

President

David Wilson
0423 480 917
president@demaj.com.au

Secretary

Dallas Palm
0412 299 813
secretary@demaj.com.au

**Minutes
8th May 2017**

1. **Present:** Ross Iredale, Michael Schwarcz, Ross Fitzpatrick, Steve Arnold, Jim Ede, John Skidmore, Dallas Palm

2. **Apologies:** David Wilson

3. **Correspondence**

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

4. **Carried Over**

4.1 **AGM Follow Up**

2015-10 Business competition on a Friday

2015-10 New communications methods - Dallas to complete and advertise - DP

4.2 **Action List (outstanding items)**

2017-04 Friday bowls times - David to report results - DW

2017-04 Succession Planning - Dallas advised will not be standing for Secretary role - ALL

2017-02 Members Day - Ross F planning event and will advertise shortly. - RF

2017-01 President's Player of the Year - Dallas to complete modelling and present - DP

2017-01 Presidents Day - Dallas to plan and issue invites - DP

2016-12 Sign board sponsorship - Ross to follow up - RF

2016-07 New member idea - Ross to follow up - RF

5. **Reports**

5.1 **Treasurer**

Updated Control sheet provided.

Ross Fitzpatrick

5.2 **Secretary**

Membership: stands at 71.

Member Booklet: Awaiting draft version from Sports Club office. Kerin committed today that the draft would be ready early next week (~8/5/17)

Non-bowlers using greens: We will be establishing introductory coaching on Thursdays (time slot to be determined).

Michael has spoken to Steve (Greenkeeper) about the non-playing days to inform front desk.

Bowls and equipment specifically for this purpose to be determined and made available to club staff.

Dallas Palm

5.3 Match/Greens

We now have confirmed the new green keepers. The greens are a disappointment. Grade 6 played at Wentworthville leagues on Saturday.

The greens were smooth with no extra grasses no weeds no bumps looked just like a carpet. The exact opposite to our greens interesting the green keeper was one of the tenders for our club.

At the Koala I got a few complaints from visiting bowlers especially the bumps on the bottom green and the look of the greens. All this is nothing new as this been brought to the attention of Executive previously.

I hope in the future the greenkeepers will look after our greens better and do the right maintenance especially when they take the greens out for renovation.

The money we save on appointing these greenkeepers will be partially spent on repair work.

Michael Schwarcz

5.4 Communications Committee

Our visit rate is slowly falling off due to low activity. David's absence (due to work commitments and lack of information provided to him) from writing articles has been noticed. Other contributors are needed - I have asked many a person for contributions, and unfortunately our club seems to have an abundance of 'takers' and critics, and not many 'givers'.

Dallas Palm

5.5 Competition Panel

The Panel been reinstated with additional requirements that should have been done in any case.

1. Players who have been moved must be notified.
2. Reporting the Play by the players.
3. Listening to the Skips of the teams.

During this time a letter was received from one of the skips (Geoff McIntosh) about the track that Competition Panel took in training players to be skipped in looking towards future years. I met with the skip and explained the way we operated this year was notified to every pennant player and was sanctioned by the management. I also told him skips need to make themselves available to the management committee and tell them of their problems with the team or at least talk to the selector who is in grade 5. Geoff thanked me for speaking to him.

The plan for the sixes has partially worked out and we have a foundation for future years.

Michael Schwarcz

5.6 Welfare

IAN CORKE

Ian had his operation after all the drama he had to go through. He came home from hospital on the Wednesday and the next day bumped into the corner of the coffee table and cut his leg open and because he is on blood thinners he went straight back to hospital for stitches, I spoke to him today he said he had the stitches out today so he's looking forward to getting back on the road to recovery.

KEN BROWN

Ken notified Dallas of his decision to resign from the club this month, as we all know he has been fighting a number of illnesses over the past few years and it has been a struggle for him to get to bowls and play a full game. We will not forget him. I will keep in touch with him and make reports after all he was a regular member of our Wednesday bowls and extremely well liked.

KEVINHOFFMAN

I spoke to Delma last week Kev was at the RPA hospital having a check- up, she said he was okay but won't be returning to bowls for a while they are going on holidays this week to Queensland.

Report provided by David Roles 26/4/17

5.7 Coaches

There has been no coaching of new players and no remedial coaching. It seems that we are losing players and everybody is happy with the way they bowl.

Michael Schwarcz

6. General Business

2017-05 2017 Koala Carnival - Lessons learnt?

- Set hard finish times for games, play to bell to ensure day finishes at reasonable time.
- Maintain flyer template in Word format to ease preparation each year.
- Amend COP to have top half play in one group rather than 'winners and losers'. Dallas to prepare words and update scoring model.
- Mix games across greens rather than Pool A on bottom green

2017-05 Pennant Skip cards

These were discussed. Difficult concentrate on details for the evaluation and onplaying your best game. Who is best placed to record evaluations? Agreed that it is good to improve our data collection and ought continue to develop method in off season.

2017-05 Pennant Finals -

WPH Sports offered Grade 7 Final 27th MAy. Agreed to accept the request and for Dallas to advise Zone 10. (Completed)

2017-05 Friday bowls

agreed to print specific cards for current format to ease preparation of games and scoring
- MS

2017-05 Cairns Tour -

Ross I suggested this be advertised more on our social media - Ross I to provide information to Dallas (completed)

2017-05 School bowlers

Jason advised Ross F the club bus was not available for bringing school bowlers to the club.

2017-05 www.mybowlsclubs.com.au

Ross F suggested we advertise our tournaments on this site. Dallas to investigate and advise committee.

2017-05 Lightning Pairs

Ross F described recent tournament he played in. 2 bowl, 5 games, 8 ends.
Interesting and fun day, and potentially format for us to use.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday 5th June 2017**, commencing at 6:30pm.