

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Canterbury Billiards & Snooker Association held at the Association rooms Cuthbert's Green 7pm on Tuesday 10th February 2009

Those Present: Bill Earle, Alan Paris, Chris Anderson, Bob Marychurch, Garry Oliver, Jeff Humm, John Gower, Gary Gillard & Wayne Ramsay.

Apologies: Stephen Church, Bill Le Breton, Peter de Groot, David Greenwood, John Barry and Wayne Simons. Moved apologies be accepted. B. Marychurch/J. Humm. Carried

Bereavements: The members stood for a minutes silence as a mark of respect for Bruce Bamford, Manuel Lesatele and Sweety Ahtong and any other members who passed away this year. Plus all other members and relatives who had suffered bereavements through the year and those who were sick and unable to be with us tonight.

Previous minutes: " Accepted as a true and accurate record" Moved J. Gower /B. Marychurch. CARRIED

A presentation by John Gower of a web site he has developed was moved up the agenda due to John not being able to stay long at this meeting. The web site is primarily aimed at snooker players in Canterbury. After a demonstration members asked John questions, regarding the cost and ownership of this site. It was suggested that the site first be completed before looking for funding to run it. Then to apply for external funding to pay the operating costs. Also the idea of linking it to the current CBSA site would reduce costs, and if external funding was not received to try for local sponsors. GG presented a motion, "That John Gower submit a proposal to the CBSA for external funding and if this is successful then John Gower ne made our webmaster for this site. Seconded Bill Earle. Carried. (JG Excused)

Correspondence. A letter was received from Hornby club requesting that all Interclub Snooker sections play the same format. After brief discussion it was agreed that the trial interclub format as played by Premiers interclub snooker now be adopted by all interclub snooker divisions.

A report from Gary Gillard was presented to the meeting of his play at the World Snooker tournament in Austria 2008.

President's Report: Alan Parris presented the Presidents report as attached. And Alan also thanked Gary Oliver & Gary Gillard for the free coaching that they are giving CBSA members in Billiards and snooker respectively. AP also advised clubs to present all interested players names for interclub tournaments, as the CBSA will endeavour to make up teams of these players to ensure all interested players receive the opportunity to play our sport. Moved from the chair the acceptance of his report. CARRIED

Annual Accounts and Balance sheet: The Annual Financial Report for YE 31st. December 2008 was presented by the President.

See attached document.

Alan explained that we had a small profit for the year 2008 and supported our player members to the value of \$1,800 for the year. GG asked how much the affiliation fees were for the CBSA to pay to the NZBSA. Affiliation fees are \$150 + GST for CBSA and for members playing IN Ranking tournaments \$10 and other members \$2, Plus all Ranking tournaments have levies which are paid from the entry fee and go the NZBSA separately.

The CBSA has set a budget for 2009 which will be the same as for 2008, except that with a reduction of income from interest received, that the CBSA will retain the sponsorship of our player members to the Nationals at the same level.

Parris moved a vote of thanks to Steven Church for the fine effort he has put into getting our finances into such a good order. Seconded G. Oliver. CARRIED.

The President moved that the Annual Accounts & Balance sheets presented be accepted. Seconded G. Oliver. CARRIED.

Election of Officers:

Patron Chris Anderson was nominated as patron for year 2009 by a unanimous vote.

Vice Patrons W Le Breton, A Parris, W Simons, W Burney and Peter de Groot were reconfirmed, Moved W. Ramsay seconded C. Anderson. . Carried

President Alan Paris Nominated B. Marychurch/G. Oliver. ELECTED

Vice President No nominations.

Secretary Wayne Ramsay Nominated Alan Paris /B. Marychurch ELECTED

Treasurer No nominations. The executive is given the power to elect someone during the year

Publicity Officer Wayne Simons (includes Interclub) Nominated B. Marychurch/G. Oliver ELECTED

Recorder Peter de Groot Nominated Alan Paris / W. Ramsay ELECTED

Match Committee Convenor To be advised

Match Committee (1) Alan Paris
(2) Peter de Groot
(3) Bob Marychurch.

Trade Delegate David Greenwood Nominated Alan Parris / W. Ramsay ELECTED

Judicial Committee: Bill Earle & Chris Anderson. Nominated AP/GO ELECTED

Auditor L E Dillon Nominated A. Parris / W. Ramsay ELECTED

Life Member. Tom Yesberg.

Subscriptions: Set at \$20 for 2009 by the Executive at the December meeting. Moved B. Marychurch/G.Oliver. CARRIED.

Calendar of Events 2008. Been sent out for 2009. Again changes keep needing to be done. The latest copy can be found on our website. Also all fliers for CBSA tournaments can be downloaded from our website now. The current calendar was adopted. Moved AOP/B. Marychurch CARRIED.

General Business.

Interclub Rules. As above that all Interclub Snooker be played in the rotational play as trailed by Premiers from 2009 inclusive. No semis. The winner of the division goes through to the finals and the 2nd and 3rd placed teams play off for the finals spot. This suggestion is to be addressed by the match committee.

Calendar of Events 2008.

1. Gary Gillard Asked if the interclub snooker could be finished when day light saving is started. Does not want to see it carry on late into October. He suggested that we have no byes for SI Pairs & Nationals. Chris Anderson advised that Richmond has 10 teams in the SI Pairs and when this tournament was away from Chch they needed the bye for travel. Papanui and Hornby are in a similar situation. GG also suggested that Semis be played on Wednesday and Finals on Saturday in the same week.
2. Bill Earle asked about the supper at interclub competition nights. He suggested it would be better in these times to eliminate the need for the supper, and just have a social drink and chat instead. That the host team shout their visitors a drink. After some discussion it was decided to advise clubs of this move and to see if it is adopted. Secretary to send out a notice advising all clubs.
3. GG asked if the CBSA would consider sponsoring the highest break in all divisions of interclub play at \$50 and the most improved player also at \$50. This would be based on the round robin play only, not play offs or finals. AP advised that the CBSA has already looking into engraved cups for this sort of recognition of our members
4. GG spoke on how he considered last year's player funding given to players, while it was great, was in his opinion not correct. His idea was that the top 3 snooker players received \$300 each, the current Canterbury A Grade Snooker Champion \$200 extra, the top 2 billiards players get \$300 each and the current Canterbury A Grade Champion \$200 extra. (\$1900). All present agreed that the current Canterbury A Grade Billiards and Snooker champions should receive something, and GO suggested that the balance of the budgeted monies for this tournament be spread evenly amongst the CBSA players participating, as this will promote these players and our sport. This was accepted by 99%.
5. GG advised the meeting that he is keen to provide free snooker coaching on a once a month basis at Cuthberts Green on the last Thursday of the month. He will also provide it one Tuesday a month at Papanui. This kind offer was gladly accepted. GO currently is providing billiards coaching for CBSA members on Tuesdays at Papanui.
6. Alan Parris asked GG if he would be able to assist with some coaching for the Snooker for Schools children. Currently AP has about 20 at Cuthberts Green on Wednesdays from the 18 February from 3pm to 4pm. GG offered to call in occasionally and assist with some coaching.
7. GG again brought up his displeasure at the levies charged by the NZBSA. As this was covered earlier the meeting continued.
8. GG requested that CBSA host another snooker tournament. Agreed
9. GG was asked to run the new "Garden City Open Snooker tournament at Cuthberts Green on 5th September 2009. Carried.
10. GG asked that the incoming committee do something to boost the lack of members turning up at the CBSA AGMs. AP suggested that we could perhaps use the telephone tree system.

Meeting closed at 9.33 with Alan Paris thanking everyone for attending.

Minutes prepared by Wayne Ramsay.