

RUTHERGLEN BOWLING CLUB
MINUTES OF INCORPORATED MEETING February 9th 2015

Present: John Ross, Christine Flanagan, Damien Langdon, Chris Langdon, Phil Peers, Jan Widdop

Apologies:

Apologies are accepted: Moved: Seconded: Carried

The meeting was addressed by Jennifer Johnstone from The Centre. Jennifer outlined the procedure to become accredited to a level three Good Sports Club. The end result means that we are now fully accredited as a level three club. President Damien thanked Jennifer for her input.

President Damien welcomed Jan Widdop as the new Treasurer.

Business arising:

The Disabled access: Ongoing with negotiations in progress for the steel that will be needed for the handrails.

Chairs: It was moved by Phil and seconded by Chris that replacement chairs be purchased to replace the damaged ones.

Lake King: John R. attended the presentation at the Golf. There were a lot of negative comments from many residents. In the main was the lack of information to the public. The presentation at the end was well received by large part of the audience. The main resolution to come out of the meeting was that the original report and the plan be put on the Indigo Shire website to allow residents to better understand why it's important that this project proceed. While there is still a shortfall in funding of some \$200000, planning will still go ahead with the hope of the rest of the funding will be forthcoming, if not some modifications will be made to suit the amount of funding available. From the Bowling Club perspective, I was advised that we should still continue to maintain the bank, as it will take anything up to twelve months before completion of the project. The subject of the lake in Beechworth was brought up, and it was made quite clear that it was a completely different issue with its own set of problems and that there is by no way that it has priority over Lake King.

Shades: Ongoing. John has been trying to contact Percy Melville with no success. At last contact the height was to be adjusted.

Clubhouse Maintenance Inspection: Ongoing

Chemical User's course: Damien has done the course and suggests that it would be beneficial. Chris to speak to Col and Skeet as to their willingness to do the course.

Jackets: Ongoing

Minutes are accepted

Moved Phil, Seconded Christine, Carried

Financial Report

Report tabled and approved

Moved Jan, seconded Christine that the financial report be accepted, Carried

Correspondence

Inward Correspondence:

An email was received from Ashmore Palms offering sponsorship again this year.

An email was received from Karen Gilmartin from Bowls Victoria requestion the use of our clubrooms to host the meeting of Regions. Clubs and Divisions for the Central Victoria area. The date will be May 4th and the numbers about 69 people. They will require tea and coffee and mixed sandwiches for lunch and will pay \$10.50 per head.

An email was received from the Canberra Turf Bowlers requesting a visitation on either the 12th 13th or 14th May. There will be about 40 people with 30 of those being bowlers.

I had a telephone conversation with Ted Hovart regarding the visitation from his old club and they would like to play bowls with us on Friday the first of May. They will be about 30 bowlers.

A letter of complaint was received from some of the Incorporated Match Committee about an incident involving Dave Kingsley.

Outgoing Correspondence:

An email was returned to Ashmore Palms accepting their offer of sponsorship.

An email was returned to the Canberra Turf bowlers welcoming them to visit our Club, and suggested that the Poachers Paradise be considered for Accommodation as they are good sponsors of our club.

An email was returned to Ian Norsworthy re the Geelong friendship Bowls tour and I am currently organising dinner at the Poachers for Wednesday 23rd September

Business Arising from the Correspondence

Unfortunately the Bowls Victoria seminar will clash with the Past President's annual meeting. I have had discussions with Rob Wilson and he does not think that there will be a problem in changing their date to another day.

With regard to the letter from the match committee, John Ross was scathing in his criticism of the match committee's incompetence and unprofessional approach. At no time did they try to calm the situation only making it worse. At every sponsored day this year there have been issues. At no time have the visitors been acknowledged let alone welcomed. They are a committee in complete disarray. They do not meet every month to ensure that all events are organised, rosters set etc. It is obvious that everything is done in an adhoc fashion. It begs the question that why would you even consider doing a draw at 11.30 when online entries close at 12pm and club entries close at 12.30. The draw was out of the hat. He went to further outline long list instances of grave concern during the term of this committee.

He also noted that upon asking around other sections of the ladies that there are a lot of members who are disillusioned with the club, with the main complaint being too many people with a lot to say, but they do nothing.

It was agreed by all that an investigation led by President Damien be done into the incident in question

Moved that correspondence is accepted

Moved Phil, Seconded Jan, Carried

Greens Sub- Committee Report

Report tabled. Chris had discussions with Rob Mitchell who remarked on the overall improvement to the greens. He suggested that the dry spots on the ladies green need regular deep watering in their area to encourage new growth in those areas.

Ladies Match Sub-Committee

Tabled

Christine also tabled a report of the O&M Region meeting. Expressions of interest are being sought for an upcoming Coaching seminar. Some notable speakers will include Steve Glasson and Mark Jacobson. The handbook will be available next year both online and in print form. Club tournament dates can be sent in now.

Men's Match Sub-Committee

All is well.

Weekend Selection Sub-Committee

A report was presented and tabled. It was noted that every A1 side voted the rolls of a Saturday were the best in the region

Catering Sub-Committee

Next event will be The Aylean Baker Mixed Fours

Sponsorship Sub-Committee

Most of the certificates of appreciation have been handed out with a positive response of appreciation from all, giving us a good rap ore with them all

Bar Mangers Report - Jan Widdop

All is well

Media Report - Kerrie Kingsley

Kerrie has revamped our website to make it less cluttered and more user friendly

Moved that all reports be accepted

Moved Christine Seconded Chris that all reports are accepted Carried.

General Business

1. John: I have been looking in to the Holden Grant, but they need quotes, I will, however seek some advice from Billy Gayfer. It was agreed that we apply for painting and carpet of the Clubhouse as we have a quote for the carpet. John to get a quote for painting the clubhouse. Kerrie Kingsley was approached by some of the ladies with a suggestion that we look at a syllabus similar to the one at Wodonga. A prototype was presented to the meeting for approval. It was agreed by all that Kerrie be given the OK to proceed. The Ladies have asked if the Club could sponsor part of The Aylean Bakers Fours. John to chase up the usual sponsors for expressions of interest
2. Chris: After inspection of the evaporative coolers he discovered that one unit needs a new ball valve which he will replace. The triennial meeting of the Reserve Committee was organised and held with Councillor Don Chambers taking over the chair. The new Committee now is Chris Langdon President, John Ross Secretary and John Crossman and Nancy Duursma Committee Members. The final of the Sate Pairs and Mixed Pairs will be played at Rutherglen on the 8th February at 10am. The Business House Fours has 24 teams.
3. Jan Widdop asked for permission to purchase a mouse for the treasurer's computer

Meeting Closed 9.36 pm

Next Meeting to be 9th February at 7pm