

Squash Central Committee Meeting Thursday 18th May 2017 at 7pm in Wanganui via skype.

Meeting opened 7:00pm

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

Apologies: Marilyn Dolan, Kelly Faint, Kaye Carter and John Laurenson.

Previous Minutes: Received by all.

Moved by: Rod Bannister, Seconded by, Mike Jack and Carried.

Matters arise: None

Correspondence inwards & outwards –

Rod received email from Michelle at SNZ and the Presidents meeting. 25 – 26 June. Mike suggested Kaye. Rod will send email to the committee covering it.

Pauline Slovak moved that inwards is approved and outwards is noted, Emma Burnell seconded, Carried.

Administration Report – Received by all.

Insurance - Contacted my insurance provider AMP and they said due to me not being the owner of the trophies they are unable to list them under my contents.

Newsletter – Proof sent to you all. Marilyn is usually awesome at spotting errors as a fresh set of eyes as spell check is not always 100%. If anyone has any changes please advise by Thursday as I will send to printers on Friday along with the Super Champs stuff to go out to the clubs. Open to any changes additions etc or just layout suggestions. Gramt Watts wrote the story about the Juniors and it's a really good read. It is quite long however and I have tried to cut it down but feel most info is valuable. If anyone else wants to have a go at reducing it feel free.

Marilyn –Marilyn has had a stroke and is in ward 26 of Palmerston North Hospital. We have sent her our wishes for a speedy recovery but you may want to do something personal or on behalf of your club. Marilyn does a huge amount of work behind the scenes and her absence will leave a big hole to fill. Levin is hosting the Central Juniors this weekend and Emma and Kelly have co-ordinated to get the draws done which was no doubt quite a job so well done ladies. I will find a way to get the prizes, balls trophies etc. down there to you Emma. All failing there is always the courier.

I have just spoken to SNZ as iSquash requests go to Marilyn. These will now be redirected to me so I will have to brush up and study the manual as its been a while.

Super Champs is looming, as the year races by and I will be sending the poster and entry forms out next week. This is a huge job Marilyn does each year so we will need to discuss what to do about this going forward.

Funding - We are awaiting a few decisions on this. Hope to hear back soon. Rep team Nationals applications to go in next week.

Rod asked about interest in Super Champs from the clubs. Di said Taihape should have a few teams.

Presidents Report – Rod Bannister Received by all.

Masters Report

RB was contacted by Melville Holmes who wants to take on the role of Masters convenor for this season. Who's the best person for him to liaise with for this years Nationals in New Plymouth?

Rod asked whom he should talk to about the role. Mick said he could talk to him. He should contact Wayne Seebeck and advise he is the Masters convenor. Pauline said she can give him list from grading list. Di said he should contact top 2 -3 players in each age group and work down from there. Mike suggested Mickayla Kerr may be worth speaking too but Di said she has been deployed.

District Coach

RB sent a HP contract to Nick Mita 3 weeks ago, and despite a follow up and Nick saying he would be back to me by Friday the 12th of May I have heard nothing. RB also followed up with Shaun Samson to see what his movements are – he's living & working in Whangarei full time. Open to any feedback around Nick. He is very hard to contact and quite often doesn't get back to you. He is all over the country. Rod suggested we pull Nick back for HP camps, as this was all he was interested in. Nick did not want to do Squash In schools or CoachForce at all. We need to get a bit of commitment from him for this though.

Mike suggested we have someone in each of the 3 zones. Rod said we have Fletch and Kaye doing CoachForce and that's working but we need Squash In schools to get going. This is a District Coaching job.

Plan for 2017

Nick Mita – Elite Camps and perhaps Nationals. Elite consult contract similar to what Kashif had.

Fletch and Kaye – CoachForce and Zone coaching as required. Kaye to do Club coaching when funding comes through.

Mike said are we better with 3 zone coaches with someone overseeing it. Our district is too big for 10 hours a week and one person to make any footing. It is also too big an expense to have 3 coaches running in each zone and someone overseeing them. We need to make sure we are meeting the funder's requirements.

Rod suggested He do Squash in Schools here and see if Kaye and Tamsyn can do something in Taranaki.

Plans are: (RB to facilitate)

Squash in schools – plan with Sport Whanganui and Jodie Brunger to deliver this at the Whanganui Squash Club due to it having a junior program.

Look at running a coaching of coaches course for the Ruapehu / Whanganui / Rangitikei zone. Need to see what Jason Fletchers schedule is like to run this.

RB to Luke Morris to see what's required to up skill to coaching of coaches' certificate.

Club Coaching – We're still waiting on funding for Clubs that have shown an interest in this.

HP Role - Victor Romero is still up in Auckland and will relocate back to Palmerston North after he sells his business.

Finance Report – Dianne Tasker – Received by all.

Di asked about funding and Pauline advised we should hear back very soon from a few of them. Rod asked about going ahead with club coaching and Di said we had funding but it may be needed for Nick or other HP coaching. Pauline said because we have applied for it we should wait and see if it gets funded otherwise if we go ahead and pay for it then it becomes retrospective. Di is still trying to get Pauline access to Xero but it is a bit complicated and she will keep working on it with some guidance from an expert.

Juniors Report – Kelly Faint No report.

MWR and District Captain report – Marilyn Dolan

Feilding refereeing night went really well. Dannevirke cancelled theirs. Rod said Wanganui and Rivercity want to run one as well.

Rod asked about Feilding format. Tom advised went through DVD and stopped for questions. Marilyn had a small test for them to try. It was pretty casual and that's what's good for the newbies. Mike did one at KP and there was 25 attended. Di did one in Taihape and had 25 odd attend.

General Business

Insurance no go with Pauline's contents. Committee voted not to bother insuring the trophies or courts and to just pay to replace any that require it at the time.

Kaikoura fundraising. – Emma suggested they should be getting insurance and government funding. All agreed not to contribute towards the fundraising as we can't fully fund our district.

Mike asked when Di would do her District Referees. Di said she's not at this point in time she just wants to play.

Emma asked for a few Junior contacts as she needs to make urgent calls tonight to change games. Pauline said she will email after meeting with their contact information. Pauline advised Denise Holmes would be bringing prizes down and that there is a box of balls, towels for Division winners, bottles for all entries, miniature trophies for U19 winners to keep and the main trophies (not to be taken) but awarded for photo only and returned.

Meeting closed: 7:44pm

Next meeting Central Open, Palmerston North Saturday 24th June at 10:30am.

Minutes certified as true and correct

Signed _____ Date _____

Action List

18.5.17	Send email around mid year presidents meeting and if anyone would like to attend	Rod	ASAP
18.5.17	Mike to speak to Melville when in Hawera around Masters	Mike Jack	June
18.5.17	Set up Rules and Ref night at Wanganui/Rivercity	Rod and Di	ASAP
25.3.17	Invest money into TSB	Di	In progress
18.5.17	Nick Mita to be offered Elite consult contract	Rod	ASAP
ongoing	We still need someone to manage Elite squad	Committee	Urgently
28.1.17	Apply to COGS for Admin Salary 3 months worth	Pauline	From 18 th May
20.4.17	Apply to the NZCT and Lion Foundation for Rep team travel to Nationals	Pauline	Completed