

SCRABBLE NSW COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES OF MEETING 2nd DECEMBER 2018 at CLUB BURWOOD RSL

1. PRESIDENT OPENED MEETING

PRESENT: Bob Jackman, Liz Jackman, Pat Schuberg, Monica Dwyer, Colleen Birch, Chris Ostrowski, Janine Whittaker, Ryan Sutton, George Khamis and Rene Chelton .

Meeting opened by Bob Jackman at 2.00pm.

APOLOGIES: Richard Birch, John Holgate

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Accepted. Moved by Colleen Birch and seconded by Monica Dwyer

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Scrabble banner purchased by Monica Dwyer for \$240
Colleen Birch to include new members on future membership officer reports.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT TABLED

Role description prepared for President and Vice-President
Draft role description prepared for Publicity Officer
New club starting at Coffs Harbour on 5th December under Keith Bancroft
Expression of interest received for club at Forster-Tuncurry
Partnership Proposal sent to Uniting (operators of 19 retirement homes in NSW & ACT)
Matchplay Qualifier scheduled and booked at Burwood
CSIM games reduced by two, playing time increased to 25 minutes
Tri-State scheduled for 25th & 26th May 2019 in Junee
Website set up for CSIM

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

John Holgate emailed report

Funds at hand as of 29/11 is \$7571
Paid CASPA December levy of \$577
Collected \$253 in tournament levies
Loss of \$63 on NSW Champs, Spring Marathon broke even
BAS Reports to ATO update

Suggested that a better system of reporting levies is implemented eg list tourney and levy collected

6. MEMBERSHIP OFFICER'S REPORT TABLED

Summary:

200 renewed members comprised of 123 pensioners, 72 full members, 5 students
12 new members since last meeting
56 lapsed not presently renewed
31 members not affiliated with a club
ATB distribution cost \$116 approximately
99 ATBS sent by email

7. EQUIPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Report tabled.

Chris Ostrowki also advised there is a problem with some certain clocks not going into minus , advising that this can be overcome by amending game time for the affected clocks. Chris will label on the relevant clocks. Also George Khamis advised that the laptop keyboard has been repaired and the memory upgraded.

8. NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

8.1 Renaming of NSW Junior Championship

The committee did not support the motion put forward by Tony Hunt to rename the NSW Junior Championship to Australian Junior Championship

8.2 Publicity Officer. This is in the constitution, but a role description is required. Bob Jackman suggested a list of 8 points. George Khamis offered, but this was rejected by all committee members. Janine Whittaker initially declined the offer but will continue for the present. .

8.3 Review of policy of scrabble clubs with no members

In view of the rejection of \$100 insurance levy by motion at the AGM, it was deemed necessary to review policy on non-members playing in clubs requiring evidence of public liability

It was agreed to introduce a \$5 player affiliation fee for any non-member playing in club that required evidence of public liability insurance

8.4 Procurement of additional boards. It was agreed that Scrabble NSW should not be in the business of importing and onselling rotating boards

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 George Khamis suggested Thailand as a source for additional boards. He suggested that next year he will ring them in from Thailand at \$89 each, sell for \$100 to members, \$120 for non-members. George will ask for upfront costs.

9.2 Confidentiality. Colleen iterated that the membership list recently sent to all members was confidential material and should not be distributed or used for any other purpose other than Scrabble .

9.3 Planning for NSW/ANC 2021. \$2000 grant available from national body, Burwood Club is being demolished. Suggestions for alternatives include Collaroy Convention Centre, Colleen Birch claims that access is easy. Colleen Birth will check availability for approx. 100 players.

9.4 Promoting Membership. Some work is being done by Bob Jackman, George Khamis, and Monica Dwyer George Khamis claims that by this time next year we will have corporate sponsorship. George also advised that he has prebooked locations for many upcoming tournaments

10. CLOSE OF MEETING:

Meeting was closed at 4.20 pm.

Next meeting will be in Wollongong in February after the WORDS tournament.