
- 2.12 RNSWBA, 25/2/15 Annual Return reconciliation - queries
- 2.13 RNSWBA, 26/2/15, re Club Clearance Dom Surace, Ross Churchland

2.14 Jeremy Thiedeman, 27/2/15 re Norfolk Island tour shirts

3. Reports

3.1 President

No report.

Congrats to all participants in State/Zone 4 competitions.

CHS Galston final have asked about having more games here, citing good service

David Wilson

3.2 Secretary

Current membership – confirmed list stands at 99. RNSWBA have confirmed memberships and Club Clearances.

The 2015 Members Directory is under preparation by Sports Club. A draft will be circulated for review prior to printing.

Lockers – I will be calling for payments, releasing spare lockers, and calling for nominations to the waiting list.

Dallas Palm

3.3 Treasurer

Report to be circulated by Treasurer prior to meeting.

Ross Fitzpatrick

3.4 Match Committee

No report.

Michael Schwarcz

3.5 Competition Panel

No report.

Tony Boughton, Minutes Secretary

3.6 Events Committee

No report

David Wilson

3.7 Tournaments Committee

Report on Koala tournament to be held on 4th May 2015

The 2015 Entry form c/w the Independent Gaming logo has been designed by Ian Corke and is now ready for advertising and distribution.

The tournament will have a new structure this year with a Game 1 Winners pool and a Game 1 Runners Up pool being formed for Game 2 and prize money being allocated to the Winners in each pool.

The total Prize pool will be \$1980

Discussions are still to be had about the following:-

1. Redesign of the score cards to suit the new draw system and to fit the Independent Gaming logo. Note that I am working with Mal Horner regarding changes to the programme to suit the new draw system for the score cards.
2. *Type of Food and cost for the lunch - \$14/head for schnitzel and chips.*
3. Raffle prizes:
 - Major raffle prize – agreed to investigate similar prize as in 2014 (Surface Pro). Steve Watson to get price and advise committee. SW*
 - David to discuss with Ladies, and the minor prizes with Jason. DW*
 - New format for competition was discussed and agreed.*
4. *Dallas to confirm room bookings DP*

Report on Turn around Triples tournament to be held on 25th May 2015

We have not yet commenced the planning for this tournament, however, discussions are required regarding the following:-

1. Invoice to be sent to "Living Choice" for sponsorship payment - see part of Hills Club meeting minutes.

TAT Sponsorship

- a) Current Sponsor is Living Choice Retirement Villages.
- b) Sponsorship amount is \$900 (plus GST if applicable to a club.) for each club TAT carnival.
- c) Retirement Village Allocation. (This is significant with club invoicing.)
 - Beecroft Leisure Lea
 - Brush Park Leisure Lea
 - Dural Glenhaven
 - Castle Hill Glenhaven
 - Pennant Hills Leisure Lea
 - West Pennant Hills Glenhaven
- d) Sponsorship Invoicing
 - Clubs are responsible to invoice the sponsor direct well in advance to obtain funds. It is suggested about 6 months prior.
 - Invoices are to be made out to Retirement Village as allocated above BUT ALL INVOICES ARE SENT TO QUEENSLAND HEAD OFFICE IRRESPECTIVE OF VILLAGE ALLOCATION. (SEE GENERIC INVOICE FORM FOR YOUR CLUB)
 - Invoice amount is carnival prize money (see 18 below) [PLUS GST if applicable].
 - If funds not received (say) one month before date, clubs are responsible to contact sponsor direct. (See contact list).
2. Redesign of entry form for 2015
3. Advertising and distribution of entry forms
4. Prize money distributions
5. *Type of food and cost for the lunch – David to arrange DW*
6. *Raffle prizes for the day – no major prize – David to discuss with Jason. DW*
7. *Sponsorship invoice to be sent to club – Gary to provide to Ross to submit to Sports club GT*

Gary Tyrrell

3.8 Membership Committee

No report

Stephen Watson

3.9 Welfare

JOHN SKIDMORE

John has been suffering from a Staph infection since around Christmas time, the infection is thought to be a result of a previous wound.

JOHN WINGATE

John and his wife have been suffering from ill health for some time. John has been under an Urologist for quite some time for prostate cancer. He has resigned from the bowling club.

BRYON STOODLEY

Bryon has recently had a quadruple by-pass operation. He is being treated at home by a district nurse as part of home care. He has only been a member of our club since April 2014.

STEVE BRADY

Steve's looking a lot better and walking further but not enough to return to bowls as yet.

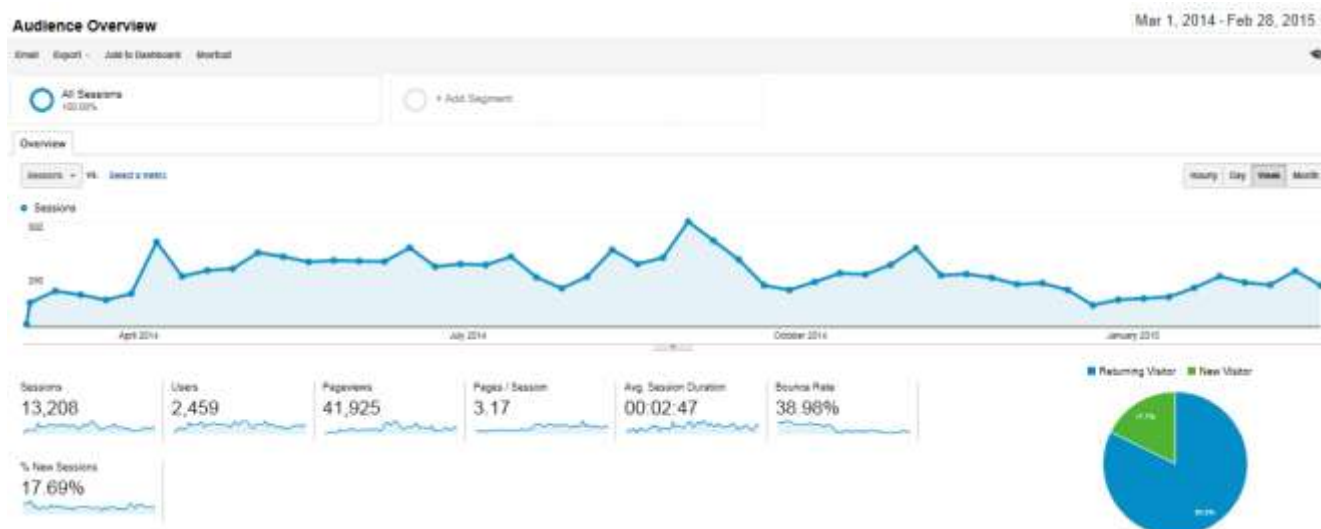
MAX WALTERS

Max is in the SAN hospital at the moment having tests to see why his heart rate is running at 200 beats per minute. It is slowly coming down and he hopes to be out at the weekend.

David Roles.

3.10 Communications Committee

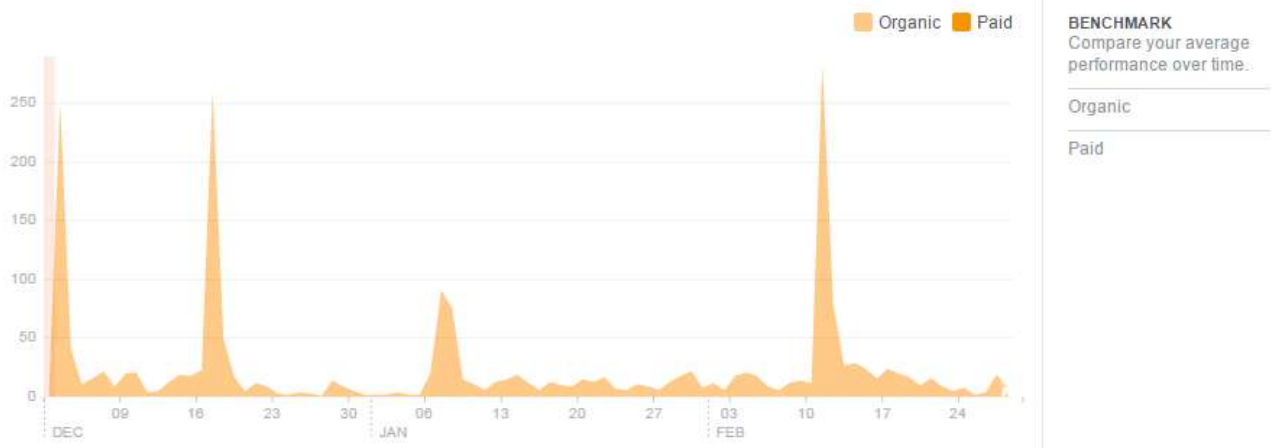
Google Analytics statistics on website users past 12 months.



Facebook reach for Dec-Feb

Post Reach

The number of people your post was served to.



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3.11 Greens Committee

In relation to your email dated 9 February, I have discussed with Ross Irwin the issues that were raised. The responses to those issues are as follows:

- Unfortunately, the top green is under the influence of a gum tree shadow. Although, a number of gum trees were removed approximately two years ago which improved the position, the problem is still in existence. To try and improve the corners on the North/West and South/West sides, it is planned to over sow with Bent grass. There will not be any guarantee of success but it is worth a try as Bent is a cool climate grass and will grow throughout the year. The rub in will fix the runnels. The green is to be cored within the next couple of weeks and has already received a top dressing. The top green will receive a major renovation in the latter part of 2015.
- The gum nuts are a seasonal problem. Steve clears the gum nuts from the green but this does not mean they will stop falling when the service has been completed. Steve either uses the blower or the "fat boy". Using the "fat boy" is time consuming. It can be used more often, however this may limit the time the roller is used. If a solution can be found to stop the wind blowing from the South/West or North/West, the problem is solved.
- Seven rinks can be used on the top green when running North/South. This has already taken place. It is agreed that East/West is a problem and the reasons for this have been highlighted. I can assure the Committee it is not for the want of trying but hopefully the Bent grass will improve the situation. It is planned to turn the top green as often as possible when the weather permits.
- It needs to be remembered that the top green with its new surface has only just reached its first anniversary. It had to be taken out quickly and bought back into play so the bottom green could be renovated. It is planned to have the the top green running during the Autumn/Winter period around 15/16 and the bottom 13/14 during Autumn and 15 during Winter. If an average can be maintained around 14 for both greens this will be a good result. Neither green is going to be cut to such a degree that when Winter has ceased, both greens will be difficult to rejuvenate. As for trueness this will improve as the greens settle. Again remember, the top green is one year old and the bottom is a few weeks old.

Last week WPH teams had the opportunity to play at Northmead. As it turned out, my team played on all three greens. The greens were in good condition and ran well for trueness and speed. The

speed on all three greens varied but in the main ran between 14, 15 & 16s. All three slowed and quickened during the course of the day. All of our teams handled the speed of the greens as can be seen by the results, so it is difficult to understand why we have the constant comment that our greens are slow and therefore we are at a disadvantage. One wonders if this is a mindset or used as an excuse when a bowler has had a bad day. Listening to the comments made by bowlers at Northmead, some were happy and some were not so you cannot please everybody. A few comments have been made over the last couple of weeks that the greens at Pennant Hills are far superior to WPH and that our teams would not cope. Well, those comments have been laid to rest from the results WPH teams recorded at Pennant Hills in the Zone fours competition!

I hope the issues raised have been answered sufficiently. If you require more detail please advise.

Peter Eagle

4. General Business

- 5.1 Pennant green fees. In the past 4 years the bowlers have been offered an upfront fee of \$50 for the session. Now that most bowlers are on the annual and quarterly fees there are only 2 or 3 bowlers on the \$80 fee structure. Could I suggest we continue to pay the \$50 but instead of upfront just pay the \$10 for home games? Which remains as the \$50 as there is 5 home games?
Agreed to \$50 for old fee structure players RF
- 5.2 *Greens Committee – David to discuss operation of the committee with Peter.* DW
- 5.3 *Match committee – concern re requests from ladies going via Secretary rather than direct to match committee to handle. Agreed for match issues to go direct to Match committee and responses to be sent to Secretary for record.*
- 5.4 *Norfolk tour – discussed request to fund shirts for travellers. The committee does not support providing shirts from section funds. It was agreed to provide a plaque to Norfolk Island club as was done for last tour. Dallas to advise Jeremy.* DP
Norfolk - Coach to airport – agreed to pay deposit for bus and for this to be repaid by group at time of tour. Dallas to advise Jeremy. DP
- 5.5 *New bowls/training bowls – club has agreed to cover new bowls as capital.*
- 5.6 *Sponsorship – Tournaments committee to suggest alternate tournament/activity using funds remaining from Independent Gaming sponsorship.* MS/GT
- 5.7 *Coaches need to obtain 'Working with Children' clearance before accreditation is renewed.*
- 5.8 *Challenge Cup booked in for 29th April. Request to change format to be discussed in Match committee and advice provided to committee.* MS
- 5.9 *Sponsorship – Bill has confirmed he will now longer be providing support for Koala. We need to fund raffle or find alternate sponsor of raffle. Suggest approach Jacobs Creek for sponsorship. David discuss with Jason.* DW
- 5.10 *IG sponsorship – concern re using this money to sponsor juniors was discussed. Generally agreed that this was not an issue.*
- 5.11 *Brotherhood – request to have members join mail list – Dallas to put submission form on website* DP.
- 5.12 *Pennant post game sandwiches – hygiene requires tongs be supplied with trays. Stephen will request of dining room.* SW

- 5.13 *Score board stickers – need to replace – current ones breaking down/missing. Agreed for Michael to order new ones.* MS
- 5.14 *Bowls stickers –following rule changes affecting stickers, it was agreed that Michael order new stickers that conform to new rules.* MS
- 5.15 *Friday bowls – rules have been agreed and it is important to maintain the application of those rules otherwise they will be compromised. Rules are on display in Sports room and on website.*
- 5.16 *RNSWBA rezoning to take Merrylands into zone 12, and moving 2 Blacktown clubs to Zone10. Merrylands heavily promotes juniors and under 25s and their loss would mean likely loss of these facilities to Zone 10. Merrylands is the main junior/schools scholarship provider in the zone. David to email membership encouraging signing petition.* DW
- 5.17 *Teachers Test – 28th September – agreed \$10 green fees. David to supply details to Gary. Restaurant booked. Umpire booked via Don. Confirm room with Sports Club.* DW DP
- 5.18 *Mixed Saturday morning bowls – Dallas to confirm to Women’s section for games to complete by 12:30pm.* DP
- 5.19 *Challenge Cup & Singles final day bookings – Dallas to confirm booking with sports club* DP

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 13th April 2015, commencing at 6:00pm.

Close 7:16