

Squash Central Committee Meeting Thursday 20th April 2017 at 7pm in Wanganui via skype.

Meeting opened 7:02pm

Present: Rod Bannister, Marilyn Dolan, Tom Lumsden, Pauline Slovak (minute taker), Emma Burnell and Mike Jack. Via Skype and phone.

Apologies: Dianne Tasker, Kaye Carter, Kelly Faint and John Laurenson.

Previous Minutes: Received by all.

Moved by: Rod Bannister, Seconded by, Marilyn Dolan and Carried.

Matters arise: None

Correspondence inwards & outwards – Pub Charity funding application sent regarding club and zone coaching. Squash NZ reporting due soon.

Pauline Slovak moved that inwards is approved and outwards is noted, Rod Bannister seconded, Carried.

Administration Report – Received by all.

Insurance - I spoke to insurance brokers and it would appear the best suggestion is we self-insure which means we put what we would normally pay in premiums into a savings account to cover the loss of anything. Public liability is not required as the only event we really run is our AGM and Awards. This would be the only time we are liable and most of it is covered by ACC in NZ. So it is up to you all if we want to run the risk of losing either of the inflatable courts and trophies and having to replace or if we want to pay \$1400 per year with \$500 odd excess if we claim.

Courts are worth about \$5,000 each and the Trophies if all were lost and we wanted them engraved as currently would be about \$10,000 – 12,000.

Club Coaching Days - We sent clubs a request to register for a club coaching day where Central sends 1 – 2 coaches to the club to coach any and all that are keen. We advised preference would be given to clubs that wanted a CoachForce module. (this part is funded by SNZ) we would need to cover the coaching of players however but I see it as invaluable, we are helping our bulk membership of club players, they are improving and maybe a few who don't already may start to play tournaments. I personally thought we would have 18 out of our 22 clubs opt for this but we have had the following – KP, Inglewood, Patea, Ohakune, Wanganui and Levin. They have all said they will hold CoachForce Patea did say they will struggle to get 4 there and maybe some from other clubs could join in for the CoachForce. So that is 3 in each Zone. Maybe a good start. Southern Trust turned us down for any funding when I applied for Taranaki coaching. They advised they had no funds in the Central district to distribute. This is disappointing do we use another funder for this? Do we fund ourselves or not go ahead with it?

HP Role - We have had no interest in this position, I have been doing it, but I am looking at passing it on especially with my restriction of hours. It would be easy if all the players were keen but a lot seem disinterested. After an email and another reminder for the Waikato 1 dayer I had 4 people say they could play, 3 they couldn't and never heard back from the rest. Kelly has volunteered her kids even though 1 was supposed to be working so thank you so much Kelly. I am left hunting for more and am slowly building a team of mostly B graders. Anyway the role, who wants it? I have a 3 page document from Kent which gives you a bullet pointed list of what needs doing to guide you. Do I just cancel the one dayer or continue to scrape up a team?

Funding - We have had a poor start to the year so far. This is what we have applied for and what has come back. Still awaiting others. COGS can be reapplied for my salary only 2,000 and a lot of hoops but still worth it. That opens in next few days so will do it next week. We still have Nationals, Admin and District Coach Salary as big items to get funded. The Lion foundation is looking for people to fund but they will not fund new salaries so I think only mine can be applied for and also you can only have 1 accepted per year. I need some resolutions from you in order to proceed. Keep in mind we only have the following 3 funders left NZCT, Lion, Pub Charity and Infinity.

Presidents Report – Rod Bannister Received by all.

District Coach

We have had 2 very high quality applicants in Nick Mita and Shaun Sansom for the above role.

I have had several text, email and phone discussions with Shaun around the role and he has received the JD and other relevant information pertinent to the role and I plan to continue discussions with him moving through the process.

I met with Nick face to face over at Squashgym after he took the Elite Camp and have spoken to Grant Watts to get some feedback. Since then Nick and I have spoken on the phone and by email working through what he requires and if we can within our budget come to terms. This is an ongoing process and something I am working closely with Di on to see if we can come to an agreement; I have also made some subtle changes to the KPI's in the consultancy contract to match up with projected outcomes to suit Nicks preferred delivery still to achieve what we need to from a funding perspective.

There's no set timelines on making an offer however once I have looked at all the information and run it by Di I will be in more of a place to make Nick an offer. I would say this would be prior to the end of the month.

Buddy Clubs - Hawera / Levin and Squash Gym:

Phoned and emailed my key contacts at these Clubs on the 15/3/17 to let them know my role with them for the season and how we can assist with some recommendations around attending 1 committee meeting for the season and the best way for us to communicate going forward.

Coaching update. Rods meet with Nick Mita and has discussed with Kelly and Grant. Have had a whole lot of issues with Wellington worried we were stealing him. Rod has put an offer to Nick and we are waiting to hear back from him. He is currently doing work with the academy at present. Only concern is that pulling everything into Palmy. If he takes the position he needs to go around the entire district. We will need to be mindful that everything doesn't end up at Palmy. Kaye and Tamsyn to still do Taranaki Zone and CoachForce. Jason Fletcher still to do CoachForce in MWR area. Victor Romero has also put his hand up for some coaching as he is moving back to the area.

Finance Report – Dianne Tasker – Received by all.

There are claim forms for the junior 1 dayer in Hastings for travel to the tune of \$791.
The senior 1 dayer against Waikato is this weekend and there will be some expenses with this too.

Invoices owed to us: I have sent out affiliation fee invoices to the clubs and invoices to the elite squad for their yearly fee. These are trickling in and are not overdue yet - so not report.

Committee - I would like to sign Pauline up on Xero as a low level user so she has access to invoices etc especially for when she is doing the funding accountability. I think this would be very useful to her.

Dianne Tasker moved all accounts be paid. Seconded by Rod Bannister All agreed.

High Performance Report – Pauline Still need someone to take over this role. One dayer against Waikato went well the team played above and beyond and got very close to beating Waikato. Was a great exercise for them all. Central Juniors is next up in May and then the PSA. Both of these are selection tournaments.

Juniors Report – Kelly Faint nothing to report, Kelly away at Oceania's and NZ Junior Open, look forward to a report when back.

Buddy clubs- Pauline submitted Wanganui feedback. Emma is still trying to get in touch with Dannevirke. Foxton is fine. Spoke about what clubs are offering new members. Kaye does really well at KP she runs women's nights and club nights are going well. Tom said Feilding are looking at it, they have club nights several times a week. Rod suggested we all ask our buddy clubs what they do for new members. Levin gives tour and phone numbers of people to play and they have a club night.

MWR and District Captain report – Marilyn Dolan Report received by all.

Masters interclub started on 8 March with 17 Mens teams entering. This going for 7 weeks.

Ladies again going for individuals being put into teams. 8 teams of 4 players plus reserves, so again another good turnout. I have cleared this week of competition so that clubs can go to the SNZ workshop in their area. Will see if this works out ok. We will then look at having a Zone meeting to organise Graded IC competition taking the competition through to end of August.

Have been pushing for clubs to attend Roadshow.

Buddies

Patea will be attending both KP and Wanganui SNZ Roadshows. Keen to find out anything out there to help them maintain their growth. Gearing up for their first tournament for the year.

Feilding pushing to get entries for Central Doubles. Hopefully have a few more teams after a bit of canvassing at Masters IC. Apart from that they are looking forward to the year.

Had Dannevirke contact me, have new President this year and they wanted to know what is entailed in hosting Central Masters in August. President now Kelly Webber. Put them onto Pauline (sorry) as she had just sent out guide-lines to clubs. Have both Levin and Foxton presidents going to Roadshow in PN.

Dist Captain.

Will be attending Central / Waikato challenge in Ohakune on 2nd April. Will go up with team.

Zone meeting on the 1st May in Feilding. Graded Interclub due to start mid May.

General Business

Insurance Discussed possible solutions and decided on either self-insuring or paying for Pauline to add to her Insurance if there is a charge. Pauline to check with her insurance company about listing under my contents.

HP – Mike suggested Victor Romero to be asked. All agreed this would be great. Not sure if he wants to volunteer but can't hurt asking.

Funding resolutions

Funding resolution to apply to the NZCT and Lion Foundation to help cover rep team costs not to exceed \$15,000 each.

Pauline Slovak Moved, seconded by Rod Bannister, all agreed.

Apply to COGS for admin salary for 3 months.

Moved by Rod Bannister, Seconded by Marilyn Dolan, Carried.

Refereeing – We have no refereeing happening in the district, refereeing at the clubs are ridiculous Marilyn says. Mike asked what's needed? Marilyn suggested someone that knows the rules doing nights at the clubs. Marilyn said the standard around the district is bad. Mike said he hasn't been asked by anyone but we need someone in MWR as it is too far for him to travel for club rules night. Marilyn suggested we ask the clubs. Marilyn asked about DVD, Mike said the club NZ resource is on website. New DVD not in the near future is not likely. Mike said that time is the issue for him he is flat out with work. Ideally we need 2 district referees from Palmy area. Refereeing nights, Marilyn said she would do it and Jose may help, Emma is keen but hasn't passed exam yet. Marilyn said the old OZ DVD is out-dated and not helpful.

Mike has a presentation put together by Glen Carson. Not a DVD just a presentation. Rod suggested we start with Feilding and try and come up with a successful model and go from there. Glen's presentation is a power point display.

Mike said he needs some people to start district referee. Info to be put in the newsletter. Di is technically non-active and would have to sit the exams again.

Meeting closed 7:49pm

Next meeting via Skype May 18th 7pm – 8pm My Skype address is paulineslovak

Face to Face meeting Central Open, Palmerston North Saturday 10:30am

Minutes certified as true and correct

Signed _____ Date _____

Action List

20.4.17	Newsletter to be done and include refereeing	Pauline	April/May
20.4.17	Speak to insurance company about adding trophies to policy	Pauline	ASAP
20.4.17	Start Rules and Ref night at Feilding	Marilyn	ASAP
25.3.17	Invest money into TSB	Di	In progress
20.4.17	Give Marilyn presentation to use at Rules and Ref night	Mike	ASAP
28.1.17	Apply to COGS for Admin Salary 3 months worth	Pauline	From 18 th April
20.4.17	Apply to the NZCT and Lion Foundation for Rep team travel to Nationals	Pauline	April / May
20.4.17	Submit information for newsletter	Committee	Tuesday 2 May
20.4.17	Next meeting reports due in	Committee	SUNDAY 14 th May
20.4.17	Speak to Victor about taking on the HP Managers role	Rod	ASAP