

Fremantle Bowling Club

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held Thursday 20th July 2023

Present: Ed Lacy, Mark Conway, Brian Ciccotosto, Jim Stewart, Ken Anderson Di Norkett, John Brennan, John O'Brien

Meeting commenced at 9am

Ongoing List of Key Recommendations/Decisions

- a. That, in future, Club Champions receive a trophy/medallion but no cash prize.
- b. That, in future, the committee present a trophy to the best club person.
- c. That any bills over \$200 attracting GST be forwarded to the Park Centre Manager for payment.

1. Apologies: Nil

2. Minutes: Minutes of previous meeting approved with no changes. Moved, J Brennan, Seconded, K Anderson

3. Matters arising from previous minutes:

- a. Jim moved that FBC transfer membership fees to the Park Club, Seconded B Ciccotosto. All in favour.
- b. The women will decide when they hold their championship singles, bearing in mind that last season there was little interest late in the season.
- c. Jim Stewart has explained to BowlsWA official, Peter Harris, that the club's breach of the rules in selecting an ineligible player in the Division 3 finals last pennant season against Hilton Park was a genuine mistake. We await a decision on this matter.
- d. The secretary will continue to send flyers from other clubs to members.

4. Correspondence:

Correspondence as listed on the agenda was tabled. No further action required.

5. Finance report

The Treasurer reported that he has issued a list of the members who have paid their fees and that he will transfer these funds to the Park Club.

His financial report was accepted unanimously: Moved J Stewart, Seconded M Conway.

6. Ladies' Captain's report.

Di reported that currently there are 16 women prepared to play pennants with hopes of one or two more.

7. Men's Captain's Report

- a. This season in championship games the end will be replayed if the jack goes out of play – no spotting of jacks.
- b. Peter Holmes is willing to join the Men's Match Committee.

- c. Mark invited the State juniors with coach Kelli Wray to use our grass greens if needed and if this doesn't clash with club events.
- d. Mark proposed 15th October as the date for the Fremantle Cup – Mark will check with East Fremantle & Ken will check the availability of greens, given that two greens will be required for this event.

8. Greens and ground report (Ken Anderson)

New metal plinths have been installed around the perimeter of our greens; the old ones will be disposed of at an appropriate time.

9. Social/Function report

Brian Cicco reported that the Christmas in July function is being well supported by FBC and he is working with the Workers' Club to increase their participation.

10. Fremantle Park Club report

John O'Brien presented documentation showing that the Club's financial position has improved. Prior to leaving his management position at the Park Club, Fenn applied for a grant to install shade sails around the Club's perimeter but John suggested we use the grant for a range of other possible uses and asked for suggestions. Replacement of soiled/stained carpets in the Park Club premises was suggested..

We are still waiting for a formal response from FCC re a request for \$60,000 per annum for three years to allow the club to achieve a sound financial position.

The report was approved unanimously: Moved: M Conway, Seconded K Anderson.

11. New membership

Russell Percival. His application has been approved and processed.

12. General business

Brian Sumich has agreed to Chair the Selection Committee.

Jim suggested that the September Coaching Program on Saturday mornings be continued this season – John Chessell, Matthew Ngui and Peter Holmes are qualified coaches. Jim will advertise the program online.

Ed will write letters of acknowledgement to departing committee members.

Di suggested that we continue offering the snack platters as we do currently by volunteers.

BowlsWA has agreed to allow music to be played during pennant games but the committee accepted Jim's view that the host club should have the right to decide whether or not to have music.

Uniforms – Di has ordered a trial pack of uniforms & the secretary will inform BowlsWA that FBC has decided to change from white trousers, shorts and skirts to navy blue.

E Lacy suggested that the Park Club management consider ordering wine from Liberty Liquors in Claremont because they are selling quality wine at very competitive prices. The manager, Michael, has been informed and is investigating what this retailer has to offer.

13. Meeting Closed at 9.56am

14. Next meeting

The next meeting will be on Thursday 17th August at 9am

Ed Lacy

Secretary FBC

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