

**Central Squash Committee meeting Sunday 7th June 2015,
10.30am at SquashGym Palmerston North**

Meeting opened 10.32am

Present: Grant Smith, Mike Jack, Marilyn Dolan, Rob Brownrigg, Sally Stantiall, Kent Darlington, Emma Burnell and Kelly Faint and Pauline Slovak (minute taker).

Apologies: Kaye Carter, Sylvia Penny, Rod Bannister and John Laurenson.

Previous Minutes: Sam Crawford from Squash NZ introduced to committee. Great to see new rep fixture against Waikato get underway, thanks to Kent for organising that. Ran through action list from previous minutes. Policy needs to be done especially health and safety. Holding page for breaking website to be organised ASAP instead of waiting until end of month. New District coach to be Sally Stantiall there are some things to be done there. Sylvia has been to Waitara and hopefully they can get up and going. Sport Taranaki want to help and there's a new sports hub going in up there but the club needs motivation. We will keep an eye on them.

Sponsors letters waiting on Inspire contract Pauline said she would like to send them shirts with Jubilee logo on them and an invite to a special Jubilee event if we can plan one. No Inspire contract yet from Jason, Grant Smith to get.

Matters arising: Get website holding page up sooner rather than later. SquashGym have new people in place and have written off a lot of their debt. Ed Burston is the new President and James Watts is the Vice President. New club manager Craig Bailey. A lot of new people helping out and there is a good vibe around the club and a clear plan moving forward. It will be a few hard years but they should be able to save it.

Sam spoke about referee's, NZ is down to about 12 National referees. It is compulsory for Senior and Junior Nationals players to sit club referee tests this year.

Chris Turner is keen to become district referee.

Rules and refereeing nights – Mike Jack has completed 2 in KP and is organising another in Stratford. Dianne Tasker will do one in Taihape and 1 in Rangitikei June/July. Pauline advised that Interclub players are not sitting their club ref test as requested.

Chase up Steve Kelly from Okato about Junior Prince results.

Moved by: Grant Smith, Seconded by Marilyn Dolan, and Carried.

Sam Crawford - Spoke about his background, has been in the National office for few months. He looks after National events, referees, Masters, calendar, social media. Spoke about 2016 event Nationals and to have regional events for end of July. Spoke about requirements and payments for hosting National events. National events for 2016 confirmed by Pauline SquashGym to host Doubles and Kawarua Park to host D grade Super champs.

National awards are managed by Luke. Grant advised we have fallen into line so we have changed nomination deadlines but they will still be awarded at AGM in December.

Correspondence inwards & outwards

All funding applications have gone. Have spent along time chasing things up, Junior Prince series especially some clubs have been very slow to supply results.

Pauline moved that inwards is approved and outwards is noted, Grant Smith seconded, Carried.

Presidents Report – Grant Smith

Great to see our first rep match versus Waikato taking place. Good that the northern part of the district hosted and provided a good part of the players.

Events - PSA on now, Central Open, Master, Juniors and then Super Champs coming up. Grant asked if all is underway with these events? Pauline said she has ordered medals and trophies and all is in hand at present. Kelly Faint said a few Juniors haven't been keen to play Central Juniors. They have looked at what the competition is and said no. It's a bit of travel for some. Kelly to follow up with John Laurenson about junior numbers and keep the committee informed of what's happening. Spoke about Rep teams away and the cost of \$30,000 is huge to do this. We budgeting 25,000 and player contributions are around \$6,000. We really need that \$15,000 in funding to come in. Pauline said we need player lists for the Southern Trust. 3 team Managers to send through team names. We asked them for \$10,000 and have already been told we won't receive that full amount. Have applied to Mainland Foundation for \$5,000 only as they always decline our applications saying they are small and do not have a lot of funds to distribute. Grant said they are huge and one of the biggest Gaming trusts in the Manawatu. Applied to Lion Foundation for \$10,000 as well. Once NZCT has had accountability apply to them for \$15,000 Grant will call them. Rob to get accountability done ASAP and advise Grant and Pauline as soon as it is done so another application can be put in.

Grant has asked that each rep team raise a little money for themselves even if only \$1,000. We are underfunded. Kent asked why we are finding it so hard to get funded, Grant said it is probably a bit because we are across so many districts and spread

out. Central district cricket has the same issues as well. Invercargill is very expensive. Pauline said the hard thing is spending the money at present so that we can get the accountability done. Grant said for Sally to get some invoices in for her work and the coaching work that is and has been done around the district and get them all paid up and up to date. Spoke about getting coaching paid for.

Other than funding district is going well. We need to get Sally set up on coaching side.

Administration Report – Pauline Slovak

- Awards date set. Central awards to close on 4th October and be judged the next week to be to SNZ in time.
- Junior one under development just needs signing off from Kelly Faint. Kelly said not to bother now she has left it a bit late.
- Website progress – hope to go live in late July. We may have a holding page for just a few weeks as the old server gets shut down.
- Require hosts for 2016 Doubles and D Grade Super Champs, have requested interest from clubs. Doubles – SPN, D Grade – KP have expressed interest.
- Buddy Clubs – same as last year. Emma to do Dannevirke. Pauline to send 1 pager out to committee again.
- Logo for 50th Jubilee done and in use. What special events will we do for this?
- All funding applications are away we have requested \$72,500 in funding and have received \$26,000 to date with 4 applications outstanding for \$32,500. Once Rob has completed the accountability for NZCT we can apply to them again.
- Rep teams – All bookings confirmed. Player contributions come to \$6,100 see costing's. As agreed I have not ordered any uniforms and we will beg and borrow for the year with a plan to redo full new uniform next year. Junior and senior team names required for Air NZ by 20th July for Seniors and 30th August for the Juniors.
- Junior Medals and Central Open mini trophies have been ordered.
- Banners for Super Champs and Interclub to be done in a few weeks once SC entries known
- Lite club is coming to our district soon. It is a free service so hopefully all the clubs will register and take advantage. Email was sent to all the clubs.
- Newsletter completed.

Grant said to look at Auckland for their website content. Pauline to send Emma Buddy club page. Wangnui is meeting at 3pm about joining with Tennis, Kent is going to try and make the meeting.

Coaching report – Sally Stantiall

Grant moved that Sally Stantiall be placed as the new District Coach, seconded by Mike Jack and carried.

Sally has said Jason Fletcher has not passed on much. Pauline, Sally and Rob to get together and make plan to spend coaching funding. Grant said we need to pull it all together and really get a plan in place.

Finance Report – Rob Brownrigg

Grant moved that 2015 budget be passed, seconded by Rob Brownrigg and all agreed.

Bank Balances as at Friday 5th June, 2015

Cheque account \$37,105.94

Term Deposits \$37,917.69 Cr

Ran through receivables and payables.

Aged Payables \$15,690

Aged Receivables \$19,541.69 (adjustment for Wanganui Squash Club overstated by \$652)

Payables

\$10,00 payment to SquashGym debenture program to be paid, other payables are all remaining amounts for Rep teams travel and accommodation after deposits have been paid.

Receivables

Statements have been sent out for money owing.

Stratford Squash club is behind in affiliation payments, their second installment for 2014 is still outstanding.

Wanganui Squash Club don't actually owe this this amount listed as 2013 fees – actually made this payment last 2013 but wasn't credited to the 2014 fees – will sort this.

\$5,000 to be deposited into TSB, savings account with another \$5,000 to come.

About \$6,000 to come in from Sport Manawatu for last year. We should be due another payment this year if we apply for something. Sally to get moving on that and apply.

Rob asked about invoicing for Interclub MWR to have no bond this year. Taranaki run themselves but Grant wants to bring them into the fold, Pauline to ask Taranaki Zone if they want Central to administer for them like we do for MWR.

Rob Brownrigg Moved accounts be paid, seconded by Marilyn Dolan, Carried.

High Performance Report – Kent Darlington

Played Waikato in a One-Day clash at KP in New Plymouth on 16th May. Team lost 15 matches to 9. Were a bit down in firepower due to a number of issues (unavailability, resting players due to their workloads, matching up with what Waikato sent). Still a good start to rep play between our two districts, KP put on a great effort in hosting. Big thanks to Sylvia for helping getting billets for our Palmy guys that travelled up & for helping run the day. Good to give our other HP squad members a taste of Rep competition. Next year we will travel to them, obviously a southern part of their district, hopefully with a bit more fire power. The whole team will need to travel the Friday night (like Waikato did) and stay together so that will be a cost I need to put in next year's budget. This cost is only every 2nd year. Have most of our HP crew here at Palmy PSA Classic, couple have let me know they can't play it as it's a compulsory tournament for those wanting to go to Nationals. Next couple big tournaments & also compulsory for Nationals selection are NI Champs & Central Open. Have booked accommodation of our HP Squad for Central Open at KP in July at the Belt Rd Seaside Holiday Park. Luke & Kaitlyn have advised they won't be there due to being away at Junior Worlds.

Will look at doing a "Lucky Bonus Ball – Fundraiser" for team going to Nationals, try & raise \$1000 to go towards things. Other than that Naki & Palmy crews are generally training & playing, a few we have had words with to get them going etc. & get them to understand they can't rest on their laurels. David Greer has not paid his HP fee from last year or this year, he will not be selected unless these are paid, he will be spoken to again today.

We had planning meeting too late last year it needs to be about October this year.

Emma asked how could keen juniors who can't get to SquashGym get some decent training. Emma takes her daughter to Mana as has had no luck with SPN. Kent and Grant said get Sally to their club and train up club coach to run decent junior program. District coaching structure needs to be in place.

Juniors Report – Kelly Faint

Sent out an email to top 12 juniors. Both Koolans do not wish to be considered for Nationals. Will bring in Tarek and Mitch from Taranaki. Selectors are Kelly, Sally and Grant Watts with Kashif advising. They all have 4 tournaments to choose from and its compulsory for each player to play 2 of them.

Masters and Rules and refereeing – Mike Jack

Have had no response from any other squash players who haven't played before particularly the men. I have conducted two rules nights at KP squash club and need to touch base with Stratford to arrange an evening there. Hoping to catch up with Emma Burnell on Sunday regarding her thoughts on refereeing. Di is reactivating her District refereeing qualification.

Taranaki Zone - Sylvia

Hawera had a well attending exhibition match featuring Martin Knight recently. Waitara is putting in a comprehensive funding application for junior gear, affiliation levies etc. They had 10 juniors turn out for the first Junior evening and have new President. Inglewood coming along well as always with 96 members. Haven't heard from any of the other clubs. KP has a bit work to do on warm up room, which has had a leak.

MWR Zone – Marilyn Dolan

April meeting 14 showed up. At end of the meeting each person introduced himself or herself. Got a good update from Ed about SquashGym and from Taihape who are no longer going into a sports hub so will investing money into their current building. We have 39 teams playing interclub. Masters men's want banners and they are willing to pay for them since there is no entry fee. No bond this year for Interclub teams.

General Business

Grant said we should fund Kaitlyn Watts to Junior Worlds to the NZ Junior level. Grant Smith moved that we fund her to the level of our funding policy of \$300 seconded by Emma Burnell, Carried. Mike Jack donated another \$50 towards her trip.

Meeting closed 12:06pm

Next meeting Sunday 12th July 2015, 10:30am at Kawaroa Park Squash Club, New Plymouth.

Minutes certified as true and correct

Signed _____ Date _____

Action List

19.4.15	Policies to be developed and put in place.	Committee	Before end of year.
7.6.15	Coaching funding to be spent, plan needs to be put in place.	Sally, Rob and Pauline to liaise	Urgently

7.6.15	Follow up with numbers for Juniors with John Laursen and keep committee in the loop.	Kelly Faint	before competition
7.6.15	Banners to be ordered for Master interclub, Graded Interclub and Super Champs all together.	Pauline/Marilyn	Once SC entries in
7.6.15	Inspire contract to be sent through to Pauline to keep on record and update as required.	Grant Smith	ASAP
7.6.15	Pauline and Rod to draft letter to sponsors and shirts with Jubilee logo to be sent.	Pauline and Rod	ASAP once inspire contract received.
19.4.15	Draft change Central Squash to Squash Central in the constitution to be passed at the next AGM	Pauline	Before AGM remits are sent out.
7.6.15	Grant to be advised as soon as accountability is done for NZCT so we can reapply to them for the Rep teams. Grant will ring the Trustees.	Rob	ASAP
7.6.15	Website feedback needed we need to remove and or combine information on some pages. Auckland is a good example, their website is their main contact.	Committee	Urgently
7.6.15	Sally to get onto applying to Sport Manawatu for funding for this year	Sally	ASAP
7.6.15	Contact Taranaki Zone about coming under Central administration like the MWR zone.	Pauline	Before next meeting
7.6.15	Make date for planning meeting in October some time after all rep teams are back	Pauline, managers/ Coaches	At next meeting in KP