

2017 Newcastle District Billiards & Snooker Association Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday 19 September 2017

Time: 18:30

Venue: Kahibah Sports Club

Attendees Grant Schubert, Peter Little, Chris Mungoven, Brian Bourke, Lesley Callahan, Annette Clifford, Neil Fatania

Apologies: Neil Pratt, Bill Shoesmith,

Agenda

1. New / returning players and their handicaps
2. Treasurers report
3. District Billiards Tournament
4. Newcastle Open
5. John Ring's Letter
6. Scorebooks
7. Mayfield Bowling Club
8. Confirm date of next committee meeting – scheduled 14 December 2017

Minutes

- Item 1 Lloyd Amloh, a returning player needed a handicap, following some conversations between the player and committee a fair handicap was negotiated.
- Item 2 Brian Bourke presented the report, balance etc, which currently stands at \$17,628.39 (as @ 19/09/17) Treasurers report is attached separately. The topic of trophies was discussed, and whether players want them individually or just as a team? More collaboration is required. The consensus was that some recognition from the 'mother' club would be well received, such as a newsletter or on internal television screens that exist at venues such as Toronto & Kahibah.
- Item 3 There were 9 competitors at this year's District Billiards Tournament which was successfully run over one day. Joe Spiteri defeated Eric Bauer in the final.
- Item 4 Newcastle Open to be run out of 2 venues, Cessnock and Wangi over 2 days Sat & Sunday date to be confirmed potentially November. Grant to keep all updated.
- Item 5 John Rings letter was sent to a number of people from the committee and subsequently shared with all for discussion. The view was that he was providing some suggestions and advice on the state of snooker in Newcastle. He made some constructive points, and had some valid ideas for venues with I table potentially to be utilized more by running smaller 3 man comps from such venues, to encourage more players and possibly younger players.
- Brian Mentioned that there were a number of younger players attending the Belmont 16s "chook runs" but these were not transferring into comps, how we potentially encourage these to transfer into our other teams and competitions.

ACTION Either Bill, Grant or Neil to respond by email acknowledging and thanking John for his letter.

Item 6 We have received donations of \$150 from Oz Billiards (Daniel Grant) and \$100 from NSW Colour TV (Richard Evans) towards the cost of new Scorebooks which need to be ordered.

ACTION Grant to follow up.

Item 7 Mayfield Bowling Club to close by Christmas potentially, and if halfway through a competition what happens, depending on if a team is entered into a potential summer comp.

Lesley Suggested we need to speak with the hierarchy at Mayfield to establish what their intentions are and where the players would like to go? Can players be absorbed into other clubs?

Item 8 Next Committee meeting confirmed for 14 December 2017

AOB Do we want a summer comp in between next seasons Tony Tamplin? Suggestions to be discussed.

AOB With teams that are struggling to stay afloat, should team fees potentially be scrapped? Currently within the TT (Tony Tamplin) we receive \$140 per team. Obviously some clubs are subsidized by the 'mother' club. Teams in question include Tennis Club and Nelson Bay.

ACTION Neil to draw up and laminate "Hints and Tips" for the "Foul and Miss rule" and distribute when possible.

Meeting adjourned @ 1945