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**Minutes
20th February 2017**

1. Correspondence

Taken as read. Tasks from correspondence have been allocated as correspondence was received.

2. Carried Over

2.1 AGM Follow Up

- 2015-10 Monthly Mini carnivals SA
- 2015-10 Business competition on a Friday
Dallas to summarise discussion with Robyn on ideas. Discussed concept of starting with local schools' staff.
- 2015-10 New communications methods DP

2.2 Action List (outstanding items)

- 2016-07 New member idea
Ross F discussing ideas with local schools' sports group. RF
- 2016-11 Trophy Cabinet
Cabinet is under construction and will be installed on end wall of Sports room. New peg boards will be installed once cabinet in place. DW
- 2016-12 Sign board sponsorship
Ross following up with office on status of payments. RF
- 2017-01 Presidents Day – 19th August
Dallas to prepare plans and issue invites
- 2017-01 Player of the Year
Dallas to build scoring model and present to committee DP

3. Reports

3.1 President

First and foremost, I am delighted to advise that from the end of February, West Pennant Hills will become the home of the Zone 10 Junior Academy. This is a very exciting opportunity for our club to attract new members and increase our profile in the Zone. The Juniors first game is 26/2 against Zone 12 at St Johns Park. I look forward to attending this game and meeting with the players and parents.

Our first Open Day is coming up at the start of April. Now that our Tassie Travelers have returned, we need to get started on this very important day in our calendar. I think this project should be led by the Membership Committee. I will be hoping to get some ads in the local papers in the coming weeks and given our increasing social media presence, I think we should advertise again on Facebook.

Best wishes to those competing in our first championship of the season, the Bill Meznies Minor Singles.

3.2 Treasurer

Budget is due to Sports Club by 4th March. Draft was discussed with amendments made to reduce the deficit. Ross to finalise and submit to Sports Club.

Activity on monthly report from Sports Club does not align with budget categories, making performance against budget a difficult task. There is no recognition of corporate bowls fees in the current section report. Ross to discuss with office.

Ross Fitzpatrick

3.3 Secretary

Membership stands at 72 financial. We lost 23 members over the course 2016, some to other clubs, some to ill health, some moved out of the area and some transferred to the final green.

It is important for the future of this club that we campaign strongly this year to grow our member base, particularly in the lower age groups. Hosting the Zone 10 Junior Academy is an opportunity to showcase the club's facilities and potentially gain some new members.

Zone 10 Junior Academy will require concerted effort by members (not just committee) to be a success under our guardianship. Michael has loaded the Academy calendar with planned events and training sessions.

Dallas Palm

3.4 Match/Greens

Two teams played in sectional finals of reserve fours – David Wilson's team losing the semi final and John Leonard's team (with Ross Iredale Skipping) had a narrow loss in the final. Full details on the blog.

Pennants to start in two weeks - bring it on.

Greens tender responses were discussed and summary sent to Jason.

3.5 Communications Committee

Hits on blog lifted significantly after release of mid-week newsletter covering the Tassie tour by the Travelling Bowlers. Thanks to Steve Arnold for his efforts in supplying daily commentary and photos, and David for compiling for the blog. I have been asked to pull all photos together into an album on the blog and will do this shortly. Steve has offered to ensure the correct notes go with each photo.

Junior academy calendar has been established. Michael has added existing training sessions and commitments. Add the feed to your calendar using rfpqaqmdjucanr48f47no0q9ic%40group.calendar.google.com.

There will be a social media strategy developed (web, facebook, twitter) for Junior Academy by Communications committee and I will be looking for support in providing appropriate content to keep the sites relevant.

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3.6 Competition Panel

Pennant selections will be made w/c 20/2/17.

Zone 10 will complete the draw shortly once challenges to allocations are completed by State Match Committee. Once available, the draw will be available on the blog.

Michael Schwarcz

3.7 Coaches

Two students to finish coaching. One bowler requested to have assistance from a coach.

Michael Schwarcz

3.8 Corporate

2 events on the calendar:

- Sat 25th February - 4pm to 6pm - To be confirmed by Robyn - 15-20 persons
- Fri 24th March - 3pm to 5pm - Lend Lease - 70 persons

Michael Schwarcz

3.9 Junior Academy

First competition for Juniors Academy is at St Johns Park, Zone 10 vs Zone12. Michael and David will attend.

3.10 Welfare

KEN BROWN

Ken hasn't been to bowls for quite some time so I rang him on Monday to see how he's going he told me the chemo was still on going for the blood condition, at least seven days a month at the SAN hospital plus having periodic blood transfusions to give him energy. He is also being treated for prostate cancer through injections. Ken is so positive about his condition he is truly an inspiration.

LES WATKINS

Les went into hospital last month to have the operation on his shoulder according to the doctors he had a number of tears in the right shoulder which may have been a legacy of the fall he had down the stairs of the plane two years ago. If everything goes well over the next few weeks he could be back playing bowls in six weeks.

I spoke to Les again today three weeks after his operation he said he feels well the physio is quite intense two days a week and also every two hours at home. He will visit his specialist on the 6th March hoping the news will be good news he also would like to thank us all for the get well card.

ALAN COTTON

Alan had his operation on his leg this month he seemed confident enough that the doctor got all of the cancer and that it was successful. He has been making regular visits to the club since the operation..

David Roles

4. General Business

2017-02 Greens Contract renewal – discussed submissions with summary sent to Jason.

2017-02 Open Day – Ross to call meeting of membership committee to plan the event. RF

2017-02 Friday bowls – new format trialled 17 Feb with very strong support from those present.

Agreed to continue with this new format. SA

Dallas to update blog with details. DP

2017-02 Twilight Bowls – very low response lately, likely due to hiatus with Tassie tour and hot weather.

Dallas to re-advertise on blog DP

2017-02 Section Amalgamation – Work to progress this needs to start. Ross F will arrange initial meeting with Ann and David. RF

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday 6th March 2017**, commencing at 6:00pm.