



35th Annual General Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Crown Hotel, Traralgon on the 27th March, 2012.

- **Chairman:** Meeting opened by President Andrew O'Neill at 7:08pm.
 1. The Chairman President Andrew O'Neill noted that tonight's meeting will follow the **Constitution 11. Annual/Special General Meeting (4)** *The business of the Annual General meeting shall be – see notes (a), (b), (c), (d) & (e).* You can follow along in your handbook on page 11 if anyone has brought along one of the 200 handbooks we had printed up last year.
 2. Firstly welcome to everyone, we have a quorum enough to get started.
 3. Dave Bunny from the Churchill Hotel Motel asked me to tell everyone here tonight if anyone is looking for a venue his is available he has shirts ect, basically pleaded with me to get a side out of his venue as he only had three players, so if anyone is looking for a venue see me after the meeting please.

Constitution Rule 12. Quorum at General Meetings (2) *Fifteen (15) members personally present (being members entitled under these Rules to vote at a General Meeting) constitutes a quorum for the conduct of the business of a General Meeting.*

- **Attendance:**

Association Members

President Andrew O'Neill & Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar), Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens), Henry Kolakowski & Debbie Nicklen (Turks Breakers), Shane Stewart & Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers), Adam Skilbeck & Ivan Heasley (Morwell Club Rebels), Steve Bishop, Brendon Cleland & Don McIvor (Morwell R.S.L. Blues), Treasurer Rosa Payne & Scorer Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club), Chris Mayer, Alf Shingles & Mick Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts), Life Member Ted Norton, Rod Chapman, Lyn Bock, Graeme Street (G.J.H.), Ross Kenney & Anthony Dunne (Lenny's Lads), Graham Hodgskiss & Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras), Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters), Aaron Omera, Daniel Siddle & David Buhagiar (Turkanators), Brad Smith & Dennis Mills (Morwell Golf Club Swingers), Duane Morrell, Neil Stuckey & Ann Rockall (Turks Good Old Boys), Matthew Frenech (Morwell Club Shooters), Tom Gill & Steve Gray (Turks Bar), Greg McDonald & Rob Irvine & Steve Wilson (Choofa) (Crown Cougars) & Vice President Wayne Taylor, Milo Fuo, Shane Vogt & Allan Brooks (G.J.H. Blacks).

Non Members/Visitors

Chris Stapleton, Allan Goodwin, Caen Shingles, Greg Sanders & Tim Dale.

49 In Attendance.

- **Apologies:** Dave Bunny (Churchill Hotel), Claire Blackford & Horace Ancilleri (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) & Life Member John Burns (G.J.H. Blacks).

Constitution Rule 11. Annual/Special General Meetings (4) (a) to confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and of any Special General Meeting held since that meeting;

• **Minutes:**

1. The President Andrew O'Neill said that the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were emailed out to members and was also made available on the web site for you to peruse.
2. Also I have all the minutes here that I have typed up into two folders since 1977; I have back dated and have them all on file now so we can look back at any minutes that we want too.
3. The minutes of the last **Annual General Meeting** held at the Morwell Golf Club, on Wednesday 1st March, 2011 were read out (the important bits) by President Andrew O'Neill and asked for any business arising - none and was then accepted.

Moved: Brad Smith

Sec: Ted Norton

- Carried -

• **Correspondence:**

1. Pool Victoria entry forms for state doubles.
2. Victoria Premier League fund raiser.
3. ANZAC day tournament entry forms.
4. South Eastern Country Cup 2012 team entry forms.
5. Notices of Motions Andrew O'Neill
6. President's letter.

• **Around the Executive:**

1. **Vice President's Report:** Nothing to report.
2. **Treasurer's Report:**

Constitution Rule 11. Annual/Special General Meetings (4) (b) to receive from the committee reports upon the transactions of the Association during the last financial year;

1. Showed a closing cash balance of \$16,770.85, including assets and Junior account \$21,959.60 as of the 1st January 2012.

Annual General Meeting Treasurer's Report 2011

<u>Date</u>	<u>Document</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Total</u>
1st Jan, 2011	Balance Forward			\$13,043.57
	Profit/Loss	\$18,918.88	\$15,191.61	\$3,727.27
1st Jan, 2012	Closing Cash Balance			\$16,770.84
	Junior Balance	\$3,188.76		\$19,959.60
	Assets - Balls, Irons, Shirts & Lap Top.	\$2,000.00		\$21,959.60
1st Jan, 2012	Total Balance			\$21,959.60
		In Bank	On Books	Differenece
1st Jan, 2012	Amounts	\$15,926.94	\$16,770.85	-\$843.91

2. President Andrew O'Neill has made some copies of the financial statements for members to have a look at. These were handed out.
3. Total income for the 2011 year was \$18,918.88 with an expenditure of \$15,191.61. The league ran at a profit of \$3,727.27.



Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association



Treasurer's Report 2011

Registration No A 0016389V

A.B.N. 53 071 518 494

1st January - 31st December, 2011

Opening Bank Balance **\$13,043.57**

Income

Match Fees & Player Registrations	\$11,082.00
Winter Competition Money from 2010	\$2,700.00
Sponsorship - Members Hand Book Advertisement and Trophy Sponsorship	\$2,500.00
Annual Presentation Ball Partners & Deposits	\$1,535.00
Credit Union Interest	\$861.88
Sets of Balls & White Balls Sold	\$200.00
Team Fines	\$40.00
Total Income	\$18,918.88

Expenditure

Annual Presentation Ball - Table Hire, Band, Catering, Alcohol & Camers, Leads, Wrist Band	\$5,481.40
Trophies & Engraving Winter Competition	\$2,505.30
Printing (Members Hand Books)	\$1,227.19
Representative Costs - Country Cup	\$1,200.00
Pool Victoria Player Registrations	\$1,113.00
Entry Fees - Country Cup, Vic Health Carnival & Inter-League Day	\$915.00
Stationery & Admin Supplies - Computer Software, Printing, Phone & Postage & A.G.M. Drir	\$824.86
Vic Health Carnival & Inter-League Day - Bus Hire, Driver & Fuel	\$784.12
Aramith Balls Sets x 6 & White/Red Spots x 12 - Pool Victoria	\$550.00
Pool Table Iron	\$350.00
Singles Championships BBQ Food	\$182.28
Shirts Expenses (Country Cup, Vic Health & Inter-League Day)	\$56.45
Consumer & Business Affairs Annual General Meeting Report	\$0.00
Account Fees	\$2.00
Total Expenditure	\$15,191.60

Profit/Loss for 2011

2011 Opening Bank Balance + Total Income - Total Expenditure =	16,770.85
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Juniors Ledger Balance	3,188.76
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Assets - Timers, 2x Table Irons & 2x Brush, Laptop & Shirts.	\$2,000.00
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Total Cash & Assets at 31/12/2011	21,959.61
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4. The President Andrew O'Neill said that firstly I would like to say is that I have worked on the scorer's and secretary role and also on how to conduct meetings and the last thing I want to work on and that is the treasurer's role and how we go about it in which I hope to iron it out this year to get right.
5. What I have done is gone back over the last 10 years and got the treasurer's reports and compiled them altogether and noticed in 2009 we had a little issue happen where the juniors account was added twice. It is added into the total for the end of year total and in the following year on the running sheet at the start of the year in the opening balance the juniors money was included in that opening balance, but at the end of the year in 2009 it was added again to the total balance, it has always been kept separate after the running sheet. I only picked this up late last year so that \$13,043.57 on the opening balance is correct but in our treasurer's reports in our committee meeting it is incorrect, it has \$3,188.76 too much and in fact this has been the case for the last 3 years for all our committee meeting treasurer reports. I have corrected that but what we are going to do is we will look at the balance in the bank at the end of the year as well and not just on the books because over the years little bits of differences have added up to \$843.91 difference. So to fix all that the best thing for the treasurer to do is to look at the bank account on January first and go off that as that's the true figure for an opening balance. The problem we do have with our bank account is that we have the summer competition money in there as well and that throws us out. Summer competition is a zero start and a zero finish but the problem is come January 1st we still have summer competition money in there. I would really like to have a separate summer and a winter competition accounts and I would like to discuss with Wayne Taylor (Turkanators) about that, and if we can do that legally we will do it. We have taken out the junior's money and put it on an interest account back in September so that will stop that from being doubled up. So this year we will keep an eye on how we do our reports and transactions so that we can be more reliable and accurate in our reports. It's amazing how little things here and there add up, I noticed this when I did the scoring years ago with frames, it was easy to miss a frame and add an extra one here or there. I just wanted to bring it all to you so you know exactly what's going on, so at the moment we have \$16,770.85 in the bank as of the 1st of January 2012.
6. It was then asked if there was any business arising from the report and the President Andrew O'Neill said that just as a reminder that this part of the annual general meeting is about discussing last year's finances, we will discuss next year and what we can do in a few steps time after we have elections for the new committee, then they will decide what to do, not this old committee.
7. Sponsorship there is a sheet there for that showing all the sponsors and how much they have sponsored and who has paid and who has not in the green and red. Treasurer Rosa Payne noted that Barry Plant Real Estate has just paid. A couple have paid twice which will go towards this year's sponsorship. We had an issue with descriptions on deposited cheques couldn't work out who they were. Noted again that Turks Sports Bar is our biggest sponsor and a big thank you to Duane Morrell and Traralgon Taxis another big one too, thanks to all our sponsors and just noting also Gippsland Locksmith's who sponsored our scorebooks over the summer competition as well. Just remember with sponsors they want bang for their buck, times are tougher out there Publicity Officer Rick Merlo will find it harder this time to get sponsorship again. So when you do use them tell them you're from the association so they know. Lawrence & Hanson Electrical

probably won't pay as it's a big hassle for him to get a cheque out of head office, though if we ever run a raffle he would be happy to donate something towards that. We now have all the rest of our sponsors paid up so that good as the other year we were about a \$1,000.00 short. When you look at that sponsorship of \$3,000.00 and \$1,000.00 of that at least is sponsorship for trophies and about another \$1,000.00 is for the handbook printing and binding cost. So we end up with probably under a \$1,000.00 injected in to our bank account, so just understand how important that sponsorship is. So if you don't use it we loss it, Rick and I can't emphasise this enough.

8. The next couple of pages are to do with debts. Theo Luangxayanthone \$10.00 debt was paid by Ted Norton and also Ash Jenkins has paid his fines also of \$57.00.

9. Again any business arising?

Steve Wilson (Crown Cougars) asked about auditing and do we do it ourselves?

The President Andrew O'Neill said that we basically we audit ourselves and have as far as I know; I don't think we have ever done an audit. To audit ourselves ever year the cost is going to be a big factor. We will look into it though and see what we can do.

Vice President Wayne Taylor said that there's nothing in our constitution that says we have to audit but it's probably a good idea.

The President Andrew O'Neill said that we will look into the cost and bring it to the committee for them to decide; remembering that the whole point of this meeting is to get the new committee up and then they run the league from there.

Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens) enquired about moving a motion to get the books audited every year for the members.

Vice President Wayne Taylor said that the cost could be as high as \$1000.00.

The President Andrew O'Neill again said that Steve Wilson's idea is a good idea and that we will look into the cost and bring that back to the committee of management to decide.

It was also noted that Tom Gill (Turks Bar) is an accountant and maybe he could do it.

10. With no more questions the Treasurer's Report was accepted.

Moved: Ted Norton

Sec: Aaron Omera

- Carried -

11. Would like to thank Treasurer Rosa Payne for her time on the executive over the past 3 years as it is most likely she will not be taking up a position on the executive this year. I've had to look at a change because she's been heard dropping the "f" bomb a few times and spilling beer also, so I'm trying to get someone else up here, that's the truth of it! But no she's been a great asset to the league as secretary and now treasurer and has help out working on the secretary and treasurer's role sorting out how we should do things. So thank you.

3. Vice President's Report: Nothing to report.

1. The President Andrew O'Neill thanked Vice President Wayne Taylor for his 5 years of service to the executive and that he has been a great asset to the league as he will not be standing for a position on the executive this year.

4. Secretary's Report: Nothing. The secretary is not here tonight.

1. The reason why Treasurer Rosa Payne is writing madly is because the Secretary Megan Shawcross is not here tonight and therefore Rosa Payne has got here old role back for the night doing the minutes. Megan will not be taking up her role this coming year either so I would like to thank her for her efforts.

5. Scorer's Report:

1. The President Andrew O'Neill thanked the Scorer Damien O'Brien for his efforts for the year. Final reports:

Winter Competition Results Season 2011

Scores Division 1

Team	Fr	Set		Team	Fr	Set
Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts	7	3	Eliminat	Sports Bar	5	2
Turks Bar	8	4	Qualif	Turks Shooters	4	1
Turks Shooters	6	2	Prelim	Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts	6	3
Turks Bar	10	5	FINAL	Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts	2	0

Scores Division 2

Team	Fr	Set		Team	Fr	Set
Morwell Club Rebels	9	4	Eliminat	Top Pub Smashers	5	1
Morwell R.S.L. Blues	6	3	Qualif	M.G.C. Swingers	7	2
M.G.C. Swingers	6	2	Prelim	Morwell Club Rebels	6	3
Morwell R.S.L. Blues	7	3	FINAL	Morwell Club Rebels	5	2

1. Player of the Finals:

- 1) Division 1 - Tom Gill (Turks Bar)
- 2) Division 2 - Rick Bonnici (Morwell Club Rebels)

2. Player of the Grand Final:

- 1) Division 1 - Tom Gill (Turks Bar)
- 2) Division 2 - Steve Bishop (Morwell R.S.L. Blues)

3. Player of the Year (Gold Jacket):

- 1) Division 1 - Paul Pike (Turks Bar)
- 2) Division 2 - Aaron Rogers & Anthony Mills (M.G.C. Swingers)

4. Singles Championship:

- 1) Division 1 - Paul Pike (Turks Bar)
- 2) Division 2 - Brian Tervit (Morwell Club Rebels)

Summer Competition Results Season 2011 - 2012

Scores

Team	Frames		Team	Frames
		Division 1		
		<u>Elimination</u>		
Sports Bar	8	defeated	The Tav	6
Grand Junction Hotel Blacks	7	lost to	Turks Shooters	8
		<u>Qualifying</u>		
Turks Bar	8	defeated	Turks Shooters	5
Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts	6	lost to	Sports Bar	8
		<u>Grand Final</u>		
Turks Bar	8	defeated	Sports Bar	6
		Division 2		
		<u>Qualifying</u>		
Morwell Golf Club Swingers	6	lost to	Good Old Boys	8
Grand Junction Hotel	8	defeated	Top Pub Smashers	4
		<u>Grand Final</u>		
Grand Junction Hotel	5	lost to	Good Old Boys	8

1. Player of the Summer Competition (Cox Plate):

- 1) Steve Gray (Turks Bar)

Other Results

1. LV8BA vs. MG8BA Premiers - Turks Bar def Newborough R.S.L.
2. Player of the Year - Paul Pike 2-1 def Chris Paulet 1-0.

1. Country Cup Winners - Latrobe Valley 2 frames - 7 def Latrobe Valley 1 frames - 6.

6. Publicity Officer's Report:

1. Publicity Officer Rick Merlo would also like to remind all members to please keep on supporting our sponsors throughout the year. They appreciate it when you tell them you are from the association as then they know they are getting return for their investment.
2. Neil Stuckey (Turks Good Old Boys) of Sticky Stuckeys Honey and not a sponsor!!! Asked the question about all the sponsors getting a sheet or a plaque in appreciation? Publicity Officer Rick Merlo said that we do that every year. President Andrew O'Neill said that we didn't get that done this year. Treasurer Rosa Payne said she will try and whip something up for them. Publicity Officer Rick Merlo said that he be happy to hand that around to our sponsors.
3. Alf Shingles (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) asked about the card we had a few years ago that we could take to all our sponsors and show them where we are from with a list of all our sponsors on them, maybe we could look at doing something like that. President Andrew O'Neill said that in the handbook I've made it real easy for you to locate our sponsors so that you know who they are and their type of business. Janet Hedt (Turks Cobra's) said put it on the web site. Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said that they are on there.

Duane Morrell (Turks Good Old Boys) said that it's a good idea, food for thought. Publicity Officer Rick Merlo said that just as a rule and that if I go into a place that is a sponsor I just say to them that I'm from the eight ball association and that your one of our sponsors and I've come to see what your got and to support you.

7. Junior's Report: Nothing to report.

8. President's Report:

I would like to welcome all members, life members and any sponsors who maybe here to the LV8BA 36th Annual General Meeting for 2012.

I would like to give special mention and a big thank you, to the Executive and Committee for their work and support in making this Association successful in helping in its achievements for the year 2011.

Also a big thank you to all players and venues for their efforts, and help in promoting our Association in 2011, especially those who were on Sub-Committees such as the Annual Presentation Ball, Country Cup ect and those that helped out with the BBQ's, head adjudicating, setting up tables ect.

The Association has had a great and successful year with a great Winter & Summer Competition final series, especially in our summer competition with our biggest summer competition ever and our first division 2 final and also we had another successful Annual Presentation Ball.

Congratulations to our No. 2 team being successful in the 16th Annual South Eastern Country Cup, beating our No. 1 team in the last frame, and also to our 3rd team for their efforts too. We also had teams go up to Vic Health Day for the first time in years and also a team went up to the Inter-League day in Melbourne again.

Again congratulations on those that won the League Premiership in both divisions and seasons and also to those that won the individual titles as well. It's never easy because of the standard in this league, great effort.

I would also like to take this opportunity to inform members that if nominated for presidency this year I will accept and if elected will serve the association again for another year. I did say when I first took this role on that I would do the president's role for 3 years and this year would be my third, and so this will be also my last year as president but also on the executive too. I have served the association now for 7 years consecutively on the executive and I am now at this point in time looking at taking a break and giving an opportunity for someone else to have ago. There's nothing like change, it always brings new things and ideas to our association. Succession is important so this year we will look to that as an executive and look towards a smooth transition.

In closing I want all members to get right behind the incoming Committee again, and help our Association in the upcoming season for 2012.

Thank you all President Andrew O'Neill 2012

• **Election - Office Bearers 2012:**

Constitution Rule 11. Annual/Special General Meetings (4) (c) *to elect officer bearers of the Association and the ordinary members of the committee;*

1. President Andrew O'Neill asked if there were any Life Members present and then called Life Member Ted Norton again to the chair for the election of the Office Bearers of the Association for season 2012. Executive members vacated their chairs.
2. Life Member Ted Norton sat in the chair and was immediately heckled by the Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) about how long this was taking and to hurry up we don't have all day!!! Life Member Ted Norton then said as you know all office positions have been vacated and we will start off with the president's position asking for nominations.

1. **President:** Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar)

Moved: Damien O'Brien

- Accepted -

Sec: Don McIvor

Life Member Ted Norton then asked for any other nominations.

Life Member Ted Norton (G.J.H.)

Moved: Wayne Taylor

- Declined -

Michael Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts)

Moved: Milo Fuo

- Declined -

Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) elected unopposed.

President Andrew O'Neill thanked Life Member Ted Norton and everybody thanked him in the usual way.

2. **Vice President:** Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens)

Moved: Andrew O'Neill

- Accepted -

Sec: Rick Merlo

Vote: 19

Tom Gill (Turks Bar)

Moved: Milo Fuo

- Declined -

President Andrew O'Neill said that he will be busy auditing us!

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers)

Moved: Chris Mayer

- Declined -

Duane Morrell (Turks Good Old Boys)

Moved: Steve Halliday

- Accepted -

Sec: Daniel Siddle

Vote: 16

Both candidates were asked to leave the room for voting purposes.

President Andrew O'Neill said that you two punch on out there and whoever comes in first is the Vice President! Got a few laughs.

President Andrew O'Neill asked about succession as it is an important thing needed of them to do for at least a few years. First year your just fumbling around, second year your just starting to find yourself and by the third year your actually doing something. Steve Bishop (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) said that we should ask both candidates. Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) was sent out to ask in which both agreed to succession.

Don McIvor (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) agreed with this point that it just gets down to what you said.

Vote taken Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens) elected 19 - 16 votes.

Duane Morrell (Turks Good Old Boys) said that he was still willing to help out if needed in which Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens) agreed that that would be great.

Vice President Allan Greenwood then said well Duane it's your shout for a beer then. Got a few laughs!

3. **Treasurer:** Rosa Payne (Morwell Golf Club)

Moved: Ross Kenney

- declined -

Michael Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts)

Moved: Andrew O'Neill

- Accepted -

Sec: Chris Mayer

Tom Gill (Turks Bar)

Moved: Brendon Cleland

- Declined -

President Andrew O'Neill said that you're auditing us minimum this year then Tom!

Michael Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) was elected unopposed.

4. **Secretary:** Claire Blackford (Morwell Club Rebels)

Moved: Andrew O'Neill

- Accepted -

Sec: Rosa Payne

Vote: The Rest

Ann Rockall (Turks Good Old Boys)

Moved: Steve Halliday

- Accepted -

Sec: ?

Votes: 2

President Andrew O'Neill said that Claire Blackford (Morwell Club Rebels) was unable to attend the meeting due to a death in the family but has asked to put forward her nomination for secretary. I have a commitment for her about succession and she has also has had experience on committee's in the past, she is also computer literate which we need both candidates to be.

Claire Blackford (Morwell Club Rebels) elected lots of votes - 2.

5. **Scorer:** Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club)

Moved: Rick Merlo

- Declined -

Sec: Steve Bishop

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar)

Moved: Mick Lubawski

- Accepted -

Sec: Wayne Taylor

Vote: 24

Brendon Cleland (Morwell R.S.L. Blues)

Moved: Allan Greenwood

- Accepted -

Sec: Steve Bishop

Vote: 8

Vice President Allan Greenwood asked about people helping out executive members with their jobs.

President Andrew O'Neill said that we used to have assistants back in the good old days but there is nothing stopping people helping out the executive members with their duties.

Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club) withdrew his nomination stating that Wayne Van Heerewaarden looks after the web site where we put the scores, so I'm happy for him to do the job.

Don McIvor (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) said that Wayne Van Heerewaarden is a busy man with his business and as is most people that work; Brendon Cleland is a retired gentleman and has all the time to do this job.

Wayne Taylor (G.J.H. Blacks) we need to look at people who can drive the league forward and be a committee leader not just people who can do the job as we have a lot of experience in the league, so we need to look at that as well and that's why I'm put my push behind Wayne Van Heerewaarden.

Ross Kenney (Lenny's Lads) said that Wayne alphabet is the one with the web site.

Duane Morrell (Turks Good Old Boys) said that Wayne Van Heerewaarden has done this job before and has good history and had the same work commitments then if not more. He also agreed with what Wayne Taylor had to say about the executive.

Mick Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) said that whoever does the job of scorer that the captains of the teams or whoever is responsible of ringing the scores through and I know quite well that we have been a victim of it as well by not putting our scores through, then people winch when the results aren't up but when you look at the other end the scorer hasn't got all the results. So there's a bit of responsibility if you're the captain of putting the scores through, it will just help everybody out so just keep that in mind.

Alf Shingles (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) said that he had spoken with Brendon Cleland and he has been president and treasurer of several leagues, snooker, billiards and eight ball and he has all day to do this job because he doesn't work.

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) was elected 24 votes to 8.

6. **Publicity Officer:** Rick Merlo

Moved: Rick Merlo

- Accepted -

Sec: Chris Mayer

Rick Merlo elected unopposed.

• **Nomination of Teams & Ordinary Committee Members 2012:**

Forms are available for teams to fill in. Phone numbers are needed for captains and members who will be the teams Ordinary Members of the Committee and also what division you wish to be put into. If you have a player that was in division 1 last year and wants to play in division 2 this year you need to highlight that person.

Division 1

1. Grand Junction Hotel Blacks

- 1) Shane Vogt
- 2) Allan Brooks

2. Grand Junction Hotel Blacks

- 1) Ash Vogt
- 2) Shane Vogt

3. Jezza's Turkeys'

- 1) Chris Mayer
- 2) William Shingles

4. Lenny's Lads

- 1) Ross Kenney
- 2) Anthony Dunne

5. Morwell Return Service League Allsorts

- 1) Alf Shingles
- 2) Mick Lubawski

6. Sports Bar

- 1) Andrew O'Neill
- 2) Wayne Van Heerewaarden

7. Turks Bar

- 1) Tom Gill
- 2) Steve Gray

8. Turks Magpies

- 1) Wayne Taylor
- 2) Andrew Cummings

9. Turks Shooters

- 1) Steve Haliday

Division 2

1. Dustructabulls

- 1) Neil Stuckey
- 2) Guy Galea

2. Kissabulls

- 1) Ann Rockall
- 2) Danielle Arnold

3. Morwell Club Shooters

- 1) Paul Morse
- 2) Matthew French

4. Morwell Golf Club Cruisers

- 1) Rosa Payne
- 2) Damien O'Brien

5. Morwell Golf Club Swingers

- 1) Brad Smith
- 2) Dennis Mills

6. Morwell Return Service League Greens

- 1) Brendon Cleland
- 2) Allan Greenwood

7. Morwell Return Service League Reds

- 1) Don McIvor
- 2) Debbie Nicklen

8. Morwell Return Service League Uglii's

- 1) Ivan Heasley
- 2) Adam Skilbeck

9. Top Pub Elites

- 1) Tim Dale

2) Aaron Omera

2) Caen Shingles

10. Top Pub Smashers

1) Rick Merlo

2) Shane Stewart

11. Traralgon Bowls Club

1) Greg McRonald

2) Brendan Colvin

12. Turks Breaker

1) Henry Kolakawski

2) Alan Goodwin

13. Turks Cobra's

1) Janet Hedt

2) Graham Hodgskiss

14. Turks Good Old Boys

1) Duane Morrell

2) David Rash

15. Yinnar Hotel

1) Greg Sanders

2) Phil Slater

Teams and Ordinary Members of the Committee for season 2012 to be accepted.

Moved: Don McIvor

Sec: Rick Merlo

- Carried Unanimously -

1. President Andrew O'Neill said that we have 24 teams this year with 15 nominated for division 2 and 9 teams nominated for division 1. Whether we like it or not we are going to have to split this down the middle with 12 teams in each division. 24 teams this means we have a full book this year, I thought we might have got 26 or 27 teams and gone to 3 divisions. If we did go to 3 divisions that would mean 8 teams in each division and that's 14 rounds if we play each other twice, obviously you can't play yourself twice. So that could be another option to go to 3 divisions.

Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls) said that 3 divisions would be ideal.

Publicity Officer Rick Merlo said that as long as we don't have teams pull out.

President Andrew O'Neill said that this is something we are going to have to think about because you're going to have about 5 minutes to do that because we still stuck in part c of the annual general meeting and I want to move into part d.

• **Ordinary Business:**

Constitution Rule 11. Annual/Special General Meetings (4) (d) *to receive and consider the financial statements in accordance with section 30(3) of the Act;*

1. President Andrew O'Neill said that in this part of the annual general meeting we will considered what we are going to do over the next 12 months with the business as with the money side of things and that would include fees ect.
2. With 24 teams depending what we do wether we go 2 or 3 divisions, if we go 3 division there will be more cost on trophies but that should be ok we should still be able to cover that with the amount of teams we have this year. We don't make much on registrations it's really the match fees where we make our money. So if anything were to go up it would be the match fees. Although I do not feel the need to raise that at present with 24 teams we should have ampules.
3. Pool Victoria registrations is still the same we have had no correspondence telling us any different.

Rosa Payne (Morwell Golf Club) said that it has not changed.

4. Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens) said that years ago we raised the fees by \$0.50 and at the end of the day we went forward so what's \$0.50 to every player, I would like to move a motion to raise the match fees to \$5.50 (\$27.50 team). Did not get a lot of support for this.

Wayne Taylor (G.J.H. Blacks) said that yes your right it should edge up all the time but remember we did jump pretty quickly from \$3.00 to \$5.00 so we've probably got a few years covered were we did have the increments but just did it all at once.

Publicity Officer Rick Merlo said but at the end of the day we did run at a profit last year didn't we?

President Andrew O'Neill said that we only just did.

Steve Bishop (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) said that we always stand there and drink and we don't mind paying an extra \$1.00 for a beer in a club or whatever, so what's an extra \$1.00? Quite a few disagreed with this.

President Andrew O'Neill said that if we're going to raise the fees we are better off sticking to round figures so make it \$6.00. But as Wayne Taylor said we probably don't need to raise the fees and I don't think we need to either.

Wayne Taylor (G.J.H. Blacks) said that from a captain's point of view too, if everyone's paying \$5.00 it's a no brainer and from a treasurer's point of view if they've coming in with bags of coins it makes it a hell of a job.

Rosa Payne (Morwell Golf Club) agreed with this, I don't like coins.

Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens) said Rosa we made money didn't we?

Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club) said that we just played summer and that was \$2.50!

Rosa Payne (Morwell Golf Club) said and that was pain in the a*#*e. (swearing again!)

Ross Kenney (Lenny's Lads) said that Allan Greenwood is part of the committee now so could get him to move up the front so we can actually hear what he's saying.

Vice President Allan Greenwood moved to the executive table up the front.

Alf Shingles (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) said we are discussing fees and the fees that where paying at the moment were without selling raffle tickets. Maybe we should organise selling raffle tickets?

President Andrew O'Neill said our biggest problem with raffle tickets is no one wants to sell tickets; it's been a huge problem. And that's probably more the reason why the fees went up to cover the raffle.

Alf Shingles (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) said stay where we are if where not selling raffle tickets and down if were selling raffle tickets.

President Andrew O'Neill said I don't think anyone wants to go back to selling raffle tickets and drop the fees; they'd rather pay an extra \$2.00 a week, or even raise the fees.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said that last year in winter competition and were highlighted again in the summer competition that the fees that were set we ended up with a surplus.

President Andrew O'Neill said that for our winter competition we did not really end up with a surplus.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said was it much in the negative?

President Andrew O'Neill said that if a payment made in the winter competition the previous year had of gone in that winter competition and not the following winter competition we may have had a surplus of a \$1000.00 at the most.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said that we are only talking a fine line we still have \$15,000.00 plus in the bank, so that means were travelling in the black so I propose a motion that we leave the fees where they are and access it again next annual general meeting in 12 months' time.

The fee structure for Winter Competition:

- 1) Team Affiliation Fees - \$0.00 per player
- 2) LV8BA Registration - \$5.00 per player
- 3) Pool Victoria Registration - \$7.00 per player
- 4) Match Fees - \$25.00 per team (\$5.00 per player)

Moved: Brad Smith

Sec: Wayne Van Heerewaarden

- Carried Unanimously -

President Andrew O'Neill said that that means on the first night for each player it will cost them \$17.00 and then \$5.00 for each game after that.

5. Michael Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) said that some were saying or complaining about keeping it at \$5.00 and others putting it up a \$1.00 and I think while we are on the subject that if you get there and have a look at it if you don't hand your score sheet in or ring it through that night you get penalised \$5.00. This will make it easier for Wayne and it's the captain's responsibility of putting it through and if you don't then you get fined. This problems been going on for a long time and where even been a victim of this, so if you don't ring them through you get fined \$5.00.

Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) said by what time?

Publicity Officer Rick Merlo said by 12 o'clock the next day?

Michael Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) agreed with that and the motion was then moved.

Moved: Michael Lubawski

Sec: Chris Mayer

Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club) said he was for the motion as he was the scorer last year and there were some nights where I got all the scores and had them done by 12 o'clock that night and then other times I would have to text Andrew for phone numbers because I was missing a few scores from the previous night.

Janet Hedt (Turks Cobra's) said the scorer should receive a registration list of the players.

President Andrew O'Neill said the problem with that is how many people hand in there registration list come the first meeting, this is a requirement and there are very few that do.

Shane Vogt (G.J.H.) said he was against the motion.

Wayne Taylor (G.J.H. Blacks) said that he would like to see a loss of 2 premiership points instead of a fine.

President Andrew O'Neill said that you would have to amend mick's motion but we will first see if this motion gets up.

Greg McDonald (Crown Cougars) said I would like it to only be the delegate's phone numbers as I have a few team members who don't like their numbers being handed out.

President Andrew O'Neill said generally I'd ring the home captain then the opposition captain then I'd scratch my head and think who else is on the list?

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said why not just use the 2 delegates phone numbers?

President Andrew O'Neill said but there have been times when I can't even get either of them either.

Publicity Officer Rick Merlo said that he has rang whole teams

Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) said that with this being a bit touchy and all maybe give them the opportunity to submit them to the venue then the venue submit the scores.

Publicity Officer Rick Merlo said then it's up to the venue to know.

Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) said that if the side don't submit it to the venue then who cares. I'm just trying to find a bit of middle ground.

President Andrew O'Neill said that's something your venue could take on itself but other venues wouldn't do that. As long as Wayne has them by midday he don't care who he gets them from.

Chris Mayer (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) I just think it's the captain's responsibility for their side, how hard is it to text through a score, it takes 2 seconds. If you don't phone them through bad luck you get fined it's your fault.

President Andrew O'Neill said that he will take anyone who is against the motion and if there is no one I will put it straight up now.

Graham Hodgskiss (Turks Cobras) said that you had a go at the committee last meeting about not ringing someone who hadn't turned up to the meeting, the scorer should ring them after 12 o'clock as a courtesy call then fine them. It is easy to forget or you might have had to leave early.

President Andrew O'Neill said that the motion on the books is after 12 you get a fine though the scorer could ring them before giving them a fine it's something he could do. Just remember you have to get your registrations in before he can get your details. We really have talked about this enough I would really like to put this up.

Michael Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) asked for the motion to be read out again.

Rosa Payne (Morwell Golf Club) read the motion out again.

If the team does not phone or text the scorer the results by 12pm lunch time the next day you will get a \$5.00 fine.

Michael Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) said he doesn't want any courtesy calls or anything like that.

President Andrew O'Neill said that will be up to the scorer to do that.

Michael Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) said that you can't give one team a courtesy phone call and not another and if you do that the team that didn't get the courtesy phone call will have a right to complain, so I 'am against that idea. No courtesy phone call.

Steve Gray (Turks Bar) said why can't we do this for everyone.

Greg McDonald (Crown Cougars) said for repeat offenders.

President Andrew O'Neill said that we don't have everyone's details. But should it be up to the scorer to chase your butt?

Answered unanimously by all. NO!

Steve Gray (Turks Bar) said that sometimes people do forget. Can't one person from each team be responsible for this courtesy call?

President Andrew O'Neill said that he is over all this talk; there has been enough talk I'm going to put this up now.

- Accepted -

Vote: 7 against

6. President Andrew O'Neill said we have to look at other expenses for the year. The name for the web site payment we made last is that just a one off payment for 2 years so we don't have to pay that this year, is that right Wayne?

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said yes it's for 2 years.

President Andrew O'Neill said there are some ongoing issues and cost with that, that we need to discuss here because that's going to be ongoing. We have had the web site up one year now and we are still developing it, we are having issues but we are working through it, there are a lot more things we want to get happening with that web site. But one thing we need to start doing is paying the person who is doing the role and spending a lot of time doing it. He spends a lot of hours on this, he runs a business it's not a free service. I consider this web site the most important thing for the league going forward for the future because everyone is using their iPhones/iPads and computers now; it's the best way we can get information out there now from meetings, to scores everything and it certainly creates a lot less paper work here. But also the fact is that you can just jump on their anytime and access league information all at one central place. How many hours over the last 12 months would you have spent on this?

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said well over a 100 hrs.

It's still being worked on its going to take a few more years to get it right. I'll ask Wayne to come up here and talk about where we are going with this and what the general cost are and then we will put this forward towards this association and we will decide where to go from there.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said that he would like to move a motion that this association approach the web provided to negotiate a fee of \$1000.00 remuneration for the next 12 months to be reviewed in 12 months' time.

President Andrew O'Neill said that Wayne van Heerewaarden runs bisonline he's the one who's running our web site, so maybe he should get up here and say a few things first and then maybe he could put an idea forward with what he thinks is reasonable and then we will discuss that and move on from there. So I will ask Wayne to come up here as this association needs to be informed with what it's doing and where it's going and what it's actually getting for what it might be paying for. So I will ask Brad Smith to hold off on that motion if he could.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said that he would rescind the motion.

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said basically where it's heading to is I'm currently working on a full mobile site, obviously there's a lot of people about using phones and it's going to make it a lot easier for the finger friendly people, you won't have to zoom in, it's going to have less overall information but the information that will be there for the mobile site will be a lot more effective and easier to use and then there will be the option to go out to the full site on your phone still. Another thing that will happen is it will be a lot more dynamic updating information so for example I'm working on a system at the moment whereas the scores come in I'm going to be able to put them straight into the web site and then dynamically it does everything it will automatically update the scores and ladder, it will know the draw the whole bit, it will just work. So what I 'am working towards is getting it to a point where any monkey could come along in the end and put any information in there update anything and do it from anywhere. You won't be tied to one pc you can be on any computer or even mobile phone on the night, scores can go in done easy. So one thing I 'am moving towards for hopefully towards next year will be that people can actually get in there and actually put their scores in on the night if they want to or if not just text them or ring them through as per normal, sort of taking away the manual part of it that's the goal at least anyway. There will be an online form then it will be just a matter of getting in there and putting the numbers in, there will be a standard log in for members that will be checked regally to make sure they are correct and if there not I can go in and adjust them anyway.

President Andrew O'Neill said that there's other stuff to go on there where trying to put all our results up there from previous years and all the minutes from the meetings to go up there which you will have a basic login in for that. When I finally get the sack from this job I'm going to sit down with Wayne for a few hours and go through stuff with him like that. You can easily go back and look at the last meeting or from whenever, there's a stock pile here of the minutes.

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said there's going to be a member's login area that I 'am working on at the moment where all those minutes and stuff where they don't need to be public domain but all the members need to be able to access them obviously if they want too. Putting them in the public domain well there's treasury information that we really don't want the general public to see, it's not there business. So basically every member will have a password which will be changed on a yearly basis or even as we see fit as the case maybe and that way any member can log in if they have a query on a meeting they can go and check it.

Wayne Taylor (G.J.H. Blacks) asked what sort of estimated time that this will be up and running and also a quote for how much it cost?

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said basically what I was thinking of and I've been talking to Andrew about it and that is a \$50.00 per month on going fee in which I will continue doing it and developing it over time.

Publicity Officer Rick Merlo said as the promotion officer can I get you to sponsor that towards the league???

Rosa Payne (Morwell Golf Club) said that she was happy to support Wayne as he sponsors the league.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said that over the course of the next 12 months how much of your resources ie how many hours for what remunerations you've just said \$50.00 a month (\$600.00 annually).

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said there are still hundreds of hours left in it.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said that you used words like hopefully, will have this and this?

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said it's all going to happen but hopefully I'll have it before the start of the season if not the start of next season whatever the case maybe.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said that I think from my point of view and that's a business, you've put up that you're going to cost the association \$600.00 that is a very generous and well worthwhile. So my original motion to pay a \$1,000.00 if we were to put that motion up again will you honour that \$1,000.00 and make every effort to get what we've just talked about done within 12 months?

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said absolutely.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said so I will put my original motion that this association invest 1,000.00 for the next 12 months to develop the web site as discussed at the annual general meeting and further to that motion that this motion be reviewed in 12 months' time as to be ongoing.

Moved: Brad Smith

Sec: Henry Kolakowski

Rob Irvine (Crown Cougars) spoke against the motion saying that firstly because I want to know cost for hosting the website.

President Andrew O'Neill said that it cost \$308 cost for 2 years for hosting fee and that included the name.

Rob Irvine (Crown Cougars) said that there were other places that could do it for \$90.00 a year with a domain name for around \$20.00 a year and they have excellent hosting. \$300.00 dollars is on the wrong side of that as far as I'm concerned. There are a lot of other people around with hosting fees that are cheaper. Its ok for Wayne or whoever's doing the web site management that's fine but let's gets these fees back down to a realistic value. Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said that the web hosting is not actually mine I actually do that through someone.

President Andrew O'Neill said that it cost \$308 cost for 2 years, so that's \$150.00 a year.

Rob Irvine (Crown Cougars) said that he still thinks that's too much.

Wayne Taylor (G.J.H. Blacks) said that we are not actually asking Wayne to do this but were asking bisonline to do this, now to actually nail down from like a business point of view what his whole sale cost are and what he is retailing onto us, we are happy with the overall cost and breaking them down and saying we will take this part from you and that part from someone else, I think that the cost being put forward of x amount per year as a bisonline quote for that and just from my business I pay for a site that's about as functional, probably a little bit more but around about the same as what Wayne's offering we pay about \$850.00 per month! To just say we can do it on the cheap and get bits, you go out to mobile and look at developing mine as I say is a little different but if you brought that back to \$250.00 a month to actually have a web site up and running and that is function able and takes data both ways that it takes information in and presents is back out to you, the \$1,000.00 a year that's being suggested is very cheap.

Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) I would just like to say one thing about this and that is I know where going to back to a meeting that we had a Yallourn North about personal interest involved in making money out of this league and a statement was made that I was making money out of this league and I wasn't even on the executive. I'm not having ago at Wayne I think what he's doing is a great job and I think what he's going to introduce is brilliant but if I'm going to get the shit kicked out of me because some people think that I'm

making money out of this league the league seriously does really well out of our business I'm making it quite clear that Wayne protect yourself because they are going to run at you when they find out your business is making money out of this, they're going to go you big time so be careful. Some people at that meeting about finals and all that and that person is in this room right now and made the statement that I was profiteering out of this league. So watch yourself.

Michael Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) said that I would just like to say that Wayne put up a price of \$600.00 and if he's happy with that what's the problem.

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said that the consensus in the room is that my motion won't get up so therefore I will rescind the motion.

Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens) moved a motion to get 3 quotes and come back to another meeting. This was unpopular and he rescinded the motion.

Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) said same motion as before except with \$600.00 and not \$1,000.00

Moved: Duane Morrell

Sec: Caen Shingles

President Andrew O'Neill said that on personal note weather this motion gets up or not I think we will go out and get 3 quotes anyway. It might give us an idea on how good or bad we are getting it.

- Carried Unanimously -

- **Notices of Motion:**

Constitution Rule 11. Annual/Special General Meetings (4) (e) *to consider other business of which one (1) weeks' notice has been given to the Secretary.*

1. President Andrew O'Neill said to refer to those pamphlets that I handed out. We have to look at By-Laws and then the second thing we will look at is the new world rules as of the 2008 annual general meeting. They have been amended and we have been a bit slow in catching up but I will get to that in a minute.
2. I will do a very quick explanation because most of you won't have an idea what I 'am doing here. Last year I had a number of by-law changes more like alterations making it easier to find things. I was rushed to do it, I did it at the annual general meeting and a lot of stuff got through that were just changes as in moving things round putting headings, changing words to make it a little more legible to read and things, now that got past and as I said I was rushed to do it so what I did straight after the annual general meeting and over the next couple of months was review what I had done, and there were a couple of things I wasn't happy with and that's what I 'am about to raise now.
 - 1) The first and most important thing which is in our By-Laws and what it's to do with is one meeting we have and that's the first summer competition meeting. Originally we used to call it a committee meeting or a sub-committee meeting but you can't really have a sub-committee meeting when you don't have a sub-committee, so what I 'am proposing to do is run it as a general meeting which is similar to this meeting where every member in the association can come along and vote for teams in or member in or out. I want to change this to a general meeting a Summer Competition General Meeting. I can't have it as a sub-committee meeting so in the first 6 pages in a number of areas you will see that I have added special general meeting in green and removed sub-committee meeting in red. See rule 1, 4d, 5, 10, & 12. It's all about making that first summer competition meeting a general meeting that's all I'm doing.

Rob Irvine (Crown Cougars) said are you just asking for the reference to sub-committee to be withdrawn?

President Andrew O'Neill said yes the reference to sub-committee in red is been taking out but I' am alternating how it's been worded. So does everyone understand what I'm doing I don't want anyone coming up to me afterwards.

- 2) There's only one other thing I put on page 6 which is under rule 19 part 5 singles championships part (c), I put in green but on your copy it will be in a light colour to save money as this photocopying cost us a fortune. With preference given for any byes, in other words what that does mean for the singles competition when we go to the 32 draw if there's any byes the preferences are given to the seeded players as in the 4 that were seeded. It was asked of me last year to put that in, I really wanted to make some more changes but I just haven't had time. If there's one bye the winner last year gets the preference or if there are two byes then the runners up last year as well and so on.
- 3) The next section is called the Rules of Competition there's one rule change whilst listening to our December meeting and the banter that went on about forfeits in which no one knew what to do so while listing to that meeting I typed up a forfeiting clause so that we now know what to do and can refer to it. What it does is explain a standard forfeit and a season forfeit and you can see the difference between the two, so if I'm not there then we can just go to the by-laws and there it is written in black and white, it took me all of about 5 minutes to do!!!
- 4) Final Series is the last section in green is what's going in and in red is what's going out. There's no changes all it is just layout. In the first section all I'm doing is laying out the winter finals format for a final 4 and a final 6 and I'm doing the same on the next page for summer competition. It tells you what to do there as there have been a few years where there's been confusion, this now tells you in black and white what to do.
- 5) There is one on the last page and that's Player of the Grand Final which we trailed last year I thought it worked ok so I have put it in as a by-law to say how the player of the grand final is to be selected.
- 6) So unless anyone has any questions I will open the floor and take questions on any of those motion changes more alterations with only the forfeits been the only real addition and also player of the grand final. If there aren't any questions I will now ask for it to be moved and seconded.

Moved: Wayne Van Heerewaarden

Sec: Rick Merlo

- Carried -

3. The World Eight Ball rules with 2008 amendment's we are playing with the 2003 amendments. There are changes they are all in green. I'm not going to go through them. Ross Kenney (Lenny's Lads') asked is there any major changes?

President Andrew O'Neill said not that he could see only small changes.

Don McIvor (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) made comment about the umpire's course and how a person can stand at the table for 10 seconds after they've had their shot and that counts towards the next persons 30 seconds.

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said that the reason for that rule is that time is supposed to start when the balls come to a stop that's why, nothing more nothing less to that.

President Andrew O'Neill said that you do need to look at the rules. It will be on the web site soon and in the handbook when we get that out. The rules are off the Australian Eight

Ball web site, we had issue with them when I last looked at the rules on the web site and compared them to the rules in the downloadable pdf file, and they conflicted. That's why we haven't gone forward, and at the moment there got the one set of rules up so the rules up there now look alright to me. So I will ask for us to move to the new Australian Eight Ball rule and for that to be move.

Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club) asks if we find a fault between our rule book and the new rules and what do we do?

Steve Gray (Turks Bar) said that there only little grey areas.

President Andrew O'Neill said that there will be small differences between the rules.

Moved: Brendon Cleland

Sec: Damien O'Brien

- Carried Unanimously -

- **Special Business:**

Constitution Annual/Special General Meetings (10) *All business that is conducted at a Special General Meeting and all business that is conducted at the Annual General Meeting, except for business conducted under the rules as ordinary business of the Annual General Meeting, is deemed to be special business.*

1. President Andrew O'Neill said just a quick word for those with summer competition trophies to get them in so we can finish off the summer competition account. I've seen Tom Gill I just need to catch up with Duane Morrell.
2. President Andrew O'Neill said we need to now look at a start date and therefore we need to look at what we are going to do in regards to divisions. We have 24 teams with 15 in division 2 and only 9 in division 1. There is plenty of room for a middle division it's been there for a while, so I'll open the floor for discussion.

Steve Bishop (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) said 12 x 12.

Neil Stuckey (Destructables) said that he would like to see 3 divisions.

Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters) said that in the By-Laws it says that you can only have 2 divisions unless there are 18 teams or more per division then you can create a third one.

That's in **By-Laws 6. Number of Teams (b)**.

President Andrew O'Neill read the by-law and then agreed with Steve Halliday on the rule and said that I didn't see that, so we are stuck with 2.

Steve Gray (Turks Bar) said hold on a minute isn't this is an annual general meeting where we can change things.

President Andrew O'Neill said no you need to submit a change before the annual general meeting.

Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) said well what happens if you get one more side?

President Andrew O'Neill said if we have 25 sides we will have to reject one. They used to do this year's ago too and say look come back next year.

Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) said that's bad for the league.

President Andrew O'Neill said that's why with summer competition I didn't want to reject the teams and I got caught out on it.

Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) said yes I know and I totally understand where you're at and you got caned for it.

Don McIvor (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) said that we split our team 3 ways to stop a bye in the summer competition and that crucified us in the end.

President Andrew O'Neill said look I know where Wayne Taylor is heading with this so I will read out **By-Law rule 4. Amendments**. Rule was read out.

We really can't do it Wayne we are stuck unless we call a special committee meeting as we don't have the full committee here now.

Rosa Payne (Morwell Golf Club) said and my hand is getting tired.

Steve Gray (Turks Bar) said for the strength of the league how do we get rid of that because there are certain players here that don't want to play with the top players and there are a lot of top players that don't want to play with the bottom players. Let's all have an equal competition where we can have some fun.

President Andrew O'Neill said I agree with you there Steve I like the idea of going for 3 divisions, I think it's better. But as the rule book says as Steve Halliday pointed out we have to have 18 teams in each division first before we can create another division. I'll read out the by-law again. So basically if you want to call a committee of management meeting which would be then held in 7 days' time that's next Tuesday and I'm tipping it will be at Turks Sports Bar as that's central for all and to get that past at that meeting it would have to be by 75%.

Moved: Wayne Taylor

Sec: Steve Gray

Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens) said that he like the idea of 3 division and said that he is all for it. It's no good if teams are getting thrashed week to week.

Mick Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) said that it's 15 and 9 the difference for 2 divisions being 3 teams so to get your answer tonight who are the 3 teams that have submitted their side tonight who would like to go up to 1st division. There were none.

Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) asked about the setup of the committee in relation to a general meeting and to the meeting next week about who can vote.

President Andrew O'Neill said that this meeting is all about getting the committee of management up and running for the new season and once that's done, they, the committee of management run the league. And if we decide to have that meeting I will close this meeting rather quickly as there will be no need to keep this meeting open.

Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) said that there a few more things to take into consideration like finals with extra tables.

President Andrew O'Neill said there will be more tables being used and also extra trophies needed and things like that, there will be more costs.

Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L. Greens) said and yes more people playing good.

Rob Irvine (Crown Cougars) said that back in the 2000 annual general meeting it was decided because the Olympics were coming and we were going to finish our season early, and that if you have any more than 22 rounds then you would have 2 divisions and that was when the summer competition first came in, apart from that we don't really need this summer competition and this only is my option but if you've got less than 22 rounds you have 1 division that's what we decided at that meeting now, I don't recall at any annual general meeting after that it being changed to 18 rounds or anything like that.

President Andrew O'Neill said that the rule here says 18 even know that may have been the case back then but we go by this book.

Rob Irvine (Crown Cougars) said that relegation was also decided back then with it been split down the middle and that was that no argument. It was also decided at a meeting around at Arthurs place (Xscape) that if any new teams entered that they would automatically be introduced to division 1 to stop any new team forming with new players from Melbourne.

President Andrew O'Neill said they have to live within the locality of the Latrobe Valley anyway but also the executive decide in the end who goes up and who does not, they have the power to override any of that.

Steve Gray (Turks Bar) said that were going backwards here I can go back to 96 when we only had 14 teams, forget the past let's move forward, do we want to have 3 division or 2 divisions, let's move it.

President Andrew O'Neill said we are right at 22 now and the consensus on the floor in a minute will be to go to 3 instead of 2 and therefore we will have to call another meeting which at general meeting we can do so unless there's any more against we will put it up. Wayne Taylor (G.J.H. Blacks) said that we need to word this properly.

President Andrew O'Neill said to leave it up to the executive to put a motion forward to the affect so that we can have 3 divisions. We need to have a look at that rule that Steve Halliday pointed out and any other rule, I will have to have a look through the book. Then we will go to Duane's venue in 7 days' time a committee of management meeting that's the 2 representatives from each side and vote on it there then we can look at a start date and stuff like that, we move forward.

Greg McDonald (Crown Cougars) said that you need a 100% turn out of those delegates to get 75%?

President Andrew O'Neill said no present and voting! To have a committee of management meeting I need half of them there for a quorum. So that's 75% of the quorum present and voting.

Don McIvor (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) said I spoke to you and you know I spoke to you we were going to take 5 teams out of the RSL this year and it was going to be too hard with 2 divisions, now were talking about 3 divisions.

President Andrew O'Neill said that you still have 2 tables with 4 teams so 2 are at home every week and two are away. It's possible to do a draw with 5 teams and 4 tables but other teams will have to be away when they would have otherwise been at home so it's not fair on them.

Wayne Taylor (G.J.H. Blacks) said I'd like to put forward a motion (again) that the executive put together a motion to change the rule that Steve brought up or any other rule to effectively allow us to go to 3 divisions.

Moved Wayne Taylor

Sec: Aaron Omera

- Carried -

There was only 1 against. So next Tuesday up at Turks Sports Bar for a committee of management meeting 7:30pm start, we will contact those that are not here to let them know. Each team is required to attend that meeting or else they will cop a fine.

3. If anyone needs a scorebook will they come and see us and also I have some correspondence. We have forms from Pool Victoria for the state doubles and a fund raiser for the Pool Victoria Premier League the woman's and the ANZAC Day competition which is not on ANZAC day this year it's on the 28th the forms are here if you're interested. We have the South Eastern Country Cup entry forms for 2012 we will get the committee for that together, it's already been organised we will try and get 4 teams out of them, but we will see how we go.
4. Steve Gray (Turks Bar) asked about state representative expenses?
President Andrew O'Neill said a committee meeting for that one.

- **Pool Victoria:** No one attended their Annual General Meeting in January 2012.

- **Around the floor:** Use the sign in book. General questions only, **No** motions.

Members

1. Allan Greenwood (Morwell R.S.L.) - Nothing.
2. Henry Kolakowski (Turks Breakers) - Nothing.
3. Shane Stewart (Top Pub Smashers) - Nothing.
4. Adam Skilbeck (Morwell Club Rebels) - Gone.
5. Ivan Heasley (Morwell Club Rebels) - Gone.
6. Steve Bishop (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) - Got one thing to say at the end of the day it doesn't matter what division you're playing we are all playing pool, that's all that matters were all playing pool.
7. Brendon Cleland (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) - Nothing.
8. Don McIvor (Morwell R.S.L. Blues) - Nothing.
9. Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) - Nothing.
10. Lyn Bock (G.J.H.) - Nothing.
11. Rosa Payne (Morwell Golf Club) - Nothing.
12. Chris Mayer (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) - Nothing.
13. Life Member Ted Norton (G.J.H.) - Nothing.
14. Ross Kenney (Lenny's Lads') - Gone.
15. Rod Chapman (G.J.H.) - Gone.
16. Wayne Taylor (G.J.H. Blacks) - Nothing.
17. Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters) - Nothing.
18. Aaron Omera (Turkanators) - Nothing.
19. Daniel Siddle (Turkanators) - Gone.
20. Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club) - Just one quick comment Tuesday night pool's great fun meetings aren't.
President Andrew O'Neill concurs with that.
21. Debbie Nicklen (Turks Breakers) - Nothing.
22. Alf Shingles (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) - Nothing.
23. David Buhagiar (Turkanators) - Nothing.
24. Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club) - Nothing.
25. Graeme Street (G.J.H.) - Gone.
26. Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys) - Left till last.
27. Matthew Frenech (Morwell Club Shooters) - Gone.
28. Tom Gill (Turks Bar) - Gone.
29. Greg McDonald (Crown Cougars) - What's the go about the fine for the Crown?
President Andrew O'Neill said we did discuss that outside on how that's to be paid.
Greg McDonald (Crown Cougars) said I think everyone should know what's going on that's all.
President Andrew O'Neill said right then quickly the Crown Cougars have an outstanding fine and how it will be paid is that it will be divided amongst the 11 registrar members from last year which works out to be about \$4.60 each.
Greg McDonald (Crown Cougars) said why can't the Crown pay that.
President Andrew O'Neill said the Crown hasn't put a team forward.
Greg McDonald (Crown Cougars) said it's a team fine not an individual fine we've paid all our fees and registrations and everything else.
President Andrew O'Neill said yes it is a team fine but if the team doesn't pay it falls back on the players. So chase the captain and the individual players.

Greg McDonald (Crown Cougars) said so we've got to chase the captain.

President Andrew O'Neill said so what Wayne Taylor told me to do is amongst the 11 registrar members of that side divide the fine between each member and each member has to pay that amount. I have to do that with Rosedale and The Tav, they have a huge amount to pay.

Greg McDonald (Crown Cougars) said I just wanted everyone else to know about it that's all.

30. Rob Irvine (Crown Cougars) - asked if we could move a motion that the individual players are responsible for their division of that fine. It's a team fine and what you're doing is changing things now, something needs to be put down as far as documented that we are allowed to do that and it's going to be a future reference point as there's nothing there to say that it has to go back to the individuals.

President Andrew O'Neill said that that's what's been done in the past so I don't see why we need a motion for it, and it is being documented in these minutes.

31. Anthony Dunne (Lenny's Lads') - Gone.
32. Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls) - said he would like to raise a point about the 3 divisions I think we should call them an open then 1st and 2nd divisions and I think there should be a player rating involved.
33. Ann Rockall (Turks Good Old Boys) - Nothing.
34. Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) - I've said enough.
35. Milo Fue (G.J.H. Blacks) - Gone.
36. Mick Lubawski (Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts) - Nothing.
37. Graham Hodgskiss (Turks Cobras) - Nothing.
38. Steve Wilson (Crown Cougars) - Gone (Choofa needs to put his real name down).
39. Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras) - Nothing.
40. Allan Brooks (G.J.H. Blacks) - I've got one thing to say and that's about blokes going out and having smokes whilst playing pool.

President Andrew O'Neill said 60 seconds foul! Enforce the rule.

41. Shane Vogt (G.J.H. Blacks) - President Andrew O'Neill said you've got nothing to say, you've said far too much as far as I'm concerned.
42. Steve Gray (Turks Bar) - Just wanted to say one thing that on Sunday there was a bit of a mix up with the players that made the grand final they can't drink on all day like the others were we are trying to play pool and trying to win. Now there's normally \$200.00 put behind the bar for them, there was a bit of a mix up this year I would like to see that it gets done for both division finalist teams so they can have a drink and celebrate after.
President Andrew O'Neill said that it has been missed for the last 2 years. Shane Vogt be quite as this is more directed at you, and that is even if we did have the \$200.00 put behind the bar this year it wouldn't have mattered because the bar got shut because a couple of people decided to have a bit of a scuffle and rueing it for everyone else, including the 2 teams that won it. It was very disappointing to have to the bar shut, I know I had 3 cokes for the day and Steve Gray was pretty much on the same boat so we couldn't even drink on and their team couldn't celebrate their win, people need to think outside the square about other people as well instead of their own thoughts and Shane this is really pointed at you because if you can't contain your alcohol we will have to start looking at banning people from drinking on that day so bars don't get shut and people can have a good time, but we will discuss that later and we will move onto Duane and end the evening.
43. Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) - Nothing.

44. Dennis Mills (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) - Nothing.

Visitors

45. Chris Stapleton - Gone.

46. Allan Goodwin - Gone.

47. Caen Shingles - Nothing.

48. Greg Sanders - Gone.

49. Tim Dale - Gone.

Ok Duane Morrell make this quick as I want to wrap this up. Duane had a number of points to make.

- 1) Having a chair person at every meeting to control meetings.
- 2) Country Cup we have for the next few years. We had it at the Italian Australian Club in Morwell years ago and we gave it to them for nothing. We need to do it ourselves organise it at a venue like the Traralgon town hall and do it ourselves and make good money on it.
- 3) Social members for the association as in for partners and other people.
- 4) Having a competition on a Wednesday night using a different format, having seeded players using 4 tables with the top 8 seeded players picking the sides, starting with the 8th seeded player. No trophies just money and maybe a perpetual trophy, I want an even competition, I want to introduce it but I want the league to take it over.

• **Closing:**

1. Before closing the meeting the President Andrew O'Neill asked to see Neil Stuckey and someone from the Morwell R.S.L. Reds please, thanks everyone for coming to the meeting.
2. The next meeting will be a Special Committee Meeting to be held at Turks Sports Bar, Traralgon on the 3rd of April at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.47pm.
Duration 2hrs 39min 06sec





1st Special Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at Turk's Sports Bar, Traralgon on Wednesday the 3rd April, 2012.

- **Chairman:** Meeting opened by the President Andrew O'Neill at 7:35pm.
- **Attendance:** Special Committee Meeting met in accordance with **Constitution 25. Quorum at Committee Meetings (1)**

Committee of Management

Office Holders: Andrew O'Neill (President).

Ordinary Committee Members: Neil Stuckey & Guy Galea (Destructabulls), Lyn Bock & Ted Norton (GJH), Shane Vogt & Alan Brooks (GJH Blacks), David Rash (Good Old Boys), Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys), Ann Rockall & Danielle Arnold (Kissabulls), Ross Kenney & Anthony Dunne (Lenny's Lads), Rosa Payne (MGC Cruisers), Brad Smith (MGC Swingers), Alf Shingles & Treasurer Mick Lubawski (MRSL Allsorts), Brendon Cleland & Vice President Allan Greenwood (MRSL Greens), Don McIvor & Debbie Nicklen (MRSL Reds), Ivan Heasley & Adam Skilbeck (MRSL Uglii's), Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden (Sports Bar), Tim Dale & Caen Shingles (Top Pub Elites), Publicity Officer Rick Merlo & Shane Stewart (Top Pub Smashers), Greg McDonald & Brendan Colevan (TBC), Tom Gill & Steve Gray (Turk's Bar), Henry Kolakowski & Alan Goodwin (Turk's Breakers), Janet Hedt & Graham Hodgkiss (Turk's Cobras), Wayne Taylor (Turk's Magpies), Steve Halliday & Aaron Omera (Turk's Shooters), Greg Sanders & Phil Slater (Yinnar Hotel).

Association Members/Visitors:

None

41 In Attendance.

- **Apologies:** Duane Morrell (Good Old Boys), William Shingles (Jezza's Turkeys), and Secretary Claire Blackford.

Correspondence:

1. Letter by Alf Shingles.

- **Special Business:** This meeting will be conducted in accordance with the **Constitution 18. - 29. Committee Meetings.**

This Special Committee Meeting has been called by the President Andrew O'Neill after a motion was moved and accepted at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with **By-Law 3.**

Amendments.

1. Motions.

1. Annual General Meeting motion.

To hold a Committee Meeting in 7 days' time and for the executive to get a motion forward to the effect to change **By-Law 6. Number of Teams** or any other rule that will allow for 3 divisions to be created for the 2012 Winter Season.

Moved: Wayne Taylor (Turks Magpies)

Seconded: Aaron Omera (Turks Shooters)

Carried

2. Committee of Management motion.

As required by **By-Law 3. Amendments**, the members of the Latrobe Valley Eight Ball Association at the Crown Hotel on the 27th March, 2012 at Annual General Meeting have voted in favour of asking for the Committee of Management to consider the wavering of **By-Law 6. Number of Teams** to allow for 3 divisions to be created for winter competition season 2012.

The Committee of Management will also at this meeting make ready the season to get under way and will make decisions necessary to achieve this outcome.

2. Information regarding the motion.

1. Divisions: President Andrew O'Neill advised the decision to be made at this meeting is to stick with a 2 division competition for winter 2012 or change to 3 divisions. If we did stick with 2 divisions this would mean 12 teams in each division, however if the decision was to go to 3 divisions the arrangement would likely be 9 teams in division 1, 8 teams in division 2 and 8 in division 3 as there is another team who would like to join into the competition this winter season (Average Joes) which now makes 25 teams.

President Andrew O'Neill informed the committee will need to change/amend the bylaw at the next annual general meeting if this structure was to continue past the winter 2012 season. He informed the main drive to consider this change to 3 divisions is some of the teams in division 2, in that there are some very strong teams in division 2 that are not quite strong enough for division 1 but too strong for some of the lower teams in division 2. There are 9 teams that have nominated for division 1; they will stay in division 1 if the outcome is to go to 3 divisions.

2. Income: President Andrew O'Neill advised there would not be as much money generated for the season with 3 divisions as there are less weeks played in the season, this is something that needs to be considered. The Executive have not yet decided the breakdown of divisions 2 and 3, if that is the decision that is made.

3. Voting: Shane Vogt (G.J.H. Blacks) queried who can vote, President Andrew O'Neill clarified the 2 representatives from each team and the Executive are the Committee of Management and can vote, however other members and the visitors cannot vote.

3. Comments from team representatives.

President Andrew O'Neill opened the floor for comments from team representatives.

1. Steve Gray (Turk's Bar) advised he is for the motion, as it would be good for the league and to improve player's skills. To cut costs Steve Gray informed he is also quite happy for there to be no trophies for runners up to save costs this season.

2. Don McIvor (MRSL Reds) advised he is for the motion, and expressed concerned that if there were only 2 divisions, some of the lower teams in division 2 may forfeit and drop out as this has happened before.

3. Guy Galea (Destructabulls) advised he is for the motion, queried if this was an ongoing arrangement would the top 2 teams and bottom 2 teams in each division move up and down in division like they have in the past. President Andrew O'Neill clarified this is a rule that still applies and will continue this way, we may need to change the bylaw at the next annual general meeting in relation to this depending on what structure is going to be put in place at that time.

4. Tim Dale (Top Pub Elites) advised he is for the motion, stated it is good to see a women's team finally come into the league, and the 3 divisions will make it easier for younger teams to come into the league.

5. Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) advised he is for the motion, as this structure may encourage more players and more teams to come into the league.
6. Vice President Allan Greenwood (MRSL Greens) advised he is also for the motion, as it will be good for new players to start in division 3 and have the opportunity to move up to division 2.

President Andrew O'Neill asked if there were any members against the motion.

7. Scorer Wayne Van Heerawarden (Sports Bar) advised he is not sure at this stage if he is for or against the motion as he has some questions, he asked about the costs involved in 3 divisions as opposed to 2. Will the 3 division structure create a logistical issue for those venues where for eg Morwell RSL have 2 tables and 4 teams? President Andrew O'Neill advised the system currently in place for developing the draw would be used to try to make it as fair as possible for all teams as the goal is always to have an equal amount of home and away games in the season. This has not always been possible however this will be what he will work towards. Scorer Wayne Van Heerawarden raised concerns that if this does not work out evenly this may then benefit some teams or disadvantage others. President Andrew O'Neill advised this is the only way forward, and if the current method of developing the draw does not work out we may need to contact Andrea Bird from Pool Victoria to use their automated system.

4. Costs/Budget.

1. Costs: Regarding initial costs, President Andrew O'Neill advised these costs will be trophies, an extra table to hire for the finals, and there are other bills that will need to be considered, webpage cost for eg is \$600 per year. The main income during the season is match fees which President Andrew O'Neill does not want to increase, sponsorship covers the cost of the rule book and trophies etc, and is lucky to bring \$1000 into the league. There will also be a cost for Steve Gray to go to the Nationals which he does every year. The cost for this will be \$1000 this year; \$500 more as Steve Gray has not claimed last year's yet, so there is a lot to consider and the Executive need to budget to ensure the league at least breaks even. Steve Gray (Turks Bar) made the point that this is a trial this year and if it did cost the league a little bit extra then we would make adjustments for next year.

David Rash (Good Old Boys) advised that he is for the motion and asked about the season length, are we aiming to play each team twice and if so our cost would be minimal or nearly exactly the same. President Andrew O'Neill referred to the 2nd and 3rd divisions not playing as many rounds as the 1st division because of the amount of teams in those divisions. If we made a supplementary draw so the 2nd and 3rd divisions played the same amount of rounds as the 1st division then that would increase the income and hopefully assist to break even with the budget for the year. It was raised that trophies are the biggest cost to the league; President Andrew O'Neill advised the Executive will do the costing and work out what the trophies will be given and for whom.

2. Budget: President Andrew O'Neill advised the amount of rounds played will affect the amount of income that comes in during the season, last year match fees brought in \$8,000 and registrations \$600. If each team only plays twice against each team in their division, the match fees will only come to \$9,200, we need to look for more than that to cover the costs for the season.

5. Winter Season 2012.

1. Divisions: President Andrew O'Neill asked for a motion to go ahead with 3 divisions (see motion point 5. Special Business, 1. Motions, 2. Committee of Management):

Moved – Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers)

Seconded – Don McIvor (MRSL Reds)

Carried unanimously

Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls) asked rather than call them 1st, 2nd & 3rd divisions can we call them an open for the 1st division and then a 1st & 2nd division. President Andrew O'Neill advised this can't happen as anyone can come into the competition if it is called an open division.

2. Division Structure: President Andrew O'Neill then read out a rough structure of the teams in each division and advised the exact structure will be decided by the Executive and there may be some changes to what he has proposed. If any team has an issue where I have proposed to put them please see me after the meeting.
3. Number of Rounds: President Andrew O'Neill put forward an idea that each division plays 18 rounds and included a supplementary draw for division 2 and 3, where the first 4 rounds might be tacked onto the end of the draw to make up the 18 rounds. This would be a blind draw and may work for some but not others ie you may play a "top team" for a third time or a "bottom team". This would bring in more money for the season and hopefully cover costs.

President Andrew O'Neill asked for the motion to be put forward for this proposal to allow for 18 rounds:

Moved – Don McIvor (MRSL Reds)

Seconded – Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys)

Carried unanimously

4. Final Format: Publicity Officer Rick Merlo asked if the finals would include a final 4 team format or a final 6 team format. President Andrew O'Neill advised that a final 6 team format would only work if there were at least 12 teams in each division.
5. Start Date: President Andrew O'Neill handed out a new draw/calendar structure and advised round 1 will start on April 17, and with 18 rounds in the draw the last round will be played on August 21. Finals will occur in early September and presentation night will occur mid-September.

President Andrew O'Neill asked for the motion to be moved for the proposed draw/calendar structure:

Moved – Alan Goodwin (Turks Breakers)

Seconded – Wayne Van Heerawarden (Sports Bar)

Carried unanimously

5. Scorebooks: New scorebooks were set out at the front and teams were asked to take one after the meeting to ensure President Andrew O'Neill was not required to chase teams later to get a scorebook to them.
6. Registrations: President Andrew O'Neill then discussed the registration sheets for all teams, advised they MUST be completed and returned at the next committee meeting. It is required by the constitution that each team includes their names, addresses and phone numbers and not c/o somewhere, it must include their individual details. President Andrew O'Neill advised he will move a motion at the next committee meeting that those teams who have not handed their completed registration forms will lose premiership points because this has been an ongoing issue, and stated "I am over how

long it takes for some teams to get their registrations in, you are supposed to have them in at the annual general meeting”.

6. Meetings.

1. Dates: Discussion occurred regarding monthly meetings, April is not suitable for obvious reasons, and May is not really suitable either as the season will have only just commenced. Meetings were set for the following Wednesdays: June 6; July 7; and August 22. Meeting venues are to alternate between Morwell and Traralgon as usual.

Meetings to occur at:

1. June 6 - Top Pub Morwell.
2. July 7 - Traralgon Bowl's Club.
3. August 22 - Morwell Golf Club.

2. Attendance & Fines:

1. Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys) queried meeting attendance and fines, President Andrew O'Neill confirmed the fine for non-attendance at a meeting is \$10. The minimum requirement is for committee members to sign the attendance book at the start of the meeting. If both delegates from a team are not able to attend, another player from that team can attend on their behalf and have that fine waived at that meeting, but if a fine occurs because no one from that team attended the meeting then that team is able to appeal that and any other fines at the next committee meeting.
2. Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls) raised there is something wrong when the President, Secretary and the Vice President of the Association disagree with a rule and each put \$10.00 forward to help pay a \$110.00 team fine. President Andrew O'Neill agreed that the rules for scorecard fines are still not right for the summer competition and will need to be addressed at the start of the summer competition. The fines for winter competition are "on the money".

- **Non-Attendance fines:** None. At least one ordinary committee member from each team was in attendance.
- **Closing:** Next Meeting to be held on Wednesday the 6th June, 2012 at the Top Pub in Morwell, start time 7:30pm.

Meeting closed at 8:15pm

Duration 40min 52sec



- Next meeting place has been changed to the **Morwell Club**, in the Franklin Room, that's where we had our annual presentation ball!



1st Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Morwell Club in the Franklin Room on Wednesday June 6th, 2012.

Chairman: Meeting opened by President Andrew O'Neill at 7:35pm.

Attendance: Quorum met in accordance with **Constitution Rule 25. 1 (Pg 15).**

Committee of Management

Office Holders – Claire Blackford (Secretary) & President Andrew O'Neill (President).

Ordinary Committee Members – Renee McDonald (Average Joes), Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls), Lyn Bock and Ted Norton (GJH), Shane Vogt and Alan Brooks (GJH Blacks), David Rash (Good Old Boys), Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys), Ann Rockall (Kissabulls), Ross Kenney (Lenny's Lads), Paul Morse (Morwell Shooters), Damien O'Brien (MGC Cruisers), Brad Smith (MGC Swingers), Treasurer Mick Lubawski (MRSL Allsorts), Brendon Cleland and Vice President Allan Greenwood (MRSL Greens), Don McIvor and Debbie Nicklen (MRSL Reds), Adam Skilbeck (MRSL Uglii's), Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar), Caen Shingles (Top Pub Elites), Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers), Greg McDonald and Brendan Colvin (TBC), Tom Gill (Turks Bar), Henry Kolakowski and Alan Goodwin (Turks Breakers), Graham Hodgskiss (Turks Cobras), Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters) and Greg Sanders (Yinnar Hotel).

Association Members/Visitors

Anthony Mills (MGC Swingers), Graeme Gerke (TBC), Paul Wildenburg (Top Pub Smashers).

35 in attendance

Apologies: Ivan Heasley (MRSL Uglii's), Danielle Arnold (Kissabulls), Guy Galea (Destructabulls), Shane Stewart (Top Pub Smashers), Alf Shingles (MRSL Allsorts), Wayne Taylor (Turks Magpies).

Correspondence:

1. Letter from Alf Shingles (tabled at previous meeting) – Andrew apologized this letter can't be dealt with at this meeting as it requires a decision made at the next Annual General Meeting. This letter will be filed and dealt with then.
2. Letter from Vic Carnival, this letter to be dealt with in General Business.

Minutes: President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) advised there are two lots of minutes from previous meetings that need to be accepted at this meeting, they were both available to read on the LVEBA website and via email 7 days prior to this meeting and therefore will not be read during this meeting (as per usual process). Andrew asked if there were any questions associated with the previous minutes, none were raised. The following minutes were accepted:

1. 5th Committee Meeting, 3rd August 2011
2. 1st Special Committee Meeting, 3rd April 2012

Moved: Ted Norton (GJH)

Seconded: Brendan Cleland (MRSL Greens)

- Carried -

Around the Executive:

President's Report.

1. Scorebooks for Winter Competition. President Andrew O'Neill raised there have been a number of occasions where the scorebooks have been lost by teams, they aren't cheap to produce and should do each team for 2 seasons, however people lose it over summer and then request another one the following winter season.

1) Motion: If you're a new team you will receive a new scorebook at no cost, however if you're a team already in the Association you must bring in their old scorebook to receive a new one at no cost, however, if they do not bring in their old scorebook or lose their scorebook, it is the team's responsibility to pay for a new one.

Moved: President Andrew O'Neill (Sport's Bar)

Seconded: Greg McDonald (TBC)

Opposed: Shane Vogt (GJH Blacks) opposed the motion, stated this was "crap", if a book is lost a team should be able to get another one at no cost. Renee McDonald (Average Joes) suggested teams hand in their scorebooks at the end of each winter season to ensure they're not lost, President Andrew O'Neill agreed teams can do this if they wish to.

- Carried -

2. Excessive drinking while playing pool on a Tuesday in the Association. President Andrew O'Neill stated this looks bad on the Association if you are drunk and get kicked out of a venue, the Association can't tell members what they can and can't drink however Andrew asked that all members just take it easy and not drink excessively while playing in the Association.

Vice President's Report.

None

Treasurer's Report.

1. Account balance & running sheet.

President Andrew O'Neill advised the Treasurer's Report can be looked at in detail after the meeting if anyone wishes too; it will be put on the website for everyone to have a look in this meeting's minutes. There have been a lot of transactions, it was brought up at the AGM there was some difficulty with bookkeeping and it was suggested by the TBC to have some auditing done which is a valid point. The reporting needs to be better, but we are getting more accurate with this.

- a. President Andrew O'Neill advised the balance at the moment is \$16704.51 with summer comp money taken out; it's still in there but will be taken out. We've had an income of \$4689.22 and spent \$3900, so the profit this year is \$777.57. We've had the following expenses - Country Cup \$800; purchased balls \$350; website development \$600; and more. We've had a lot of income come in from sponsorship - \$1750 so far, that's half our sponsorship that's been raised for this season the rest will be coming in soon.

Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association

Treasurer's Report 2012

Registration No A 0016389V		A.B.N. 53 071 518 494	
1st January - 6th June, 2012			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Document</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1st Jan, 2012	Opening Balance in Bank		\$15,926.94
31st Jan, 2012	Interest Credit	\$60.87	\$15,987.81
29th Feb, 2012	Interest Credit	\$56.79	\$16,044.60
6th Mar, 2012	Fines Ash Jenkins (\$40 Team Xscape 2006)	\$57.00	\$16,101.60
6th Mar, 2012	Sponsorship Good Guys 2011	\$100.00	\$16,201.60
6th Mar, 2012	Sponsorship Morwell Club 2011	\$100.00	\$16,301.60
9th Mar, 2012	Sponsorship Traralgon Engravers	\$50.00	\$16,351.60
13th Mar, 2012	Sponsorship East State Credit 2011	\$200.00	\$16,551.60
16th Mar, 2012	Sponsorship Almost Everywhere Entertainment 2011	\$50.00	\$16,601.60
20th Mar, 2012	Internet - Server Access & Name 2yrs - Kommunique (99	-\$308.40	\$16,293.20
31st Mar, 2012	Interest Credit	\$69.43	\$16,362.63
1st Apr, 2012	Annual General Meeting Printing A. O'Neill (997419)	-\$60.00	\$16,302.63
4th Apr, 2012	Sale Association Shirts x 3	\$45.00	\$16,347.63
4th Apr, 2012	Sale 3 sets of Pool Balls	\$175.00	\$16,522.63
4th Apr, 2012	Sale Stubby Holder x 1	\$7.00	\$16,529.63
19th Apr, 2012	Consumer Affairs (997414)	-\$42.80	\$16,486.83
20th Apr, 2012	Web Site Development & Design (997422)	-\$600.00	\$15,886.83
30th Apr, 2012	Interest Credit	\$62.85	\$15,949.68
1st May, 2012	Purchase Pool Ball Pool Victoria (997412)	-\$360.00	\$15,589.68
4th May, 2012	Country Cup x 2 Entry Fee 2012 (997424)	-\$500.00	\$15,089.68
8th May, 2012	Internet - Server Access - Kommunique (997423)	-\$239.40	\$14,850.28
10th May, 2012	Match Fees Rnd 1-9 & 20 Rego's & \$100 Sponsorship Mor	\$1,190.00	\$16,040.28
10th May, 2012	Sponsorship Chickerell Street Exuast Morwell	\$50.00	\$16,090.28
10th May, 2012	Sponsorship Bahcon Steel Morwell	\$100.00	\$16,190.28
10th May, 2012	Sponsorship Godfreys Traralgon	\$50.00	\$16,240.28
10th May, 2012	Sponsorship Rutter's Butchery Traralgon	\$100.00	\$16,340.28
10th May, 2012	Sponsorship Kristy Thistlethwaite	\$100.00	\$16,440.28
10th May, 2012	Sponsorship Barry Plant Traralgon	\$50.00	\$16,490.28
10th May, 2012	Sponsorship J. C. P. Automotive Morwell	\$50.00	\$16,540.28
10th May, 2012	Sponsorship Deans Smash Repairs Morwell	\$100.00	\$16,640.28
10th May, 2012	Sponsorship Alpine Country Morwell	\$100.00	\$16,740.28
14th May, 2012	Match Fees Rnd 1-9 & 15 Rego's & \$200 Sponsorship Top	\$1,055.00	\$17,795.28
24th May, 2012	Country Cup Re-Imbursement 16 x \$50.00 (997425)	-\$800.00	\$16,995.28
28th May, 2012	Registrations Traralgon Bowls Club 8 x \$12 (6710)	\$96.00	\$17,091.28
31st May, 2012	Sponsorship Morwell Golf Club	\$100.00	\$17,191.28
31st May, 2012	Sponsorship Murphy's Steel	100	\$17,291.28
31st May, 2012	Sponsorship Gipp's Office Furniture	\$100.00	\$17,391.28
31st May, 2012	Sponsorship Gippsland Locksmith	\$200.00	\$17,591.28
31st May, 2012	Sponsorship Yinnar Hotel	\$50.00	\$17,641.28
31st May, 2012	Interest Credit	\$64.28	\$17,705.56
	Country Cup 2012 Refreshments (997426) Tom Gill	-\$143.40	\$17,562.16
	Summer Competition Cheque to Andrew Allen's Family	-\$857.65	\$16,704.51
2012	Income - Expenditure = Profit/Loss	\$4,689.22	-\$3,911.65
	Difference	\$777.57	

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Juniors Ledger Account			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Document</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total</u>
1st Jan, 2012	Opening Balance		\$3,188.76
6th June, 2012	Closing Balance		
6th June, 2012	Total Balance (In Bank)		\$19,893.27
Summer Competition 2011-12 Ledger Account			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Document</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total</u>
13th Sep, 2011	Summer Competition Account		\$0.00
14th Feb, 2012	Scorebook Printing (997411)	-\$74.42	-\$74.42
14th Feb, 2012	Scorebook Binding (997411)	-\$106.08	-\$180.50
6th Mar, 2012	Match Fees Rnd 1 -12	\$2,700.50	\$2,520.00
6th Mar, 2012	Registrations	\$305.00	\$2,825.00
6th Mar, 2012	Fines	\$95.00	\$2,920.00
6th Mar, 2012	Scorebook Replacement	\$35.00	\$2,955.00
9th Mar, 2012	Summer Competition Trophies (997415)	-\$1,337.15	\$1,617.85
16th Mar, 2012	Match Fees Rnd 13 -23 & M.R.S.L. Fees Rnd 1 - 23	\$2,974.00	\$4,591.85
23rd Mar, 2012	Summer Competition Alcohol (997416)	-\$3,138.30	\$1,453.55
23rd Mar, 2012	Summer Competition Catering (997417)	-\$661.70	\$791.85
26th Mar, 2012	Meat Rutter Buttery (997418)	-\$200.00	\$591.85
4th Apr, 2012	Sponsorship Scorebooks Gippsland Locksmiths	\$50.00	\$641.85
4th Apr, 2012	Fines (\$40 Destructabulls, Turks Cobra's \$10 & GJH Black	\$60.00	\$701.85
4th Apr, 2012	Rego's	\$8.00	\$709.85
13th Apr, 2012	Match Fees Rnd 13-23 Yallourn Nth Bombers	\$112.50	\$822.35
22nd Apr, 2012	Summer Competition Extra Trophies & Engraving (997419)	-\$251.20	\$571.15
23rd Apr, 2012	Top Pub Match Fees Rnd 1 - 23 & 12 Rego's	\$286.50	\$857.65
	Total (Cheque to Andrew Allen's Family)	-\$857.65	\$0.00
2011-2012	Summer Competition Income - Expenditure =	\$6,626.50	-\$5,768.85
	Difference		\$857.65

- b.** Summer Competition. President Andrew O'Neill informed the summer comp finances have been finalized bar the money left over which we voted to send on to Andrew Allen's family. The Association ended up with a lot more money than anticipated, a couple of cheques hadn't come in and we ended up with an extra \$400 from Summer Competition. On the day of the finals all drinks were subsidized by the Association until about the last hour, this extra \$400 should have been available to go over the bar however we weren't aware of it at the time. Andrew apologized for this occurring, and stated as a result there was \$857.65 left over from summer comp which is way too much. Normally this is just folded over into our bank account. Next year we need to ensure all fees are in on time so we know exactly how much money we have available, this is just about bookkeeping really. Andrew informed he is required to keep around \$300-400 in the bank at the end of the season for trophies and engraving, so we need to get that figure from over \$800 down to around \$300 at the end of the season.
- c.** Donation to Andrew Allen's family. President Andrew O'Neill informed the members of the Association raised \$1000 for his family by putting a collection jar out and running a

raffle. Andrew contacted Jane Allen who informed she would put this money towards the kids school fees, Andrew has asked her to email him to confirm how the donation was spent. A cheque will be written and sent to her soon.

- d. Money banked. Treasurer Mick Lubawski informed given this is his first time as Treasurer, any money that's banked is run by Andrew so he can then check online to ensure it's gone into the account okay. President Andrew O'Neill informed he keeps a running sheet as well not just for all financial transactions but for scoring as well, this is just to back each other up and check if there's any discrepancies.

Moved: Don McIvor (MRSL Reds)

Seconded: Alan Goodwin (Turk's Breakers)

- Carried -

Secretary's Report.

1. Registrations forms. Secretary Claire Blackford read out the team names who had not yet handed in a registration form for their team. President Andrew O'Neill stated it is a requirement by the Constitution that they be handed in at the AGM. Andrew asked people to get the forms to Claire as soon as possible so the information can be sent to Pool Victoria. Andrew advised if the forms are not handed in by the next meeting, fines or point deductions will be voted on.

Scorer's Report.

1. Results Round 1-8. Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sport's Bar) advised of the results from rounds 1-8, they are also on the website. Wayne commented that all score sheets have been handed in by teams, and scores each Tuesday night have been texted by team members well. Wayne requested team's double check to ensure the scores are sent through the right way around as there was an issue earlier in the season with this, creating confusion. Wayne requested teams' text the home team name, the number of frames they won and the number of sets they won **only**. Wayne advised if anyone has any issues getting up to date information from the website on their phone, try refreshing the page – press Ctrl + F5 and this should help get the up to date information. Wayne asked if anyone had any issues with the scores listed on the website, none were raised. Wayne also advised there is a printer friendly version available on the website to print out the scores.

Scores Division 1

Team	Fr	Set	vs,	Team	Fr	Set
Turks Shooters	7	2	lost to	Turks Bar	8	3
Lenny's Lads'	6	2	lost to	M.R.S.L. Greens	9	3
M.R.S.L. Allsorts	12	5	defeated	Jezza's Turkeys'	3	0
G.J.H. Blacks	11	4	defeated	Turks Magpies	4	1
Sports Bar	0	0	Bye			

Ladder Division 1

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Turks Bar	67	38	176.32%	12
M.R.S.L. Allsorts	63	42	150.00%	10
Turks Shooters	63	57	110.53%	10
G.J.H. Blacks	53	52	101.92%	8
Jezza's Turkeys'	47	58	81.03%	8
Sports Bar	54	51	105.88%	4
Lenny's Lads'	48	57	84.21%	4
Turks Magpies	45	60	75.00%	4
M.R.S.L. Greens	40	65	61.54%	4
No Frames or Points for a bye				

Scores Division 2

Team	Fr	Set	vs.	Team	Fr	Set
Good Old Boys	3	0	lost to	G.J.H.	12	5
Turks Cobra's	5	1	lost to	Top Pub Elites	10	4
M.R.S.L. Uglii's	7	1	lost to	M.G.C. Swingers	8	4
T.B.C.	3	0	lost to	Destructabulls	12	5

Ladder Division 2

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
M.R.S.L. Uglii's	70	50	140.00%	14
Destructabulls	67	53	126.42%	12
Grand Junction Hotel	76	44	172.73%	10
Top Pub Elites	59	61	96.72%	10
M.G.C. Swingers	55	65	84.62%	6
Traralgon Bowls Club	53	67	79.10%	6
Good Old Boys	50	70	71.43%	4
Turks Cobra's	50	70	71.43%	2

Scores Division 3						
Team	Fr	Set	vs.	Team	Fr	Set
Top Pub Smashers	10	4	defeated	Average Joes	5	1
Morwell Shooters	7	3	defeated	Kissabulls	8	2
M.G.C. Cruisers	7	3	defeated	M.R.S.L. Reds	8	3
Turks Breakers	6	2	lost to	Yinnar Hotel	9	3

Ladder Division 3				
Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Turks Breakers	72	48	150.00%	12
Average Joes	73	47	155.32%	10
M.G.C. Cruisers	70	50	140.00%	10
Yinnar Hotel	60	60	100.00%	10
Top Pub Smashers	59	61	96.72%	8
M.R.S.L. Reds	58	62	93.55%	6
Morwell Shooters	43	77	55.84%	6
Kissabulls	45	75	60.00%	2

2. Web Site development. President Andrew O'Neill advised he and Wayne will be working on website development in the coming week, to update information on the website and to finish making changes to the website itself.

Moved: Alan Goodwin (Turks Breakers)

Seconded: Debbie Nicklen (MRS L Reds)

- Carried -

Publicity Officer's Report.

1. Sponsorship 2012. Publicity Officer Rick Merlo informed there is still some more sponsorship money to come in as Andrew stated earlier, and this year the Association beat the record once again for sponsorship support, so far we have raised around \$3500-\$4000 in sponsorship support.
 - a. Rick advised one of the businesses that sponsored the Association last year, knew that some of our members had made purchases from their businesses so they were happy to sponsor us once again. Rick recommended all members consider this when they make purchases, to maybe go to businesses that sponsor the Association and let them know you're from the Association if you make a purchase.
 - b. Andrew advised the Manager of one of the Associations' major sponsors, Anish Parekh of The Good Guys is interested in playing eight ball. Andrew requested teams in division two or three consider taking him on as a spare.
 - c. Scorer Wayne Van Heerwaarden informed there is a "Sponsors" section on the LVEBA website if anyone wants to know who the sponsors are, and over time he will develop links to the sponsor's websites.

Junior's Report.

None.

General Business:

1. Top Pub & REH and minors.

President Andrew O'Neill advised the owner of both these venues have stated they will not allow minors in the bar after 7pm, which means that if a team has a member under the age of 18, they will be unable to play this member at these venues. Andrew advised the Association has had this issue in the past, and there are no other venues that have issues with minors playing in the league, but if teams intend to play minors at these particular venues, they will have issues.

Don McIvor (MRSL Reds) questioned whether this is due to the gambling machine in the bar, Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar) advised it is to do with the liquor laws not the pokies, it's their policy, the Association can't do anything to change that.

2. Country Cup results 2012.

President Andrew O'Neill congratulated all 8 players in LV 1 who participated as they pulled together and played well. Andrew congratulated LV 1 for winning the tournament, and advised LV 2 came up a bit short which is disappointing but there is always next year.

3. Country Cup Committee for 2013.

President Andrew O'Neill asked for volunteers to be part of the Country Cup Committee for 2013. The Treasurer and Publicity Officer are automatically on the Committee, but other members are needed. Wayne Taylor (Turk's Magpies) has expressed an interest to be on the Committee, Andrew asked David Rash (Good Old Boys) to be on the Committee and advised he will also go on the Committee. Andrew asked for volunteers to help out on the day, Ann Rockall (Kissabulls) offered to help to set up.

Moved: Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls)

Seconded: Renee McDonald (Average Joes)

- Carried unanimously -

4. Association Handbook 2012.

President Andrew O'Neill advised the Handbook is still incomplete, he hopes they will be handed out at the next meeting.

5. Singles Competition for 2nd & 3rd division.

President Andrew O'Neill advised this competition needs to be organized very soon, and suggested it occur either this weekend or the weekend after. It was suggested not to hold it this coming weekend as it is a long weekend. It was proposed the competition be held on Sunday June 17 at Turk's Bar. All teams need to inform their members about the competition, and if they want to compete they need to be at Turk's Bar at 9:30am on June 17, so the competition can start by 10-10:30am. If there are more than 32 members from Division 2 and 3 who attend to compete, or at least 16 for each division, the competition will be split into a 2nd and 3rd division competition, however, if there are only up to 32 members who attend to compete, it will remain as a division 2 competition with division 3 players competing as well.

6. Singles Competition for 1st, 2nd & 3rd division.

President Andrew O'Neill informed this is an open competition, which means Division 2 and 3 players can compete as well. Andrew advised this coming Tuesday night June 12 was originally arranged as a bye for all teams so the qualifying final could be played for this competition.

With the bye occurring so soon, this competition can't be arranged in such a short period of time. Registration forms need to be completed and returned so that Andrew and Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden can develop the draw, there is not enough time to do this now. Andrew informed it will be a blind draw; the top 2 players from each table will go through to the final and all 14 tables in the league will be needed.

- a. Andrew suggested Round 9 games be played this coming Tuesday June 12 instead of Tuesday June 19 (as per the draw), and swap the bye to the following week (June 19), so that the qualifying final can be played for the singles competition and then the final can be played on the following Sunday June 24. Some discussion occurred regarding other options to run the singles competition. Andrew advised swapping Round 9 with the bye is the best way to do it, any other option won't really work.
- b. Treasurer Mick Lubawski (Sport's Bar) suggested only Division 1 players be eligible to play in the singles competition. There was an issue last year with no order of play, some players threw their games towards the end so that others could go through to the final. The competition should go back to a knock-out like it was years ago, where each division have their own singles competition. Andrew informed this singles competition has been an "open" competition so that 2nd and 3rd division players have had the opportunity to play against better players, and this year there will be an order of play so it will be a lot more difficult for players to manipulate who goes through. Mick stated if 2nd and 3rd division players have played in the 2nd division singles competition then they should not be eligible to play in the division 1 competition. Mick suggested it go back to the way it used to be ie each division have their own competition, and the division 1 singles competition should not be open. Greg Sanders (Yinnar Hotel) stated players shouldn't get two chances, if they play in one competition they shouldn't be able to play in other competitions.

1) Motion: the division 1 singles competition be for division 1 players only, division 2 players compete in a division 2 singles competition, and division 3 players compete in a division 3 singles competition.

Moved: Treasurer Mick Lubawski (MRSL Allsorts)

Seconded: Renee McDonald (Average Joes)

Votes: 13 for the motion and 15 against the motion

- Lost -

2) Motion: swap Round 9 games from June 19 to June 12, and hold Division 1 qualifying final on June 19 instead, with the final occurring on Sunday June 24.

Moved: Ross Kenney (Lenny's Lads)

Seconded: Graham Hodgskiss (Turk's Cobras)

- Carried -

- c. Andrew advised teams need to contact the team they are competing against in Round 9, to ensure they can play Round 9 games this coming Tuesday June 12. If there's an issue with moving the games, teams should do their best to arrange another time and day to play their games before Round 10, which gives them up to two weeks to arrange. If anyone has any major issues they can contact Andrew.
- d. Andrew informed all tables will be required for the qualifying final and asked if there were any tables that will be unavailable for the qualifying final. Andrew asked if teams could contact him as soon as possible if their table won't be available for whatever reason on Tuesday June 19. Otherwise, all venues' tables will be utilized for the qualifying final.

- e. Andrew asked all teams to take a registration form to their team and get them to sign up if they wish to compete in the division 1/open competition. These forms will need to be completed by Tuesday June 12 and returned to Turk's Bar so that Andrew and Wayne can complete the draw for the qualifying final. Andrew confirmed this competition is free and members do not have to play if they don't want to.
- f. Regarding the division 1/open singles competition qualifying final, as soon as the draw is completed Wayne will put the draw on the LVEBA website as soon as it is done so players can look up where they're playing.

7. Final Series.

- a. President Andrew O'Neill asked if the committee wanted the final series to occur as per the calendar/draw (Tues/Wed with Presentation Ball occurring on the following Sat), or do it the same way it was done last year ie combine finals and the Presentation Ball. Andrew stated he is leaning towards separating them as there was a lot more work involved with them being combined and people didn't put in a lot of effort with their appearance.

1) Motion: final series to occur as per the current calendar/draw, with the Presentation Ball held separately to the finals, ie the following Saturday night.

- Carried unanimously -

- b. Discussion occurred regarding the "scuffles" between players on different occasions; Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden suggested there be a motion moved that players are banned from the Association if they are involved in a physical altercation with another player. Brendon Cleland (MRSL Greens) stated he agrees with this in principle but suggested the Committee be careful with the wording of this.

1) Motion: Players will be banned from playing in the Association for a 12 month period if they are seen to be involved in and/or cause a physical altercation with another player during the Presentation Ball. All players have a right to appeal to the Committee if they are banned.

Moved: Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sport's Bar)

Seconded: Alan Goodwin (Turk's Breakers)

Opposed: 1 against

- Carried -

8. Annual Presentation Ball.

- a. Dress Code. Discussion occurred regarding the Presentation Ball and whether it be a "formal" or "semi-formal" event. Most agreed this should be a "formal" event ie no jeans, no polo tops, no shorts, no tank tops, no sneakers, no singlet's.

- b. Committee. The following people offered to be on the Presentation Ball Committee – Don McIvor (MRSL Reds), President Andrew O'Neill (Sport's Bar), Treasurer Mick Lubawski (MRSL Allsorts), Secretary Claire Blackford (MRSL Uglii's), and Brendon Cleland (MRSL Greens).

Moved: Alan Goodwin (Turk's Breakers)

Seconded: Ann Rockall (Kissabulls)

- c. Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) advised he approached the Traralgon Bowling Club to put to them they could hold the finals and Presentation Ball at their venue if they give the Association a sizeable sponsorship this year, however given their refurbishments they may be unable to hold them at their venue. They have basically guaranteed they will give the Association a sizeable sponsorship next year if the finals

and Presentation Ball are held at their venue. President Andrew O'Neill informed they will follow up with Traralgon Bowling Club as they may still be able to hold these events this year.

- d. Vic Health Carnival. Last year there were two teams sent to the Carnival, this needs to be organized again as it is held at the end of this month. Steve Halliday to organize the division 1 team and Wayne Taylor to organize the division 2 team.

Around the Committee:

1. **Average Joes** – Renee McDonald asked for clarification about the frozen ball rule, as it came up in a game a couple of weeks ago. President Andrew O'Neill clarified that it is up to the umpire to look before a shot to see if a ball is frozen, he isn't required to announce it, it's up to the player to ask the umpire to confirm whether it is or not. If you know the umpire is not paying attention you can ask the question to draw their attention to the situation, and if the ball is frozen it must make contact with the rail after contact from the white ball.
2. **Destructabulls** – Neil Stuckey asked for clarification regarding the last 4 rounds in the season, and whether they will be counted as part of the competition, Andrew informed the decision made earlier in the year was that all rounds will be counted in the competition, this may seem unfair however it was seen as the best option at the time.
3. **GJH** – no issues.
4. **GJH Blacks** – Shane Vogt asked where the finals will be held, if you want to have them at your venue, Andrew stated if a team wants to hold the finals at their venue, they need to come to the next meeting with a proposal, and a decision can be made then.
5. **Good Old Boys** – all good.
6. **Jezza's Turkeys** – all good.
7. **Kissabulls** – Ann Rockall asked for clarification if a red, yellow and black are potted off the break, what is the ruling? It is a re-rack no foul, Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden reminded everyone the rules are on the website.
8. **Lenny's Lads** – all good.
9. **Morwell Shooters** – all good.
10. **MGC Cruisers** – Damien O'Brien informed Rosa Payne has gone to another team therefore is no longer a delegate for their team. Damien nominated John Humphries to be their team's second delegate.

Moved: Damien O'Brien (MGC Cruisers)
Seconded: Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers)
- Carried unanimously -
11. **MGC Swingers** – no issues.
12. **MRS� Allsorts** – all good.
13. **MRS� Greens** – Brendon Cleland advised he would like to make a public apology to Shane Vogt for the behavior of one of the Greens' players recently towards Shane.
14. **MRS� Reds** – nothing to raise.
15. **MRS� Uglii's** – all good.

16. Sport's Bar – nothing to raise.

17. Top Pub Elites – Caen Shingles has left the meeting.

18. Top Pub Smashers – Rick Merlo requested Shane Stewart be removed as the team's delegate and nominated Paul Wildenburg as the team's second delegate.

Moved: Rick Merlo

Seconded: Alan Goodwin (Turk's Breakers)

- Carried unanimously -

19. TBC – Greg McDonald advised there have been issues when playing at Turk's Bar, when you arrive you don't know which team you're playing and on which table. Greg suggested they be numbered and included in the draw. Andrew informed he did do this once and it took him ages, he then discussed this with Turk's Bar, who have basically said "first in best dressed". Greg raised the issue of the Turk's Bar tables not being of the correct height, Andrew stated he will check that himself. Greg informed he will not be available for the next meeting and neither will his second delegate, Andrew stated if one of their team members can attend, they can then appeal the fine for non-attendance.

20. Turk's Bar – all good.

21. Turk's Breakers – all good.

22. Turk's Cobras – all good.

23. Turk's Magpies – no delegate in attendance (see non-attendance fines).

24. Turk's Shooters – Steve Halliday stated he has no issues however has been asked by Steve Gray to raise the issue of him attending the Nationals.

- a. Steve Gray (Turk's Bar) has asked the Committee to move two motions to fund his involvement in the Nationals competition, \$500 for last year and \$500 for this year. Steve will only be given the \$500 for this year if he qualifies to play in the Nationals of course. President Andrew O'Neill informed he contacted Andrea Bird from Pool Victoria to find out more information about the Nationals and the costs involved, and was told the following: it is a two week event and the cost is \$850 for each player from Victoria this year, this includes flights, accommodation and entry into the singles event, uniform, and some meals. Andrea also stated Pool Victoria is more generous than any of the other states, as the \$850 doesn't cover all of the costs involved in competing. Andrew informed the Nationals don't occur until after the finals which means there are no more meetings held, and this is why Steve is asking for reimbursement for last year's involvement as well as it was too late last year for him to request the money from the Association.

- 1) **Motion:** For Steve Gray to be reimbursed \$500 for his involvement in the Nationals competition last year, and for any member of the LVEBA to be given \$500 this year to compete in the Nationals, if they qualify.

Moved: Ross Kenney (Lenny's Lads)

Seconded: Renee McDonald (Average Joes)

- Carried -

25. Visitors – no issues raised.

Sign in book - non-attendance fines: Turk's Magpies fined \$10 for non-attendance at this meeting.

Closing: Next Meeting to be held on Wednesday the 4th July, 2012 at the Traralgon Bowls Club, start time 7:30pm.

Meeting closed at 9:28pm
Duration 1hr 53min 08sec



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2nd Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Traralgon Bowls Club on Wednesday the 4th July, 2012.

Chairman: Meeting opened by President Andrew O'Neill at 7:29pm.

Attendance: Quorum met in accordance with **Constitution Rule 25. 1 (Pg. 15).**

Committee of Management

Office Holders – Secretary Claire Blackford, President Andrew O'Neill and Vice President Allan Greenwood.

Ordinary Committee Members – Renee McDonald (Average Joes), Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls), Ted Norton (GJH), Alan Brooks (GJH Blacks), David Rash (Good Old Boys), Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys), Ann Rockall (Kissabulls), Paul Morse (Morwell Shooters), Damien O'Brien and John Humphries (MGC Cruisers), Brad Smith (MGC Swingers), Treasurer Mick Lubawski (MRSL Allsorts), Brendon Cleland, Don McIvor and Debbie Nicklen (MRSL Reds), Ivan Heasley and Adam Skilbeck (MRSL Uglii's), Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar), Caen Shingles (Top Pub Elites), Publicity Officer Rick Merlo and Paul Wildenburg (Top Pub Smashers), Brendan Colvin (TBC), Tom Gill (Turks Bar), Henry Kolakowski and Alan Goodwin (Turks Breakers), Janet Hedt and Graham Hodgskiss (Turks Cobras), Wayne Taylor (Turks Magpies), Steve Halliday and Aaron Omara (Turks Shooters), Greg Sanders and Phil Slater (Yinnar Hotel).

Association Members/visitors

Tracey Bowen, Alan Campbell (Destructabulls), and Anthony Mills (MGC Swingers).

Attendance: 38

Apologies: Danielle Arnold (Kissabulls).

Correspondence: None.

Minutes: From 1st Committee Meeting held on 6th June 2012 to be accepted.

Business Arising

1. President Andrew O'Neill informed there is a slight change in the figures in the Treasurer's Report from the last meeting, there was slightly more profit than what was reported at the last meeting and the Committee needs to be informed of the adjustment. The actual profit was \$777.57, the monthly interest credit had not been added on at the time.

Moved: Brendon Cleland (MRSL Greens)

Accepted: Alan Goodwin (Turks Breakers)

- Carried unanimously -

Around the Executive:

1. Presidents Report.

- a) The table height of the 8 ball tables at Turks Bar was questioned last meeting, President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) informed the two tables in the back area were raised about an inch each, Shane Vogt (GJH Blacks) and Aaron Omera (Turks Shooters) spent time adjusting them.
- b) The issue of table numbering at Turks Bar was also questioned at the last meeting, President Andrew O'Neill informed Turks Bar have displayed table numbers above each table however have gone no further to address the issue of teams being allocated to a particular table each Tuesday night. Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls) suggested Turks Bar just put team names on a list next to the numbered tables, Andrew stated he will make the recommendation to Turks Bar however it's not going to be easy to solve that issue.

2. Vice President's Report.

Nothing to report.

3. Treasurer's Report.

- a) Treasurer Mick Lubawski (MRSL Allsorts) read out team names who had not yet handed in match fees this meeting. Mick gave some teams change from overpayments made at the previous meeting.
- b) Mick informed there are some registration monies still owing, MRSL Greens – 1 rego, MRSL Reds – 3 rego's, MRSL Uglis – 1 rego, Jezza's Turkeys – 1 rego, and Morwell Shooters – 2 rego's. Mick will send an invoice to the RSL for the outstanding registrations for their teams, the other teams owing registration monies need to pay the remaining owed and see Mick if there are any issues.
- c) Account balance and running sheet. President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) read out the bank balance for the LVEBA bank account - \$21,952.47 at the moment. Andrew informed this amount will obviously reduce when it comes to finals, and advised the running sheet is available out the front if anyone wants to have a look after the meeting.
- d) Andrew gave an update on the money raised for Andrew Allen's family, a cheque has been sent to his daughter who is caring for his other children, and she has cashed this cheque. A letter was sent to her asking if she could provide some feedback about how the children are going and how the money was used.

Treasurer's Report 2012

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06th June - 04th July, 2012			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Document</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Balance</u>
6th Jun, 2012	Opening Balance in Bank		\$18,563.21
7th June, 2012	Sponsorship Mighty Doors Leigh Mitchel	\$100.00	\$18,663.21
8th June, 2012	Sponsorship Traralgon Bowls Club	\$200.00	\$18,863.21
8th June, 2012	Registrations Rnd 1-8 (110 Regos x \$12)	\$1,313.00	\$20,176.21
8th June, 2012	Match Fees Rnd 1-8	\$3,200.00	\$23,376.21
20th June, 2012	Sponsorship Karls Mega Sports Store	\$100.00	\$23,476.21
24th June, 2012	Country Cup 2012 Refreshments (997426) Tom Gill	-\$143.40	\$23,332.81
25th June, 2012	Andre Lazaris (Average Joes) Raffle Fine Lost Tickets	\$40.00	\$23,372.81
25th June, 2012	Match Fees & Rego Rnd 1-8 Dave Ferguson (Lenny's Lads)	\$47.00	\$23,419.81
26th June, 2012	Singles Championship Meat Rutters Butchery (997427)	-\$80.00	\$23,339.81
26th June, 2012	Singles Championship 2012 bbq (997428)	-\$93.90	\$23,245.91
26th June, 2012	Donations Raised For Andrew Allen	\$1,001.00	\$24,246.91
27th June, 2012	Nationals Representation - Steve Gray (997429)	-\$500.00	\$23,746.91
27th June, 2012	Sponsorship Grand Junction Hotel	\$100.00	\$23,846.91
30th June, 2012	Interest Credit	\$74.21	\$23,921.12
3rd July, 2012	Vic Health Carnival 2 x \$55 Teams Entry Fee (997430)	-\$110.00	\$23,811.12
3rd July, 2012	Summer Competition & Donations Andrew Allen's Family	-\$1,858.65	\$21,952.47
4th July, 2012			\$21,952.47
2012	Income - Expenditure = Profit/Loss	\$6,175.21	-\$2,785.95
	Difference		\$3,389.26

Moved: Ted Norton (GJH)

Accepted: Henry Kolakowski (Turks Breakers)

- Carried unanimously -

4. Secretary's Report:

- a) Registrations forms. President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) requested the following teams see Secretary Claire Blackford (MRSL Uglii's) after the meeting about some discrepancies between their registrations and their score sheets – Jezza's Turkeys, MRSL Greens, Turks Shooters, Good Old Boys, TBC, Top Pub Smashers, Yinnar Hotel
- b) Annual Presentation Ball dress code letter to all teams.

5. Scorer's Report.

- a) Results round 11. Scorer Wayne Van Heerwaarden (Sports Bar) read out rankings for each division, President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) asked that all teams **PUT FULL NAMES ON SCORE SHEETS EVERY WEEK** so when the rankings are done Brendon Cleland (MRSL Greens) knows who is listed – **putting nicknames and first names only creates a nightmare when it comes to doing the rankings.**
- b) Singles Championship 2012 Results. Andrew informed there were good numbers this year for the 2nd division singles competition, Frank Marino (Destructabulls) won the day and Rod Chapman (GJH) was the runner up, and there were 31 members who attended. Andrew stated this competition will be run again next year so people need to have a think about competing because if there are sufficient numbers next year, a separate 2nd and 3rd division competition will be run with at least 16 members in each division.

Andrew informed the 1st division singles competition qualifying final went alright apart from the earthquake, Danny McLean diving under the table at the Top Pub and the barmaid getting caught on the door at Turks bar when everyone was trying to get out. The draw itself went well, on the day of the finals for the 1st division singles competition there was a bbq, some really good competition happening and Paul Pike (Turks Bar) won the day and Tom Gill (Turks Bar) was the runner up.

Scores Division 1

Team	Fr	Set	vs.	Team	Fr	Set
Turks Shooters	11	5	defeated	Jezza's Turkeys'	4	0
Sports Bar	9	3	defeated	Turks Magpies	6	2
Lenny's Lads'	6	2	lost to	G.J.H. Blacks	9	3
M.R.S.L. Allsorts	6	1	lost to	Turks Bar	9	4
M.R.S.L. Greens	0	0	Bye			

Ladder Division 1

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Turks Bar	89	46	193.48%	16
M.R.S.L. Allsorts	90	60	150.00%	14
Turks Shooters	84	66	127.27%	14
Jezza's Turkeys'	72	78	92.31%	12
G.J.H. Blacks	70	80	87.50%	10
Sports Bar	80	70	114.29%	8
Turks Magpies	63	87	72.41%	6
Lenny's Lads'	64	86	74.42%	4
M.R.S.L. Greens	48	87	55.17%	4
No Frames or Points for a bye				

Scores Division 2

Team	Fr	Set	vs.	Team	Fr	Set
G.J.H.	8	3	defeated	T.B.C.	7	2
Top Pub Elites	5	2	lost to	Destructabulls	10	3
M.G.C. Swingers	7	2	lost to	Good Old Boys	8	3
Turks Cobra's	6	2	lost to	M.R.S.L. Uglii's	9	3

Ladder Division 2

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
M.R.S.L. Uglii's	98	67	146.27%	20
Destructabulls	95	70	135.71%	18
Grand Junction Hotel	98	67	146.27%	14
Traralgon Bowls Club	79	86	91.86%	10
Top Pub Elites	77	88	87.50%	10
Good Old Boys	72	93	77.42%	6
M.G.C. Swingers	70	95	73.68%	6
Turks Cobra's	71	94	75.53%	4

Scores Division 3						
Team	Fr	Set	vs.	Team	Fr	Set
Morwell Shooters	6	2	lost to	Average Joes	9	3
M.G.C. Cruisers	5	2	lost to	Kissabulls	10	3
Turks Breakers	5	1	lost to	M.R.S.L. Reds	10	4
Top Pub Smashers	5	2	lost to	Yinnar Hotel	10	3

Ladder Division 3				
Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
M.G.C. Cruisers	101	64	157.81%	16
Turks Breakers	97	68	142.65%	16
Yinnar Hotel	90	75	120.00%	16
Average Joes	95	70	135.71%	12
Top Pub Smashers	85	80	106.25%	12
M.R.S.L. Reds	72	93	77.42%	6
Morwell Shooters	58	107	54.21%	6
Kissabulls	62	103	60.19%	4

6. Publicity Officer's Report.

- a) Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) informed the final figure for sponsorship this year is \$3450, which is fantastic.
- b) Rick informed the handbook should be out next meeting; President Andrew O'Neill informed there has been a delay this year waiting on sponsors to send through their ads so that Wayne can design an ad for them in the handbook. Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras) suggested giving businesses a deadline for their ads each year, Andrew informed businesses give the sponsorship money when they provide their ad, so no ad means no coin. Andrew stated in future they will look at just uploading the handbook to the website for cost purposes as printing them is very costly. Andrew stated the handbook will be handed out at the next meeting.
- c) Andrew informed he has recently had feedback from 8 ball clubs in Melbourne who have been looking at our website and modeling from it because there is a lot of content on there, we're hoping there will be more content in future.

7. Junior's Report.

Nothing to report.

General Business:

1. **Association Handbook 2012.** As discussed above.
2. **Pool Vic Health Carnival.** This was played on the weekend, the LVEBA had 2 teams compete and Steve Halliday's (Turks Shooters) team came runner up. Steve informed it was a good day, everyone played average but ok. Wayne Taylor (Turks Magpies) informed that a few played well and lost most games 4/3 which is good.

3. Final Series.

a) Dates & Venues. President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) informed it was voted at the last meeting to separate the finals and the Presentation Ball. Andrew informed the final's dates are:

- I. Elimination final Tuesday 28th August 2012.
- II. Qualifying final Wednesday 29th August.
- III. Preliminary final Tuesday 4th September.
- IV. Grand final Wednesday 5th September.

President Andrew O'Neill informed the league will save money by playing the finals at the Morwell RSL and Turks Bar in Traralgon, any other venue will cost extra because we'll have to pay for tables. Andrew put forward a motion that Tuesday finals are played at the RSL and Wednesday finals be played at Turks Bar.

Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) asked if there are 3 games played for each final, are we going to pull a table into Morwell RSL because there are only 2 tables there. President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) asked what people want to do in this situation, play all finals at Turks Bar given there are sufficient tables at that venue. Andrew opened the floor for discussion.

- Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras) suggested the league support the Morwell RSL given the Presentation Ball will be in Traralgon. Andrew stated it isn't confirmed at this stage where the Presentation Ball will be;
- Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls) suggested all finals be played at Turks Bar as there are sufficient tables;
- Don McIvor (MRSL Reds) suggested 3rd division finals be played Monday night at the Morwell RSL and then the Tuesday finals can still be played at the Morwell RSL;
- Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) suggested if this is the case the Tuesday finals could be played at the Top Pub as there are 2 tables there as well;
- Ann Rockall (Kissabulls) stated the Top Pub is their home venue and they are "crap" tables;
- Treasurer Mick Lubawski (MRSL Allsorts) stated it would be better to play finals at Turks Bar because the tables are better.
- President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) stated the tables at Turks Bar and the Morwell RSL are the same as the tables that we would hire;

1) **Motion** – All finals be played at Turks Bar.

Moved: Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden (Sports Bar)

Seconded: Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys)

Opposed: 2 members were opposed to the motion

- Carried -

- b) Finals games. Treasurer Mick Lubawski (MRSL Allsorts) asked if it is required to play all 3 games in the finals, President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) stated he can't quite remember how it needs to be done for "player of the final" so he'll make a note to look into it and confirm that at the next meeting. Andrew stated the finals dates will occur as per the calendar, and next meeting he'll read out who's playing who in the finals.
- c) Practice times will be the same as usual, 15 minutes for each team, this will be discussed more at the next meeting.
- d) Dress code. The dress code will apply for the finals as per the constitution – collared shirt, dress pants and dress shoes.

4. Annual Presentation Ball – 8th September 2012.

a) **Formal/semi-formal dress code.** President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) stated behavior at the Presentation Ball was discussed at the last meeting, and dress code, he would like to move the focus from the alcohol on the night to the presentation, the meal, and bringing the standard up. Therefore, if people attend and they don't meet the dress code, they won't get in, and there will be bouncers at the door.

1) **Motion** – dress code at the Presentation Ball to be semi-formal, which means: dress shirts; dress shoes; slacks; no flannies, sneakers, jeans, or cargo pants; and the women to get dressed up as well.

Moved: Ivan Heasley (MRSL Uglii's)

Seconded: Henry Kolakowski (Turks Breakers)

- Carried unanimously -

President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) informed a letter will be handed out at the next meeting regarding dress code and behavior; copies will be given to be handed out to **all members of each team.**

b) **Forms.** President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) stated a form will be given out to each team with a deposit amount to be paid; members need to fill it out if they are going to attend and pay the deposits, then the form and deposits will need to be returned at the next meeting.

c) **Venue.** A number of venues were discussed:

- Wayne Taylor (Turks Magpies) obtained a verbal quote from Traralgon Vineyard for \$40 per head;
- Don McIvor (MRSL Reds) obtained a basic written quote from the Morwell RSL including a \$18 per head for smorgasbord menu and a \$20 per head for table service menu, with drinks at members prices starting at \$3.20 for a pot of heavy;
- President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) informed the Traralgon Bowls Club will be doing some major renovations so aren't able to offer their venue;
- Andrew obtained a detailed written quote from the Premier Function Centre including a \$26.50 menu option, a \$31 menu option and a \$35 menu option, with drinks starting at \$4.20 for a pot of heavy.

Andrew handed out the written quotes to each table. It was felt that the Traralgon Vineyard quote was too expensive, so the discussion centered around the quotes from the Morwell RSL and the Premier Function Centre. President Andrew O'Neill stated there is quite a difference in the quality of food between the two options, he recently attended a function at the Premier function Centre and the food was of a very high quality, the presentation of the center itself was very nice as well and he would recommend this option as they put on a good night. Andrew stated that if we are looking at lifting the quality of the function then the Premier Function Centre would be good.

Andrew also informed if the function is held at the RSL, people would put down a \$20 deposit and this amount would be refunded on the night, whereas if the function is held at the Premier Function Centre, there would have to be a different arrangement eg people would need to put down a \$35 deposit and \$20 would be refunded on the night, so there is a difference in cost to each individual as well as the Association.

Andrew opened the floor for discussion:

- Numbers were discussed, Andrew stated he is expecting hopefully more than 150 people to attend, in previous years we've had around 120-130;

- Don McIvor (MRSL Reds) stated there is quite a difference in price between the two venues which he doesn't mind but earlier we were quibbling over hiring tables for finals but there's a big difference between the meal prices;
- Life members don't pay for their meals as per usual;
- Treasurer Mick Lubawski (MRSL Allsorts) stated the way it works out, if we go to the Premier Function Centre people will pay in the end \$15 for their meal whereas at the Morwell RSL they won't pay anything;
- Andrew stated members **must play a minimum of 5 games in the season** to qualify for the subsidized meal;
- Partners will have to pay full price with no subsidy;
- Last year a pot of beer was capped at \$3.00 however prices have gone up since then so it won't be the same;
- Last year the Association spent \$2,000.00 on alcohol subsidy, Andrew stated he would like to see the subsidy reduced or even scrapped.

Andrew asked for a show of hands for who votes for the Presentation Ball to be at the Morwell RSL.

For: 17

Against: 12

- Carried -

President Andrew O'Neill stated he just realized the Presentation Ball was due to be in Traralgon this year as each year it is alternated between Morwell and Traralgon. Some discussion occurred about changing it to Traralgon however Andrew stated that given it has been voted, this needs to stand.

Andrew stated we need to decide between the smorgasbord quote or table service, the issue is they haven't provided any detail about what that entails. Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls) raised that you can get a smorgasbord meal at the Morwell RSL on a Saturday night for \$15, and it is the same menu as they provide in the function room. Some discussion occurred regarding this, given the Morwell RSL did not provide a detailed quote and menu it was difficult to know whether this was the case or not. Allan Greenwood (MRSL Greens) rang Mary at the Morwell RSL who stated the menu was different entirely in the function room and much better quality. Secretary Claire Blackford (MRSL Uglis) stated she has eaten both menus and feel they are the same. Some discussion occurred about further investigating this and re-voting about the venue.

Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras) suggested the Committee decide on the venue.

- 1) Motion** – the Presentation Ball Committee to do further investigation with the Morwell RSL and decide on the venue.

Moved: Ivan Heasley (MRSL Uglis)

Seconded: Janet Hedt

- Carried unanimously -

- d) Alcohol subsidy.** Some discussion occurred regarding subsidy for alcohol at the Presentation Ball, it was suggested there be no subsidy on beverages at the Presentation Ball. Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden (Sports Bar) suggested this may reduce numbers at the Presentation Ball if there is no subsidy. Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) raised that the people who are going to get drunk are likely to get drunk anyway regardless of the subsidy. David Rash (Good Old Boys) put forward the following:

1) Motion – no subsidy on beverages at the RSL.

Moved: David Rash

Seconded: Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras)

13 for, 12 against

- Carried -

- e) **Band.** A quote has been obtained from the same band as last year, who charge \$100 per hour and they will probably play for 3 to 4 hours at the Presentation Ball. They will leave when we start the presentations.
- f) **Start time.** The venue will open at 6:30pm and the meal will be served at 7:00pm.
- g) **Finish time,** will be 12:00am.
- h) **Deposit.** If you've played your 5 games in the season to qualify, you will pay a deposit of \$20.00 and this will be returned on the night, partners will pay a \$20.00 deposit also but this is not returned.

Around the Committee:

1. **Average Joes** – gone.
2. **Destructabulls** – Neil Stuckey raised that the Top Pub tables aren't level, Andrew stated he has had a few complaints about this and this needs to be addressed. Brendon Cleland (MRSL Greens) raised that the cloth is not stretched properly and you can actually squeeze it between your fingers. Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) to address this issue.
3. **GJH** – no issues.
4. **GJH Blacks** – gone.
5. **Good Old Boys** – no comment.
6. **Jeza's Turkeys** – no comment.
7. **Kissabulls** – no comment.
8. **Lenny's Lads** – gone.
9. **Morwell Shooters** – no comment.
10. **MGC Cruisers** – gone.
11. **MGC Swingers** – gone.
12. **MRSL Allsorts** – no comment.
13. **MRSL Greens** – no comment.
14. **MRSL Reds** – no comment.
15. **MRSL Uglii's** – Ivan Heasley apologized to Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras) for the issue that occurred during the last round, Janet apologized as well. President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) stated he was there and people need to go through the umpire if they have a dispute, the umpire has the table and needs to take control of the table. Scorer Wayne Van Heerwaarden (Sports Bar) stated he has observed that some people don't seem to understand what the umpire is supposed to do and what calls they're supposed to make. Wayne suggested we have an "in house" meeting where we could go through what umpires are supposed to do. President Andrew O'Neill (Sports Bar) stated an umpire's course was run and only 15 members turned up. Ted Norton (GJH) stated the rules are on the website and people need to read them.

The issue of people trying to get out of umpiring was raised, Andrew stated if people aren't willing to umpire then they shouldn't be competing in events.

Brendon Cleland (MRSL Greens) raised that umpires don't seem to be paying attention; Andrew stated the players need to start pulling up the umpire to make sure they are paying attention. Andrew confirmed the rules are on the website and the Association doesn't pay \$1,000 per year for the rule book for nothing, people need to read it.

16. Top Pub Smashers – no comment.

17. Top Pub Elites – gone.

18. Traralgon Bowls Club – no comment.

19. Turks Bar – gone.

20. Turks Breakers – no comment.

21. Turks Cobras – no comment.

22. Turks Magpies – no comment.

23. Turks Shooters – gone.

24. Yinnar Hotel – gone.

Association members/visitors:

1. No issues.

Sign in book - non-attendance fines:

\$10 fine for Lenny's Lads as they had no representatives at the meeting.

Closing: Next Meeting to be held on Wednesday the 22nd August, 2012 at the Morwell Golf Club, start time 7:30pm.

Meeting Closed at Time 9:02pm.
Duration 1hr 32m 58sec.



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3rd Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Morwell Golf Club on Wednesday the 22nd August, 2012.

Chairman: Meeting opened by President Andrew O'Neill at 7:33pm.

Attendance: Quorum met in accordance with **Constitution Rule 25. 1 (Pg. 15).**

Committee of Management

Office Holders – Secretary Claire Blackford, President Andrew O'Neill, Treasurer Mick Lubawski and Vice President Allan Greenwood.

Ordinary Committee Members – Renee McDonald and Paul Lewis (Average Joes), Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls), Ted Norton and Lyn Bock (GJH), Shane Vogt (GJH Blacks), David Rash (Good Old Boys), Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys), Ann Rockall (Kissabulls), Anthony Dunne (Lenny's Lads), Paul Morse (Morwell Shooters), Damien O'Brien and John Humphries (MGC Cruisers), Brad Smith (MGC Swingers), Alf Shingles (MRSL Allsorts), Brendon Cleland (MRSL Greens), Don McIvor and Debbie Nicklen (MRSL Reds), Ivan Heasley (MRSL Uglii's), Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar), Caen Shingles (Top Pub Elites), Publicity Officer Rick Merlo and Paul Wildenburg (Top Pub Smashers), Greg McDonald and Brendan Colvin (TBC), Tom Gill and Steve Gray (Turks Bar), Henry Kolakowski and Alan Goodwin (Turks Breakers), Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras), Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters), Greg Sanders (Yinnar Hotel).

Association Members/visitors

Anthony Mills (MGC Swingers), Toby Spark (Yinnar Hotel), and Garry Berger (Turks Breakers).

Attendance: 39

Apologies: Danielle Arnold (Kissabulls), and Adam Skilbeck (MRSL Uglii's).

Correspondence:

1. Letter from Jane Allen (Andrew Allen's daughter) – read out by Secretary Claire Blackford, thanking the LVEBA for the donation to the family and an update on the children's wellbeing.
2. The Gippy Cup entry form from the Wellington Eight Ball Association Inc. – President Andrew O'Neill advised entry forms were sent to those members we had email addresses for but if anyone wants an entry form to see him.
3. Pool Victoria Inc. Chris Costelloe Interleague Day 2012.

Minutes: From 2nd Committee Meeting held on 4th July 2012 to be accepted.

Business Arising

1. Scorers report wasn't moved and accepted at the last meeting, President Andrew O'Neill requested this be done now.
Moved: Ted Norton (MRSL Greens)
Seconded: Alan Goodwin (Turks Breakers)
- Carried unanimously -
2. Treasurers Report last meeting my mistake when paying out the cheque to Andrew Allen I took out the \$800 which had already been taken out on my running sheet but when I reflected with

the actual bank account I picked up the discrepancy so basically there's \$800 more in there than what I said at last meeting, it was always in the bank, it never left the bank it was just on the running sheet that I kept, that was the discrepancy. Just wanted to let you know, if there's any discrepancy I will tell you straight away.

Moved: Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys)

Seconded: Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters)

- Carried -

Around the Executive:

1. Presidents Report.

- a) Moved everything to general business except regarding table numbers at Turks Bar, tables will be numbered 1-6 and Duane Morrell will decide which teams play on each table each Tuesday night, it will be run this way for the Summer Competition, and will probably flow on into next winter.
- b) Also raised the issue about that back table with Duane Morrell with the cracks and he has assured me that it's ok as he raised this with John Russell when he purchased the table and that the table was fine. The case the other night was that the table was not expected to be used, but they needed another table because the Morwell Golf Club had their annual general meeting and so moved the game to Turks Bar, and so the table was not prepared and therefore not ready on the night. That was a pretty important game I know Mick Green wasn't happy about it, I think both sides were disappointed as we all want to play on tables that are reasonable and that table clearly wasn't reasonable.

2. Vice President's Report.

- a) One thing and that's about Robbie Foldvari and a coaching session one night down at the Morwell RSL.

President Andrew O'Neill said that when he comes get him to sign the sign in book and when we go around the floor at the end of the meeting we will address that issue when we get to him.

3. Treasurer's Report.

- a) **Account balance and running sheet.** Treasurer Mick Lubawski went through the teams that still owe money with the Turks Magpies still outstanding. President Andrew O'Neill advised the running balance is currently at \$20,608.79.
- b) **Sponsorship outstanding.** Andrew informed \$2,754 of sponsorship money has come in so far since the start of the Winter Competition, and \$800 has yet to come in.
- c) **Handbook.** President Andrew O'Neill discussed not printing up the handbook in future years due to the delays we experienced this season waiting for sponsors to send through their information to include in the handbook. Andrew suggested the Association no longer print out any handbooks as all the info included in them is now on the website so the books are not really needed. Secretary Claire Blackford suggested the handbook continue to be printed each year however it should only include the essential information, and the sponsors information and ads could be included only on the website. This would reduce the cost of printing the handbook as it reduces the size of it substantially, and will omit the need to wait for sponsors. Making up posters with the rules on them as well as the break flow chart and getting them out to venues is another idea that's being considered by Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden and President Andrew O'Neill. Biggest issue with the book is that we have to put together and design up ads for quite a few of the sponsors and we have to pay Wayne as he runs a business

and when you have to do this with \$50 sponsors you start to wonder if it's worthwhile. Anyway we need to consider all this next year when and if we look at doing another handbook.

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18th July, 2012	Trophies Winter Competition Traralgon Engravers (9974	-\$2,027.85	\$21,574.62
19th July, 2012	Match Fees Rnd 10-18 No Rego's Morwell R.S.L.	\$910.00	\$22,484.62
26th July, 2012	Members Handbook 2012 Design & Printing (997434)	-\$970.64	\$21,513.98
30th July, 2012	Match Fees Rnd 10-18 No Rego's Top Pub Hotel Morwell	\$675.00	\$22,188.98
31st July, 2012	Vic Health Carnival Bus Hire & Petrol (997435)	-\$379.10	\$21,809.88
31st July, 2012	Interest Credit	\$73.84	\$21,883.72
1st Aug, 2012	Sponsorship Rule Book & Trophies Turks Sports Bar	\$300.00	\$22,183.72
1st Aug, 2012	Sale Pool Ball Set x 1 Sam Pearson Jezza's Turkeys'	\$55.00	\$22,238.72
7th Aug, 2012	Pool Victoria Registrations \$7 x 184 (997432)	-\$1,288.00	\$20,950.72
17th Aug, 2012	Hand Book Binding Coil (997436)	-\$341.93	\$20,608.79
22nd Aug, 2012			\$20,608.79
2012	Income - Expenditure = Profit/Loss	\$3,663.84	-\$5,007.52
	Difference		-\$1,343.68

Moved: Alan Goodwin (Turks Breakers)

Seconded: Henry Kolakowski (Turks Breakers)

- Carried -

- d) Steve Gray (Turks Bar) asked about copies of the treasurer's report been available to members at meeting like it used to be. President Andrew O'Neill said that there's a copy here available for you to look at, we don't print off a heap like we used to as they tend to get left lying around the venue but if you want we can print off half a dozen and have them available to members at meetings.
- e) Greg McDonald (Traralgon Bowls Club) asked if the Treasurer's report and running sheet can be viewed online, Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden advised this is not set up as yet on the website however he is developing a members only area to ensure confidentiality for members only to view this information.

4. Secretary's Report.

Nothing to report.

5. Scorer's Report.

- a) Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden congratulated all those teams that made finals.
- b) Results round 18 as of the 21st August, 2012. Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden read out the final ladder for all three divisions and made a note of a mistake that had been made in the ladder for division 3 in which the Top Pub Smashers are now in the top four and not the Yinnar Hotel. Alan Goodwin (Turks Breakers) asked what happen and the Scorer Wayne Van Hererwaarden said that one of the rounds points weren't added on which Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) had picked up, it's all been corrected now.

Scores Division 1

Team	Fr	Set	vs.	Team	Fr	Set
Sports Bar	8	3	defeated	M.R.S.L. Greens	7	2
Lenny's Lads'	4	1	lost to	Jezza's Turkeys'	11	4
M.R.S.L. Allsorts	11	4	defeated	Turks Magpies	4	1
G.J.H. Blacks	7	3	defeated	Turks Bar	8	2
Turks Shooters	0	0	Bye			

Ladder Division 1

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Turks Bar	157	83	189.16%	26
M.R.S.L. Allsorts	148	92	160.87%	24
Turks Shooters	130	110	118.18%	20
Jezza's Turkeys'	125	115	108.70%	20
G.J.H. Blacks	121	119	101.68%	20
Sports Bar	124	116	106.90%	14
Turks Magpies	93	147	63.27%	10
M.R.S.L. Greens	92	148	62.16%	6
Lenny's Lads'	90	150	60.00%	4

No Frames or Points for a bye

Scores Division 2

Team	Fr	Set	vs.	Team	Fr	Set
T.B.C.	7	3	defeated	G.J.H.	8	2
Destructabulls	7	2	lost to	Top Pub Elites	8	3
Good Old Boys	5	2	lost to	M.G.C. Swingers	10	3
M.R.S.L. Uglii's	11	4	defeated	Turks Cobra's	4	1

Ladder Division 2

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
M.R.S.L. Uglii's	161	109	147.71%	32
Destructabulls	151	119	126.89%	26
Grand Junction Hotel	154	116	132.76%	20
Top Pub Elites	134	136	98.53%	18
Traralgon Bowls Club	126	144	87.50%	16
Turks Cobra's	124	146	84.93%	14
Good Old Boys	111	159	69.81%	10
M.G.C. Swingers	119	151	78.81%	8

Scores Division 3

Team	Fr	Set	vs.	Team	Fr	Set
Turks Breakers	10	4	defeated	Average Joes	5	1
Yinnar Hotel	12	4	defeated	Kissabulls	3	1
Top Pub Smashers	8	2	lost to	M.R.S.L. Reds	7	3
M.G.C. Cruisers	11	4	defeated	Morwell Shooters	4	1

Ladder Division 3

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
M.G.C. Cruisers	179	91	196.70%	30
Turks Breakers	155	115	134.78%	28
Average Joes	149	121	123.14%	20
Top Pub Smashers	138	132	104.55%	20
Yinnar Hotel	141	129	109.30%	18
M.R.S.L. Reds	116	154	75.32%	12
Morwell Shooters	103	167	61.68%	12
Kissabulls	99	171	57.89%	6

- c) Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden advised most teams have been including first and last names on the score sheets which is great, Wayne requested teams get away from using nicknames altogether to reduce confusion. Wayne also advised there have been some score sheets with no signatures, teams need to make sure they both sign each teams score sheets at the end of play and sign both.
- d) Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden advised all teams sent through their scores last night and he wasn't required to chase up any teams for their scores. This is the first round in this season that this has happened, so well done to everyone.
- e) The finals will be

Elimination Finals Tuesday 28th August, 2012

- 1) Division 1 - Turks Shooters vs. Jezza's Turkeys
- 2) Division 2 - Grand Junction Hotel vs. Top Pub Elites
- 3) Division 3 - Average Joes vs. Top Pub Smashers

Qualifying Finals Wednesday 29th August, 2012

- 1) Division 1 - Turks Bar vs. Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts
- 2) Division 2 - Morwell R.S.L. Uglii's vs. Destructabulls
- 3) Division 3 - Morwell Golf Club Cruisers vs. Turks Breakers

Preliminary Finals Tuesday 4th September, 2012

- 1) Qualifying loser vs. Elimination winner

Grand Finals Wednesday 5th September, 2012

- 1) Qualifying Winner vs. Preliminary Winner

All matches are being played at Turks Sports Bar Traralgon with a 7pm start and all sets have to be played, but if a player wins the first two frames there's not need to play the third frame. We do it this way for player of the Finals.

Moved: Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers)

Seconded: Greg McDonald (Traralgon Bowls Club)

- Carried -

6. Publicity Officer's Report.

- a) President Andrew O'Neill informed Publicity Officer Rick Merlo that he will take photos during the Grand Final games, and hopefully WIN TV and the Express will attend as well.

7. Junior's Report.

- a) Publicity Officer Rick Merlo informed there is a Junior's Competition starting soon, it will be played from 6-8:00pm on a Monday night and there are about 12 kids involved at this stage, he'll get Wayne to put the information up on the website and hopefully it will go into the local paper as well.

General Business:

1. **Association Handbook.** President Andrew O'Neill informed the handbooks are finally completed, only 100 copies were printed this year, and each team will receive 1 each. If teams would like extra copies they can see Andrew.
2. **Steve Gray and Paul Pike made the Victorian side for the Nationals at Princes.** President Andrew O'Neill congratulated both members for their achievement and advised this means the Association will contribute \$500 per player to compete in the Nationals as per previous motion. Steve Gray has suggested the cheque be sent directly to Pool Victoria.
3. **Masters Pool Victoria.** Andrew informed Steve Gray won the Masters on the weekend, he will stay in the competition and only Paul Pike will go to the Nationals. Andrew informed there was a really good number of competitors from Latrobe Valley, 8 or 9 members, and Pool Victoria were impressed with the number that attended from our Association.
4. **Inter-League.** Have spoken to Andrea at Pool Victoria and again only one side only, Steve Halliday can you and Steve Gray organize that you both know the drill with pickings from the country cup squads first then the rankings ect and can I please see the squad chosen before you send them off.
5. **Perpetual trophies.** President Andrew O'Neill requested that all perpetual trophies awarded last year, be returned as soon as possible so they can be prepared for those awarded them at the upcoming Presentation Night.
6. **Match referees.** President Andrew O'Neill advised any referee must be a registered member of the Association, the rule book states the referee must be from one of the teams playing and if they're not, both teams need to agree to have them as a referee; however they still need to be registered members of the Association.
7. **Gippy Cup.** President Andrew O'Neill advised the Sports Bar will be sending a team to compete in the Gippy Cup and would like to use team shirts and need to seek permission to use them. Andrew informed if a team wishes to wear their team shirts to compete in events outside of LVEBA, they are required to make a request for a motion to be moved at a Committee meeting, to this effect. If a team wears their team shirts, it then comes back on the Captain of that team if one of their team members "play up", so the Captain has the responsibility to ensure all their team members to act appropriately. Andrew asked for a motion to be moved that all his team members are able to wear their team shirts. Vice President Allan Greenwood asked if a player can wear their team shirt even if the rest of the

team aren't wearing those, Andrew referred to the rule book and advised teams are required to wear a team shirt, black pants and dress shoes in this instance.

8. Website use. Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden advised there have been 37,417 website views on the LVEBA website which is great and shows that people are going onto the website regularly. Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club Cruisers) asked whether there is a way to see if sponsors get hits, Wayne said that in the near future this function will be available on the website so this can be recorded. Wayne then read out search engine hits, which shows members are accessing the website more through the use of mobile devices which is interesting, Wayne advised the new website is under development and should be ready by Summer Comp, this will be easier to use through mobile devices. The new website will be easier to use all round, there will be a system in place where the Scorer can enter the scores and the website will work out the calculations instead of the Scorer having to do it, this will reduce the risk of human error and will make things a lot easier and quicker for the Scorer as well. Wayne advised the new website will also enable us to put news items on the website and make comments as well. Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Swingers) said he would like to express his appreciation for the amount of effort and work that Wayne has put into the website, for the fee paid it is a job well done! President Andrew O'Neill agreed that the work put in by Wayne is phenomenal.

Wayne asked if anyone had any other ideas for the website to come and talk to him about it.

9. Final Series.

- a) Venue. President Andrew O'Neill informed all the tables at Turks Bar will be re-clothed for the finals and won't be played on between the Tuesday and Wednesday of the finals games but between the Wednesday and the following Tuesday the tables will be used.
- b) Umpires. There must be a timer and a maker for all finals played and they will come from each the competing team. If they have a problem then they will go to the head adjudicator with no one else jumping in, am I clear on that. There will also be some announcements on the nights about block warnings and stuff. Steve Gray (Turks Bar) asked about other people umpiring games if they want to. President Andrew O'Neill said that he'd preferred if the teams did their own umpiring but as long as both players agree with the umpires that's fine, but if one disagrees then it's back to the teams to do the umpiring. Ann Rockall (Kissabulls) commented on how the umpires should have a dress code too, Greg McDonald (Traralgon Bowls Club) supported this idea. President Andrew O'Neill said that this has not been a requirement in the past though if the teams do the umpiring then they will already be dressed to the code!
- c) Head Adjudicator. President Andrew O'Neill advised Ted Norton and Paul Pike will be Head Adjudicators in the finals, so please refer to them referees if you are unsure of anything of need to clarify anything.
- d) Practice times. As discussed at the last meeting, each team has 15 minutes to practice before the finals games are played.
- e) Dress code. This has been discussed before so just a reminder that if members are not dress in appropriate attire there will be consequences.

9. Annual Presentation Ball.

- a) Publicity Officer Rick Merlo informed some of the teams haven't yet handed in their forms for the Presentation Ball. President Andrew O'Neill stated there is a little extra time so if there are any other teams or members who want to come he can include them.
- b) Partners. President Andrew O'Neill stated we decided some time ago that only partners are to be attending the Presentation Ball not mates because if they play up, which has

happened in the past, this reflects badly on the Association and is difficult for the member to police. Also they then get to benefit from the subsidized drinks at the cost of the Association. Shane Vogt (GJH Blacks) asked if you're bisexual, Andrew stated that's why "partner" is stated, so only partners should be brought. Greg McDonald (TBC) said that the member is responsible for who they bring. Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras) asked if you can bring a partner to the Presentation Ball even if they haven't qualified by playing their 5 games in the season. Andrew stated if someone is a member of the Association they can pay \$30 to attend but won't get their \$15 back if they don't qualify. Greg McDonald (TBC) asked if you have a sponsor on your team who hasn't played 5 games in the season. Andrew informed the \$15 will be put in an envelope and when you attend on the night if have played your 5 games this money will be returned to you. Also raffle tickets will be put in the envelope as well and will be given to everyone who attends. Renee McDonald (Average Joes) asked if sponsors have been invited to the Presentation Ball, it would be a good idea to send out invitations to our sponsors. Some discussion occurred regarding the cost for sponsors, Andrew stated they need to be charged enough to cover costs for their attendance but it is a good idea for them to come along and see what it's all about.

10. Summer Competition 2012-13.

President Andrew O'Neill stated the meeting to organize summer comp will be on September 18th at Turks Bar so if you want to put a team in for summer comp you need to be there. Andrew said he will bring forms for summer comp to the Presentation Ball so people can fill them out and bring them to this meeting. Renee McDonald (Average Joes) suggested the form be put on the website, Andrew stated it will be put on as an excel spreadsheet. Andrew stated it looks as though there are going to be more than 25 teams in summer comp, you can't have 25 plus teams and have only one division so we need to look at another way to do it, whether we split divisions or have groups with a mix of all the divisions. Andrew asked all members to think about it before the next meeting and a decision will be made at the meeting. Andrew said there will be no more than 10 teams in each group though. Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys) asked if the Association is going to be updating the league shirts, Andrew stated when Country Cup shirts are redone the league shirts will be done at the same time. Andrew suggested we look at that next year at AGM.

Around the Committee:

- 1. Average Joes** – extremely happy.
- 2. Destructabulls** – Neil Stuckey said thanks to Duane Morrell for recovering the tables at Turks Bar for the finals. President Andrew O'Neill stated that Turks Bar have always been supportive in that way and will recover the tables when required or asked by the Association, but unfortunately not all clubs are supportive that way.
- 3. GJH** – no issues.
- 4. GJH Blacks** – thumbs up.
- 5. Good Old Boys** – no comment.
- 6. Jezza's Turkeys** – Chris Mayer said good luck to everyone playing in the finals.
- 7. Kissabulls** – no comment.
- 8. Lenny's Lads** – "fucking stoked".

9. **Morwell Shooters** – gone.
10. **MGC Cruisers** – “shit hot and shining”.
11. **MGC Swingers** – Brad Smith said well done as the three divisions worked well.
12. **MRSL Allsorts** – no comment.
13. **MRSL Greens** – all good.
14. **MRSL Reds** – fine.
15. **MRSL Uglii’s** – gone.
16. **Sports Bar** – all good.
17. **Top Pub Smashers** – all good.
18. **Top Pub Elites** – all good.
19. **Traralgon Bowls Club** – Greg McDonald asked whether receipts are going to be given to teams when they make payments, President Andrew O’Neill stated this was stopped some time ago but is a great idea, they will bring the receipt book in at the next meeting.
20. **Turks Bar** – right.
21. **Turks Breakers** – right.
22. **Turks Cobras** – nothing to report.
23. **Turks Magpies** – no attendance from this team.
24. **Turks Shooters** – right.
25. **Yinnar Hotel** – Greg Sanders stated the competition was close in division 3, there was some confusion when the ladder was changed later on in the season but it all worked out okay.

Association members/visitors:

1. Toby sparks – gone
2. Anthony Mills – right.

Sign in book - non-attendance fines:

Turks Magpies not in attendance.

Closing:

Next Meeting as discussed above.

Meeting closed at time 8:52pm.

Duration 1hr 19m 8secs.



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1st Executive Meeting of the Latrobe Valley Eight Ball Association held at the office of BizOnline – First floor, Suite 1, 7-13 Post Office Place Traralgon on 5th September 2012 at 5:00pm.

- **Attendance:**

President Andrew O'Neill, Vice President Alan Greenwood, Treasurer Mick Lubawski, Secretary Claire Blackford, Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden, and Publicity Officer Rick Merlo.

- **Business:**

- 1. Sponsors attendance at the Annual Presentation Ball.**

Some teams have asked if their sponsors can attend the Annual Presentation Ball. This was discussed at the last committee meeting however was not ratified. The issue is that sponsors will benefit from the cost of the meals and the subsidised drinks at the cost of the Association, which takes away from the benefit of sponsorship.

Decision – A maximum of two people per sponsorship business, representing the sponsor, can attend the Annual Presentation Ball at the full meal cost. They will benefit from the subsidised drinks as there is no easy way to arrange for them to pay full cost for drinks.

- Motion carried unanimously -

- 2. Partner attendance at the Annual Presentation Ball.**

Some members of the Association have asked if their friends/mates can attend as their “partner”. This has been discussed before by the committee at meeting and even though the committee have said no to this idea it is a difficult issue to enforce.

Decision – Discussed at length by the executive and it was decided that members can only bring their partner to the Annual Presentation Ball however they can come before the Executive to apply for an exemption to invite a mate/friend or family member. This exemption will be granted under “extenuating” circumstances, and members can apply for the Executive to consider this exemption by sending a letter to the Secretary. (Consider a cost of \$10 deposit for an application for exemption as this will stop frivolous requests).

- Motion carried -

- 3. Request by Paul Pike of Turks Bar for an exemption.**

Paul Pike has made a request for exemption for a friend of his and his partner who would like to come to our Annual Presentation Ball. Paul Pike said that he is representing Victoria alongside himself in the nationals this year. He said that he doesn't drink either so there wouldn't be a cost to the league.

Decision – Discussed by executive in relation to point 2 and it was decided unanimously that this request be denied.

- 4. Pool Victoria.**

President Andrew O'Neill said that a representative from Pool Victoria and their partner should be invited to our Annual Presentation Ball each year as we are invited to theirs and also too as our association is affiliated with Pool Victoria.

Decision – To be left up to the Committee of Management to decide at next meeting.

5. Protest lodged by Turks Shooters.

Regarding Danny McLean a member of the Morwell RSL Allsorts not wearing appropriate footwear during the semi-final played on 4th September 2012. Executive referred to **By-Laws – Final Series 7. Dress Code (a)** which states “black or dark slacks or shirt, black or dark dress shoes and a collared shirt. **Jeans or runners are not permitted.**” **Dress Code (c)** states “*any player not dressed in the proper attire will not be permitted to play*”.

The player in question was wearing light tan “casual” type shoes, and therefore was not dressed in the proper attire. This was not picked up until the end of the second frame of the set he was playing and it was brought to the attention of the Captains of both teams competing.

The difficulty with this issue is that it doesn’t state in the by-laws whose responsibility it is to identify the breach of the dress code, and who is to enforce it. Therefore there was some confusion at the time as to what action to take and so the semi-final was played out. Turks Shooters then lodged a protest in relation to this.

Executive then referred to **By-Laws – Rules of Competition 13. Match Protests** which states “*if a player feels the Umpire has made a mistake on interpretation, or lack of knowledge of the rules, he/she may lodge a protest*”. The by-law referring to dress code does not state it is the responsibility of the Umpire to enforce the dress code, and given the by-law referring to match protests is only in relation to an Umpires mistake, the by-laws do not allow for the Executive to make an informed decision about what action to take in relation to the protest.

Decision – Protest quashed.

It was decided by motion by the executive that for the 2012 finals to enforce the representation of umpires from both participating teams and to leave the decision on the dress code by law to be enforced by both the umpires. The umpire will stop time running and request the player to meet the dress code requirements before they can play there shot, once said the umpire will then re-start time running.

- Motion carried –

- **Closing:**

The points 1, 2, 4 & 5 discussed are to be raised at the next Committee of Management meeting (Earliest Meeting April 2013) to resolve and ratified by way of motion so that the members of the association including the executive will have a clear direction on these issues discussed.



15th Summer Competition Special General Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Turks Bar Tuesday the 13th September, 2012.

Chairman: Meeting opened by the President Andrew O'Neill at 7:40pm.

Attendance: Special General Meeting met in accordance with **(Constitution 11. Annual/Special General Meetings (7) pg-11)**. Quorum 15 members.

Members

Alan Goodwin and Wayne Loader (Churchill Allstars), Ted Norton (GJH), Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers), Henry Kolakowski and Don McIvor (Turks Breakers), Dave Buhagiar (Turks Magpies), Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar), Brad Smith and Dennis Mills (Morwell Golf Club), Tim Dale and Shannon Russell (Top Pub Elites), Tom Gill and Paul Pike (Turks Bar), David Pilditch and Megan Shawcross (Morwell RSL Reds), Adam Skilbeck and Steve Bishop (Morwell RSL Uglies), Graham Hodgskiss and Janet Hedt (Turks Cobras), Allan Greenwood (Morwell RSL Greens), Damian O'Brien and John Humphries (Morwell Golf Club Cruisers), Paul Lewis (Average Joes), Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys), Steve Halliday and Aaron Omara (Turks Shooters), Alan Brooks (GJH Blacks), Ann Rockall (Kissabulls), and Glenn Langstaff (Good Old Boys).

Non Members/Visitors

Tracey Bowen (Turks Breakers), Sally Duncan and Emanuel Deininger (Morwell RSL Reds), Brett Barrow (Yallourn North Bombers), Brendon Warner (Yallourn Bowling Club), Dean Kane (Yallourn).

Attendance 37

Apologies: Secretary Claire Blackford, Paul Wildenburg (Top Pub Smashers), Wayne Taylor (Turks Magpies), Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls).

Correspondence: None

General Business: This Special General Meeting has been called to organise the Summer Competition for the 2012-13 season, and this is the only business to be conducted at this meeting. This meeting will be conducted in accordance with **Constitution 11. Annual/Special General Meetings (2) & (5) pg-11**.

1. Introduction.

President Andrew O'Neill welcomed everyone to the Summer Competition General Meeting and advised most teams have submitted their team entries for the Summer Competition except for the Morwell Club Shooters and Yinnar Hotel.

2. Number of Team Entries.

President Andrew O'Neill advised that we have 27 teams including the two teams already mentioned who have not yet submitted their forms.

3. Divisions or groupings.

President Andrew O'Neill stated we can't have a one division comp, we can only have divisions or groupings, and this decision needs to be made at this meeting tonight.

Andrew explained the options as:

- a) Divisions – the teams will be split into divisions and will essentially be the same as the Winter Competition format. It means you will be playing teams more on your level but doesn't give teams the opportunity to play teams from other levels.
- b) Groupings – teams from all three divisions will be split evenly into three different groups, which gives all teams the opportunity to play each division, not each team obviously if there are groupings but teams from each division. This also means the bottom teams will most likely get flogged by the top teams but Summer Comp was started to give the lower teams the opportunity to play the higher teams.

Andrew advised it will most likely be the top two teams from each group that will go through to the finals.

Andrew advised with three divisions or three groupings the season will run for 18 rounds, teams will play each other twice and no matter which option we go with, there is a bye in there. Andrew asked if anyone had any questions about groupings or divisions, Paul Lewis (Average Joes) asked about the option of only running with two divisions, Andrew stated there are too many rounds with only two divisions which means there are no breaks between seasons and some people will get sick of 8 ball if the Summer Competition runs too long.

Mick Lubawski asked if any division two teams would be interested in playing in division one, Andrew stated if the decision is to go with groupings then it won't matter so we should decide on this issue first.

1) Motion: Summer Competition for 2012-13 to run with groupings.

Moved – Alan Greenwood (Morwell RSL Greens)

Seconded – Steve Bishop (Morwell RSL Uglii's)

Graham Hodgskiss (Turks Cobras) made the point that if you go with divisions then it will be the same as the winter comp with a slightly different format, so he is for the summer comp format. Don raised the equality of separating the divisions in the groupings; Andrew stated the Executive will do their best to spread the teams evenly. Andrew called for a vote for the motion. Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters) was only one against.

- Carried -

4. Start Date.

Andrew suggested the season start on Tuesday October 2nd; this will take the end of the season after 18 rounds, to the start of February. Andrew stated there will be no round played on Melbourne Cup day and New Year's Day which means the last round of the year will fall on December 18th, then there will be a three week break, with the first round of the New Year being on Tuesday January 8th. No break will be taken for the Australia Day holiday. Andrew informed the grand final will be played on Sunday February 10th.

5. Meetings.

Andrew informed the next meeting will be held on Wednesday December 19th, and the last meeting will be held on Wednesday February 6th. Andrew asked for suggestions for venues to hold the next two meetings - Morwell Golf Club, Rossmore Hotel and the Churchill Hotel were suggested. Andrew suggested given the last meeting was held at the Morwell Golf Club and this meeting is at Traralgon, the next two meetings be held at the Rossmore Hotel and the Churchill Hotel with AGM then in Morwell most likely the Morwell Golf Club.

6. Fee Structure.

Andrew advised the fee structure will possibly be around \$3-4, the more rounds there are, the more money is made however for this season there will only be 18 rounds played. Also there are 27 teams in the league for the season and so the finals will be bigger with more people

involved, so this needs to be considered also. Andrew suggested the league stick with the \$2 registration for each player as a one off at the start of the season, and the cost of each round will be no more than \$4. Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys) suggested registration cost each player \$3 as a one off and then \$4 for each round, Andrew stated \$2 is fine. Mick Lubawski (Morwell RSL Allsorts) suggested registration cost \$2 and then \$5 for each round. Allan Greenwood (Morwell RSL Greens) moved the following motion:

2) Motion: Registration cost \$2 and each round cost \$4.

Moved – Allan Greenwood (Morwell RSL Greens)

Seconded – Alan Goodwin (Churchill Allstars)

- Carried unanimously -

7. Around the Room:

Andrew read out the names in the sign in book and asked for any comments, questions etc only in relation to Summer Comp and nothing else.

Alan Goodwin – no comment; Ted Norton – no comment; Rick Merlo – gave information about the Junior Comp starting soon; Wayne Loader – no comment; Henry Kolakowski – asked about his kids playing at the Top Pub, Andrew suggested he talk to the Top Pub teams and maybe ask if you can play at another venue when there is a home game to be played there, Andrew advised the Top Pub teams they may be getting a call from Henry at some stage about this issue; Don McIvor – no comment; Dave Buhagiar – no comment; Wayne Van Heerewarden – Andrew requested all teams text through their scores at the end of the night with the home team, frames won, and sets won only; Brad Smith – no comment; Tim Dale – no comment; Shannon Russell – no comment; Tom Gill – no comment; Dennis Mills – no comment; David Pilditch – no comment; Adam Skilbeck – no comment; Steve Bishop – no comment; Graham Hodgskiss – no comment; Janet Hedt – no comment; Allan Greenwood – no comment; Damian O'Brien – no comment; John Humphries – no comment; Megan Shawcross – no comment; Paul Lewis – no comment; Chris Mayer – no comment; Paul Pike – no comment; Steve Halliday – no comment; Aaron Omara – no comment; Alan Brooks – no comment; Tracey Bowen – no comment; Sally Duncan – no comment; Emanuel Deininger – no comment; Brett Barrow – no comment; Brendon Warner – no comment; Dean Kane – no comment; Ann Rockall – no comment; Glenn Langstaff – no comment.

Andrew reminded everyone that all members are required to play 5 rounds to qualify to play in the finals.

Andrew asked for suggestions about playing a division 2 (Minor) final for Summer Comp, a number of suggestions were made ie 3rd and 4th team on the ladder, division 2 teams picked by the Executive. Andrew suggested this is a difficult issue to resolve to choose teams who are to play in a "minor" final; Andrew stated this will be discussed within the Executive and if a good solution can be found we'll go with that otherwise it will be the status quo.

Closing: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 19th December, 2012 at the Rossmore Hotel in Yallourn North.

Meeting closed at 8.09pm.

29min





1st Sub Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley Eight Ball Association held at the Rossmore Hotel, Yallourn North on Wednesday the 19th December, 2012.

Chairman: Meeting opened by President Andrew O'Neill at 7:40pm. Andrew reminded everyone to sign the book and advised that if you sign your name next to your team name, you are the delegate for that team and someone else on your team can still be a delegate. If two people sign their names next to their team name, they are THE delegates for that team and no one else can be a delegate for that team.

Attendance: Quorum met in accordance with **Constitution Rule 25 (Pg 17)**.

Office Holders – President Andrew O'Neill, Secretary Claire Blackford and Treasurer Mick Lubawski.

Association Members – Paul Keogh and Paul Lewis (Average Joes), Alan Goodwin and Wayne Loader (Churchill Hotel Allstars), Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls), Ted Norton and Lyn Bock (Grand Junction Hotel), Shane Vogt (Grand Junction Hotel Blacks), Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys), Sonia Scolyer (Kissabulls), Ross Kenney and Anthony Dunne (Lenny's Lads), Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club Cruisers), Dennis Mills and Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Wanderers), Michael Green (Morwell RSL Allsorts), Allan Roy Greenwood (Morwell RSL Greens), David Pilditch (Morwell RLS Reds), Steve Bishop and Adam Skilbeck (Morwell RSL Uglii's), Peter Byrne (Rossmore Hotel Bombers), Shannon Russell (Top Pub Elites), Publicity Officer Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers), Daryl Martin and Rod Chapman (Turks 2nd Coming), Wayne Taylor (Turks Magpies), Tom Gill (Turks Bar), Don McIvor (Turks Breakers), Graham Hodgskiss (Turks Cobras), Glen Langstaff (Turks Good Old Boys), Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters), Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar), Dean Kane (Yallourn Bowls Club), and Greg Sanders (Yinnar Hotel).

Visitors – Tracey Bowen (Turks Breakers).

38 In Attendance

Apologies: Ann Rockall (Kissabulls), Will Shingles (Morwell RSL Allsorts), and Brendon Cleland (Morwell RSL Greens).

Correspondence: President Andrew O'Neill informed the only correspondence came through to the Publicity Officer, a letter from Consumer Affairs Victoria in relation to changes that have been made to the Act. We will need to make changes to our Constitution however it has more effect on Winter Comp so prior to the AGM Andrew will consult with a Solicitor about it.

Around the Executive:

1. President's Report.

- a) President Andrew O'Neill asked the Top Pub teams to stick around at the end of the meeting to discuss an issue.
- b) Groupings. Andrew advised there has been some discussion about the groupings, maybe there should've been 4 groups instead of 3 and had more of a break, as this

would've made things a lot easier to sort out come finals time to have an even number of groups. The groups seem to be reasonably matched ie balance of teams.

2. Vice President's Report.

Vice President Allan Greenwood raised the issue of players arriving late on a Tuesday night, President Andrew O'Neill advised this would be discussed later in the meeting.

3. Treasurer's Report.

- a) Treasurer Mick Lubawski advised everyone is paid up except for Turk's 2nd Coming who have phoned to say they'll be late to the meeting. Mick informed the RSL has paid up front for the whole season; the Top Pub will pay in two blocks. President Andrew O'Neill suggested all RSL teams pay LVEBA directly if they have any registrations above 5 players, as the RSL is only billed for 5 players in each team so if they have anymore registrations, if they could pay LVEBA directly then it saves the Association billing the RSL for \$2 for the extra player. Andrew will discuss this issue with the Top Pub also after the meeting.
- b) President Andrew O'Neill stated the only other thing to add is the cost of the Scorebooks, which were \$186.99 but they have been budgeted for so that's all okay. Andrew asked if there had been any issues with them, it was raised there was some information wrong, Andrew stated that is a copy and paste issue, when there are 27 teams and 18 rounds sometimes mistakes are made. Andrew asked that any mistakes be corrected, the draw take precedent over the score books. Andrew stated the first page of the score book the registration sheet should be filled out and handed in at this meeting so make sure you do before you leave the meeting.
- c) Mick added that if anyone wants a receipt for the money they have paid tonight then see him after the meeting for a receipt. Andrew suggested everyone get a receipt. Mick suggested he write out receipts and give them out next meeting.

Moved: Ted Norton

Seconded: Rick Merlo

- Carried -

4. Secretary's Report.

Nothing to report.

5. Scorer's Report.

- a) Results: Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden read out the results of Rnd 11 played on 20th December, 2012 (see table). Wayne advised all score sheets are in except Turks 2nd Coming. Wayne stated the ladder has been updated to reflect the catch up game between the Morwell RSL Allsorts and Turks 2nd Coming.
- b) Phone/text scores through: Wayne reminded everyone how to text in your scores for the night, only the home team needs to do so, and they are to text their team name and the number of frames they won only. That is all they need to do.

Scores Group 1

Team	Frames	vs.	Team	Frames
Good Old Boys	5	lost to	Rossmore Bombers	10
Top Pub Elites	0	lost to	Turks Magpies	15
M.R.S.L. Reds	4	lost to	Turks Bar	11
G.J. Hotel Blacks	13	defeated	Yinnar Hotel	2
Turks Breakers	0	Bye	No Frames for a Bye	

Ladder Group 1

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Turks Bar	114	36	316.67%	20
G.J. Hotel Blacks	104	46	226.09%	16
Turks Magpies	93	57	163.16%	16
Rossmore Bombers	84	66	127.27%	14
Yinnar Hotel	55	95	57.89%	6
Good Old Boys	63	87	72.41%	4
Top Pub Elites	52	83	62.65%	4
Turks Breakers	52	83	62.65%	4
M.R.S.L. Reds	43	107	40.19%	4

Scores Group 2

Team	Frames	vs.	Team	Frames
M.G.C. Cruisers	9	defeated	G.J. Hotel	6
M.R.S.L. Ugliis	4	lost to	Jezza's Turkeys	11
Turks Cobras	4	lost to	M.R.S.L. Allsorts	11
Top Pub Smashers	5	lost to	Lennys Lads	10
Turks 2nd Coming	0	Bye	No Frames for a Bye	

Ladder Group 2

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Jezza's Turkeys	102	48	212.50%	20
M.R.S.L. Allsorts	106	44	240.91%	16
G.J. Hotel	84	66	127.27%	12
M.R.S.L. Ugliis	83	67	123.88%	10
Turks Cobras	66	84	78.57%	10
Lennys Lads	71	79	89.87%	8
Turks 2nd Coming	59	76	77.63%	6
M.G.C. Cruisers	48	102	47.06%	4
Top Pub Smashers	41	94	43.62%	2

Scores Group 3				
Team	Frames	vs.	Team	Frames
Destructabulls	12	defeated	Kissabulls	3
C.H.M. Allstars	4	lost to	Sports Bar	11
Yallourn Bowls Club	11	defeated	M.G.C. Wanderers	4
Turks Shooters	10	defeated	M.R.S.L. Greens	5
Average Joes	0	Bye	No Frames for a Bye	

Ladder Group 3				
Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Sports Bar	104	46	226.09%	18
Turks Shooters	114	36	316.67%	16
M.R.S.L. Greens	91	44	206.82%	14
Destructabulls	92	58	158.62%	14
Yallourn Bowls Club	67	83	80.72%	8
M.G.C. Wanderers	58	92	63.04%	8
C.H.M. Allstars	51	99	51.52%	6
Average Joes	50	85	58.82%	4
Kissabulls	33	117	28.21%	0

c) Fines: Wayne stated there are a few fines in the last few weeks for teams who have not phoned their scores in on time, they are:

- i. Morwell RSL Reds have received fines for Rounds 8 and 11;
- ii. Top Pub Elites have received a fine for Round 8;
- iii. Good Old Boys have received a fine for Round 7;
- iv. Lenny's Lads have received fines for Rounds 7 and 10.

Wayne stated the fines are \$10 each. Treasurer Mick Lubawski reminded people that teams need to pay their own fines individually, ie the RSL and Top Pub do not pay the team fines, and the fines need to be paid directly to the Association. Wayne advised they would need to be paid before the next round you play as if you have not paid your fines you become "unfinancial". President Andrew O'Neill said the fines have come in because of the ongoing issue of teams not phoning or texting in their scores. Wayne has let this go a few times but if teams do not send in their scores it delays getting the scores on the website and putting it in the local paper. Wayne stated there have been situations where he has had to chase scores from team's right through the week and weekend, this is ordinary.

Wayne Taylor asked if it was an issue if both teams texted their scores through, Scorer Wayne Van Heerewarden stated no this is not an issue, sometimes both teams text through scores and this is not a problem. This does not create any confusion; it just means that if all the scores come through, they can be put on the website the following day.

Andrew asked if all teams that have been fined are still at the meeting, Top Pub Elites and Good Old Boys have left the meeting. Wayne stated the fines are listed on the website underneath the ladder, and the bottom line is if a team turns up to play and they don't know they've got outstanding fines, that's their problem. Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls) stated he believes the team should not be able to play (if they are unfinancial) as it penalizes the opposing team who should get the points. Andrew

stated that is exactly what will happen. Wayne stated if a team turns up to play on a Tuesday night and you know they are unfinancial, it is not your responsibility to make them aware of it, just play the games out as usual.

- d) Morwell Club Shooters/Turks 2nd Coming: President Andrew O'Neill stated at the start of this season we needed an even number of teams in each grouping so he had to chase up some teams. Morwell Shooters informed they were putting a team in and the night before the first round of the season Andrew sent out a text to advise all teams their scorebooks would be waiting at their venues. Andrew then got a text back from Morwell Shooters stating they were not putting a team into Summer Comp. Thanks to Turks 2nd Coming for putting in their team late to cover this spot because the Association would've been in a bit of bother with uneven teams in one grouping, you can't have an uneven number of teams with groupings. Andrew stated it is the height of rudeness for a team to pull out at the last minute when a comp has been organised, and only in response to a text from Andrew. Andrew asked that if a team decides to jump out or skip winter or summer comp, please give plenty of notice and then we won't jump down your throat.

Moved: Wayne Loader (Churchill Hotel Allstars)

Seconded: Henry Kolakowski (Turks Breakers)

- Carried -

6. Publicity Officer's Report.

Nothing to report.

7. Junior's Report.

None.

General Business:

1. Scorebooks.

See Treasurer's Report.

2. Registrations.

See Treasurer's Report.

3. Finals Venue.

President Andrew O'Neill advised the Turks Sports Bar is the only venue that have put their hand up to hold the finals, asked if there are any other venues that would be interested in holding the finals? Given there are no other venues offered this does not need to be voted on, the finals will be held at the Turks Sports Bar.

4. Catering.

Andrew stated the catering will be done the same as last year, will be offsite catering with a bbq as well, there was good food and plenty to go around last year. Andrew asked if there were any issues with that or any other suggestions. Shane Vogt stated the prawns were frozen, Andrew stated he would pass that information on to Duane.

Andrew stated there is extra money this Summer Comp due to charging \$4 instead of \$3.50, maybe we should have cut rego's back to \$1 instead of \$2. Mick Lubawski suggested if there is more money then maybe extra money could be put into the drinks to lower the drink prices. Andrew suggested this can be finalized at the next meeting, and we need to ensure there is some cheaper drinks left for the finalists.

5. Finals Format.

President Andrew O'Neill stated there are two proposals being put forward that we need to vote on tonight to decide the structure of the Summer Comp finals.

- a) Wayne Van Heerewaarden's idea – to hold a Major final and a Minor final. This means the top 2 teams from each group will go through to the major final, which will be played out as a final 6, like we usually do so there will be nothing different there. The order of the final 6 will be decided upon firstly based on their position on the ladder in their grouping, the points they've accumulated, and thirdly by their %. All games are to be played on the same table unless agreed by both team captains and are to be played on net pocket tables only.

The minor final would be very similar in the sense that it will be the top 2 from each grouping of Division 2 and 3 teams only that goes through to the minor final. Teams qualify to be part of the minor final based on the following criteria – they did not play in Division 1 in the previous Winter Competition; they did not play in the previous Winter Competition's Grand Final for Division 2; and if a Division 2 team qualifies for the major final, then they will not be eligible for the minor final. The minor final will use the same final 6 system, and the order will be determined in the same way as the major final.

Wayne Taylor (Turks Magpies) suggested 2 out of the 3 teams get a double chance in the finals, Wayne Van Heerewaarden stated the first two teams don't play the first round of the final 6, so there is not double chance. Wayne Taylor raised that the top 2 teams have one less round to play to get to the grand final, and suggested this is a disadvantage to them.

Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters) argued all of this should have been decided at the start of the season, we are now in round 11. President Andrew O'Neill stated that when we had our first meeting we didn't know how many teams we were going to have and what format we were going to have either, groupings or divisions. Andrew stated in future we should have an even number of groupings with a shorter season; this would have made it a lot easier to sort out the finals. Steve Halliday stated he doesn't disagree with the format at all and thinks it works, the issue is this should have been done earlier.

Andrew stated that earlier we decided that the top 2 teams would go through to the finals and have a minor final as well, how the minor final was going to work we didn't know and said we would decide that at a later date. That's what this meeting is about. Don McIvor (Turk's Breakers) raised the same thing happened last year, no one gave a shit about the Morwell RSL Blues being too high up the ladder when it came to the minor final, Adam Skilbeck (Morwell RSL Uglii's) stated we had to look at losing games to get into the minor final last year. Andrew stated that's why we're looking at this now to avoid issues like tanking, decide on who is eligible for the minor final. Wayne Van Heerewaarden went over the details of his idea again. Adam Skilbeck stated the Morwell RSL Uglii's won't be eligible to play in the minor finals because they played in the Division 2 Grand Final in Winter Comp, even though the team has changed. Wayne stated this is something the Executive could look at.

Wayne Taylor (Turks Magpies) stated he has an issue with having a major and minor divisional finals when we voted not to have divisions. Andrew stated that's not the case, it's major and minor finals not divisional finals because Division 2 teams have the opportunity to play in the major finals and it wouldn't be fair for a Division 1 team to play in the minor finals.

Secretary Claire Blackford asked what the theory is behind teams not being eligible to play in the minor finals if they played in the Division 2 Grand Final of Winter Comp, Wayne Van Heerewaarden stated the theory behind this is those teams are looked at as going up into Division 1 the following winter. Claire stated this theory then makes it

divisional and disadvantages those teams that played in the Grand Final in Division 2. Wayne stated if this is an issue then it can be taken out of this format, Andrew suggested if teams played in Division 2 or 3 in Winter Comp they are eligible for the minor finals and can play in the major finals if they make it, and if teams played in Division 1 in Winter Comp they are eligible for the major finals only. Problem solved.

b) Wayne Taylor's idea – Final 12 finals (top 4 from each group).

Wayne Taylor stated he has been looking at this for some time, you need either 4, 6, 8, or 12 teams for a final, and with 3 groups it needs to be a final 12. This means the top 4 teams from each group would go into the finals. The winning team from each group would be ranked 1st, 2nd, and 3rd based on their matches and points. The remaining 9 teams would be ranked 4th to 12th based on the above also.

The finals would be played as a final 12 system, which is basically like an AFL final 8 system, with an extra round of knockout before that. It makes for a longer day because there's an extra game. The first round consists of only 8 teams, they would be the final teams ranked 5 to 12, and is an instant knockout. The progressers of them go through to the next round, which then becomes like an AFL final 8 system. The only issue he can see is the extra time to play the extra round and some games will need to be played on coin-operated tables however so does the other team. Andrew asked if it would be a blind draw for tables, Wayne Taylor stated absolutely not, the highest ranked teams would get the pocket tables.

The main benefit is that all teams that finish in the top 4 of their group get an even chance in the finals, you just need to win on the day. Wayne Taylor advised that Part B to that, if people wanted to, we could hold a Division 2 and 3 finals, or Tier 2 finals. To be eligible for that you would need to have played in a Division 2 or 3 team in the Winter Comp, and do not currently have a player in your team who played in Division 1 in the Winter Comp, if you have, that's bad luck you can't play in the Tier 2 finals. Also, if you are eligible for the Tier 1 finals, you are ineligible to play in the Tier 2 finals.

Wayne stated the Destructabulls and Morwell RSL Uglie's would be ineligible to play in the Tier 2 finals because they played in the Grand Final of the Winter Comp.

Allan Greenwood stated he would like to put forward a motion that we go with Wayne Taylor's idea, Andrew stated we need to take questions first. Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers) stated this format basically ensures that all Division 1 teams get to play in the finals, Wayne Taylor stated not if Division 2 teams get their arses into gear and beat them.

End of Season Ladders and Positions

Group 1

- 1a
- 1b
- 1c
- 1d
- 1e
- 1f
- 1g
- 1h
- 1i

Group 2

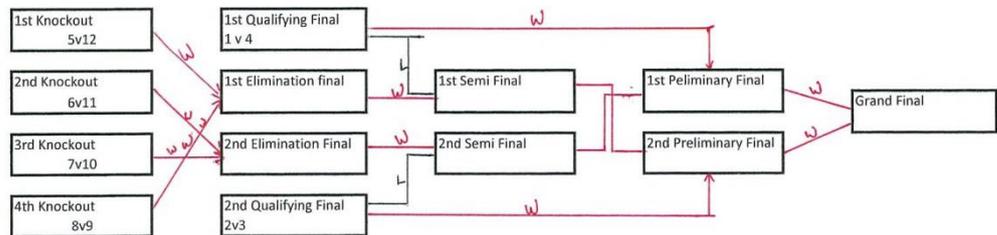
- 2a
- 2b
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- 2i

Group 3

- 3a
- 3b
- 3c
- 3d
- 3e
- 3f
- 3g
- 3h
- 3i

Mashed Ladder

- 1 Highest finisher out of 1a, 2a,3a (ranked via matches then frames)
- 2 2nd Highest finisher out of 1a, 2a,3a (ranked via matches then frames)
- 3 3rd Highest finisher out of 1a, 2a,3a (ranked via matches then frames)
- 4 Highest finisher out of 1b, 1c, 1d, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3c,3d (matches then frames)
- 5 2nd Highest finisher out of 1b, 1c, 1d, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3c,3d (matches then frames)
- 6 3rd Highest finisher out of 1b, 1c, 1d, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3c,3d (matches then frames)
- 7 4th Highest finisher out of 1b, 1c, 1d, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3c,3d (matches then frames)
- 8 5th Highest finisher out of 1b, 1c, 1d, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3c,3d (matches then frames)
- 9 6th Highest finisher out of 1b, 1c, 1d, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3c,3d (matches then frames)
- 10 7th Highest finisher out of 1b, 1c, 1d, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3c,3d (matches then frames)
- 11 8th Highest finisher out of 1b, 1c, 1d, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3c,3d (matches then frames)
- 12 9th Highest finisher out of 1b, 1c, 1d, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3c,3d (matches then frames)



* Matches only played until a team reaches 8 frames

AND ELIMINATION ROUND

* IN THE KNOCKOUT ROUND, EACH MATCH WILL COMMENCE ON 1 TABLE

(AFTER 1 HR)

- AT 11:00 THE 2 LEAST PROGRESSSED MATCHES WILL BE ALLOCATED

A 2ND TABLE

- AT THE COMPLETION OF A MATCH THE VACANT TABLE WILL

BE ALLOCATED TO THE LEAST PROGRESSSED MATCH STILL RATING ON 1 TABLE

* ALL SEMI FINAL - PRELIMINARY & GRAND FINAL WILL BE PLAYED ON 1 TABLE ONLY. *

Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Wanderers) stated the idea of Summer Comp is to give Division 2 and 3 teams a chance to play against better teams, this proposal basically guarantees it's a Division 1 finals. The lower ranked teams are what's made the growth happen in the Association, 75% of the revenue collected tonight come from Division 2 and 3 teams, Division 1 teams are not bringing in any new players to the Association. People are dropping off because they don't have a chance to win anything. Wayne Taylor stated there is a minor final where the lower ranked teams have the opportunity there, and the point of finals is still to find the best teams. Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys) stated Division 1 teams are not going to bring in new players to break up a team they've put together and are comfortable with.

Mick Lubawski stated there was opportunity at the last meeting to vote for Divisions or groups, everyone voted for groups and it was also voted that the top two teams would go through to the finals, so why is this being discussed now.

Some argument happened regarding divisions and groups.

President Andrew O'Neill stated everyone knows the two different formats so we need to vote now to make a decision, and asked if everyone has a basic idea of the two different formats.

Votes as follows:

Proposal a) (Wayne Van Heerewaaden's idea) - 12

Proposal b) (Wayne Taylor's idea) - 9

- **Proposal a) carried** -

Andrew stated there is just an issue with the Rossmore Hotel as they didn't play in the Winter Competition so the Executive will need to decide which finals they are eligible play in.

Around the Committee:

1. **Average Joes** – gone.
2. **Churchill Hotel Allstars** – right.
3. **Destructabulls** – no comment.
4. **GJH** – no comment.
5. **GJH Blacks** – nothing.
6. **Jezza's Turkeys** – nothing.
7. **Kissabulls** – no comment.
8. **Lenny's Lads** – gone.
9. **MGC Cruisers** – gone.
10. **MGC Wanderers** – nothing.
11. **MRSL Allsorts** – gone.
12. **MRSL Greens** – cool.
13. **MRSL Reds** – all good.
14. **MRSL Uglii's** – Adam Skilbeck asked people to remember to put full names on score sheets, Steve Bishop stated some nicknames are still being used.
15. **Rossmore Hotel Bombers** – gone.
16. **Top Pub Elites** – gone.
17. **Top Pub Smashers** – nothing.
18. **Turks 2nd Coming** – gone.
19. **Turks Bar** – gone.
20. **Turks Breakers** – no issues.
21. **Turks Cobras** – gone.
22. **Turks Good Old Boys** – gone.
23. **Turks Magpies** – no issues.
24. **Turks Shooters** – happy.
25. **Turks Sports Bar** – Wayne Van Heerewaarden stated in the last few weeks quite a few issues have come up about rules and what happens in certain situations, get your players to go home and read the rules, there is a rule book at every single venue, there's been a lot of reports about mistakes being made, this is happening too much and players are losing frames they shouldn't be losing. If you're playing and you're not sure what's happening, ask for a time out and ask your captain. If you're not happy with a markers call, you have the right to ask to stop the game and ask to check the rules, if the marker is not listening ask your captain. The whole team shouldn't be getting involved more often than not half the players are wrong, so refer to the rule book and let the captains sort it out. Everyone has access to the rule books, they're on

the website. Also people are feeling pushed into decisions when they don't feel comfortable with it, stand up for yourself and ask your captain if you need to. Wayne stated if you haven't read the rules yet, read them, its round 11 so everyone should know the rules by now.

26. Yallourn Bowls Club – all good.

27. Yinnar Hotel – gone.

President Andrew O'Neill stated there is an issue with players being late; the start of playing time is 7pm so teams should be ready to play without players consistently showing up late. Summer is fairly relaxed but you should be ready to play by 7pm, its fine when 1 person is late but when you get multiples being late that becomes a real issue. Andrew stated if a player is not there by the end of the first round, they forfeit that game, if the player is not there by the end of the second round, their game is forfeited and if the player is not there by the end of the third round they forfeit that game. The captains of both teams can negotiate to move games back if they choose to but only if both captains agree on it.

Steve Halliday (Turks Shooters) stated there is already a rule in place, if you're not there by the time your game is to be played in the first round you forfeit that game and if you're not there by the time you game is to be played in the second round you forfeit the lot.

Don McIvor stated he is happy with that however you'd be the biggest arsehole under the sun if you did say the frame was to be forfeited because the opposition player wasn't there. Wayne Van Heerwaarden stated there should be no subjective decision making, the rules are there and should be followed.

Association members/visitors: No issues.

Sign in book - non-attendance fines:

Thank everyone for coming including venue: Andrew wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Next Meeting: Andrew advised the next meeting is the Summer Competition 2nd Sub Committee Meeting and will be held at the Churchill Hotel on Wednesday 20th February 2013 at 7:30pm.

Meeting Closed:

Meeting closed at time 8:51pm.

Duration 1hr 11m.



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1st Summer Competition Executive Meeting of the Latrobe Valley Eight Ball Association held at the office of BizOnline – First floor, Suite 1, 7-13 Post Office Place Traralgon on 24th January 2013.

Attendance:

President Andrew O'Neill, Vice President Allan Greenwood, Secretary Claire Blackford, Scorer Wayne Van Heerewaarden, and Publicity Officer Rick Merlo.

5 of 6 Executive members in Attendance.

Chairperson:

President Andrew O'Neill opened the meeting at 5:20pm.

Apology: Treasurer Michael Lubawski.

Business:

1. Clarification regarding certain teams' eligibility for the major or minor finals of the LVEBA Summer Competition, as directed by way of motion at the previous Sub Committee Meeting.

The decision by way of motion at the 1st Sub Committee Meeting, held at the Rossmore Hotel on 19th December, was that all teams who played in Division 2 and 3 in the Winter Competition, are eligible to play in the minor finals in the current Summer Competition, and the major finals if they make it; all teams who played in Division 1 in the Winter Competition are eligible for the major finals only. The motion included a requirement of the Executive to decide on particular teams' eligibility for either finals. The two teams in question are the Yallourn North Bombers and Yallourn Bowling Club.

Decision – The Executive made a decision by way of vote that the Yallourn North Bombers are eligible to play in the major finals only in this Summer Competition, and the Yallourn Bowling Club are eligible to play in either finals.

- Motion carried -

2. Query regarding By-Law 11. Emergency Players.

This issue has come about due to some players being an emergency player for some teams and whether they are in violation of this By-Law when they have then played as an emergency player for another team. The **By-Law 11. Emergency Players (a)** states: "They do not have to meet clearance requirements to change teams for the first three (3) games they play for any team." This By-Law has been misunderstood by some players who have read this as any particular team, whereas its meaning is any one (1) team.

Decision – This clarification will be changed in the By-Laws at the AGM to reflect it's meaning of any one (1) team; no player is in violation of the By-Laws.

- Motion carried -

3. Dress Code – role of the Head Adjudicator.

It was decided by way of motion at the Executive Meeting on September 5, 2012 that it is the role of the Umpires to identify a breach of the **By-Laws – Final Series 7. Dress Code (a)** which states “black or dark slacks or shirt, black or dark dress shoes and a collared shirt. **Jeans or runners are not permitted.**” and **Dress Code (c)** which states “*any player not dressed in the proper attire will not be permitted to play*”. The motion states “the dress code By-Law to be enforced by both the Umpires. The Umpire will stop time running and request the player to meet the dress code requirements before they can play there shot, once said the Umpire will then restart time running.”

Some discussion occurred about the necessity for the Head Adjudicator to play a role in this situation to put pressure on the Umpires to ensure the dress code By-Law is followed and enforced.

Decision – if an Umpire does not pick up on a breach of the dress code By-Law and the Head Adjudicator is called in, if the Head Adjudicator confirms there is a breach of the dress code, this will result in an immediate loss of frame for the player who is found to be in breach.

- Motion carried -

[The above motion and the previous motion made in relation to dress code are to be raised at the next Committee of Management Meeting (earliest meeting will be April 2013) to resolve and ratify by way of motion or even by way of By-Law alteration to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting in March so that the members of the Association including the Executive will have a clear direction on these issues discussed.]

Closing:

Meeting closed at 6:06pm.

Duration: 46min



2nd Sub Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Churchill Hotel on Wednesday the 20th February, 2013.

Chairman: Meeting opened by President Andrew O'Neill at 7:35pm.

Attendance: Quorum met in accordance with **Constitution Rule 25 (Pg17)**.

Office Holders – President Andrew O'Neill, Treasurer Mick Lubawski, and Secretary Claire Blackford.

Association Members – Paul Keogh (Average Joes), Alan Goodwin and Wayne Loader (Churchill Hotel Allstars), Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls), Glen Langstaff (Good Old Boys), Ted Norton (Grand Junction Hotel), Shane Vogt (Grand Junction Hotel Blacks), Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys), Ann Rockall (Kissabulls), Ross Kenney (Lenny's Lads), Damien O'Brien (Morwell Golf Club Cruisers), Brad Smith (Morwell Golf Club Wanderers), Danny McLean (Morwell RSL Allsorts), Allan Greenwood (Morwell RSL Greens), Non-Attendance (Morwell RSL Reds), Adam Skilbeck and Steve Bishop (Morwell RSL Uglis), Bill Frendo (Rossmore Hotel Bombers), Wayne Van Heerewarden (Sports Bar), Shannon Russell (Top Pub Elites), Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers), Daryl Martin (Turk's 2nd Coming), Tom Gill and Steve Gray (Turk's Bar), Don McIvor and Henry Kolakowski (Turk's Breakers), Graham Hodgkiss (Turk's Cobras), Non-Attendance (Turk's Magpies), Steve Halliday (Turk's Shooters), Dean Kane (Yallourn Bowls Club), Greg Sanders (Yinnar Hotel).

Visitors – Tracey Bowen and Renee McDonald.

In Attendance - 34

Apologies: Dave Buhagiar (Turk's Magpies), Dennis Mills (Morwell Golf Club Wanderers), and Rod Chapman (Turks 2nd Coming).

Correspondence: None.

Previous Minutes: Previous Committee Meeting minutes are on the website.

1. Summer Competition Special General Meeting 18th September 2012.
2. Summer Competition 1st Sub Committee Meeting 19th December 2012.

Moved: Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers)

Accepted: Steve Halliday (Turk's Shooters)

- Carried -

Executive Committee Reports:

1. **Presidents Report.**
To be discussed in General Business.
2. **Vice Presidents Report.**
Nothing to report.

3. Treasurer's Report.

- a) The bank statement was discussed (see below).
- b) Monies owed. Treasurer Mick Lubawski advised all money should be handed in tonight so the Association knows where we're at financially on Sunday for the finals, Turk's Magpies still owe \$120 and Lenny's Lads still owe \$170. Mick stated the problem is some teams are spending the money they get on the night the money is collected; it is the captain's responsibility to bring the money to the meetings when it is due. Teams will not be eligible to play finals on Sunday if they have not paid the money they owe. Allan Greenwood asked what happens if some players are picked to play on Sunday in another team, Andrew stated if individuals play for another team they won't be allowed to play finals on Sunday. We'll be going through the rankings as well to ensure players are eligible to play in the finals.
- Andrew asked if all fines have been paid, it was stated the Top Pub Elites owe \$10, the Good Old Boys owe \$10, Lenny's Lads owe \$40, Morwell RSL Reds owe \$20 and the Morwell Golf Club Cruisers owe \$10. These fines are for not phoning scores through. Andrew stated we use the fines as a deterrent and so people will phone the scores through, the Association doesn't need the money we just want people to phone their scores through which still isn't happening. Someone asked where the money goes that is collected from fines, Andrew stated it goes back into the Association. Claire Blackford asked if teams are unfinancial then if they haven't paid fines and will not be eligible to play finals, Andrew confirmed this.
- c) Money for trophies. President Andrew O'Neill stated the Association has allowed \$300 for trophies and an extra \$300 for finals players so they can have drinks after the games are done. Andrew stated there is more than enough money for the finals so all good.

Treasurer's Report 2012 - 2013

Registration No A 0016389V

ABN 53 071 518 494

18th September 2012 - March 2013 Summer Competition Ledger Account

<u>Date</u>	<u>Document</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total</u>
18th Sep, 2012	Summer Competition Account		\$0.00
3rd Jan, 2013	Andrew O'Neill Score Book Printing and Ink (997445)	-\$186.99	-\$186.99
8th Jan, 2013	Match Fees & Rego's Rnd 1 - 10 Morwell RSL	\$1,320.00	\$1,133.01
8th Jan, 2013	Match Fees & Rego's Rnd 1 - 10 Top Pub	\$495.00	\$1,628.01
9th Jan, 2013	Match Fees & Rego's Rnd 1 - 10	\$4,042.00	\$5,670.01
15th Jan, 2013	Match Fees Rnd 11 - 18 Top Pub	\$545.00	\$6,215.01
19th Feb, 2013	Summer Competition Trophies Traralgon Engravers (997453)	-\$1,282.15	\$4,932.86
	Closing Balance		\$4,932.86
2012 - 2013	Summer Competition Income - Expenditure = Difference	\$5,857.00	-\$1,469.14 \$4,387.86

Moved: Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers)

Seconded: Ted Norton (Grand Junction Hotel)

- Carried -

4. Scorer's Report.

- a) Wayne Van Heerewaarden congratulated all teams who have made the finals and read out the results as at the end of Round 18 for each team (see below).
- b) Finals.
Wayne read out the teams involved in each of the finals ie major and minor finals.
- c) Team fines. As discussed above the following teams have current fines: Top Pub Elites Rnd 8 \$10; Good Old Boys Rnd 7 \$10; Lenny's Lads Rnd 7, 10 & 12 \$30; Morwell RSL Reds Rnd 8 & 11 \$20; and Morwell Golf Club Cruisers Rnd 13 \$10.

Summer Competition 2012-13

Scores Group 1

Team	Frames	vs.	Team	Frames
Turks Breakers	5	lost to	Good Old Boys	10
Top Pub Elites	5	lost to	Rossmore Bombers	10
G.J. Hotel Blacks	10	defeated	Turks Magpies	5
Turks Bar	10	defeated	Yinnar Hotel	5
M.R.S.L. Reds	0	Bye	No Frames for a Bye	

Ladder Group 1

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Turks Bar	181	59	306.78%	30
G.J. Hotel Blacks	165	75	220.00%	28
Rossmore Bombers	138	102	135.29%	24
Turks Magpies	139	101	137.62%	20
Yinnar Hotel	102	138	73.91%	14
Top Pub Elites	100	140	71.43%	10
Good Old Boys	96	144	66.67%	8
Turks Breakers	87	153	56.86%	6
M.R.S.L. Reds	72	168	42.86%	4

Summer Competition 2012-13

Scores Group 2

Team	Frames	vs.	Team	Frames
M.R.S.L. Ugliis	12	defeated	M.G.C. Cruisers	3
Turks Cobras	7	lost to	G.J. Hotel	8
Turks 2nd Coming	7	lost to	Jezza's Turkeys	8
Top Pub Smashers	2	lost to	M.R.S.L. Allsorts	13
Lennys Lads	0	Bye	No Frames for a Bye	

Ladder Group 2

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Jezza's Turkeys	165	75	220.00%	32
M.R.S.L. Allsorts	168	72	233.33%	26
M.R.S.L. Ugliis	146	94	155.32%	20
G.J. Hotel	121	119	101.68%	18
Turks Cobras	109	131	83.21%	16
Lennys Lads	109	131	83.21%	12
Turks 2nd Coming	109	131	83.21%	10
Top Pub Smashers	76	164	46.34%	6
M.G.C. Cruisers	77	163	47.24%	4

Summer Competition 2012-13

Scores Group 3

Team	Frames	vs.	Team	Frames
C.H.M. Allstars	5	lost to	Average Joes	10
Yallourn Bowls Club	12	defeated	Kissabulls	3
Turks Shooters	12	defeated	Sports Bar	3
M.G.C. Wanderers	5	lost to	M.R.S.L. Greens	10
Destructabulls	0	Bye	No Frames for a Bye	

Ladder Group 3

Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
Turks Shooters	187	53	352.83%	28
Sports Bar	162	78	207.69%	28
M.R.S.L. Greens	164	76	215.79%	26
Destructabulls	144	96	150.00%	20
Yallourn Bowls Club	104	136	76.47%	12
M.G.C. Wanderers	90	150	60.00%	12
Average Joes	98	142	69.01%	10
C.H.M. Allstars	81	159	50.94%	8
Kissabulls	50	190	26.32%	0

- d) Wayne Van Heerwaarden read out the final results with the top 2 in each group combined to make up the major finals, also the teams that made up the minor finals that

being the teams from the winter competition 2012, divisions 2 and 3 with the inclusion of the Yallourn Bowls Club & Turks 2nd Coming as follows -

Summer Competition Results 2012-2013

Scores - Major Final

Scores

Team	Frames	Final	Team	Frames
		Elimination		
Turks Shooters		vs.	Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts	
Grand Junction Hotel Blacks		vs.	Sports Bar	
		Qualifying		
Jezza's Turkeys		vs.	Lowest Ranked Winner	
Turks Bar		vs.	Highest Ranked Winner	

Ladder

	Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
1	Jezza's Turkeys	165	75	220.00%	32
2	Turks Bar	181	59	306.78%	30
3	Turks Shooters	187	53	352.83%	28
4	Grand Junction Hotel Blacks	165	75	220.00%	28
5	Sports Bar	162	78	207.69%	28
6	Morwell R.S.L. Allsorts	168	72	233.33%	26

Summer Competition Results 2012-2013

Scores - Minor Final

Scores

Team	Frames	Final	Team	Frames
		Elimination		
Grand Junction Hotel		vs.	Top Pub Elites	
Yinnar Hotel		vs.	Yallourn Bowls Club	
		Qualifying		
Morwell R.S.L. Ugliis		vs.	Lowest Ranked Winner	
Destructabulls		vs.	Highest Ranked Winner	

Ladder

	Team	For	Against	Percentage	Pts
1	M.R.S.L. Ugliis	146	94	155.32%	20
2	Destructabulls	144	96	150.00%	20
3	G.J. Hotel	121	119	101.68%	18
4	Yinnar Hotel	102	138	73.91%	14
5	Yallourn Bowls Club	104	136	76.47%	12
6	Top Pub Elites	100	140	71.43%	10

Moved: Alan Goodwin (Churchill Hotel Allstars)

Seconded: Henry Kolakowski (Churchill Hotel Allstars)

- Carried -

5. Secretary's Report.

a) Registration lists. Secretary Claire Blackford stated all teams are required to fill out a registration form for their teams including names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. This is a requirement for all players in all teams, and there are still some teams at the end of the season who have not handed theirs in. The following teams have not completed these details: Turk's Magpies, Grand Junction Hotel Blacks, Morwell RSL Allsorts, and Turk's Shooters. Turk's Shooters will hand theirs in on Sunday.

Andrew stated if you want to be a registered member of the league you need to give all details to the Association or technically you are not a registered member of the league. Every year we have to chase people for these details which is ridiculous, people are still putting in nicknames on the score sheets, and some players don't register at all and play during the year in our league. If you want to play in our league you need to become a registered member, that's what it states in the constitution, and I get sick and tired of chasing people every year for their details and for player's registrations.

Some discussion occurred about details not changing for some people and a suggestion was made that at the start of the year if teams haven't given details of all members of their teams, they shouldn't be allowed to play in the Association. Teams have until the third week into the season to hand in, this needs to be done.

6. Publicity Officers Report.

Rick Merlo informed there is a write up going into the Latrobe Valley Express tomorrow regarding the finals, and on Sunday Win TV will attend the finals not just to film some of the finals but also to do a report on Steve Gray. Win TV will attend Turk's Bar tomorrow to do a bit of a preview report, Andrew suggested Paul Pike be included in the report as they both made the state side and this is a really big thing for them both.

Steve Bishop (Morwell RSL Uglie's) suggested we all congratulate Steve Gray for making the Australian team, all clapped. Steve informed of the schedule involved when he plays overseas. Allan Greenwood added not only did Steve make the Australian team but he is the captain as well which is a great effort.

7. Juniors Report.

Nothing to report.

General Business:

1. Team and finals make up. President Andrew O'Neill informed the Executive had a meeting to discuss who would be eligible for the minor finals, as per the format that was decided upon at the previous Sub Committee Meeting on 19th December at the Rossmore Hotel (Wayne Van Heerewarden's format). The Executive needed to make a decision about some teams and whether they would be eligible for the major finals only or minor finals. The Rossmore Bombers are to play in major finals only, the Yallourn Bowls Club, Turk's 2nd Coming and Yinnar Hotel are considered to be Division 2 teams and therefore are eligible to play in the minor finals.
2. Registrations. See Secretary's report.
3. Finals Format.
Major Final – top 2 teams from each group.
Minor Final – top 2 Division 2 and 3 teams from each group decided concerning other teams.

a) Finals start time. President Andrew O'Neill stated there has been some discussion with Duane from Turk's Bar and it is suggested that we start earlier than the usual 11am start time for the finals, maybe a 10am or 10:30am start time. Andrew informed the major finals will be played in the front room and the minor finals will be played in the back room.

1) **Motion** – To start practice for the finals at 9:30am with final's games starting at 10am.

Moved: Wayne Van Heerewaarden (Sports Bar)

Seconded: Rick Merlo (Top Pub Smashers)

Votes: 10 for; heaps against

- Not Carried -

2) **Motion** – To start practice for the finals at 10am with final's games starting at 10:30am.

Moved: Steve Halliday (Turk's Shooters)

Seconded: Tom Gill (Turk's Bar)

Votes: 9 for; heaps against

- Not Carried -

3) **Motion** – To start practice for the finals at 9am with final's games starting at 9:30am.

Moved: Mick Lubawski (Grand Junction Hotel Blacks)

Seconded: Steve Bishop (Morwell RSL Uglii's)

Votes: 12 for; 14 against

- Not Carried -

4) **Motion** – to start practice for the finals at 10:30am with final's games starting at 11am.

Moved: Danny McLean (Morwell RSL Allsorts)

Seconded: Neil Stuckey (Destructabulls)

Votes: 6 for; heaps against

- Not carried -

President Andrew O'Neill decided the Executive should have a quick meeting to make this decision as there seems to be a lot of stuffing around and people acting like idiots. Aaron O'Mara (Turk's Shooters) stated the finals can't start too early because the table leveling takes about 2 hours and he can't start earlier than 8:30am.

The Executive discussed the issue and decided that because of the time needed for Aaron O'Mara and Shane Vogt to do the table leveling the practice will start at 10am and the final's games will start at 10:30am.

The Sub Committee Meeting resumed, Andrew informed everyone the decision has been made that practice will start at 10am and the final's games will start at 10:30am.

Wayne Van Heerewaarden read out the practice times for each team in the finals, as follows:

1) Major finals

10am – Morwell RSL Allsorts and Sports Bar to practice

10:15am – Turk's Shooters and Grand Junction Hotel to practice

2) Minor finals

10am – Top Pub Elites and Yallourn Bowls Club to practice

10:15am – Yinnar Hotel and Grand Junction Hotel to practice.

Andrew and Mick Lubawski recommended the teams arrive in time if they are playing in the second round of the finals, the games will be forfeited if players aren't there.

- b) Eligibility. Andrew stated all players need to have played a minimum of 5 games in the season to qualify to play in the finals, as per the **By-Law Final Series 6. Eligibility (a)**, we will be checking to make sure.
- c) Head Adjudicator. Andrew stated we need two Head Adjudicators because Ted Norton who is one of our Head Adjudicators is playing in the finals so we need another. Steve Halliday put his hand up to be the other.
- d) Drink's subsidy. Andrew stated he has discussed the subsidy with Duane Morrell and drinks will be capped at \$4.00, which will cover the cost of a beer, if you drink something that costs more ie spirits, you will pay the extra. The drinks subsidy won't start until lunchtime, and the bar opens at 10am. \$300 will be put aside for the finalists so they can benefit from the subsidy once they have finished playing.
Andrew stated we've had issues in the past with people buying subsidized drinks for their friends or partners so we've decided to use a stamp so the staff at Turk's Bar only give subsidized drinks to those who are eligible and we won't get ripped off again like we have in the past. People will only be able to buy 1 drink at a time, and if you're seen buying drinks for other people who aren't eligible for the subsidy then you will be unable to buy any subsidized drinks from then on so if you get busted don't come crying to me. The subsidy is for the benefit of the eligible members not for the public or anyone else, and we'll have a list of who is eligible and we'll be checking.
- e) Tables. Andrew informed the major finals will be played out the front and the minor finals will be played out the back, and the games will be played on net tables only.
- f) Dress Code. Andrew stated the Committee can decide whether shorts are acceptable as part of the dress code because it's going to be a really hot day on Sunday, but given Win TV is going to be there it's probably important that we stay with long slacks. Some discussion occurred regarding the air conditioning at Turk's Bar, it does get very hot at that venue. Don McIvor (Turk's Breakers) suggested this is the biggest marketing that's happened for the league so we should do it properly with the proper dress code in place.

- 1) **Motion** – the temporary dress code as per Winter Competition finals to remain in place for the Summer Competition finals, ie no variations on black or dark dress shoes or slacks; captains are to ensure their players are dressed in the proper attire before the match; both appointed markers are to enforce the dress code rule.

Moved: Steve Bishop (Morwell RSL Uglii's)

Seconded: Adam Skilbeck (Morwell RSL Uglii's)

- Carried -

President Andrew O'Neill stated the Executive discussed the dress code and added a clause that the Head Adjudicator reinforces the dress code by calling loss of frame or loss of game if they become aware of any player not dressed according to the dress code. This includes any frames or games played by the player prior in the match.

- 2) **Motion** – as above, the Head Adjudicator reinforce the dress code.

Moved: Steve Bishop (Morwell RSL Uglii's)

Seconded: Chris Mayer (Jezza's Turkeys)

- Carried -

- g)** Bbq and catered meals. Andrew informed there will be a bbq and some catered food provided on Sunday, and informed breakfast will be provided at 10am, lunch will be provided between 1-1:30pm and dinner will be provided between 5-6:00pm. Andrew asked for some helpers to cook the bbq, the following people offered to help: Henry Kolakowski, Jane Kolakowski, Renee McDonald, and Danny McLean.
- h)** Table leveling. Aaron O'Mara and Shane Vogt will level the tables before the finals.
- i)** Camera. Rick Merlo will take photos during the finals.
- j)** Behaviour rule. The behavior rule will stand ie 12 month suspension from the League for any member/s involved in scuffles/fights. Andrew informed the bar staff will eject members if need be or will shut down the bar; it's up to people how they want to behave.
- k)** Aubury/Wondonga Comp. Andrew informed this comp is free to all Committee members to enter and that includes all the delegates from each team, so if anyone would like to enter they can for free.
- l)** Annual General Meeting. Andrew informed of the details of this meeting (Tuesday 5th March at 7pm at the Morwell Golf Club) and encouraged all members to attend. Andrew stated there are entry forms here at this meeting for Winter Comp and all teams need to bring this form completed to the AGM so they can be part of the Winter Comp. Andrew stated it is very important for all members of this league to attend the AGM because there are some Amendments to the By-Laws that will be voted on that night, and some additions to the By-Laws that will be voted on. Andrew stated these amendments are on the website so have a good look at them so you are fully informed before you come to the AGM. Andrew suggested if anyone has any questions or feedback about the amendments to contact him or Wayne and discuss it prior to the AGM so they can make any changes that might improve the amendments.
Andrew stated that because the AGM is a general meeting, all members are able to vote, it's not just committee members that get to vote, and to make changes to the By-Laws it is a requirement to have at least 75% support from league members.

Around the Committee:

1. Average Joes – all good.
2. Churchill Hotel Allstars – all good.
3. Destructables – happy.
4. Grand Junction Hotel – happy.
5. Grand Junction Hotel Blacks – always happy.
6. Jezza's Turkeys – all good.
7. Kissabulls – happy.
8. Lenny's Lads – done a runner.
9. Morwell Golf Club Cruisers – done a runner.
10. Morwell Golf Club Wanderers – all good.
11. Morwell RSL Allsorts – happy.
12. Morwell RSL Greens – not happy.
13. Morwell RSL Reds – not here.
14. Morwell RSL Ugliis – all good.
15. Rossmore Hotel Bombers – Bill Frendo asked what time can everyone start drinking at the finals, Andrew informed the subsidized drinks will start at lunchtime.

16. Top Pub Elites – gone.
17. Top Pub Smashers – fine.
18. Turks 2nd Coming – fine.
19. Turks Magpies – not here.
20. Turks Bar – not happy.
21. Turks Breakers – no worries.
22. Turks Cobra's – gone.
23. Turks Good Old Boys – gone.
24. Turks Shooters – all good.
25. Turks Sports Bar – all good.
26. Yallourn Bowls Club – thumbs up.
27. Yinnar Hotel – gone.

Association members/visitors:

1. Tracey Bowen – happy.
2. Renee McDonald – believe it or not I'm happy.

Sign in book – non-attendance fines:

1. Morwell RLS Reds – fine \$10 for non-attendance at this meeting.
2. Turk's Magpies – fine \$10 for non-attendance at this meeting.

Next Meeting:

Annual General Meeting will be held at the Morwell Golf Club on Tuesday 5th March 2013 at 7:00pm, all Association members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Meeting Closed:

Meeting closed at time 8:48pm
Duration 1hr 13m



Regards Claire Blackford Secretary LVEBA
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