

MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE CLUBHOUSE ON SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2017.

The Chairperson Roger Lynch declared the 128th Annual General Meeting opened at 10.15 am. The Chairperson welcomed all. There were 39 members present.

APOLOGIES: As per attendance book, nine members advised apologies.

Moved: Greg Aspinall, seconded Paul Goodyer “that the apologies be accepted.” CARRIED.

The minutes of the 127th Annual General meeting held on 6th November 2016 had been circulated.

Moved Phillip Hollman seconded Faye Flint “that the minutes be adopted.” CARRIED
Matters arising: Nil

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

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The Chairperson Roger Lynch presented the following report:

“It is indeed an honour to table the Club’s 128th Annual Report. Few Clubs can claim such a long standalone history. The Club’s financial result was an improvement on last year however there was still a loss reported. Our Auditor Hamish Dawson and CEO Michael Wilson will report on this later. We do enjoy the Financial Stability and the broaden expenditure that similar Clubs of our size do not. The Board has undertaken numerous projects this year including the painting of the Clubhouse, replacement furniture and much needed new Gaming Machines. I would like to congratulate the Grade One Men’s Pennant Team that narrowly missed out on the Final, I would like to congratulate all Bowlers for their results. I would like to thank all the Contractors for their work during the year, to the staff thank you for all your service. We have a very loyal membership base and they continue to support us. Finally, I would like to thank my fellow Board Members for all their valued input.

Moved Glenn Ashcroft, seconded Don Latham “that the Chairperson’s report be accepted. CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Chairperson asked if there were any questions. To which there were none.

Moved Don Latham, seconded Barry Wright, “that the financial statements be adopted.” CARRIED

AUDIT REPORT:

Hamish Dawson, the Club’s Auditor was present. He advised that the Club is in a fortunate position, with himself being involved in a number of Bowling Clubs that are not in such a good financial position. He advised the members should enjoy the situation they are in. He asked for any questions, to which there were none.

Moved Phil Hollman, seconded Faye Flint “that the audit report be adopted.” CARRIED.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Nominations had been received in accordance with the Rules of the Club.

George Cook JP had been appointed Returning Officer by the Board in accordance with the Rules. He was assisted by member Warren Stanton.

As there were two nominations for Chairperson the Chairperson Roger Lynch vacated the Chair and it was taken by Deputy Chairperson Tony Rowe. The returning officer distributed the Ballot Paper for the position of Chairperson to those members present and eligible to

vote. He then collected the marked ballot papers and after counting them advised that Roger Lynch duly elected. Roger Lynch took the Chair.

The returning officer distributed the Ballot Paper for the position of Deputy Chairperson to those members present and eligible to vote. He then collected the marked ballot papers and after counting them advised that Steve Malone duly elected.

As there was only one nomination for the position of Treasurer the Returning Officer declared Anthony Wise duly elected.

The returning officer distributed the Ballot Paper for the positions of Ordinary Directors to those members present and eligible to vote. He then collected the marked ballot papers and after counting them advised Faye Flint, Gary Hincliffe, Brendan Smith and Michael Speckman duly elected.

The Chairperson thanked the Returning Officer and his assistant. He also thanked Tony Rowe for his contribution over the last few years as a member of the Board.

ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS WHERE NOTICE WAS GIVEN.

The Chairperson advised that due Notice has been given of the following ordinary resolutions and a simple majority is required to pass the resolutions.

First Ordinary Resolution

Moved Glenn Ashcroft, seconded Greg Aspinall

- (a) That the members hereby approve expenditure by the Club not exceeding \$5,000 until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club for the following:
- (i) The reasonable costs of directors attending seminars, lectures and other educational activities as determined by the Board from time to time.
 - (ii) The reasonable costs (including travel and accommodation expenses) of directors attending meetings, conferences and trade shows conducted by Clubs NSW, the Club Managers Association and such other conferences and trade shows as determined by the Board from time to time.
 - (iii) The reasonable costs of directors attending any other registered club for the purpose of viewing and assessing its facilities as determined by the Board as being necessary for the benefit of the Club.
 - (iv) The reasonable costs of directors (and their spouses/partners if required) attending any club, community or charity function as the representatives of the Club and authorised by the Board to do so.
 - (v) The reimbursement of reasonable out of pocket expenses incurred by directors travelling to and from directors meetings or other duly constituted meetings of any committee of the Board.
- (b) The members acknowledge that the benefits in paragraph (a) are not available for members generally but only for those who are Directors of the Club.

CARRIED BY A MAJORITY.

Second Ordinary Resolution

Moved John Bailey, seconded Greg Aspinall

- (a) That the members hereby approve expenditure by the Club not exceeding \$100 until the Annual General Meeting of the Club for the following:
- (i) The reasonable cost of a meal and beverage for each director before and after a Board or Committee meeting on the day of that meeting when such meeting coincides with a normal meal time.
 - (ii) The reasonable expenses incurred by directors either within the Club or elsewhere in relation to such other duties including entertainment of special guests of the Club and other promotional activities approved by the Board on production of documentary evidence of such expenditure.
- (b) The members hereby acknowledge that the benefits in paragraph (a) are not available for members generally but are only available for those who are Directors of the Club.

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GENERAL BUSINESS:

Greg Aspinall, Member Number One and Life member asked what benefits the Club had received from the payment of players? He advised that this has been in place for four years and what has the Club got out of it. The CEO advised that it is a fair enough question, and at the end of the day it is a Board decision to allocate funds for player payments. It is reviewed each year by the Board. Greg Aspinall also asked what is the Budget for this. The CEO advised that amounts are in the Clubs accounts the individual contracted amounts are confidential between the Club and players. Paul Goodyer asked regarding the disposal over recent years of the Championship Boards and Boards reflecting the history of the Club. It was advised that this will be referred to the Board.

Member Ron Bates advised that he had previously been involved in the Management of Bowling Club and that the Club should advise the Council that lack of parking is a restriction on trade. The CEO advised that there is a Plan of Management of the Park and signs at various entrances prohibit vehicles in the Ashfield Park. Discussion took place regarding the disadvantages of restricted parking. It was advised the Board would approach Council regarding the continued problems with parking.

Member Glenn Ashcroft advised that the lack of formal planning is restricting the Club and he is willing to assist. The Chairperson thanked him for his offer of assistance

The Chairperson asked for any further General Business and there was none.
The 128th Annual General Meeting was declared closed at 11.03 am.