

SWAN BOWLS



**SWAN DARTS
SWAN SOCIAL**

Meeting opened 10.00am

Chairman: Geoff Malaspina

SWAN BOWLING CLUB

MINUTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

28.08.2022

PRESENT

- Mick Eckett
- Denis Lathbury
- Brenda Dunstan
- Jillian Bacon
- Eddie Jagger
- Ross Dunstan
- James Hillian
- Lynne Page
- Dave Smart
- Rocco Furci
- Tony Natalotto
- Dave Pert
- Geoff Malaspina
- Debra Stark
- Bob Johnson
- John Vukosevich
- Jim Drew
- Dale Preedy
- Mick Scanlan
- Milton Rendell
- Dave White
- Mandy White
- Rhonda Dobson
- Garry Rowlinson
- Paul Matthews
- Phil Parkinson
- Rod Revell
- Paul Natalotto
- Neil Schorer
- Peter Bourke

APOLOGIES

Bill Harris, Dot Pert, Dan Wood Paul Kelly

The list of the attendees and apologies are filed with the minutes of this meeting.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Accepted: Mick Eckett Seconded: Eddie Jagger

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Read by President Geoff Malaspina

Geoff's report is filed with these minutes. Geoff thanked everyone who attended this meeting and also thanked all volunteers for the work they have done throughout the year to keep the club going. Geoff also wished the incoming President and his nominees all the best.

CORRESPONDENCE handed to Secretary.

Agenda Item from Jim Hillan. Will be addressed in General Business.

Agenda Item from John Vukosevich will also be addressed in general business

TREASURERS REPORT:

Accepted: **Jim Hillian Sec: Bob Johnson.**

****This report is attached to the minutes. ****

Geoff: We didn't have a Treasurer as such this year. We have had to implement a new system and we now have a Book keeper – Sian We have Dennis who collects the transactions and takings from the night before (amongst other things) and Jillian who assembles the accounts due and pays them through our bank account and myself who approves them. Jillian also does the bank account credits and debits and lists them for the each monthly meeting. This system is working very well. Due to the failings of the past we had no super paid for Green keeper Dan and No payroll tax paid as well. Sian did a massive job to go back over the past 2 and a half years to fix each week month by month. We had to take \$12 K from our term deposit to pay out the Superannuation for Dan and we had to pay \$13K to the ATO in back tax, which we have successfully done. We now have Sian keeping our books up to date so this does not happen again. Consequently the Management Committee has decided not to appoint a treasurer as such and to continue with the present method. Mala asked the members if there were any questions or objections to this decision and there were none.

ELECTIONS:

There were no elections this time. However Geoff Malaspina did not re nominate to the position of President. Paul Kelly was the only nomination for this position and was not opposed so Paul Kelly as the new President has been approved. Paul is not in attendance today so Mala will continue to chair the meeting in his absence. Jillian will arrange for Paul Kelly to attend the Westpac bank to be registered as a signatory on the Club's account.

MOTIONS carried over: nil

HONORARIUMS: (to be known as Ex Gratia Payments)

The members voted the secretary Jillian a pay rise from \$2100. Per year to \$2500 per year. Jillian was advised of the decision. This was the only payment rise as we do not have a treasurer.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP:

There were no new Life Memberships applied for or granted.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1.Jim Hillan's Agenda request:re his Web Site:

Jim asked if the club was willing to continue with his WICs website or are we going to transfer to another one as was discussed last AGM.

Answer: The club has decided to continue with the WICs web for the next 12 months as we did not get another one. Some of the members asked if Jim could make the site a bit more interesting and inclusive. Maybe some of the members could contribute some things to help? The cost has gone up this year from USD \$228.00 to USD \$303.00. That's Increase AUD\$540.85.per year. Members accepted. Jim to send the account to the Secretary for payment.

2: John Vukojevic's proposal for naming the 2 greens:

John proposed that we name the back and front greens after some well-regarded departed members. 2 at the front and 2 at the back. Harry Rendell, Joan Burns, Tina Glerum and Neil Outridge.? The members were in agreeance of this proposal and Milton Rendell offered \$500 for the cost of the plaques. Thank you Milton. It was decided to have the unveiling of these plaques on Open Day in October at the club and invite the family members of the four.

Rocco F asked what was happening about our Facebook pages as we have several. Mick: We not really sure who opened all of them and the people are no longer here anyway. Jillian: Dale P has the operating of the latest one originally started by Sarah N. Most of us have been using that one. Milton has offered the Services of his IT employee to get rid of the others. Thanks Milton! Following up on this.

New Members for Swan.

We have increased our memberships a lot firstly with the members of the **Bellevue Community Social Club** who will be having their Friday nights at Swan until they have decided on a new place either build one or existing. We welcome the new members and hope their time with us is happy and rewarding.

Ladies Tuesday night Dart teams:

We have 3 new Ladies Dart teams playing out of Swan and this is a great bonus for Swan. They also run raffles and have a great social night. These Ladies were also from the Bellevue Community Social club and are a great addition to our club. All have joined as social members.

Ladies Friday Night Bowling Team.

We also have a new Ladies Bowling team who have joined Swan and made Swan their Home Team for Friday Night Bowls.

The Team has transferred from Morley and all set up on Bowls link at Swan. They won't be here every Friday night and when they are there will be at least 6 rinks I believe. There was a discussion between Terry Club Captain, Rocco and Mala pertaining to the logistics of the bowls and this will be ongoing probably till bowls start. Jillian: I have ordered more Swan Shirts for the Ladies and other new members and they will be here just in time for bowls I hope.

Brenda Dunstan queried the position of the house committee and what they did at the club. Mala explained and also asked Mick if he wanted to continue as cleaner or we hire one. Mick said he was happy to continue for the time being.

High Wycombe dart club. The members of the High Wycombe darts have all joined as social members of the club thus increasing our memberships even more. They have been a great asset to Swan over the past few years and we are more than happy to have them.

The members at the AGM discussed the logistics of the arrangement of the lounge bar and the big hall with a view to enlarging the available area in the lounge by moving the pool table to the hall. I guess this will be ongoing for a while and we also hope to have a few more raffles, and some Friday night snacks or small meals. Early Days!

Bob Johnson: What is happening about a pay raise for Green Keeper Dan? He has been requesting one for some time but nothing has happened.

Dan has apparently requested \$1000 clear per week and has hinted on leaving if he is not taken seriously. We are getting this second hand.

Mala: We are aware of Dan's requests and he has been spoken to by myself and Mick E and has been asked to provide the request in writing to the committee so we can discuss and make a decision. The committee has in fact discussed the matter and would have been only to happy to review if he sent a letter to us and approached us in person.

There was a discussion followed around the subject and how the club would be able to increase the wage. Rocco suggested an increase in green fees. Terry has offered to do the lotto once more which was very helpful to us during the covid lockdowns. There were also more discussions re making room for the new members how to upgrade the facilities and making the toilets a bit more acceptable for new members. The subject of revisiting some of the current sponsors who have not paid for several years due to covid downturns in their finances was raised. Following up to be done over the next couple of months.

Mick Scanlan: Can we question all the bowlers what positions they want to play and also do we keep the current lawn greens or do we go all out and get carpet greens? How hard would that be?

Mala: charge \$130,000 to get the place rezoned Milton: No hope. Milton stated that we should keep our grass greens as we are such an old club and have been here since 1897 and should do something for our 125 years. Discussion went on for a while round the same subjects – interesting points raised –

Terry: My Plan is almost finished for the program re bowls, club events and other events. Brenda enquired: We decided Open Day would be Sunday 23rd of October. Milton has offered \$1500 from Real Estate Plus as sponsor. Thank you Milton. We have a lot of organizing to do for open day.

Bob J asked if we could have 4 carnivals per year instead of the current 2.

Don't know we don't have a lot of space and cost of catering etc. Brenda: Just have hamburgers that's easy. Yes agreed on that one! Need social committee!

Mick: Jillian will not be able to make the sandwiches both Saturdays and Thursday it's getting too much for 1 person. Dale offered to help on Thursdays. Discussed getting alternative Subway? Other catering? Need to check out the other possibilities.

Meeting Closed 11.30 am.

Jillian Bacon.....

THE NEW COMMITTEE FOR 2022/2023 IS AS FOLLOWS:

New Management Committee:

President: Paul Kelly
Vice President: Dave Pert
Secretary: Jillian Bacon
Book Keeper: Sian
Men's Captain: Terry Keating
Bar Chairperson: Denis Lathbury
House Chairperson: John Vukosevich
Social Chairperson: Rocco Furci
Grounds Chairperson: Mick Eckett

New Men's Match Committee:

Men's Captain: Terry Keating
Member: Paul Natalotto
Member: Paul Kelly
Member: Mick Scanlan
Member: John Vukosevich

Standing Committees:

Bar: Denis Lathbury
Mick Eckett

House: John Vukosevich

Social: Rocco Furci
Ross Dunstan

Grounds: Mick Eckett
Dave Pert

Finance Committee: Paul Kelly
Jillian Bacon
Mick Eckett
Denis Lathbury