

# Squash Central Committee meeting Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2016, 11am at Hawera Squash Club, Hawera

Meeting opened 11am

**Present:** John Laurenson (by phone), Pauline Slovak (minute taker) Dianne Tasker, Marilyn Dolan, Mike Jack (By phone) Emma Burnell, Kaye Carter, Sylvia Penny and Kent Darlington (by phone).

**Apologies:** Rod Bannister, Kelly Faint and Sally Stantiall

**Previous Minutes:** Received by all.

*Moved by: Marilyn Dolan. Seconded by, Dianne Tasker and Carried.*

**Matters arising from minutes:** Ran through action list. Wellington to confirm but Triangular on calendar. Okato payment sorted. Marilyn spoke about grading list and loss of points through inactivity. Okato had a lot of suspended members. Wine fundraiser going for next year. Sylvia asked about funding. Spoke about Robyn decided not to use her for 2017 onwards as we received less funding this year than last. Pauline advised it had been difficult to do accountability without having a good feel for the funding we had applied for. Robyn had introduced us to the racing board, which we knew nothing about and we got good funding from them for uniforms so this more than covered her fees. Kaye asked if we should not use Robyn but pay Pauline more hours to do it.

**Correspondence inwards & outwards** – Awards close tomorrow. HP players congrats letter has been sent. Pauline to look into designers and printers. Get deadline and price. Sylvia suggested a designer that KP uses who is involved in squash.

*Pauline moved that inwards is approved and outwards is noted, Sylvia Penny seconded, Carried.*

**Administration Report** – Pauline Slovak

Champion of Champions heading away the first week on November we have 10 players going all won the districts. No runners up have been invited so hopefully this means they have good numbers entered. Awards close tomorrow. Who will judge them? Marilyn suggested Joss Urbahn who is a life member. Pauline to ask her. Need to start on annual report. We need to have this together in the next few weeks so all start working on your bits. Hopefully the accounts are sorted and ready to be reviewed as they take a little while. The Annual report is a huge job for me and takes about a week of not doing much else. Junior Accom booked for next year. Hope to do seniors and masters soon just waiting for manager's preferences.

**Finance Report** – Dianne Tasker

Nothing to report most covered in matters arising. Accountability and payment back to Pub Charity to be done. Nothing outstanding that's of concern.

Okato, Stratford and Eltham affiliation fees overdue from 20<sup>th</sup> Aug.

Teresa, Kent and Grant to be paid this month.

*Dianne Tasker moved all accounts be paid, seconded by Kaye Carter, all agreed.*

**Presidents Report** – Rod Bannister No report received.

**Coaching report** – Sally Stantiall - No report received

**Performance Report** – Kent Darlington

Senior Nationals was once again another superb effort from both our Women & Men's teams. The Women won the NZ teams event final for the 2nd time in 3 years! After being seeded 2nd they pretty much swept everyone aside & only dropped 1 match over the 3 ties. Dani, Tamsyn, Kaitlyn, Holly & Rebecca all stood up at certain times to play some unbelievable squash & upset higher ranked players. The Men's team of Kashif, Jason, Ben, Stephen & Nick who were seeded 7th performance above expectations to as they knocked over Waikato the 2nd seeds first up. They ended up finishing 4th.

I will enter the Womens team into Central Awards & Manawatu Awards, also sorting out team photo. Big news surrounding Senior Nationals next year is that the event is splitting into 2 events, individuals 23rd/25th June, teams event 18th/19th August. So cost will go down for the district as I imagine we will only pay for the teams event & maybe individual entry fees – will speak more at the meeting.

Kashif is stepping down as HP Coach – letter/email attached Our last Zone Squad Camp middle of September was average really. The NP one only had 3, but I didn't mind those 3, as they were the keen ones! I ended up cancelling the WG one as only had a few commit & they weren't the committed ones. It's been a good process, which gets the next tier of players involved, however next year a few things will need to change. 1 – payment, it will need to be paid prior to 1st camp or on the day otherwise no training. 2 – will the groups be big enough numbers wise especially out of WG, if not we just send Sally to those clubs/players that want the training. 3 – No more chasing players, put email out to players, clubs & act on those who

reply, that way the ones we get actually want it. Another issue around payment has arisen, which needs to be discussed, just got this txt from Brett McKenzie (WG) on 6/10/16 after I txt the last few to pay: "hey kent apologize that hasn't been paid it and understand its overdue. How ever there were 4 sessions and only went to 1 don't think it justifies 100 dollars but also know that you and sally took up this in your own time to do so and happy to met in middle and pay 50 if that suits" My reply: "hi Brett, it was \$100 from the start for everyone whether you made it to 1 or the 5 (think you made 2?) as that was the incentive to pay it & attend, otherwise we would have everyone picking & choosing what they wanted to go to. I'll take it to the board, let them know your reply above & come back to you on their decision". Other overdue fees - Nathan Swanson (I'm ringing Sally tomorrow Tuesday to follow up an email from her about him), Daniel Foster, Ngakuiria Osborne, Nick Stretton I will have rung them by the time the meeting is held. Will update all then. With me stepping down Grant Watts & Sally have indicated they are happy to step in as managers/coaches for event days. Pauline will need to do the logistics & communication with Eastern/Wgtn/Waikato around rep matches, with host clubs of rep events, with players availability via the help from Grant & Sally as they will be around the players daily. Am doing 2017 plan with Grant, budget starting to shape up.

Kent spoke about Senior Nationals. Kent suggested we pay entry fee for Indiv and we pay for team's event. Di suggested we pay teams event and not indiv entry fee.

Zones full fees need to be paid and next year it's up front or on the day otherwise no participation. Rod to call 3 outstanding players and advise full fee to be paid. If people are paying the full fee then we can't cancel them even if only 1 player is going to show up.

Do we need to replace Kashif. Sylvia suggested Shaun Sanson. Kent will talk to Grant and Sally about it.

Waikato one dayer next year will we have it at Kp or Ohakune to be on 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Sylvia said KP happy to do it. John said happy to do it also. Decided we would alternate between them.

Decided to do it Ohakune. John will confirm with committee.

### **Kashif letter**

Hi Kent, Thanks for the email.

After 5 years of serving as Central HP coach, I have decided to step down from the position. I have been given the job to take the NZ Men's team to the World Team Champs next year. This involves taking them through camps and following them around all season here and then onwards to the northern hemisphere for World Individuals and Teams in November and December. Not only will this take a lot of time but energy more significantly. I believe its best if I focus on one coaching job and do it well rather than more than one and not do it properly.

I would like to thank Central for having me on board and giving me this amazing opportunity. It's been great working with the teams and players. Even more so I have enjoyed working with the managers - yourself and Grant and feel I have learned a lot through both of you. I am still in Palmerston North and happy to guide coaches if need be. Please don't hesitate to ask. I wish Squash Central all the best.

**Juniors Report** – Kelly Faint – No report

**Masters** – Di – Thanks for support well worth it. Good public relations. Everyone excited about New Plymouth.

**Taranaki Zone Report** – Sylvia Penny – received by all.

### **KAWAROA PARK**

A very successful and busy D Grade Nationals. Fabulous event and wonderful support from club members who stepped up to run errands, do bar duty (some long hours!) help with collating results and were team liaison officers who looked after and supported their respective team. It was a great buzz! Other than that:

KP Summer Open coming up – no points, open to all players. Good wind up before Xmas

Lots of private functions booked at KP - 16 x functions before Xmas- includes daytime bookings

KP has had a pretty busy year – down on membership this year though although junior numbers are still steady. Our C grade men's team came 5<sup>th</sup> at C Grade Nationals – they didn't have much favourable stuff to say about their host club.

I asked the other clubs whether they pay or contribute to any club teams going away to SuperChamp eliminations and any teams making Nationals.

KP pays \$500 to a team travelling to the South Island and \$300 in the North Island

AGM -23 November

## OKATO

Re Superchamps (& interclub) – if there are any entry fees, the club covers the cost. If we ever got to Nationals, the other costs would have to be taken to committee to make a decision, but likely would only cover a portion – not all.

Other points are that Junior numbers are a big concern with very little by way of interest.

Re: admin, Marilyn informed me the other day that by suspending players only on grading list, that they still attract a SquashNZ levy – so we have been over paying for some time...

Not much else happening sorry.

**HAWERA** - Our D grade Superchamps team got 3<sup>rd</sup> in the National event held in New Plymouth, were seeded as 8<sup>th</sup> - great effort.

Quite a few juniors participated in, enjoyed and were successful in the Prince Junior Series

2 juniors from Hawera club went to NZ junior nationals in Hamilton in Sept .Abbie & Reece Holmes

Reece Holmes benefited from Sally Stanstials coaching over last few months as part of the talent development programme Also in answer to your question below our club only pays the entry fee for the eliminations, but we put in funding applications for accommodation, travel etc for the Nationals.

**INGLEWOOD** - Firstly. Yes our club pays entry fees for Interclub, District Super Champs and District Champ of Champions. And any players selected for Central rep teams are given \$50.00 towards costs.

Club shirts etc. are players/teams responsibility. Many times they have been sponsored by local player businesses. A lot of players have our club shirts/jackets etc.

As for Nationals it would be as it was for some teams, the club would help with fund raising to assist with accommodation etc. But perhaps not cover all costs. (haven't had any National reps for ????)

Membership – 122 as October 10th. (Senior 60, Social 28, Junior 33, Non Playing 1.)

Triathlon – sponsored; beginning Oct.13th for six Thursdays. (Squash, Cards, darts.) Twelve teams of three entered, non members included.

Juniors – Monday Club Nights – are continuing. During holidays, two days, games for keen players were held.

Monday Club Nights continuing. Players get five consecutive games of 10-12 minutes each. Usually have an hour on courts depending on entries.

Names put on list by Friday night. Draws done Saturday then players are txt times. Averaging 20-25 players a night.

Internal Teams Challenge to begin end of October. – run like interclub for five weeks, with supper at end of evening games. Six teams of usually 8-9 players; all members catered for- Senior, Social and Juniors. Sponsored prizes for winning teams.

Christmas Fun Day – planned for December 18th. Games, lolly scrambles, Santa, gifts for Primary age and below, party afternoon tea.

A.G.M. – date set November 23rd.

Waitara, Stratford, Eltham – not contacted.

Spoke about Okato – Kaye was keen to go there but wants to know what would be funded.. Pauline advised speak to Sally about what SNZ will cover and then let SC know what else you would like to do that we can possibly fund.

Spoke about funding teams and bar profits. What do other clubs do to support travelling teams.

## MWR Zone – Marilyn Dolan

Superchamps have been and gone both District and Nationals.

Nationally we faired really well, results being:

B Grade	Men	Squashgym	1 <sup>st</sup>		
	Women	Squashgym	5 <sup>th</sup>		
C Grade	Men	Kawarau Park	4 <sup>th</sup>		
	Women	Ohakune	4 <sup>th</sup>		
D Grade	Men	Wanganui	5 <sup>th</sup>	Hawera (Pull in)	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Women	Squashgym	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kawarau Park (Pull in)	4 <sup>th</sup>
E Grade	Men	Ohakune	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
	Women	Ohakune	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
F Grade	Men	Rangitikei	5 <sup>th</sup>	Ohakune (Pull in)	5 <sup>th</sup>
	Women	Ohakune	3 <sup>rd</sup>		

Well done to all teams that went away, especially the SPN B Grade Men who won.

SPN D grade girls were seeded 9<sup>th</sup> so fantastic to come 3<sup>rd</sup>. Was a proud nana.

## Inter-club Zone playoffs.

These being played in Hawera on 15<sup>th</sup> October

We have 6 match ups, 4 men and 2 ladies. Have 2 teams coming over from both Dannevirke and Tararua which is great to see so made sure we got matches for them.

Naki Mens Div 1 only team to not put up a team, so got a pull in.

Should be a great day. More organised this year, and guys have promised to behave.

## MWR Zone

Masters is about to start with 12 men teams and 35 ladies playing individually. This will run for 6 weeks.

## Buddy Club feedback

I attended Feilding's AGM tonight. They have lost a lot of their major committee. They didn't nominate new committee or do subs for the year. Tom is the new President.

They have lots planned and seem to be going in the right direction.

Have opened up downstairs into another lounge/bar with a local club.

Starting to plan their 50<sup>th</sup> next year.

Sally and Ben Calvert have 18 kids from Manawatu College. Levin Colleges don't seem very interested. Sports coordinators at schools are too busy.

Marilyn

## Emma Buddy feedback

I have written to both Joy at Squashgym and to Hamish (Dannevirke) re: buddy club stuff and Hamish will be filling in survey for us again. He had already sent it to Central but it appears it hasn't come through so he will send to me at some stage. No reply from Joy as yet.

## General Business

2017 Calendar – List of District hosts to be sent out.

Prince Contract Pauline to talk to John about Prince contract.

Awards – KP was going to do one. Only 4 nominations but hopefully more to come.

No one nominated for Taranaki awards. Kent nominated in Sport Whanganui awards.

Marilyn suggested Joss Urbahn – Contact her to see if she will judge and present?

Insurance – Got large bill for insurance. Di asked Rod to sort. We have paid a partial to insure up until this meeting. Emma suggested selling both trailers.

Insurance needs to be sorted. Sylvia will be looking into insurance see how we can reduce it.

Camera – Pauline advised her camera has crapped out and she has no plans to buy a new one. If Central wants better quality pics than her phone can take they will need to look at purchasing one. Committee decided it was not necessary.

Annual report - second week of November with date to be firmed up.

COC – should be more Central. Wanganui maybe to host 2018 onwards or Hawera. Anywhere else is a bit too far away.

Meeting closed 12:33

Next meeting AGM then Planning meeting soon after.

Minutes certified as true and correct

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

**Action List**

15.10.16	Awards to be organised and Joss asked to judge	Pauline	Done
15.10.16	All to have annual reports to Pauline asap	Committee	Before 7 <sup>th</sup> November
15.10.16	Quote for annual report from Little rocket	Pauline	Done
15.10.16	Kaye to speak to Sally to help Waitara re funding	Kaye/Sally	Asap
25.3.16	Detailed report to be given or what activity, progress and results have been achieved in coaching around the district.	Sally	Not done
25.3.16	2 camps per year to be organised for U13 and U15	Sally	TBA by Sally
25.3.16	Ashhurst to be contacted about how we can help with coaches	Sally	ASAP??
2.7.16	Rod to meet with Sally about planning for funding.	Rod/Sally	When suitable
13.8.16	Mickayla to be asked to do wine fundraiser again	Rod	Asap
15.10.16	Confirm with committee if happy to host 1 dayer with Waikato	John	Next club meeting
25.3.16	We still need to invest money into TSB	Dianne	After budget planning has been done for 2017
15.10.16	Hosting guidelines to be sent out to 2017 hosts	Pauline	After AGM
15.10.16	Prince contract to be renegotiated	Rod/John/Paul	Urgently
15.10.16	Insurance needs to looked at and renewed	Sylvia/Rod	Urgently
15.10.16	Inspire contract to be renegotiated	Rod/Pauline	Before end of the year.