

**Central Squash Committee meeting Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2016,  
11am at SquashGym, Palmerston North**

Meeting opened 11:08am

**Present:** Rod Bannister, Kent Darlington, Sally Stantiall, Marilyn Dolan, Kelly Faint, Sylvia Penny and Pauline Slovak (minute taker)

**Apologies:** Rob Brownrigg, Kaye Carter, Emma Burnell, John Laurneson and Mike Jack.

**Previous Minutes:** Ran through action list.

*Moved by: Rod Bannister, Seconded by, Kelly Faint and Carried.*

**Matters arise:** Insurance and overdue 2015 accounts follow up.

**Correspondence inwards & outwards** – Sport Taranaki chasing results from 2013 Kiwi Sport Funding. Discussed Sport Taranaki funding but we have delivered to wrong schools. Sally is due to send accountability in before 6<sup>th</sup> May and said they will advise they want their money back. Rod asked if we could still deliver it but Sally advised the schools won't want us in there at this time of year.

Kelly said money received through funding should be tagged for that purpose only so it's not spent elsewhere.

Kelly said there should be a template to enter funding plans to the sports trusts.

Committee approved that Sport Taranaki be paid back as required.

Sally is concentrating on Wanganui and Manawatu this year and has no plans to work in Taranaki. Wanganui is Primary based and in the Manawatu she is working with a secondary school in Levin. Hope to go back to Sport Taranaki at end of the year to plan for 2017.

Prince advised pricing for rep gear but final figures and samples not available until April.

Letter of complaint from Levin regarding Interclub play offs. Marilyn has spoken to the letter writer Peter. Response to be sent and Hawera to be spoken too by Marilyn.

*Pauline moved that inwards is approved and outwards is noted, Kent Darlington seconded, Carried.*

**Administration Report** – Pauline Slovak

Newsletter almost complete will send proof in next week. We will be emailing them from now on as saves a few hundred dollars and trees. Prince series to be organized over next few weeks. Prizes still to be ordered.

Funding to be organized, we need to make sure we can deliver what we ask funding for within the time period. Resolutions to be passed for what we want funded. Pauline to complete accountability from now on. Takes job out of Treasurers hands.

Kelly said we should have a template for accountability.

Coaching plan appears to be based off of Coach Force only this year. The rest of the coaching plan is coming from Kent, which will include HP and Zones.

Advise importance needs to be placed on connecting face to face with clubs through Buddy club system. Patea hasn't had a buddy since Alastair White a few years ago and has been having issues. They recently contacted SNZ to ask for advice.

Sent survey out to clubs and have 4 responses so far. Mostly positive and one lot of feedback was to help clubs work toward more social squash not so much competitive squash.

**Presidents Report** – Rod Bannister

After another successful year in 2015 on and off the court, we enter 2016 with consolidation and planned growth in targeted areas in mind. Some pre season planning has already happened with a meeting being held in Marton during the month of January that covered off some key areas before we got under way:

The successful 50th Jubilee held at the Whanganui Squash Club was a great success thanks mainly to Kent Darlington for pulling the near impossible together

A new Squash Central Committee was elected with a majority of the group returning and a good balance of personnel spread right through out the District, seeing both Rob Brownrigg and Grant Smith step side after successful tenures at the helm. We have a vacancy as Treasurer, which we are planning to be resolved by the first meeting or close hereafter

Rod met with Grant and Rob in Palmerston North in late January to get a brief on some pending priorities for the year and to get up to speed with the state of play from their perspective

Central calendar is set out for the season with the NZ Doubles being played in Palmerston North, the Central Masters at Whanganui, District Superchamps spread throughout the Region, and KP hosting a Summer Open at the end of the year. A key to our operation is to acquire funding for the forthcoming to ensure we are able to finance our administration position, our Regional Coach, our HP Program, our rep teams and any other associated costs that we incur. Pauline and Rod are meeting with Robyn Walford on the 15th of February to discuss how she can help us acquire the funds in a timely manner that we need and to see where there are any other opportunities to pick up extra income. Robyn was the ED of Whanganui Netball

and has helped various sport organisations secure funding; she charges \$150.00 up front and takes a 5% payment on the total amount of funding secured, only if successful

Development Plans are in place for Zone Squads, Kent / Sally can update at the meeting

A major Club refurbishment is underway at the Whanganui Club, an 8 - 10 week project that started on the 2nd of February that is seeing the total upstairs lounge area be upgraded

Squash NZ National Conference to take place at Squash HQ in Christchurch in March. Sally will advise

New website up and running and updated as we go

Divide up Buddy Clubs to continue with open communication to Clubs about what we do and how we can assist.

### Coaching report – Sally Stantiall - Taken as read by everyone.

I have been working with Sport Wanganui over the end of last year, beginning of this year and we are all set to train their staff in the big nix kiwi squash modules in early April. This is in preparation for delivery of this programme later in the year. Currently we have 4 Wanganui primary schools signed up for this. I am currently working on locking in a date with Wanganui squash to deliver this module so that there is a sustainable programme at the club if they have an influx of juniors resulting from the kiwi squash in schools.

I appreciate the support I was given to be able to attend the National Coaching conference in Christchurch. It was a great opportunity to gain some valuable knowledge that I hope to implement and share throughout the district, with our players and coaches.

I would like Central squash to look at being able to fund between 5 to 10 hours a week for the continuation of working on building relationships and supporting clubs in the district. This would enable me to continue supporting clubs with project planning, which was started last year with some clubs. I would like to be able to work with our many clubs throughout our widespread district in helping them to identify, train and support their committees in different programmes that they identify as priorities for their clubs. This would hopefully increase members to clubs and help grow our sport throughout the district.

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Hunterville club have a handful of members who have expressed an interest in doing either a small nix or big nix module, and I am working with them to help them decide what will be more suitable, and this will be delivered early April.

I have almost completed a funding application with Sport Manawatu looking at delivering training modules following through to supporting school programmes in the Foxton and Levin area, with the aim of sending teams to NZ secondary school squash nationals held in Palmerston North in August.

Kaye is working on supporting some clubs in the New Plymouth area and will start with delivering a module to Waitara club, date to be confirmed.

Sally to get contract for 10 hours per week.

Applying for funding. Sally to report to committee at each meeting what has exactly been done.

**Finance Report – Rob Brownrigg –** Delivered by Rod Bannister – Payables – figure of \$6067 includes Air NZ (\$506) and Racecourse Hotel (\$140) for Sally attending Coaching Course in Christchurch. These payment have actually been charged to the Business Visa account already.

Also have asked Squashgym if we can net the \$910 they owe Central off the funds they owe us for 2016 Affiliation fees. May impact on their ability to obtain funding for this so will leave as is for now. We won't pay the \$910 however until they pay us.

Receivables

Statements have been sent out for monies owing.

Inglewood SC, Patea SC and Ohakea Sc have actually just paid 1<sup>st</sup> Instalment of 2016 Affiliation Fees. Cheques arrived in the mail this morning (24/3/2016) and will be banked today totalling \$1600.55

Need committee approval to write off payment owing for Massey Squash (\$60) and Darrell-Jane Taaka (\$30) as considered uncollectable.

Rod discussed about SquashGym doing our accounts. Rod will talk to Grant and perhaps we can advertise for a Treasurer.

Pauline to email members via iSquash for Treasurers position once Rob has given brief outline.

Bank Balances as at 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016

Cheque account \$12,326.98 Cr (plus \$1600.55 being banked 24/3/2016)

Visa \$646.00Dr

Term Deposit \$29,371.13 Cr

\$10,000 Debenture with Squashgym

List of Ages Payables and Receivables attached.

Aged payable \$6,067

Aged Receivables \$29,459 (less \$1600.55 mentioned above)

Committee approved that we write off debt owing for Massey Squash (\$60) and Darrell-Jane Taaka (\$30) as considered uncollectable. Moved by Rob Brownrigg, seconded by Sally Stantiall. Carried.

*Rod Bannister moved all accounts be paid, seconded by Sally Stantiall, Carried.*

### High Performance Report – Kent Darlington

Not much of a report and I'm struggling with my time available to be honest:

Just sorting out our HP Camp, first get together of the year really for our group. On Sat 28<sup>th</sup> & Sun 29<sup>th</sup> at Palmy.

Need to get onto a detailed budget

Need to confirm cost for players. Issue we have is we will be going into Zone Squad groups for selection for the One Day Rep fixtures this year. So because now they are not in the HP group (everyone was under that banner last year) how we going to sort that payment if they are selected?

Need to meet with Sally & go over Zone Squad plan/ideas/get funding?

Newbegin Shield is on Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> April (Away)

Waikato clash is on Sun 29<sup>th</sup> May (Away) – been in talks with new General Manager for Waikato, John Fletcher. So he's sorting things out his end with venue etc.

Wairarapa Cup TBC with Willie (Wgtn) (Home)

I need to look at accommodation for Nationals

I need to follow up a few overdue fees from HP players

Had HP Camp 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> Feb at SquashGym. Good camp, better numbers now we have redefined to 16 or so.

Have been sorting out Zone Squad stuff with Sally. Finally had our 1<sup>st</sup> camp 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> March. We will have 5 throughout the year, each for 4 hrs. on a Saturday or Sunday. Have 3 groups, New Plymouth, Wanganui, Palm Nth and have had the training at KP & WG. Groups are made up of B grade Jnrs, Snrs & active Masters & C Grade Jnrs who we think can be a part of Central teams in the future. Good vibe & effort for the 1<sup>st</sup> camp.

Sally & I will conduct these throughout the year, with a few helpers. Hopefully help the young juniors get out & about the district in front of Selectors a bit more, hopefully our tuition will help them a bit if they come into Junior teams. Am pointing them all in the direction of tournaments around our area so they are out & about.

Have redone our HP Booklet with a few changes. Handed out to all Zone personal.

Am just doing up the Rep Programme Booklet for 2016, combining both Jnrs & Seniors.

Have started a HP/Zone Facebook page (closed group) that our HP players & Zone will use as a training tool. Kashif & myself will post training stuff, videos and tips.

Am finally getting the HP & Zone budgets & plans on paper (as I write this) so can get to Pauline so we can put in for funding. On funding front, need to discuss things, One dayers, Waikato overnight stay, Central Open Squad trip.

Have brought Sally in on our HP management group as well as another coach.

Am sorting out availability for Eastern clash on 2<sup>nd</sup> April, will be naming the team on Sunday. Already had contact with Eastern. Waikato clash – last spoke with John Fletcher & there may be a change of venue.

Wairarapa Cup – spoke with Willie Bicknell from Wellington, have left it in his court for 13<sup>th</sup> August, told him to talk to his players & come back to me later on. Have put in our Re booklet as **TBC**.

Still to look at Accommodation re Nationals & Waikato, will do in next week or so.

Discussed HP budget.

Kent asked what are we doing for juniors below zone squads? What's happening with TDC camp? Maybe Sally to organise 2 camps per year for U11 – U15.

Kent suggests getting TDC sorted and Sally to sort junior camps for next year.

**Juniors Report – Kelly Faint** Eastern clash took place, was great day, had 40 kids and we just lost. We had a few pullouts. Kents doing Rep booklet and including the juniors. Kelly has removed herself from selection panel so selectors are Grant Watts and Sally Stantiall.

One day with Wellington will be in Sept.

### MWR Zone – Sally Stantiall

No meeting until 2<sup>nd</sup> May at Feilding at 7pm. Masters interclub is running at the moment. Masters IC is going well and womens numbers are up enough they maybe able to go back to fielding teams.

### Taranaki Report – Sylvia Penny

Inglewood has increased membership numbers - they are still going strong. Online booking has been a big success there.

Waitara continue to get along - full committee this year, junior programme has just started and they have a ladder league in place as well. Applying for funding from TET for gear and operational costs - not sure of the outcome as yet. Our club president Gael has been out at Waitara painting the interior of their clubhouse. They also have two tin sponsorships in place. KP - continues on steadily. Kaye held a very successful newbies women's group just recently- all have joined and are all mad

keen, all are going to play inter club and the majority of them are playing about four times a week! Great to see. Business House is nearly finished- only 10 teams in this round; probably holding the league on Monday night instead of our usual Friday night wasn't so popular. Reason for Monday nights was the Club lounge was pre booked for about 7 weeks on the Friday night for wedding setups. So we lost out on more B/H teams but gained on function income! KP will offer a 15% reduction of any subs for new players from the B/H League. KP is holding a retro tournament in April - this was popular last year and drags some old ex players out of the woodwork to reuse their wooden racquets and white headbands etc.!

Sponsorship is all in place for the Central Open. I will endeavor to try and get some response from the other Taranaki clubs next time - the season is only just getting underway for most of them.

Marilyn asked if Pauline Starchurski asked about Women's Masters Interclub as she said it was dead up there? Sylvia advised No she didn't. Pauline asked who is organizing IC up there now as it was decided last year to try and bring it back in under Central. Sylvia said the sharing around the clubs isn't happening anymore its being run by a zone Committee like MWR zone. Hamish Gray at KP is organizing it. Sylvia said Taranaki has no Master IC at all. Marilyn is going to send her some info about how MWR works it.

### **Kaye Carter – Taranaki coaching in schools**

Been a bit of a shambles... I did take a couple of school groups but they approached us so apparently weren't in the plan for that funding. It was all left up in the air and there wasn't any real follow up from Fletch. I had been happy to take some schools here at the club if it fitted into my day, but not to be trying to organize it as such. In saying that I did make the contact with Fitzroy School as that's where my son goes and they did bring kids to the club last term 2014, but they couldn't do it again 2015. When Fletch initially got this funding I still had a preschooler so my time was pretty limited... I spoke to Terry Long Tuesday evening and explained this to him... I think the funding was a great idea but there wasn't the person here to do the groundwork. Hope that helps a bit.

**Buddy club feedback.** New allocations given, copy of list will be sent out.

**Tararua** - Emma

Hi Emma Great to hear from you, and thanks for getting in touch.

Well, we are just kicking the season off with Business house, and already obtained a heap of new members, and a few people shifting into the area have joined up, so our membership is still looking strong, no worries there! We are hard out fundraising (firewood) to install our glass backs, which we are just waiting on some drawings from the draft person, then to a structural engineer and funding applications once we have a \$ amount to work off.

Our first tournament is on Anzac long weekend, Thurs, Fri and Sat, so looking forward to that. On a grumpy note, feedback about interclub and travelling almost every week has not been great.... Little clubs like us and Hunterville etc. missing out on bar takings, and support for the clubs.... doesn't seem fair. Was there a zone meeting so we could voice our opinion, if there was we never got an invite to it? A lot of our girls not keen to travel more than an hour every week and take supper as well, without a home game, so they not keen to play interclub, so we have organized our own women's competitions with Masterton and Dannevirke, who both keen to do home and away matches.

So, that's about it from us, be interested in Centrals feedback regarding interclub, as we feel it is a concern in many clubs around the district.

Cheers Andrea

**Wanganui** – Kent Darlington As you all know the Wanganui Squash Club is undergoing renovations in its upstairs lounge look on Wanganui squash or Central Squash for updated pics). Should be great when it's all done. Lounge, kitchen & toilets will all be in workable condition for the Open Tournament next month. · AGM was a month ago & the Club has had a number of business minded people come on the committee, best committee in a long time. However Committee/club has struggled with organisation & roles for years so this is a priority for the committee to get their "ducks in a row" now. Club is getting things together for the Open next month, better people organising it this year. However club has had a bombshell dropped this week as President Richard Te Ngahue has stepped down from his role at the latest committee meeting. Fellow committee members are taking up the slack for the time being.

Rod Bannister has had a group of juniors hit on a Sunday through his WestCoast Academy for a couple weeks now. 14 last week.

**Feilding** - Marilyn Been in touch with Feilding and all okay.

Patea – Rod Bannister Spoke to them twice, President Noel Perrott nasked after a committee meeting what do Central do for us. Rod has sent the information sheet through to him. He is going to speak to him again next Tuesday.

**Masters Report** – Rod Bannister

We will struggle to send a team this year to Nationals in Dunedin as far as funding goes. We may give players the option to go but they may have to pay most of their way there. Janice Trevathan to be approached by Sylvia to be Manager for Masters team. Pauline to check with Rob how much funding was raised last year for the team.

### General Business

Jubilee should be around the Central Open not the AGM.

Rod to pay \$150 for trailer that was sitting at Wanganui.

Hall of Fame needs to be displayed somewhere. Currently they sit in Pauline's garage. Pauline suggested Wanganui as it is the most Central club and where we are likely to have all our AGMs Rod to run past Wanganui committee at next meeting.

Marilyn said Ashhurst have asked if Central will help with coaching. They have some people coaching littlies but they are not competent with more advanced players. Pauline advised we have funding through CoachForce to up skill their coaches. Sally to contact Diana at Ashhurst about coaching they require.

Rod asked what plans do we have for the use of the micro courts at Stratford and SquashGym? Pauline has spoken to Stratford about their micro court and Peter Mischefski advised that it has been well used and even though it is still very useable it is getting quite tired. Rod will liaise with Pete about the court. Sally to talk to Sports Trust about use of micro courts she personally has no plans to use them.

Uniforms – These will be ready to sample in late April. Sub committee to decide what uniforms are to be used and apply for funding to help reduce the cost to the players. Quotes and samples to be sourced.

### Funding

Kelly asked why we don't have any funding applications in for the HP programme yet as it happens every year shouldn't it be able to be rolled over with any small changes updated. Pauline advised this is the first meeting, we haven't applied in the past for the HP programme and Zone Squads so there is nothing to update. Also the plan and budget are yet to come. We have only ever applied to get the teams to Nationals.

Apply for funding to help cover District coaches wages of 10 hours per week for 6 months at \$30 per hour plus HP Manager and coaches contracts up to the value of \$15,000.

*Kelly Faint Moved, Marilyn Dolan seconded. Carried*

Funding resolution to apply to the New Zealand Racing Board to help fund the Representative teams uniforms application not to exceed \$10,000.

*Moved by Kent Darlington, seconded by Rod Bannister. Carried.*

Funding to help cover HP and Zone programmes costs up to \$5,000.

*Moved by Sylvia and seconded by Rod Bannister. Carried.*

Meeting closed 1.09pm

Next meeting Wanganui May 7<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

Minutes certified as true and correct

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Action List

25.3.16	Update HP booklet online	Pauline	ASAP
25.3.16	We still need to invest money into TSB	New Treasurer	ASAP
12.7.15	Plan to be put together to rebuild Central Juniors, location, date prizes etc.	Kelly and Sally	Before next meeting
25.3.16	Approach Janice to be manager for Masters. Find up how much funding has been raised.	Pauline & Sylvia	ASAP
25.3.16	Send out new buddy club list along with affiliation benefits from Central and SNZ	Pauline	ASAP.
25.3.16	Rod to talk to Pete about Stratford Microcourt	Rod	ASAP
25.3.16	Sally to get 10 hours week contract dependant on funding being received.	Pauline/Sally	ASAP
25.3.16	Pauline to organise funding for coaching roles and HP programme	Pauline	ASAP

