WARNBRO BOWLING CLUB



MINUTES OF CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 15th September 2024

Attendance:

Attendance was recorded by the Attendance sheets, with 74 Life and financial Full members present, being sufficient for a quorum, and 4 apologies recorded.

President Ted Lutey opened the meeting at 10:00 AM.

Previous Minutes:

Copies of minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting, held on 11th June 2023, have been available from the Club website, and copies had been available in the Club rooms prior to the meeting. The minutes were not required to be read to the members present.

Moved D Pattullo Seconded B Regan that they be accepted. Carried unanimously.

Business arising from previous minutes:

Nil business arising.

President's Report:

The President, Ted Lutey, read from a prepared report which is attached to these minutes. He thanked the various groups for another successful year.

Finally, he welcomed the members taking up or remaining in positions on either the Executive or Management Committees and thanked those who were standing down for their work. He also reiterated the need for respect for the members of those Committees as they are volunteers, and the Club needs volunteers to operate successfully.

Financial and Auditor's Reports:

Les read from a prepared report and some salient points are below.

The Treasurer advised that the previous auditor (Sound Tax & Accounting) was unable to complete an Audit of our books, primarily due to the change in our Financial reporting period (Jul-Jun).

Les advised that a review of the Act sees the Club as a Tier II business which means the Club needs to have an independent Audit of the financial records AND an independent review of the Audit report.

Les has approached companies to undertake these actions, but it means no audited report or findings are available for this AGM. They will be completed and posted for members to review as soon as practicable.

For the money standings the following is offered

2023-24 General Account \$276,250

2024-25 (30-Jun-24) General Account \$281,127

2023-24 Saver (Bingo) Account \$151,182

2024-25 (30-Jun-24) Saver (Bingo) Account \$222,771

Les advised that this all shows the Club is profitable and moving forwards.

Les thanked Bronwen Hands for her stellar job as the previous treasurer and for all the assistance in providing a smooth handover to the new Treasurer. This also includes standing in as Treasurer during a couple of absences of Les.

Moved B Hands Seconded T Lutey that the President's and Treasurer reports be accepted. Carried unanimously

Election of Patron(s):

Paul Papalia and Madeleine King have provided their wishes to remain as co-patrons of the Club.

The President requested members agree that Paul Papalia and Madeleine King continue as Club Co-Patrons. It was also suggested that Reece Whitby MLA be approached to become a co-patron as he (given the current Legislative standings of Wards) will be the sitting member for Baldivis, which Warnbro Bowling Club will join on/after the next State Election.

Moved T Lutey Seconded E Meehan that Reece Whitby be approached to become a co-Patron of the Club for the 2024-25 year. <u>Carried unanimously.</u>

Moved T Lutey **Seconded** L Blechynden that Paul Papalia and Madeleine King be approached to continue as co-Patrons for the 2024-25 year. **Carried unanimously.**

Election of Auditor:

Due to the issues outlined in the treasurer's financial report, no Auditor has been selected. However, Les will continue to source the Auditor and have our books reviewed as soon as practicable. **Moved** L Blechynden **Seconded** T Lutey <u>Carried unanimously</u>.

Election of Life Members:

There were no nominations for consideration for Life Membership this year.

Notices of Motion:

There was one Notice of Motion received from Ron Abrahams (seconded by Dennis Pattullo) to create a By-Law for the automatic refund of membership fees for the Executive Committee.

Many members may be blissfully unaware of the work the Executive team are 'expected' to do or do to keep the Club moving forward.

The current Secretary and Treasurer do much of their work after hours or from remote locations of their home, whilst the President, Deputy President, and Men's & Ladies' Captains provide the 'front of house' actions.

These positions do this for the continued success of the Club and for 'free'.

This motion seeks to rectify that slightly refunding the Full membership fee to the successful applicant for those positions.

Peter Hartnett said that he believed this motion might split the Club as it is one vs. another type of scenario. Ron responded that the intention was not to split the Club, just to recognise the work of the Executive Committee (Phase I) and then work on other members who also work hard (Phase II).

Elaine Meehan spoke that although the Club has struggled to obtain volunteers, especially for the Executive Committee. The positions of the Executive (President, Deputy President, Secretary and Treasurer) were extremely important, and she supported the inclusion of these positions. However, it was her belief that the Men's & Ladies Captains should NOT be included in the refund scenario.

Dennis Pattullo spoke in favour of the motion. He reiterated that the Club was a very profitable business and, although originally built on volunteers the Club has grown and this motion provides some recompense for the work done.

The President then called for a show of hands FOR /AGAINST the motion.

MOTION: To create a By-Law that will allow a refund of the membership fees for the six members of the Executive Committee (President, Deputy President, Secretary, Treasurer, Men's & Ladies Captains)

Moved: Ron Abrahams, Seconded Dennis Pattullo

The motion was defeated unanimously.

Elaine Meehan proposed an amendment to the motion that would remove the Men's & Ladies' Captains from the By-Law and would then be as follows:

AMENDED MOTION: To amend the By-Law that will allow a refund of the membership fees for the four members of the Executive Committee - President, Deputy President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Moved: Elaine Meehan, Seconded (inaudible)

The motion was passed unanimously.

Notices of Special Business:

There were no matters of Special Business received.

Committee Election Results:

President Ted Lutey then stood down the Committee members from 2023-24 and invited the Returning Officers (Peter Hartnett – Club & Management & Men's Bowls Section, and Brenda Ramsdale – Ladies Bowls Section) to advise of the outcome of the 2024-25 AGM Elections.

Announcement of Incoming Committee Members:

Executive Committee -

President Bruce McDougall – elected unopposed

Deputy President John Isgar- elected unopposed Secretary Ron Abrahams- elected unopposed

Treasurer Les Blechynden- elected unopposed

Ladies Captain Lorelle Watson

Mens Captain No nominations recieved

Management Committee -

House Tom Watson - elected unopposed

Bingo Peter Hartnett - elected unopposed

Entertainment No Nominations received

Greens / Grounds Ken Meehan – elected unopposed
Convener Vera Meehan – elected unopposed

Social Bowls Co-ordinator No nominations received

Men's Bowls Section -

Men's Deputy Captain No Nominations received

Men's Bowls Secretary Martin Freer—elected unopposed

Men's Selection 10 Nominations received

K Bancroft M Boulton R Burrows B Kalinowsky

A Macris B O'Neill D Pattullo

B Regan

G Watts

M Wilson

A voting day was held on 7-Sep and 61 male Full financial members voted. The results were:

K Bancroft

R Burrows

B Kalinowsky

D Pattullo, and

G Watts

Who will now form the Men's Selection Committee for

2024-25 '

Dennis put forward the point that the need to wait for the AGM to 'reveal' the new Committee had put a strain on the previous Committee. Ron advised he would work towards a better solution for the 2025-26

elections.

Men's Match

No Nominations received

Ladies Bowls Section -

Ladies Deputy Captain.

Ladies Bowls Secretary

Ladies Match

Vera Meehan - elected unopposed

No Nominations received

3 Nominations received

Devinia Cooper Maria March

Margaret Smith
All elected unopposed

Ladies Selection

3 Nominations received

L Balding
Y Bushell
C Daniels **

** Cathy Daniels provided written notification at the

AGM of her wish to decline her nomination.

All other nominees were elected unopposed.

With the results accepted and positions were filled unopposed, and no voting papers being used, there was no need for a motion to destroy any voting slips for Executive or Management positions.

The President spoke in thanking the outgoing Committee members for the work that had been undertaken to keep the Club moving forward, and he had no wish to change anything at present, given it was running smoothly.

He then read out the positions that had not received nominations and called for any volunteers to nominate from the floor:

Men's Captain

1 potential Nomination received for Gary James (nominated Dennis Pattullo)

The President asked if there were any other nominees from the floor, which there were none.

Gary ultimately declined the offer to stand.

Men's Deputy Captain Men's Match Entertainment Social Bowls Coordinator No Nominations were received from the floor No Nominations were received from the floor No Nominations were received from the floor No nominations were received from the floor

Ladies Secretary

A nomination was received for Yvonne McGloin (proposed Lyn Balding)

Yvonne accepted the nomination and was elected

unopposed.

Ladies Selection

(3 positions vacant) A nomination was received for Elaine Meehan (proposed Lyn Balding)

Elaine accepted the nomination and was elected unopposed.

A nomination was received for Suzanne Webster (proposed by Lyn Balding)

Suzanne accepted the nomination and was elected unopposed.

A nomination was received for Robyn Freer (proposed by Lyn Balding)

Robyn accepted the nomination and was elected unopposed.

A point put by Scott Christie was that 2 Committees were required because the By-Laws called for each. The President advised the Executive would look into the combination of those By-Laws for all Committees.

There was much discussion over the 'integration' of Match Committees as it was felt by some that the Ladies Match Committees were being asked to do a lot with the Men failing to stand up. The President reiterated that the Men's Match Committee vacancies will be chased to fill and help the Ladies Match.

Reg Parker stood up and advised that he was disappointed in the lack of nominations for Men's Match and offered his services to be part of the Match system.

Proposed: Brenda Ramsdale Seconded: John Bushell Carried unanimously

There being no further business the 2024 Annual General Meeting was closed at 11:11 AM.

Bruce McDougall

President

L Blechynden Treasurer Subject: Presidents Report 2023/24

Date: Saturday 9 November 2024 at 13:17:43 Australian Western Standard Time

From: Yvonne Lutey
To: WBC Secretary

Presidents Report 2023/24

Thanks everyone for your attendance today.

The 2023/24 Pennant Season saw our Ladies Tuesday and Saturday teams and Mens Thursday teams all retain their divisions.

Our Men's Saturday teams 1st and 4th Division retained their positions and the 3rd Division promoted to 2nd Division.

Thanks to all Bowlers that filled in again this year when teams were short on players and well done to all Selectors and Managers for ensuring that all games went ahead smoothly.

Financially we are looking good and our Treasurer Les will give his report shortly. Thanks again firstly to Bronwen Hands who has been our Treasurer for around 5 years and nominated last year to help out until we could recruit a new Treasurer.

Les Blechynden took over from Bronwen in May and has also nominated for the position again this year. A hugh thankyou to you both and for your support over the last 3 years. Once again to the Monday Money Men, Peter Hartnett, Ian Gibson and Ron Abrahams Thankyou all for your ongoing assistance to this very important roll.

To Stacey McDonald and all of her staff, as I mentioned in last years report they are usually the first contacts with visitors and new bowlers and it's their friendly attitude that makes our club a welcoming club that visitors want to come too.

Stacey, Alison and Kerrin also have taken on extra roles that should be looked after by an Entertainment Coordinator, hopefully this will change and someone volunteers for the roll. Thanks Ladies for organising Social Bowls functions, the Xmas Party, Footy tipping, Melbourne Cup and Mother's Day functions.

The Social Bowls Coordinator is another position that needs to be filled and once again I hope someone volunteers for this roll today.

To Mick Webb, Peter Hartnett, Fred Hannah, Martin Freer and anyone else that has helped out during the year, thanks again for organising all of our Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday Social Bowls. Also thanks to everyone that assisted in overseeing the many social bowls and party groups that we had at the club this year.

To the Ladies and Mens Match Committee. Robyn Freer, Marilyn Smith, Maria March and Tye Goodman a job well done. Thanks for your dedication to the roll and ensuring all Championships went ahead smoothly. congratulations to all the Winners and thanks everyone for attending the Presentation after the finals. It was a fantastic Presentation and hopefully this concept continues again this Season.

Bingo continues to move along smoothly. To the organising team Yvonne McLoin, Pauline Hendrickson, Mick Webb and Peter Hartnett, thanks for all you do every Wednesday during

the year and also the army of volunteers that help out with the smooth running of the Bingo day.

To Vera Meehan our Kitchen Convenor and all of Her assistants thanks, you have all done a fantastic job. Especially on the men's carnival day when the weather forced us to an early lunch with many extra mouths to feed. The toasted sandwiches are still very popular and continue to bring in extra funds to our club.

Tom Watson took on the House position this year and has spent many hours at the club doing a fantastic job. Thanks for all you do in and around the club and for taking on the house roll again.

Ken Meehan has once again taken on the Greens position and has once again done an excellent job, not only on our greens but in and around the club when anything needed repaired or empty paper towel dispensers needed filling. Thanks again Ken for all your support over the last 3 years.

Thanks also to our gardening crew. I have received many accolades from visiting Bowlers, pennant players and social groups over the last 3 years. And a huge thankyou to our new members that have joined the crew.

During the year we had 3 events that brought in extra funds to the club.

The Elders challenge, The State Arm Bowls singles championship, and our annual Men's carnival. A huge thank you to all the volunteers that assisted at these events.

Particularly the men's carnival. Thanks to the organising committee, Dennis Pattullo, Ron Abrahams, Stacey MacDonald, Vera Meehan and Les Blechynden. The Kitchen Crew, Bar staff, volunteer bar staff, ticket sellers and everyone that helped set up and clean up. And to our Sponsors for this event a big thanks to Perth Bowls Centre.

(Dennis Pattullo) RV Solutions, Rockingham Kwinana Mobility Centre and Carlton United.

Finally to the executive committee.

Deputy President. Les B and Keith Hilton.

Treasure. Bronwen Hands and Les B.

Secretary. Ron Abrahams.

Men's Captain. Gary James.

Ladies Captain. Lorelle Watson.

Thanks everyone for all your dedication to the positions and for all your support over the last 3 Years. And I thank everyone that has nominated for positions on the executive, management and bowls committees for the upcoming year.

Good Bowling everyone and please continue to make The Warnbro Bowling Club a welcoming and friendly club.

Ted Lutey.

Treasurers Report – AGM 15th September 2024

The club finished the year in a good financial position. As you will see from the Profit and Loss Statements, a net surplus of \$16561.05 was recorded for the three months to June 30, 2023, and \$35801.07 for the financial year ended 30 June 2024. These results are reported separately as we have changed our financial year reporting,

The main sources of income were Bar Sales (\$417 972) an increase of nearly 60k and Bingo Sales and Bingo Kitchen Sales (\$96282). Both amounts are gross before considering expenses and GST,

A total of \$ 63580 as net profit from Bingo was transferred to the On-Line Saver Account during the financial year to be used for future infrastructure projects.

The club also benefited financially from an increase in function hire income of \$8000 and Bar food sales of over \$11000

The bank account balances as at 30 June 2024: -

Cheque Account \$281,127 (current balance \$272,593)

On-Line Saver Account \$238,178 (current balance \$258,334)

I would like to thank Bronwen Hands for her work as treasurer and her work to help me take on the roll.

I also would like to thank my fellow committee members and all club members and staff for their contributions over the year to ensure that the club remained in a strong financial position.

A special thank you to Ted Lutey for his work as president He has always made it a pleasure volunteering for any roll

Les Blechynden

Acting Treasurer

Warnbro Bowling Club