



# Newcastle District Billiards & Snooker Association Inc.

President  
Neil Audet

Treasurer  
Luke Green

Secretary  
Grant Schubert

## MINUTES OF THE 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2014 AT CARDIFF PANTHERS

Meeting commenced at 7pm

### Attendance:

Joy Hicks, John Hicks, John Goven, William Bates, Daniel Lynch, Steve Drysdale, Joe Spiteri, Kerry Maidment, Neil Audet, John Cavenett, Mark Toward, Brett Dennett, Ross Johnson, Charlie Brown, Michael Massoud, Richard Evans, Luke Green, Mark Seymour, Zen Netluch, Bill Shoesmith, Mick Hill, Glenn Morley, Bob Young, Grant Schubert, Emmanuel James, Brian Bourke, Mal Kirkman, Mark Hugo, Charlie Elliott, Peter Agland, Doug Agland, Garry Roberts, Steve Briant, David Jack, Ray Loveridge, Daniel Bourke, Nick Waymouth, & Mick Paterson.

### Apologies:

Peter Snape, Geoffrey Nash, Joe Tonan, Nathan Meyers, Shane Matthews.

### Correspondence In:

Nominations for Committee positions  
Letter from Luke Green  
Letter from Ross Johnson

Moved Mark Hugo, seconded Kerry Maidment that correspondence be accepted.

### Correspondence Out:

Special Resolution to amend Part III of the Constitution posted to NDBSA Website and available for download. Special Resolution voted on and CARRIED.

President's Report (Verbal) tended: Moved Ross Johnson Seconded Joe Spitiri

Secretary's Report tended: Moved Neil Audet Seconded Mick Hill

Treasurer's Report tended: Moved Ross Johnson Seconded John Cavenett

### New Business

All Committee positions declared vacant

Neil Audet elected President – unopposed

Bill Shoemith elected Vice President unopposed

New Business cont.

Grant Schubert elected Secretary unopposed

Luke Green elected Treasurer unopposed

Nominations for Committee positions tended and voted on. Following Committee positions carried as follows:

Committee:

Nick Waymouth

Nathan Meyers

Michael Massoud

Michael Hill

Shane Matthews

Mark Hugo moved that ballot papers be destroyed Seconded Grant Schubert

New President continued with New Business

Neil Audet thanked the outgoing Committee for their substantial contribution to Newcastle Snooker for many years.

NDBSA Patron appointment to be discussed at next Committee Meeting.

Peter Agland asked if new Committee would alter member and team fees – Neil Audet said that there are no current plans to adjust fees.

Garry Roberts asked if there are plans to alter the way result slips are delivered to Grade Secretary – Neil Audet said that this will be reviewed on an ongoing basis at Committee meetings. Neil also encouraged members to communicate ideas and suggestions either in writing, via the website or verbally to Committee Members.

Steve Briant asked about merging of the Reg Marsh and Al Gore Competitions – Neil Audet advised that it will be discussed at Committee meetings.

Garry Roberts asked about team names being altered to be less lackluster dropping suburb followed by a number rather adopting names more akin to sporting teams. Neil Audet said we can also address this at Committee meetings and that parent clubs should be consulted.

Nick Waymouth congratulated the new members of the Committee and asked for patience from the membership in allowing the new Committee to settle into role.

Steve Briant asked if Committee Members are taking on the position as volunteers or expecting remuneration for services. Neil Audet said this will be discussed at the next Committee meeting.

Peter Agland asked about scratch competitions saying in the past the NDBSA has alternated a scratch competition and handicap competition, which he thought was a better format. John Hicks asked that competitions be run to benefit all members not just the minority. Neil Audet said that different formats can be explored via Committee meetings and he would like to see Newcastle be a area that hosts state games.

Richard Evans suggested that the new NDBSA Association correspond with Clubs with tables asking for ideas on promoting snooker through their club and encouragement to retain tables.

Charlie Brown made the comment that the NDBSA website is a great medium for informing members about Newcastle snooker related information. Neil Audet agreed but encouraged members to post comments to encourage higher turnover of information.

Meeting closed at 8:35pm

Next meeting 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014