

# 1<sup>st</sup> Special General Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Morwell Golf Club on Tuesday 11th April 2023.

(Meeting Recorded)

## Chairman:

Meeting opened by President Wayne van Heerewaarden at 6:49.35pm, Wayne welcomed everyone to the Latrobe Valley Eight Ball Association's Annual General Meeting for 2023.

This meeting has been called to address a number of **Special Resolutions** being put forward by the member Andrew O'Neill with regards to the By-Laws of this Association. It is in the interest of members considering to be future Committee members and also for members of the Association to know what direction the members choose to take for the Association before the Annual General Meeting, where the election of office bearers takes place. It also gives members in teams notice on how the forth coming seasons will play out with regard to these Special Resolutions.

# Ken Krieger asked are we supposed to get notice of this Special General Meeting? Wayne replied have done, been on the website and published on Facebook. Andrew O'Neill said that our point of contact for members of this association is through the website everyone should know that, it's been up on the front page for a month now.

## Attendance:

### Committee Members

President: Wayne van Heerewaarden, Vice President: Rosa Payne, Treasurer: Dean Burridge & Secretary: Andrew O'Neill.

### Ordinary Members

Scorer: Ken Krieger, Publicity Member: Claire Blackford & Ordinary Members: Angela Dean.

### Association Members

Alan Greenwood (Turks Allsorts), Andrew Troughton (Traralgon Bowls Club), Bart Munn (Turks Allsorts), Danny Matheson (Postmen), Danny Tabone (Big Balls), David Buhagiar (Big Balls), Don McIvor (Morwell RSL UFC's), Jamee van Gelderen (Traralgon Bowls Club), Jane Kolakowski (Morwell RSL Pool Sharks), Jay Langstaff (Turks Allsorts), Mark Row (Morwell RSL UFC's), Matt Anderson (Sports Bar), Rick Merlo (Traralgon Bowls Club), Ronald Stephen Kingsley (Morwell RSL UFC's), Shane Vogt (Dare to Drift), Shannon Russell (Postmen) & Trevor Hough (Traralgon Bowls Club).

### Visitors

Brad Smith & Trey Merlo.

In Attendance: 26

## Quorum:

Quorum met with 23 members in attendance of the 115 members of the Association (15% of 115 = 17 members).

## Apologies:

Dean Kane (Morwell RSL Good Guys) & Matt Sawyer (Dare to Drift).

Apologies: 2

## Correspondence:

1. Notice of motions:

By-Law Changes: Special Business.

## Previous Minutes:

All previous General Meeting Minutes moved to the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting to be held directly after this meeting.

## Special Business:

Notice of Motions: Special Resolutions.

### By-Laws:

1. Groupings Amendment/Addition.
2. Emergency Players, Draw Amendment.
3. Handicap Table Addition.
4. Motion: Team Handicap Table.

The President Wayne van Heerewaarden handed the floor over to Andrew O'Neill to conduct the special business received. Andrew said that the notice of motions have been up on the website as per the constitution requirements. Andrew handed out paperwork that explains by example the changes proposed in a four-step process. Andrew then discussed the proposals with the members explaining how the whole system works and why he is proposing these changes going forward and as well as taking and answering questions from the members. The proposals were discussed at length by the members and were generally accepted by the members with the only concern being with the handicap table being changed and how that will play out over the season. Andrew made the point as to why he believes it should change and said that if it does prove not to work out that being too hard, the motion proposed above will give the Committee the ability to wind it back if necessary for the Summer Competition season. I expect there to be no more major changes to the format or the handicap system going forward. All the information that a team will need will be in their score book and also on the web site -

The changes to be made to the By-Laws so that the new proposals above will work are set out below with rule changes to the following rules -

### By-Laws

#### 1. Groupings

- 1) 36. Point System **Amendment** (36.3);
- 2) 44. Clearance **Amendment** (44.1.5.1);
- 3) 57. Player of the Year **Amendment** (57.1.4 & 57.2.3).

#### 2. Format & Team (4 Player)

- 1) 34. Team **Amendment**;
- 2) 36 Point System **Amendment** (36.3.4);
- 3) 37. Format **Amendment**;
- 4) 38. Draw **Amendment** (38.1 & 38.2);
- 5) 39. Marker **Remove** (39.3 & 39.4);
- 6) 40. Matches **Remove** (40.2.1 & 40.2.2);
- 7) 43. Forfeits: **Amendment** (43.1);
- 8) 45. Clearance **Amendment** (45.1.5.2 & 45.1.5.3);
- 9) 52. Draw **Addition**.
- 10) 58. Player of the Year **Amendment** (58.1.3, 58.1.4, 58.1.5, 58.2.2 & 58.2.3).

#### 3. Handicap Table

- 1) 36 Groupings **Amendment** (36.3);
- 2) 36 Handicap **Addition/Remove** (36.9 & 36.3.1.4);
- 3) 38 Draw **Amendment**;
- 4) 52. Teams Drawn **Amendment**.

#### 4. Motion

- 1) The **Committee** may make adjustments to the Team Handicap Table for the Summer Competition 2022 if the **Committee** deems it necessary.

Moved: Andrew O'Neill  
Seconded: Wayne van Heerewaarden  
For: 16/Against: 5/Abstain: 3  
- Carried 76.2%

Below are the changes to be made to the official By-Laws of the Association.

### 36. Point System (Grouping/Handicap)

36.1 The Point System shall be **controlled** by the **Committee** and used for Division one (1) in competition seasons and if necessary, may be considered for other divisions.

#### 36.2 Grouping

36.2.1 The Grouping number determines the handicap points for players in each group. The criteria used in the allocation of players into groups shall be as follows:

36.2.1.1 **Group 1** These are the highest grade players. Players are worth 1 handicap point. **Ranking average 70% - 100%.**

36.2.1.2 **Group 1.5** These are the high grade players. Players are worth 1.5 handicap points. **Ranking average 60% - 69%.**

36.2.1.3 **Group 2** These are the medium grade players. Players are worth 2 handicap points. **Ranking average 50% - 59%.**

36.2.1.4 **Group 2.5** These are the low grade players. Players are worth 2.5 handicap points. **Ranking average 40% - 49%.**

36.2.1.5 **Group 3** These are the lowest grade players. Players are worth 3 handicap points. **Ranking average 0% - 39%.**

36.2.2 Any vacancies and forfeits on a team score card are worth **2** handicap points.

#### 36.3 New Players

36.3.1 **New players and** players in all other division will be automatically graded into group three (3). The **Committee** may decide otherwise **after taking into consideration a player's ability and or history.**

36.3.2 **New player grouping evaluation may be considered by the Committee half way through and at the end of their 1<sup>st</sup> season.**

36.3.3 All new players must complete a registration form and answer truthfully the questions about their previous playing history (this will be checked). The captain must sign to verify the registration form has been filled in correct, fully and truthfully. If it is found that the registration form has been completed untruthfully (mistake or otherwise) then that player will forfeit all frames played and these frames will be granted to the opposition player(s) for all matches played.

36.3.4 All players are to be grouped before they are eligible to play. Playing a player without being allocated to a group will result in all of that players frames being forfeited to the opposition player(s) for all matches played.

#### 36.4 Ranking Average

36.4.1 **A players ranking average shall be calculated over their first two (2) seasons played of rankings under the match format played, the Committee to evaluate.**

36.4.2 **A players ranking average shall be evaluated over their last three (3) seasons played of rankings under the match format played.**

36.4.3 **Minimum of five (5) games played in a season to qualify for a player's ranking average.**

36.4.4 **Ranking Average calculation: wins/games played x 100 = average percentage.**

## 36.5 Handicap

36.5.1 Using the official Team Handicap Table if a total grouping point's difference exist between the two competing teams the value of the total grouping point's difference in frames shall be taken from the team with the lower total grouping point's and awarded to the team with the higher total grouping points at the end of the match to give a final score. Frames a team shall earn or lose on the night is capped between 0-16 frames.

36.5.2 Team Handicap Table -

<b>Team Handicap Table</b>		
<b>Group Pts Diff</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>Frames +/-</b>
0 - 0.5	=	0
1 - 1.5	=	1
2 - 2.5	=	2
3 - 3.5	=	3
4 - 4.5	=	4
5 - 5.5	=	5
6 - 6.5	=	6
7 - 7.5	=	7
8	=	8

## Competition Rules

### 45. Emergency Players

45.1 A player may play as an emergency player over **the Summer a season of** competition.

45.1.1 an emergency player cannot play in a lower division, they may play for more than one (1) team over **the Summer a season of** competition;

45.1.2 they do not have to meet clearance requirements to change teams for the first three (3) games they play for any one (1) team;

45.1.3 all ranking points acquired by a player shall stay with each team that the player has played for. They are ineligible to play finals, ineligible for player of the year and all other accolades and;

45.1.4 a lower division player may play in a higher division as an emergency player and therefore will still be bound by all the above requirements of an emergency player. The lower division player can still play in his/her lower division team as normal (including finals).

### 38. Draw

38.1 If in the home/away season the final score is drawn after the handicap system has been applied then each team will earn one (1) Premiership points each.

38.2 In an event of two (2) or more teams finishing the home/away season on the same points/frames a playoff shall occur with the game to be held at the venue of the team that is shown higher on the ladder. **If the match is drawn a final series tie breaker shall to be played (see sub rule 52 Draw).**

#### Final Series Rules

### 52. Draw

In the event of a draw occurring the captains will allocate three (3) players from each team **that played in the drawn match**, a draw shall be done according to the season order of play **(see sub rule 37.1 Format)** and they shall play a combined best of three (3) each player playing one (1) frame each the winning team will be the first to win two (2) of the three (3) frames.

Below is the data that Andrew shown to the members to help explain the proposed changes.

# Handicap Table

Winter 2022			Summer 2022/23			Winter 2023		
Pts Diff	Frames	Win	Pts Diff	Frames	Win	Pts Diff	Frames	Win
0 - 0.5	0	9	0 - 0.5	0	9	0 - 0.5	0	9
1 - 1.5	1	10	1 - 1.5	1	10	1 - 1.5	1	10
2 - 2.5	2	11	2 - 2.5	2	11	2 - 2.5	2	11
3 - 4	3	12	3 - 3.5	3	12	3 - 3.5	3	12
4.5 - 5.5	4	13	4 - 5	4	13	4 - 4.5	4	13
6 - 8	5	14	5.5 - 8	5	14	5 - 5.5	5	14
						6 - 6.5	6	15
						7 - 7.5	7	16
						8	8	Draw

Win	Sum	Total Games
90	128	= 218

## Percentage of Games Played in each Frame Group

Fr	GP	=	Played	Total	Played	Fr 0	Fr's 0 - 1	Fr's 0 - 2	Fr's 0 - 3	Fr's 0 - 4	Fr's 0 - 5	Fr's 0 - 6	Fr's 0 - 7	Fr's 0 - 8
0	0	=	21	50	9.63%	22.94%	52.29%	76.15%	88.99%	97.71%	99.08%	99.54%	100.00%	100.00%
	0.5	=	29		13.30%									
1	1	=	33	64	15.14%	29.36%	52.29%	76.15%	88.99%	97.71%	99.08%	99.54%	100.00%	100.00%
	1.5	=	31		14.22%									
2	2	=	32	52	14.68%	23.85%	52.29%	76.15%	88.99%	97.71%	99.08%	99.54%	100.00%	100.00%
	2.5	=	20		9.17%									
3	3	=	15	28	6.88%	12.84%	52.29%	76.15%	88.99%	97.71%	99.08%	99.54%	100.00%	100.00%
	3.5	=	13		5.96%									
4	4	=	14	19	6.42%	8.72%	52.29%	76.15%	88.99%	97.71%	99.08%	99.54%	100.00%	100.00%
	4.5	=	5		2.29%									
5	5	=	1	3	0.46%	1.38%	52.29%	76.15%	88.99%	97.71%	99.08%	99.54%	100.00%	100.00%
	5.5	=	2		0.92%									
6	6	=	1	1	0.46%	0.46%	52.29%	76.15%	88.99%	97.71%	99.08%	99.54%	100.00%	100.00%
	6.5	=			0.00%									
7	7	=	1	1	0.46%	0.46%	52.29%	76.15%	88.99%	97.71%	99.08%	99.54%	100.00%	100.00%
	7.5	=			0.00%									
8	8	=		0	0.00%	0.00%	52.29%	76.15%	88.99%	97.71%	99.08%	99.54%	100.00%	100.00%

### 8 Points Difference

Team Points	4	4.5	5	5.5	6	6.5	7	7.5	<b>8</b>	8.5	9	9.5	10	10.5	11	11.5	12
	→	→	→	→										←	←	←	←
	<b>"Competition"</b>																

## Team Grouping Totals by Rnd

Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	Ave
Postmen	5.5	5	5	5.5	5.5	6	5.5	6	6	6	5.5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5.3
Dare to Drift	6	6	6	6	6	7.5	6.5	6	6.5	6	7	5.5	5	5	6	7.5	7	6.5	6	6	7	7	6.27
Morwell RSL Good Guy	8	7	8	7	6.5	8	8	8	7.5	7	8	8	8	6.5	8	6.5	7	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	8	7.32
Morwell RSL Hotshots	7.5	7	8.5	7.5	7.5	7	7	7.5	7.5	7	7	7	7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7	7	8.5	7.5	7.5	7.8	7.4
Big Balls	7.5	7	8	7	7.5	7.5	8.5	7.5	8	6.5	7.5	8	8.5	7.5	8	6	9	9.5	8.5	8.5	8	8.5	7.84
Sports Bar	8	8.5	8.5	8	8	9	8	8.5	9	8.5	8.5	8	9	9	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.48
Turks Allsorts	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	9	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	9	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	9	8.5	8.57
Morwell RSL Paragons	9.5	10	9.5	10.5	10	10	9	10	10	8.5	10	10	10	10.5	9.5	10	9	10	10	10	F	F	9.8
Morwell RSL Renegad	9	10.5	9.5	10	9.5	9	F	9.5	9	10.5	10	F	10.5	10.5	9.5	9.5	10.5	10.5	11.5	10.5	10	10.5	10
Morwell RSL UFC's	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9.5	10	10	10	10	10	10	10.5	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Traragon Bowls Club	10	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10	10	10.5	9.5	10.5	10.5	10	10	10	10	10	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10
Morwell RSL Pool Sha	11.5	11.5	12	12	12	12	11.5	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	11.9

Total 103

Teams 12

**League Average: 8.57**

	Team	Score		Team	Score	H/Cap	Winter 22	Sum 22-23	Winter 23
1	Postmen	14	defeated	MRSL UFC's	2	5	10	6	9 7
2	Postmen	16	defeated	MRSL Renegades	0	5.5	12	6	11 5 11 5
3	MRSL Good Guys	16	defeated	MRSL Pool Sharks	0	5.5	12	6	11 5 11 5
4	Postmen	14	defeated	MRSL Pool Sharks	2	6	9	7	9 7 8 8
5	Postmen	14	defeated	MRSL Pool Sharks	2	7	9	7	9 7 7 9

Andrew then yielded the floor back to the President Wayne van Heerewaarden.

Wayne said that now that these special motions have been passed by the members and this is what we will be doing for the coming season.

**Around the Floor:**

Held over to the Annual General Meeting

**Meeting Closed:**

1. Closing:

The President Wayne van Heerewaarden thanked everyone for attending and told everyone that the pizzas are here.

2. Time/Duration:

7:57.48pm/1:08.13.

Regards

Andrew O'Neill

Secretary LVEBA

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held at the Morwell Golf Club on Tuesday 11th April 2023.**

(Meeting Recorded)

**Chairman:**

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**Attendance:**

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Apologies: 2

**Correspondence:**

None.

**Previous Minutes:**

Meetings have been on the website now for three weeks so everyone has had a chance to read them.

1. 1<sup>st</sup> Special General Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> Apr, 2022
2. 46<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> Apr, 2022
3. 2<sup>nd</sup> Special General Meeting 31<sup>st</sup> Aug, 2022  
Business Arising. None.

Moved: Rick Merlo  
Seconded: Danny Matheson  
- Carried

## **Around The Executive:**

### **1. President's Report:**

Wayne van Heerewaarden congratulated the Traralgon Bowls Club team on taking out the Summer Competition and also congratulations to the I.A Club Hustlers on taking out the Winter Competition. Both excellent results and probably a first on having a different winner in each competition in about fifteen years. All in all, it was a pretty we played season no real dramas and what there was got sorted out pretty quickly. It's been a pretty successful year and thanks to everyone who participated and played and let's try and make it bigger and better again. I'd also like to thank the Committee without these guys we wouldn't have a league, there's a lot of hard work that goes on in the background it's a thankless job so again I'd just want to thank these guys.

### **2. Vice President's Report:**

Rosa Payne said that she didn't have a lot to report, everything went smoothly.

### **3. Treasurer's Report:**

Dean Burridge passed around the annual statement to the members.

We were able to complete both Winter and Summer seasons with one division and the new handicap system. We had 10 teams in Winter and 12 in Summer, with team numbers down quite a long way from pre Covid competition numbers.

The Association made a significant profit of \$5,467.64 for the reporting year. It should be noted the cost of trophies for the Summer season (\$530.99) is not included as it was paid after 31 March 2023, and we had credits for two teams in the Country Cup as the previous competition did not go ahead.

Our publicity officer Claire Blackford did a great job finding \$1,700 in sponsorship from

- 1) Melina Bath MP
- 2) Turks Bar
- 3) Morwell RSL
- 4) Schnitz

which has added considerably to the financial result.

Thank you to the team captains for the payment of fees. Most of this was done without prompting, and all fees were paid on time, which makes my role much easier.

The committee has been conservative in our spending this season, with costs for trophies and presentations reduced from previous years, partly due to reduced player numbers. However, it is not our intention to make large profits, and we will look to provide a more even result in the coming year.

Dean Burridge opened up the floor to questions. Ken Krieger asked about the Country Cup figures in which Dean Burridge answered by explained by breaking down the payments and what they were for. Dean Burridge also talked about the administration costs which included the purchase of the scorer's computer and software at \$1,124.

Daniel Tabone asked about the Junior's money these days, Wayne van Heerewaarden responded that currently it's sitting in the bank in term deposit we are just about to pull it out of the term deposit and move it over as we are shifting banks and we will look at what to do with it once it's in the new bank. Andrew O'Neill said that it will probably go back under term deposit again. Dean Burridge went onto explain where the junior's money is on the annual statement. Wayne van Heerewaarden went onto explain the history of the junior's fund and how we use it now. It was discussed by the members about possible uses and ideas for the juniors going forward.

Moved: Jamee van Gelderen

Seconded: Matt Anderson

- Carried





# Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association



## Treasurer's Report 2022

Registration No A 0016389V

ABN 53 071 518 494

1st April 2022 - 31st March, 2023

Opening Bank Balance	<b>\$11,032.87</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Player registrations	\$844.00
Match Fees - Winter Competition	\$4,332.00
Match Fees - Summer Competition	\$6,325.00
Sponsorship	\$1,700.00
Money owing from previous season	\$148.00
Interest	\$15.74
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$13,364.74</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Administration costs	\$1,758.90
Country Cup	\$983.60
AGM	\$109.30
Consumer Affairs	\$60.10
Pool Victoria registrations	\$558.00
Trophies	\$1,351.90
Winter Comp presentation day	\$1,100.28
Summer Comp finals day	\$1,975.02
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>\$7,897.10</b>
<b>Profit/Loss for 2021</b>	<b>\$5,467.64</b>
<b>In Bank 31/Mar/2023 (Opening Bank Balance + Total Income - Total Expenditure)</b>	<b>16,500.51</b>
<b>Juniors Ledger Opening Balance</b>	<b>\$3,521.06</b>
Interest	\$24.64
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,545.70</b>
<b>Assets - 1 x Table Irons &amp; 2x Brush &amp; 4 x Laptops</b>	<b>\$700.00</b>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Assets at 31/Mar/2023</b>	<b>20,746.21</b>

I, the undersigned, being a committee member of the Latrobe Valley Eight Ball Association Inc. do certify that :

1. I was in attendance at this Associations Annual General Meeting held on 11th/Apr/2023.

2. The above Financial Statement was presented to the members at that meeting.

Name: ..... Signature:.....  
(Treasurer of the Association)

Name: ..... Signature:.....  
(Office Holder of the Association)

NOTES - Cost of trophies for Summer Competition Trophies (\$530.99) are not included as were paid on 4/4/2023.

Country Cup costs were significantly less due to credits of \$700 from previous cancelled competition.





reviewed and your feedback on that would be appreciated.

Regarding sponsorship, we didn't approach many businesses for sponsorship this year because they have all done it tough through covid and a lot of businesses are still recovering from that, so we didn't want to put more pressure on them. Businesses don't get a lot out of sponsoring sporting associations unless the members support them so we encourage all members to think about our sponsors and support them when you can. I'd like to give another shout out to our sponsors this year.

Our very first sponsor was the Morwell RSL who sponsored the league \$500. The RSL has shown great support to the league through sponsorship for many years and are a great home venue for some of our teams. The RSL has a great bistro, they hold bingo events, fundraising trivia nights, darts comp, billiards and snooker comps, entertainment, and they provide support to veterans and their families through a range of welfare services. We really appreciate their ongoing support.

Our second sponsor was Melina Bath who sponsored the league \$600. Melina Bath is the Nationals Member for Eastern Victoria and the Assistant Shadow Minister for Public Land Use and Education. Melina cares a lot about local issues and was hoping to make it to our winter comp grand final or our presentation night to meet some of our members but was unavailable at the last minute. We'd like to thank her for her generous support as well.

Thank you to Schnitz in Traralgon for their sponsorship of \$100, please show them some support as well if you can. They have a huge range of wraps, burgers, salads and meals, and their chips are delicious if you haven't tried them!

Our last major sponsor for the year was Turks Bar in Traralgon who sponsored the league \$500. Turks Bar are another great home venue for many of our teams and have supported our league for many years through sponsorship. Turks Bar have an awesome function room if you have any special events coming up, they have karaoke nights, live bands playing regularly, members draws, drinks specials, and in house pool comps. A big thanks to Turks Bar as well.

Lastly, we have been looking into running a sausage sizzle at Bunnings to raise funds for the league, rather than putting pressure on businesses for sponsorship. We've had a slight hiccup with obtaining public and property liability insurance for the day, Wayne are you able to give an update on how the insurance is going?? We can't move forward with booking a date for the sausage sizzle until we get the insurance but if we do, we'll be asking members to come and help out when they can, even if it's only for 1 or 2 hours. It's a great way to raise some funds.

#### 7. Ordinary Member:

Angela Dean thanked the Committee and said that it was her first year at being the ordinary member having been the secretary for three years and it was nice to contribute where I can and see how everybody else operates. I was glad for the opportunity and to meet and get to know people that I would not have had the opportunity otherwise which I am very grateful. It can be a relative thankless role or job being on the Committee so these guys have been an amazing support and wonderful week in week out so I really do appreciate all that there done. In saying that I have decided that I won't be continuing on the Committee I'm going to have a break after four years and just get back to enjoying the game. Thank you for everything and to these guys for making my life a little bit easier and thank you all for your friendship it's been good.

## **Election of Office Bearers:**

The President Wayne van Heerewaarden thanked the Committee again for all their efforts that they've put in and on that note the Committee vacated their seats except for the incumbents. The Vice President Rosa Payne sat in the chair for the nomination of the Office Bearers.

### **1. President (2 year position)**

Nominated: Andrew O'Neill

Moved: Danny Matheson

- Declined

Nominated: Wayne van Heerewaarden

Moved: Danny Matheson

- Accepted

Nominated: Rosa Payne

Moved: Jamee van Gelderen

- Declined

There were no other nominations so Wayne van Heerewaarden is President of LVEBA.

### **2. Vice President (Rosa Payne: incumbent member)**

Rosa Payne resigned from her position: (1 year remaining)

Nominated: Danny Matheson

Moved: Rosa Payne

- Declined

Nominated: Matt Anderson

Moved: Rosa Payne

- Accepted

Seconded: Danny Matheson

Nominated: Jamee van Gelderen

Moved: Jane Kolakowski

- Declined

There were no other nominations so Matt Anderson is Vice President of LVEBA.

### **3. Treasurer (2 year position)**

Nominated: Dean Burridge

Moved: Wayne van Heerewaarden

- Accepted

Seconded: Shannon Russell

There were no other nominations so Dean Burridge is Treasurer of LVEBA.

### **4. Secretary (Andrew O'Neill: incumbent member)**

## **Election of Ordinary Members:**

### **1. Scorer: (1 year position)**

Nominated: Jamee van Gelderen

Moved: Shane Vogt

- Accepted

Second: Matt Anderson

Votes: 11

Nominated: Rosa Payne

Moved: Wayne van Heerewaarden

- Accepted

Second: Bart Munn

Votes: 10

There were no other nominations Jamee van Gelderen and Rosa Payne exited the room and after some discussion a vote was taken and Jamee van Gelderen is now Scorer of LVEBA.

### **2. Publicity Member: (1 year position)**

Nominated: Rosa Payne

Moved: Shannon Russell

- Declined

Nominated: Claire Blackford

Moved: Rosa Payne

- Accepted

Second: Jamee van Gelderen

Vote: Carried unanimously

Nominated: Rick Merlo

Moved: Danny Tabone

- Accepted

Second: Trevor Hough

There were no other nominations so Claire Blackford and Rick Merlo exited the room and after some discussion a vote was taken and Claire Blackford is now Publicity Member of LVEBA

### **3. Ordinary Member: (1 year position)**

Nominated: Rosa Payne

Moved: Andrew O'Neill

- Accepted

Seconded: Ken Krieger

Nominated: Jay Langstaff

Moved: Daniel Tabone

- Declined

Nominated: Jane Kolakowski

Moved: Daniel Tabone

- Declined

There were no other nominations so Rosa Payne is Ordinary Member of LVEBA

Wayne van Heerewaarden then sat in the chair and convened the remaining Committee elections.

The President Wayne van Heerewaarden congratulated the new members of the Committee.

## **Annual Subscription Fees:**

### **1. Pool Victoria Affiliation:**

Registration Fee: \$9

Wayne van Heerewaarden explained the benefits of been affiliated after Daniel Tabone asked the question. Affiliated Leagues can hold the Country Cup and entry fee is \$50 less also players can go and compete in Pool Victoria events like the State Titles etc. Melbourne has their own junior league. The cost of Affiliation is \$9 per player. Wayne van Heerewaarden said that it is Pool Victoria expectation that affiliated leagues will transition to the IR rules within the next five years. It looks like there are a number of leagues who will not be re-affiliating with Pool Victoria.

Daniel Tabone also asked Wayne van Heerewaarden about the Pool Victoria agm and the issues he had. Wayne van Heerewaarden explained to the members about the introduction of the IR rules and the issues he had with the way it was introduced and voted on and also had concerns with some of the rules. Wayne van Heerewaarden said that he attended the meeting via a zoom call and he was excluded from the meeting until after the IR rules were discussed but said that he raised it up again when he was allowed into the meeting in which they tried to say that we have moved on from that. Wayne van Heerewaarden said that he was fuming at this point but remained calm but was direct with his questioning.

Andrew O'Neill and Jamee van Gelderen spoke in favour of affiliating with Pool Victoria.

Moved: Andrew O'Neill

Seconded: Jamee van Gelderen

- Carried Unanimously

### **2. Pool Victoria Bond:**

AGM Bond: \$100

With zoom meetings now available to leagues let's not worry about that.

### **3. LVEBA Annual Subscription Fees: \$5**

Daniel Tabone proposed to raise it but Allan Greenwood spoke against it whilst Andrew O'Neill said that we don't make money on the registration fees it's the match fees is where we make money but at the moment the financial situation of the Association is fine so just keep everything as it is.

Moved: Andrew O'Neill

Seconded: Allan Greenwood

- Carried Unanimously

### **3. LVEBA Match Fees: \$24 (Technically its set by the Committee not the members)**

Moved: Andrew O'Neill

Seconded: Ken Krieger

- Carried Unanimously

## **Special Business:**

### **1. Summer Competition Forfeits:**

Wayne van Heerewaarden said that we had some forfeits this season and it wasn't a good thing with one team in particular who had to give a few matches away. In their defence they did try to play the matches but for whatever reason the other team were unable to accommodate that or didn't want to and that's their prerogative to make as well. In moving forward when we look at taking on teams from other leagues, we are going to have to say to these teams that if your league goes and starts up before our season finishes its season you will need to make our league that priority you've committed here first and we want you to finish off that commitment here, otherwise it can disrupt the season and even affect the outcome here. There were some issues at their agm, we don't want to stop teams from other league from

playing but we want to emphasize to teams to commit and if they can't then there probably best not starting.

Andrew O'Neill said that Wayne van Heerewarden said is right I think the best thing going forward is to get the commitment from the team and if they don't fulfil that commitment then we don't have them again as this could have blown out to be more than a couple of games and thanks to Shane's team for playing one of those games it was great that they did that but they didn't have too. The other two team we did ask and didn't do it for whatever reason it their prerogative as the rules are set that way, I would have then like to have seen the Paragon's fulfil their duty but the opted not to. I did speak to their president over there and he made them aware of the situation at their agm as he is player on the Paragon team. He said that the captains wanted to get the season going and I asked him could they have pushed it forward and he said that there was no reason why they couldn't but they wanted to get the season started which was disappointing for us. So, we need to get the teams commitment as this could have been 4 of 5 game forfeits if they had of decided to start their season even earlier.

Shane Vogt brought up a point of why the end of season competition between the two leagues stopped? Andrew O'Neill said that stopped many years ago but there's no reason why it shouldn't happen again. Shane Vogt said well that would start getting the sides back together again. Andrew O'Neill said it could be a good way of mending some bridges.

Wayne van Heerewarden went on to say the obversely no one likes having forfeits during the season and we will do our best to not have them. David Budgiar said that it could have made a big change to the finals. Wayne van Heerewarden said that if any teams on the night are facing the prospect of a forfeit try and talk to us and we will help out where we can and particularly now with that emergency player rule you can get players to slip in and play, we may even put together a players list.

2. Pool Victoria Delegates Report:

Pretty much covered that earlier.

3. International Rules & World 8 Ball Rules:

For those who haven't seen the international rules jump on line and check it out and make yourself aware of the rules and you can decide for yourself whether you like it or not and as a league we will decide to or not to when the time comes to vote on it.

4. Country Cup: Wonthaggi 2023 & LV8BA 2024:

Country Cup will be held in Wonthaggi on the last weekend in May the 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> and runs over three days. Friday night they have a knockout comp with Saturday and Sunday the main comp and finals. Great event we have put a post-up on the Facebook page over a week ago asking for players to let Rosa Payne know if there interested and so far, she has about 15 names or so. So let your teams know as we are not going to chase you anymore you have to come to us and let us know that you are available, it's open to everyone. It will be at the Workman's Club it's been there before. We have three teams with seven or eight players per team so get in contact with Rosa. Country Cup committee will get together soon.

Shane Vogt asked the question about the \$50 that players got to help them out with petrol & accommodation? Andrew O'Neill said that the Committee will be looking at that again now that we are better financially situated, the cost will be around \$1050 plus the \$750 for the team fees for three teams so that will be around a couple of grand and if the funds are there then why not.

5. Winter Competition: Teams & Groupings:

Please get your team entry forms in so that we can group any new players the list has been updated on the website.



6. Calendar Year: Start Date, Rounds, Finals & Meetings:

Andrew O'Neill said that we are looking at a start date of the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 for round one so by Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April will be the cut-off date for team entries. We have five at the moment we are expecting around eleven teams. If we get 18 teams we will finish up around September sometime if we get more than that say 11 or 12 teams we will finish well into October which is Summer comp time but so be it if that happens we may only go round once in the summer but we will work that out when we get there. When you are filling out your form once you have signed it take a photo and send me the form via text and if players details are the same as last year just put 'same as last year' and then when you get to a drop box next throw the hard copy in there. Daniel Tabone asked what if we get 20 teams do we do two division but Andrew O'Neill said not necessarily we can go around once but there's not a real call for divisions at the moment but we will make that decision when we get 20 teams which will be some time away.

7. Scorebooks:

Andrew O'Neill said that we will get the scorebooks out to you to the venue on the night of your first round so keep an eye on the website for the draw to see where you are playing round 1. Daniel Tabone asked about other venues which was discussed by the members the Crown is to cool for pool now but the Glen pub, the Exchange and Ryan's were spoke about as well as Churchill.

8. Personal Space:

Wayne van Heerewaarden said that when it comes to the start and end of the games just a hand shake, high 5's or fist bumps please STOP the kisses the gropes and the hugs no more kisses and cuddles. Andrew O'Neill said that if you're not married to it don't do it!

9. Any other business:

Pizza Shop:

Wayne van Heerewaarden said that the pizza joint under Turks are doing pool members special on a Tuesday night so if anyone wants one they'll look after you, Rick Merlo said \$12 for a large. Wayne van Heerewaarden added that he's hopeful that they will be coming on as a sponsor as well.

QuickBooks:

Another thing is that we are doing QuickBooks for the Treasurers role so each team will receive an invoice for the whole season via email of the match fee/registrations. Please check your junk file in case the invoice has gone there. We are not using the old bank we are using Bendigo bank now so check and make sure your details are correct.

## **Around the Floor:**

Using the sign in book. General questions only, **No** motions.

1. David Buhagiar - Asked about the length of the Summer comp finals and how it took nearly 4 hours to play one match why couldn't we have played on two tables. Wayne van Heerewaarden said that we need to address that going forward as he did speak to both captains on the day and they were not comfortable about that. But moving forward we can make a change.
2. Daniel Tabone - Does the Summer comp have to be played in one day can we break it up and play it over a number of nights. Andrew O'Neill said that we don't have enough time due to the length of the seasons now but traditionally too we play it all on the one day.
3. Jay Langstaff - None
4. Bart Munn - In relation to making money for the association what about 25 number bingo card. Wayne van Heerewaarden said that we can have a look at that.
5. Angela Dean - None
6. Trevor Hough - None

7. Shane Vogt - None
8. Ken Krieger - I forgot.
9. Danny Matheson - None
10. Shannon Russell - The Summer comp final was just too long touch the table at ten then not again till three and ten past drunk by seven when the finals started no excuses for losing though. Wayne van Heerewaarden said we will be looking into that.
11. Don McIvor - None
12. Ronald Stephen Kingsley - None
13. Allan Greenwood - None
14. Mark Row - None
15. Rick Merlo - None
16. Andrew Troughton - None
17. Claire Blackford - None
18. Jane Kolakowski - None
19. Jamee van Gelderen - None
20. Dean Burridge - Summer comp finals thanks to Shane Vogt the roast meat was exceptionally good he did a magnificent job. Wayne van Heerewaarden also wanted to thank Shane Vogt for levelling the tables on the night before finals we were up there till a bit after midnight.
21. Matt Anderson - Spoke about opening the Facebook page up for in-between seasons as it will make it easier for members to find teams you can close it again when the season starts. Committee to discuss.
22. Andrew O'Neill - None
23. Rosa Payne - None
24. Wayne van Heerewaarden - None

# Ken Krieger remembered and asked about Life Membership and said we haven't had any new Life Members since Andrew O'Neill in 2019 and before that 2010. Andrew O'Neill explained the process of Life Membership. You can look on the website and see how many years a member has done. Ken Krieger was given a copy of the rule book to read.

# Daniel Tabone asked about why we have come here and not at a sponsored venue. Andrew O'Neill said that we have spoken to Daniel Roberts up at Turks and explained to him that the venue is too noisy to hold a big meeting like this as the sound bounces around the room too much there and the last time we had it at the Morwell RSL we were out in the open room which was not ideal.

### **Next Meeting:**

#### 1. Date & Place:

Next meeting if needed will be held after the last home/away game is played for that season that being a Delegates Meeting and if not, that meeting it will be the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

### **Meeting Closed:**

1. Closing: The President Wayne van Heerewaarden thanked everyone for their attendance.
2. Time/Duration: 9:44pm/1:23min.

Regards

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## 1<sup>st</sup> Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at Morwell RSL on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

### Constitution 32.1 Meeting of the Committee Minutes

#### Chairman:

Meeting opened at 4:15pm, President Wayne Van Heerewaarden welcomed everyone especially the new members of the Committee.

#### Attendance:

1. Roll call of Members, Guests and Observers.

Committee		
President	Wayne Van Heerewaarden	In Attendance
Vice President	Matt Anderson	In Attendance
Secretary	Andrew O'Neill	In Attendance
Treasurer	Dean Burridge	Not in Attendance
Scorer	Jamee van Gelderen	In Attendance
Publicity Member	Claire Blackford	In Attendance
Ordinary Member	Rosa Payne	In Attendance

2. Guests and Observers: None.

#### Apologies:

Treasurer: Dean Burridge.

#### Quorum:

Quorum met with 6 of the 7 members of the Committee in attendance two of whom were Office Bearers of the Association.

#### Correspondence:

1. None.

#### Previous Minutes:

1. 9<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting Minutes 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023.

Business Arising: None

Moved: Claire Blackford

Seconded: Rosa Payne

- Carried

Note: All the meetings from the last financial year 2022 will be up on the website under the Admin tab, dropdown box, minutes tab, click on to see. All the minutes are up to date.

## **Around the Committee:**

### **1. Presidents Report: Wayne van Heerewaarden**

#### **1) Junior's:**

Wayne read out and spoke about Trey Merlo and his proposal for the juniors involving Youth Space. Requirements for a venue to hold event they would need to de-license for a period of time like a Sunday morning. Also, the potential to get a good player from Melbourne to do a training session. There are plenty of juniors out there all of which play in the Wednesday comp, Wayne went through a list of names. Andrew said the two issues we had last time was liability insurance and the event becoming a Day Care Centre as the parents would just drop their kids off and go. Claire said that Mitch at Youth Space who would be the one taking the kids out and so he would get the parents' permission to take them. Wayne and Claire to go and have a chat with Mitch at Youth Space and get some more information about Youth Space and start the conversation, also have a chat with Daniel up at Turks Bar and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

2) Wayne was also approached about how the juniors work in Melbourne and also how it works in our league. To play in our league the venues will require a guardian to be present on the night.

### **2. Vice Presidents Report: Matt Anderson**

#### **1) Facebook:**

Raised the issue about the Facebook page and it was decided to review the current criteria's regarding posts etc. Wayne said that if anyone wants to put a post-up outside the scorer and the weekly results that they need to go through the Publicity Officer Claire Blackford. Matt spoke about the short falls of the current criteria. This was discussed at length by the Committee. Rosa asked this issue to be moved to general business.

### **3. Treasurers Report: Dean Burridge**

#### **1) Treasurer's Financial Report:**

Andrew made the comment that Dean for his first time at doing the financial report at the agm did a great job.

#### **2) Account Number:**

Dean did ask Andrew to change the account number on all the forms as it is not the right one in which Andrew said he has now done that except to the books behind the bar in which he will update shortly once the draw has been done.

#### **3) Dual Signatures:**

Andrew also said that Dean had spoken with him about the account not set up with dual signatures yet and it needs to be changed. Andrew also said that the Treasurer needs to be the primary signature as the Constitution requires.

#### **4) Juniors Account:**

Wayne also mentioned about the Juniors account and that they want a copy of minutes where the Committee voted to cease the term deposit and move the funds over to the Bendigo Bank where we would set it up. A vote was taken so that can be done -

Moved: Wayne Van Heerewaarden

Seconded: Rosa Payne

Carried Unanimously

### **4. Secretary's Report: Andrew O'Neill**

#### **1) Meeting Agendas:**

Andrew said don't go to the trouble of printing out the agendas, I will have a copy for each member who attends the meeting.

## 2) Committee Messenger Chat:

Andrew said that if he post any information on the Committee chat then it needs to be kept private as it's only for the Committee to see. If I want to post information for the public I'd post it on the Facebook page... through Claire.

## 5. Scorers Report: Jamee van Gelderen

### 1) Laptop Computer:

Wayne to pass on the laptop to Jamee and will do it this week so that he will have it with him when we do the draw.

### 2) Draw & Scorebook:

Andrew will catch up with Jamee & Rosa to do the draw and Andrew will go through the scorebook, the ladder results excel spreadsheet, also show Jamee how to load results up on the website and anything else he needs to do his task. There was some discussion about what should and shouldn't be in the scorebook. It was decided to ditch the forms as their hard to read and there are A4 books behind the bar with the forms in them.



## 6. Publicity Members Report: Claire Blackford

Wayne repeated word for word what the agenda stated regarding Claire Blackford.

'The wonderful all inspiring, can't do it without her **Claire Blackford!!!!**'

### 1) Facebook Review:

Claire said that she was going to bring up and did want to review the Facebook criteria for posting as it was to be review each year by the Committee. This was discussed at length again by the Committee and it was noted that we have the Committee & Captains Messenger group chat to inform and answer questions from the teams which is working well. In the end it was decided that all Post will need to be approved but we will turn the commenting back on and see how that goes going forward. If it goes south again we will just shut it down and as Matt said we would open it up in between seasons maybe even at the start of the finals. Proceed with Caution!

### 2) Facebook Other Stuff:

It was also decided that Andrew should to be taken off as an administrator and Jamee to be added. Claire also stated that she doesn't need to approve all the post by the Committee for example the President.

## 7. Ordinary Member Report: Rosa Payne

Business Arising: Nothing to report.

## **General Business:**

### 1. Winter Competition 2023:

#### 1) Teams:

1. Postmen (5 - 6.5)
2. I-A-Club Hustlers (5 - 6)
3. MRSL Good Guys (6 - 8)
4. We Will Rack You (6.5 - 8)
5. Sports Bar (7 - 8.5)
6. Rack n' Roll (7.5 - 9)
7. MRSL Hotshots (8.5 - 9.5)
8. Traralgon Bowls Club 'Rejects' (8.5 - 9.5)
9. Turks Allsorts (9.5)
10. MRSL Renegades (10)
11. MRSL Pool Sharks (11 - 12)
12. Bye

# Have 11 team we need to try and find another team to avoid a bye. Still waiting for team entry forms from the Hustlers & Traralgon Bowls Club. There was discussion about the teams and also about trying to find another team so that we can avoid a bye. Team entries close Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2023. If anyone is looking for names of potential players, they can contact Andrew and he can help them out with that.

## 2) Calendar:

### 1. Start date:

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2023 with Anzac Day on Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup> April it's no point starting this month.

### 2. Calendar:

Have redone the Calendar for a 22 round comp instead of an 18 round comp. The Calendar will be official now depending on team numbers which have until Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2023.

### 3. Grand Final:

This will be now on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 with the Presentation Night Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2023 Claire's birthday she's turning 37! What this means is that for the Summer Competition we will only be able to go round the merry go round once instead of the usual twice giving us the time to be done by the end of March the financial year ending date and also, we should be able to have more of a break over the Christmas period.

## 2. Administration:

### 1) QuickBooks:

Wayne has spoken to Dean about the roll out of the QuickBooks program and how it will work with the teams. It will be used this financial year to do all the treasurers book keeping.

### 2) Committee lveba OneDrive access:

Wayne spoke about using the OneDrive to save all our documents so that way it's available for everyone on the Committee to have access to and it will also be backed up and we won't have any issues of losing data and it can be a central place for all the Association information. It was decided that we will create a folder for each year with a sub folder for each of the Committee Members to store their data in. You will also can have access to the league's Microsoft Office 365 so word and excel are accessible. It will help future Committee's going forward.

### 3) Committee admin@lveba email access:

Wayne will make sure everyone has access to the league email, it's only the two new members of the Committee that don't have access so I'll sort that out after the meeting. Claire asked can anything be done about the spam? Wayne has spoken with Kade who holds up the website, it's all the bots and he hopeful he will be able to make it harder for the bots to get through. Andrew also mentioned that if you're talking to Kade next can you get him to invoice us.

### 4) Committee allocation of tasks and work and support roles:

Wayne said that most of the rolls have been sorted out but Claire brought up about the events and lack of notice for them last year. It was decided that the Vice President and the Ordinary Member will take these on with Ange probably willing to help out with the doubles comp. Rosa to put up the notice up on the Facebook page for all the events well in advance.

### 5) Scoring Management System:

Wayne spoke about the idea of using a program to do all the scoring, he said that a lot of leagues are using one called Pool Stats which would render the scorer's job as just a 'fat checker' as the system is capable to do almost everything that the scorer is required to do. The costing was spoken about and that there is a trial period and then it is a members-based subscription system. They would be able to incorporate our handicap system and the scoring can be set up so that it's done live with the captains uploading their results. They can also back up the results and also, we can upload our past results

into the system. We would still have a hard copy which would be required to be posted in the drop box as usual. Andrew said that we expect the handicap system to be sorted out by the next agm so we should start to look into it. It was decided to look into it with a set up date next winter season.

### 3. Country Cup:

#### 1) Wonthaggi 3 x Teams:

Wayne said that he can confirm that we have three teams.

#### 2) Country Cup Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2023:

Coming out of that meeting is that we have three players that need looking into.

#### 3) Country Cup Team Payments:

1. Cost of 3 teams: \$900

2. Cost of player payments \$50: \$1050

3. Total Cost: \$1,950.

Wayne said that we can look at reinstating those payments. It was decided to do it again this year but will be reviewed each year by the Committee. It was agreed that we do have the funds now to do it.

### 4. Group Chat Messenger:

Committee business that was conducted since last Committee Meeting via the messenger group chat:

1) Messenger: Set up of new LV8BA Committee 2023/24.

2) Welcome and Rules for the new Committee from the President Wayne Van Heerewaarden.

3) I-A-Club set of pool balls. Organising of Country Cup Meeting.

4) Juniors: Trey Merlo's proposal for Sunday's Committee Meeting.

5) Grouping requested by members of a number of players - Trey Merlo 3 & Lia Day 3 & Craig van Buuren?

Wayne to look into Craig van Buuren and find out any previous history. Kristy Halliday was graded as a 3. Jamee said that Jason Valentine is looking at putting a team in. If we can chase this up, we can avoid having a bye also we may need to grade a couple more players if they put a team in.

### 5. Constitution & By-Laws:

Matt Anderson said that he has started to read over them to get familiar with them. Matt said it would be a good idea to Jamee to have a read over them as well. Andrew said that if you have any questions give me a call and I will be able to help you out.

### **Around the Committee:**

1. Andrew is hungry... cantankerous now.

2. Matt has a steak waiting for him at home and he still has to make the mushroom sauce.

### **Next Meeting:**

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Committee Meeting, 2023 T.B.A.

### **Meeting Closed:**

1. The President Wayne Van Heerewaarden thanked everyone who attended the meeting.

2. Time/Duration: 5.50pm/1:35.

Regards

Andrew O'Neill

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at Morwell RSL Boardroom on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.****Constitution 32.1 Meeting of the Committee  
Minutes****Chairman:**

Meeting opened at 7:08pm, President Wayne Van Heerewaarden welcomed everyone.

**Attendance:**

1. Roll call of Members, Guests and Observers.

<b>Committee</b>		
President	Wayne Van Heerewaarden	In Attendance
Vice President	Matt Anderson	In Attendance
Secretary	Andrew O'Neill	In Attendance
Treasurer	Dean Burridge	Late in Attendance
Scorer	Jamee van Gelderen	In Attendance
Publicity Member	Claire Blackford	In Attendance
Ordinary Member	Rosa Payne	In Attendance

2. Guests and Observers: None.

**Apologies:**

None.

**Quorum:**

Quorum met with 6 of the 7 members of the Committee in attendance two of whom were Office Bearers of the Association.

**Correspondence:**

1. None.

**Previous Minutes:**

1. 1<sup>st</sup> Committee Meeting Minutes 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

Business Arising: Rosa concerned about the favoritism in this Association. This was discussed at length by some of the members it was decided that Rosa should be called an 'Extraordinary Member'.

Moved: Claire Blackford

Seconded: Wayne van Heerewaarden

- Carried

**Around the Committee:**

1. Presidents Report: Wayne van Heerewaarden

All of my business is in general business.

2. Vice Presidents Report: Matt Anderson

Nothing to report.



3. Treasurers Report: Dean Burridge

1) Treasurer's Financial Report:

Bank Australia: Community Access - \$13,199.24.

Term Deposit (aka Juniors) \$3,545.70.

Bendigo Bank: \$377.19 & \$485.76.

Bank Total: \$17,607.89. Minus Juniors = **\$14,062.19.**

2) Country Cup:

1. Fees: \$1,050 (3 x \$350 per team).

2. Shirts: \$230.03 + \$18.85 = \$248.88.

3. Payments: \$1050 (21 players x \$50 each)

Total Expenditure: **\$2,348.88.**

3) Bank Australia Accounts:

All accounts with Bank Australia are to be closed with all money being sent to the Bendigo Bank.

Moved: Wayne Van Heerewaarden

Seconded: Dean Burridge

- Carried Unanimously

4) Subscription: Microsoft Office subscription is due. \$139.

5) Shirts that were purchased without the logo will be collected and the logo put on them and returned to the members.

Moved: Wayne Van Heerewaarden

Seconded: Jamee van Gelderen

- Carried Unanimously

4. Secretary's Report: Andrew O'Neill

1) Special & Annual General Meeting Minutes:

Andrew said that these meetings have been typed up and are ready to go for the Annual General Meeting in April next year.

2) Consumer Affairs Victoria:

Have completed the required-on line form for the previous year. Will send the invoice to the Treasurer Dean Burridge \$61.20.

5. Scorers Report: Jamee van Gelderen

1) Scorecards:

Jamee said that he had an issue with a scorecard for the round just gone, I've told them I'm going to fine them if I don't get the scorecard because I can't do the ladder/rankings for the round. I got in touch with their captain who was away in Adelaide and I finally got the scorecard which was wasn't filled out correctly, it was a mess and took a bit to sort out. Looks like the fil in captain not wasn't up to speed on how to do things. Andrew said that when he was 'Kenny Krieger' the 'scorer' he never had this issue!

2) Ladder/Rankings:

The question was raised about how the results were up on the Facebook page and not the website, Jamee said that he was distracted and said he'd be fine going forward, it was also noted that the results should go up on both sites at the same time.

6. Publicity Members Report: Claire Blackford

1) Nothing to report.

## 7. Ordinary Member Report: Rosa Payne

- 1) Nothing to report.

### **General Business:**

#### 1. Country Cup:

##### 1) Teams:

Got all three teams filled. Received letters from Tom Gill, Daniel Tabone, Graham Stoneman, Trey Merlo and Aaron Morus and we shall review them next year for the Country Cup.

##### 2) Results:

LV-1 finished second and LV-2 finished 5<sup>th</sup> and LV- 3 didn't make finals. Tom Gill got an un beaten run in LV-1 with Jason Galea and Jamee van Gelderen as captain doing well in LV-2 and Trey Merlo in LV-3. Andrew thanked everyone who sent though the results they are up on the website.

##### 3) Sale Meeting:

Wayne received an email of the minutes from the Country Cup Meeting. Andrew requested a copy of the minutes be sent to him. Wayne will email minutes to the league email.

##### 4) Country Cup 2024:

The Committee discussed the idea of using a local venue, a number of venues were spoken about with some being rejected. Also catering, alcohol and sponsorship were discussed and it was decided to keep looking into the idea more before making any other deal with regards to holding the tournament. Wayne also said that we will need to catch up with Ash Vogt and discuss with him about holding the tournament. Wayne said that once he finds out what's going on with halls and availability next week, we'll have a good idea where to head from there. I'll post on messenger what's available and then we can discuss on where to go from there. Claire asked the question about when do we make the decision about who runs the country cup. Wayne said probably over the next few weeks. Andrew said we need to see what Ash Vogt is offering too and if we run it we need to get a subcommittee going and if Ash runs it we will need to have someone working with him.

##### 5) Bunnings BBQ:

Insurance was discussed at length it's been the obstacle and being a non-for-profit organisation is causing the issue.

#### 2. Country Cup: Andrew said that he has updated to website with all the results of the Country Cup.

#### 3. Behaviour & Etiquette:

Wayne discussed at length with the Committee after speaking to all the people concerned with the issues that have been occurring on Tuesday nights with one of the competing teams.

#### 4. Association: Claire Blackford asked the question about the Association and the image of the league which was discussed at length by the Committee about a number of things that have occurred recently and over time.

#### 5. Facebook:

##### 1) Viable Advertising for Sponsors:

Matt Anderson asked about making advertising for sponsors more viable as with having an enclosed Facebook page makes them not as visible, it stays in the background because there is never any communication and no chats, it only shows up in the feed when the scorer does the results. The Committee discussed this and said that we have major sponsors and we do packages for them for example monthly advertisement is part of that.

## 2) People Looking for Teams:

Matt Anderson said that if we had the Facebook page opened up people could advertise themselves if they are looking for a game, especially at the end of each season when people are looking at putting teams together, we would need to have a couple of moderators to remove any posts/chats that are not appropriate etc. It was put to the Committee and because of the history the Committee members were not keen to open it back up again, the Committee understand his concerns but opening it up again will just cause more problems again. Matt said that whatever we do it has to be tolerable for the Committee, to be discussed again at the next meeting.

## 6. Group Chat Messenger: Note Committee business that was conducted since last Committee Meeting via the messenger group chat:

1) Country Cup Letters, Tom Gill, Daniel Tabone, Graham Stoneman, Trey Merlo & Aaron Morus.

2) Grading's: Josh Flynn - 3, Heywood Johnson - 3, Dayna Foster - 3, John Hipwell - 3, Aaron Morus - 2, Craig van Burren - 2.5, Brad Smith - 3, Frank Marino - 2, Andy Kersten - 2.5.

It was noted that we need to do our grading better and not default to a 3 when grading, we need the membership form with better playing history from the team. Also, we need to look at the new players and review and consider grading them again at the half way point of the season.

3) Tom Gill Facebook.

4) Scorecards.

5) Country Cup 2024 venue.

## 7. Committee Group Messenger:

Too much messaging on Messenger, we are trying to solve too many issues on Messenger and when we can't solve them it gets too hard. Wayne said that if we are not going to use Messenger for all our day-to-day stuff what's our alternative? It was said that we need to keep our messaging brief and if we can't solve an issue do we need to go to a meeting. No one was keen to back to a monthly meeting, the purpose of Messenger was to avoid having meetings. It was discussed at length by the Committee with no real answers.

## 8. Any other general business.

None.

## **Around the Committee:**

1. Nothing else to report.

## **Next Meeting:**

1. 3<sup>rd</sup> Committee Meeting, 2023 T.B.A.

## **Meeting Closed:**

1. Closing: The President Wayne Van Heerewaarden thanked everyone who attended the meeting.

2. Time/Duration: 8.31pm/1:23min.

Regards

Andrew O'Neill

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at Matt Anderson's house in Traralgon on Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.****Constitution 32.1 Meeting of the Committee  
Minutes****Chairman:**

Meeting opened at 4:16pm, Secretary Andrew O'Neill welcomed everyone.

**Attendance:**

1. Roll call of Members, Guests and Observers.

<b>Committee</b>		
President	Wayne Van Heerewaarden	Not in Attendance
Vice President	Matt Anderson	In Attendance
Secretary	Andrew O'Neill	In Attendance
Treasurer	Dean Burridge	Late in Attendance
Scorer	Jamee van Gelderen	In Attendance
Publicity Member	Claire Blackford	In Attendance
Ordinary Member	Rosa Payne	In Attendance

2. Guests and Observers: None.

**Apologies:**

Wayne Van Heerewaarden.

**Quorum:**

Quorum met with 6 of the 7 members of the Committee in attendance two of whom were Office Bearers of the Association.

**Correspondence:**

1. Letter from Trey Merlo.

**Previous Minutes:**

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Committee Meeting Minutes 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.

Business Arising: None.

Moved: Rosa Payne

Seconded: Claire Blackford

- Carried

**Around the Committee:**

1. Presidents Report: Wayne van Heerewaarden  
Not in Attendance.

2. Vice Presidents Report: Matt Anderson  
Nothing to report.

### 3. Treasurers Report: Dean Burridge

#### Business Arising:

#### 3.1 Money in Bank:

3.1.1 Bank Australia - \$13,735.33 & 3,545.70.

3.1.2 Bendigo Bank - \$590.19 & \$958.61.

3.1.3 Total - \$15,284.13 & 3,545.70.

Dean said that we will need to get Wayne off the account and get Claire on so that we can use the account going forward. Dean will find out how many are signatures on the Bendigo account. Wayne also has a credit card and Dean said that we don't need to get Wayne's card, it will be cancelled. When Claire becomes a signature to the account, she will be issued with a credit card.

#### 3.2 Banks:

Close Bank Australia Accounts and Transfer money to the Bendigo Bank. Dean will go to Bank Australia on Tuesday and finalise the paperwork and get the money transferred.

#### 3.3 Invoicing Teams:

Dean said that he will be invoicing teams. Andrew said that he has sent him the rankings for half season so he can do a rego check.

Moved: Claire Blackford

Seconded: Andrew O'Neill

- Accepted

### 4. Secretary's Report: Andrew O'Neill

#### Business Arising:

#### 1) Consumer Affairs Victoria:

I'm still the Secretary for this Association for Consumer Affairs, need to catch up with the Treasurer Dean Burridge for payment have sent him the invoice.

### 5. Scorers Report: Jamee van Gelderen

#### 1) Scorecards:

The scorecards are still not being filled out fully, Jamee said they are getting neater and Andrew said that it's the middle line where the date, round number and home/away are that is not being filled out correctly. It was decided that Jamee would add a note in the ladder notes for next round.

### 6. Publicity Members Report: Claire Blackford

Nothing to report.

### 7. Ordinary Members Report: Rosa Payne

Nothing to report.

## General Business:

### 1. President Wayne van Heerewaarden.

#### 1) Resignation:

Andrew said that he had spoken to Wayne no more than two weeks ago and he spoke about what he was thinking of doing and I told him to take a couple of weeks to think about it. I rang him the other day as this meeting was being scheduled so we needed an answer from him on what he was going to do as it has been almost two weeks anyway. With the nerve damage to his cueing hand (thumb) rendering him unable to play for the foreseeable future and the work commitments he has at the moment he has decided to resign, he wished the Committee all the best and offered his assistance if the Committee and its members need it.

#### 2) Election:

Nominations for President were taken -

Nominated: Claire Blackford

Moved: Andrew O'Neill

- Accepted

Sec: Matt Anderson

With no other nominations Claire Blackford is the President of the Latrobe Valley Eight Ball Association. Congratulations on being the first female President of the Association. Andrew gave Claire Blackford a copy of the Association Rule Book and a copy of the Calendar for the season.

Nominations for Publicity Member were taken -

Nominated: Rosa Payne

Moved: Andrew O'Neill

- Accepted

Sec: Claire Blackford

With no other nominations Rosa Payne is the Publicity Member of the Latrobe Valley Eight Ball Association. Congratulations Rosa Payne.

It was decided that the Ordinary Member position would be left vacant until the next Annual General Meeting of the Association in April of 2024. President Claire Blackford said that she will post the changes on the Committee on the leagues Facebook page.

### 2. Committee: Loose lips sink ships!

It was reiterated again about how we need to be more careful about what we say to people and also when we are talking with other people around. There are things that can be said and things that cannot be said outside the Committee.

### 3. Country Cup 2024:

Ash Vogt has been asking about what we are doing with Country Cup as he wants to book the venue before it gets booked out. Andrew said that he had spoken with Ash and told him to tentatively book the venue. It was discussed at length by the Committee and it was decided that Claire Blackford, Andrew O'Neill and another member from the Committee will get in contact with Ash and set up a meeting.

### 4. LV8BA Events: Scotch Doubles, Ladies Competition & Open Competition (Inviting of other Leagues).

Andrew said that he spread the three events two weeks apart over a six week period and thought that worked really well. All the events went really well with only one incident across all the events, the numbers at the Open were better than have been and inviting ladies from the other league and also from Mid Gippy was a great idea too. It was discussed by the Committee how we need to get the word out and advertise these events better. It was also decided that the Ordinary Member roll would become the

'Events Co-ordinator' at the next Annual General Meeting and that person will organise and run the events on the day.

# Treasurer Dean Burridge arrives.

5. Letter from Trey Merlo:

The Secretary Andrew O'Neill read out the letter

To the committee LVEBA

I would like to ask for assistance for Trey Merlo to attend the 2023 state junior titles to be played at Bundoora on the 20<sup>th</sup> August.

I am asking for some funds from our junior account for the cost of the entrance fee of \$30 along with some help with fuel costs for travel and also, if possible, hopefully some assistance with the cost of accommodation as it will be a lot easier to stay the night before rather than having to leave quite early on the day of the title.

Trey is our only junior playing in the league and I believe that this will help him to improve his pool playing.

Cheers

Rick Merlo

It was discussed by the Committee at length and it was decided that the League would pay the entry fee for Trey Merlo and it would be paid directly to Pool Victoria. Andrew to get in contact with Rick Merlo.

6. Inter-League Day:

Will be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2023 at Bar 8 Grimshaw Street Bundoora. 9am Start. Andrew stated that we haven't sent a team in a few years due to lack of interest, it was noted that there was interest from members in going up and playing this year. It was decided that the Country Cup Committee would get together and see if they can get a team organised to go. Ken Krieger, Jamee van Gelderen & Matt Anderson were the captains of the three teams and a messenger group would be set up for the purpose of organising a team. It was decided that we would not hire a bus and we would give each player \$50 to cover fuel and food for each player representing the Association (\$50 x 9 Players = 450). Probably IR rules.

7. Behaviour & Etiquette:

Anymore Issues? Rosa spoke and she said that she has addressed the issue with her team. Jamee spoke about the behaviour of some members in the League and noted one team in particular. We will need to keep an eye on things going forward. Tanking of members with the new system was also raised and the Committee will keep an eye on this issue going forward.

8. Facebook:

Rosa Payne mentioned that she had been talking to Claire Blackford on Friday and duly noted that she had a '*hot breakfast date*' in the morning and then after that she had an even '*hotter afternoon tea date*' with Claire. Andrew conceded that Claire is better looking than him. Anyway, Rosa discussed sponsorship with Claire and that she was looking at the possibility of creating a public Facebook page. On this page we could advertise events and sponsors and people can tag, like and follow. Comments to be turned off for the moment just liking and sharing. Discussed at length by the Committee and it was decided to go ahead and set up a public LV8BA page on Facebook. Rosa will also speak to some people she knows who manage a public page to find out some more about how it all works.

9. Trophies:

Wayne van Heerewaarden told Andrew that he has a lot of trophies at his place and they need moving on now that he is not on the Committee. Andrew said that he already has a big box at his place and Rosa has one also. There are quite a few divisional perpetual trophies and two boxes of trophies that were left over from presentation nights. Trophies not claimed are to be reused where possible, Dean is going to

catch up with Wayne and will pick up the trophies and pass them onto Jamee to store at his place, and Jamee will have a look see and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

10. Scoring System Automation:

Andrew said that he would like to continue with organising an automation scoring system as it will cost money but we will save money by not having to print score books twice a year, it will reduce the load of work the scorer has by such a huge amount and we can incorporate the point system as well. It was discussed by the Committee and it was decided that Andrew would look into it and get a quote.

11. Calendar:

1) Finals:

What we need to do there is organise the table levelling and make sure there is a head adjudicator each night that the finals are held. We will only play each final at the one venue every week as last year we split it over two venues and it simply didn't work.

2) Presentation:

Andrew suggested that we use the same trophy list as last year as they were good trophies and get two quotes again. Rosa said that she will organise two quotes for the next Committee meeting. Turks Bar looks like the venue where we are going to hold it and probably do the same as last year in regards to the alcohol and food. Just a reminder to everyone that it will be Claire's birthday (33) on the day. The presentation was discussed by the Committee and it was decided to organise some quotes, Rosa will make a few calls and get some quotes for around 60 people and will talk to Daniel about booking the function room. Life Members are always invited and they don't pay for the evening.

12. Turks Bar:

1) LV8BA Pool Iron:

Andrew asked the question about the pool iron at Turks Bar and said that the other league do use it and wanted to know if and when the pool iron needs replacing is the other league willing to pay half the cost for the replacement? Jamee and Rosa said that the other league would and it would not be an issue going forward. Andrew asked that if they could raise it in their next committee meeting so that it is noted in their minutes.

2) LV8BA Banner:

The banner is under the bar at Turks the publican is having issues with the owner as he doesn't want any banners hanging off the balcony. Now there is one banner that went up a while ago so I was hoping we could get ours back up there.

13. Group Chat Messenger: Note Committee business that was conducted since last Committee Meeting via the messenger group chat: Microsoft Account, Grading's: Alfie Young - 2.5, Brad Carr - 2.5:

Andrew to update the website to include Alfie Young in the groupings list.

14. Messenger:

The Committee discussed about the access to the Website, Messenger, Facebook and the Association's email address now that we have had some changes on the Committee.

15. Andrew's 2<sup>nd</sup> Hot Breakfast Date Report:

Went well even though she stole my car parking spot! I forgive her as she's a modern girl and paid for my hot breakfast and coffee. Hopefully there's a 3<sup>rd</sup> but I've got some competition now.



16. Bunnings BBQ:

Claire spoke about the difficulties that Wayne and herself had about getting public liability insurance and that in the end she did get two quotes \$1,030 & \$1,248.76 and we would need to do at least three bbq's to cover the costs. Claire has also asked the insurance companies for quotes without the Bunnings bbq just a general quote and is waiting for them to get back to her. Claire had contacted the Latrobe City Council and some other groups who do this sort of thing and found that it's not Bunnings that are pushing this it's the Council as they require insurance for a permit for trade on the roadside and you can't book a Bunnings bbq without a council permit.

17. Pool Victoria:

Andrea Bird is leaving Pool Victoria the Association has a replacement for her and we will be dealing with her going forward.

18. Any other general business.

None.

**Around the Committee:**

1. Nothing else to report.

**Next Meeting:**

1. 4<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting 2023 T.B.A. but will happen before finals.

**Meeting Closed:**

1. Closing: The Secretary Andrew O'Neill thanked everyone who attended the long meeting and added that we did catch up with things and covered a lot.
2. Time/Duration: 6:45pm/2:29.21min.

Regards

Andrew O'Neill

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## 4<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Morwell RSL on Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.

### Constitution 32.1 Meeting of the Committee Minutes

#### Chairman:

Meeting opened at 6:50pm, President Claire Blackford welcomed everyone.

#### Attendance:

1. Roll call of Members, Guests and Observers.

Committee		
President	Claire Blackford	In Attendance
Vice President	Matt Anderson	In Attendance
Secretary	Andrew O'Neill	Not in Attendance
Treasurer	Dean Burrridge	In Attendance
Scorer	Jamee Van Gelderen	In Attendance
Publicity Member	Rosa Payne	In Attendance
Ordinary Member	Vacant	Not in Attendance

2. Guests and Observers: None.

#### Apologies:

Secretary: Andrew O'Neill.

#### Quorum:

Quorum met with 5 of the 6 members of the Committee in attendance two of whom were Office Bearers of the Association.

#### Correspondence:

1. Letter of Resignation: Wayne van Heerewarden
2. Letter of Complaint: Shayne Kearney

#### Previous Minutes:

1. 3<sup>rd</sup> Committee Meeting Minutes 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.

Business Arising: Amendment - Matt Anderson asked for Waynes's name to be added in as an apology.

Moved:

Seconded:

- Not Moved

# Moved to the next Committee Meeting.

## **Around the Committee:**

1. Presidents Report: Claire Blackford  
Thanked everyone for their support after taking on the president's role.
2. Vice Presidents Report: Matt Anderson  
Nothing to report.
3. Treasurers Report: Dean Burridge  
Business Arising:
  - 1) Money in Bank:
    1. Bendigo Bank:
      - 1) General: \$17,561.44.
      - 2) Junior's: \$3,581.42.
      - 3) Credit Card: \$418.86.
    2. Bank Australia:
      - 1) Transfer now complete.
      - 2) Need to separate the main account/junior's account. Rosa said that the juniors account was opened in 2002.
    3. Invoicing Teams:

Have paid the Country Cup fees and Pool Victoria registrations, major expenses now will be end of season trophies and presentation. Most teams are paid up and expect to have all teams to be paid up shortly. The Morwell RSL have been invoiced for the second half of the season. The Committee then went onto discuss the financials for the rest of the season with regards to finals, trophies and presentation.

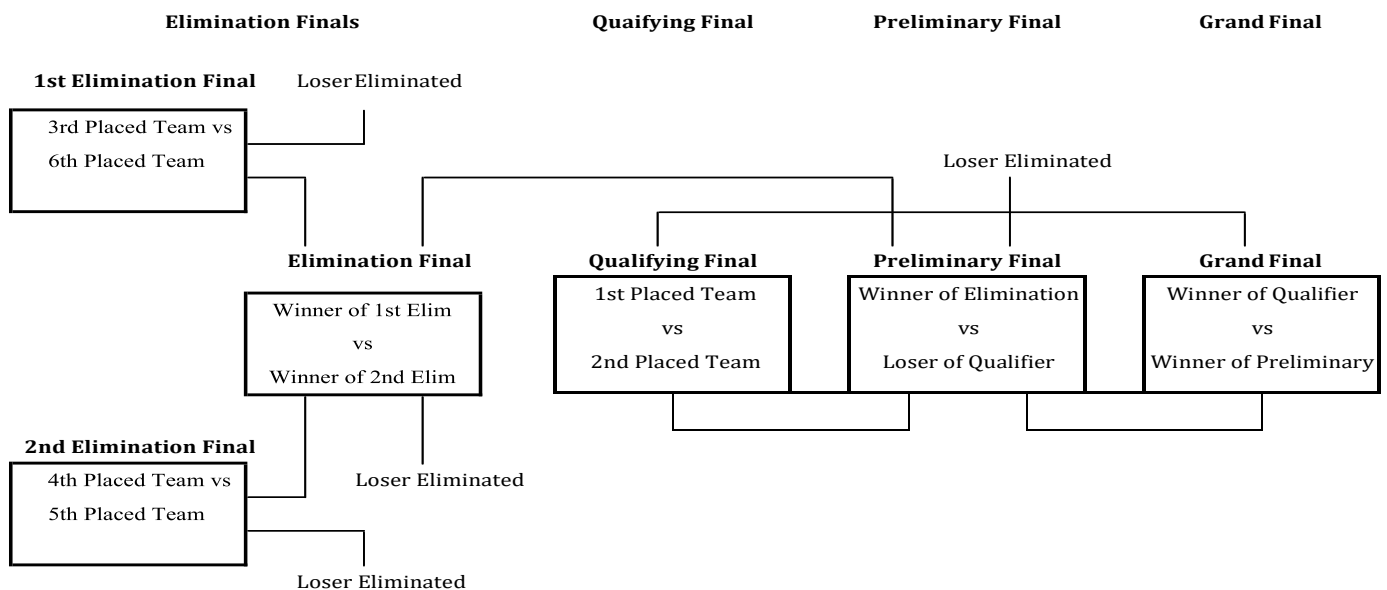
Moved: Matt Anderson  
Seconded: Rosa Payne  
- Carried
4. Secretary's Report: Not in Attendance  
Business Arising:
5. Scorers Report: Jamee Van Gelderen  
Business Arising:
  - 1) Results: Ladders are out with Ranking out at presentation.
  - 2) Scorecards: Andrew has them except from Tuesday night.
6. Publicity Members Report: Rosa Payne  
Business Arising:
  - 1) Sponsorship: Yet to catch up with Rob White from the Morwell RSL.
  - 2) Appreciation Certificates: Still to be given out to the major sponsors.
7. Ordinary Members Report: Vacant  
Nothing to report.

## General Business:

1. President Wayne van Heerewarden.  
Resignation: Letter of resignation accepted by the Committee.
2. Calendar:
  - 1) Finals:
    - A. Head Adjudicators: Jamee Van Gelderen & Rosa Payne.
    - B. Table leveling: Shane Vogt to level tables.
    - C. Dress Code: Collared shirt for all final games with the Grand Final to be full dress code ie. black slacks, shoes and collared shirt as per by-law 55.
    - D. Trophies:
      - 1) Gippsland Trophy Cave quote \$1,313.76.
      - 2) Rising Star Award: Matt Anderson heard everything!!!
    - E. Preliminary Final:  
Issue we are playing a final 6 not a final 4 this year so we need to adjust for that (good pickup Jamee).

# Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association

## Winter Competition Final 6 Format Flow Chart



**Option 2:** Play Preliminary Final on a Thursday week 2 of finals.

- 1) Week 1: 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Elimination Final & Qualifying Final Turks Bar (Tuesday)
- 2) Week 2: Elimination Final & Preliminary Final Morwell RSL (Tuesday & Date to be confirmed)
- 3) Week 3: Grand Final (Tuesday)

Discussed at length by the Committee and a solution was proposed and accepted by the Committee. Play as per current calendar/draw with the qualifying final match to be played in the first week of finals and not the second as per usual and arrange a night suitable to both teams for the elimination final missed on the calendar/draw it will be played at MRSL.

2) Presentation:

- 1) Catering: Claire sorted two quotes through catering companies and it was decided to go with 'Catering by Jay' at \$27.50 per person and that includes delivered and served. Lunch 1pm.

- 2) Alcohol: \$5 discount per drink, limited to \$1500. Discount drinks starts at 12pm.
- 3) Venue Booking. Turks booked Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2024.
- 4) Pool Comp: IR to be ran in the afternoon as a way to introduce people to the new rules.
3. Letter from Wayne van Heerewaarden:  
Letter of Resignation: Claire read out the letter of resignation and was accepted by the Committee.
4. Letter of Complaint Shayne Kearney:  
Discussed at length by the Committee and appropriate action taken.
5. Letter Trey Merlo:  
Andrew spoke with Rick about funding in which Rick said don't worry about it, Committee declined payment.
6. Country Cup 2024:
  - 1) Agreement signed today by both parties.
  - 2) Score books to be done by Ash Vogt.
7. Inter-League Day:  
No Interest.
8. Behavior & Etiquette:  
None.
9. Facebook Public Advertising for Sponsors:  
Nothing done yet Rosa to discuss with an old colleague.
10. Trophies at Wayne van Heerewaarden place:  
Claire has picked them up both Claire and Burra now have them.
11. Automation: Scoring System:
  - 1) Andrew investigating.
  - 2) Another system was used at the Gippy Cup Andrew to investigate and get a quote from both parties.
12. Summer Competition:
  - 1) Team Entry Forms: Claire to ask Andrew to change player requirement to 4 players.
  - 2) Start Date: Early November possibly after Melbourne Cup.
  - 3) Entry Forms: Received 2 so far.
  - 4) Team Captain: Juniors not to captain teams, re Trey Merlo. Alfie Young has been made aware of his responsibilities as the captain of the team.
  - 5) Mid Gippy Team: We have one team from Mid Gippy so we need to get a commitment to playing the full season.
13. IR Rules:
  - 1) Discussed by the Committee at length it was proposed that we introduce it at the next Summer Competition in 2024/25 as other associations and competitions are moving towards the new rules and the concern was that we would fall behind but the other concern was that we may lose teams so it was decided that it was to be discussed and voted on at the AGM.
  - 2) President Claire Blackford left the meeting.
14. Any other general business.

### **Around the Committee:**

1. Nothing else to report.

### **Next Meeting:**

1. 5<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting 2023 T.B.A.

## **Meeting Closed:**

1. Closing: The Vice President Rosa Payne closed the meeting and thanked everyone who attended the meeting.
2. Time/Duration: 9:15pm/2:25.40min.

Regards

Andrew O'Neill

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## 5<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Morwell RSL on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023.

### Constitution 32.1 Meeting of the Committee Minutes

#### Chairman:

Meeting opened at 7:41pm, President Claire Blackford welcomed everyone.

#### Attendance:

1. Roll call of Members, Guests and Observers.

Committee		
President	Claire Blackford	In Attendance
Vice President	Matt Anderson	In Attendance
Secretary	Andrew O'Neill	In Attendance
Treasurer	Dean Burridge	Late In Attendance
Scorer	Jamee Van Gelderen	In Attendance
Publicity Member	Rosa Payne	Not in Attendance
Ordinary Member	Vacant	Not in Attendance

2. Guests and Observers: None.

#### Apologies:

Publicity Member: Rosa Payne.

#### Quorum:

Quorum met with 5 of the 6 members of the Committee in attendance two of whom were Office Bearers of the Association.

#### Correspondence:

1. Letter from Ash Vogt: Country Cup Meeting.
2. Letter from Shayne Kearney: Complaint.
3. Letter from Rick Merlo: Trey Merlo State Juniors.
4. Letter from Daniel Tabone: Grading.

#### Previous Minutes:

1. 4<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting Minutes 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.

Business Arising: Instructions were given in the minutes on how to cook an orange poppy seed cake & yo-yo biscuits. Andrew to review the minutes minuted by Matt Anderson.

Moved:

Seconded:

- Not Moved

# The 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting minutes will be moved at the next Committee Meeting.

## **Around the Committee:**

Dean Burridge arrives at meeting.

### 1. Presidents Report: Claire Blackford

Claire spoke about the winter competition finals and presentations and that they went well with 33 people in attendance that's about half the league which was good considering the issues that we had in regards to the finals and also the introduction of the IR for the presentation comp. Claire said that it would be nice to get back to a formal presentation but understands that we need to have more members to be able to do that.

### 2. Vice Presidents Report: Matt Anderson

Nothing to report.

### 3. Treasurers Report: Dean Burridge

Business Arising:

#### 1) Sponsorship:

1. Melina Bath - Sent invoice for advertisement thanking them for supporting us in which Michael from her office replied that he will move it through the parliament account.
2. Morwell RSL - They have their invoice we await to hear from them.
3. Turks Bar - Invoice has been sent and will be in contact with them again in a few weeks.

#### 2) Money in Bendigo Bank.

1. General: \$18,227.30
2. Juniors: \$3,581.42
3. Credit Card: \$418.87

Andrew to check the post office box for mail from the Bendigo Bank account with regards to the new credit card for Claire. Wayne's card has been cancelled. Dean will look into putting the junior's money into a separate account and will check with online saving accounts vs term deposit accounts. The Bendigo Bank has charged us a 'Resident Withholding Fee' on our account Dean to approach the bank and investigate. Dean thinks it's to do with not providing them with a Tax File Number so we may need to provide them with paperwork to show we are an incorporated association non-for-profit. We have been charged \$11.30 a month for two months.

#### 3) Bank Australia Accounts Transfer Complete:

As of the 1<sup>st</sup> of September, transfer complete with all accounts closed.

#### 4) Invoicing Teams:

Everyone has paid up nothing outstanding from any of the teams.

#### 5) Finals/Presentation:

Dean was chasing the invoices for the catering he has the trophy invoice Claire said that she has the Turks Bar invoice.

Moved: Claire Blackford

Seconded: Andrew O'Neill

- Carried

### 4. Secretary's Report: Andrew O'Neill

Business Arising: Nothing to report.

Andrew was informed that the team entry form needs updating as it still has a minimum of 5 players on it and some are missing player history. Andrew said he will fix this issue up.

### 5. Scorers Report: Jamee Van Gelderen

Business Arising: Nothing to report.



## 6. Publicity Members Report: Rosa Payne

Business Arising:

- 1) Sponsorship
- 2) Facebook: Public advertising for sponsors.
- 3) Sponsorship: Melina Bath, Morwell RSL & Turks Bar
- 4) Email: Michael Mihaly.
- 5) Public Liability:

Andrew said that he put this on the agenda again as he wasn't sure where we were at with the Bunnings bbq and liability insurance. Claire said that she has chased it up and finished up with contacting Sammy Pearson and he passed on the details of their broker and we got the same quote as the Wellington and Maffra leagues got which was \$472 for a year. We can have as many Bunnings bbq's as we want and it will only take one to cover the liability cost. Andrew said then it is viable so we need to organise doing a few of them in Traralgon over the summer. Waiting list is long for Traralgon we would have at least two crews of at least 3 or 4 people per shift with a Committee member to be present on each shift. Changeover is a good idea Claire & Dean are happy to help out, Bunnings gave Claire options on where to get the food from. Let's get a few dates - Rosa to enquire.

## 7. Ordinary Members Report: Vacant

Business Arising: None.

### **General Business:**

#### 1. Summer Competition 2023/24:

##### 1) Teams:

1. MRSL Fowl Strokes
2. MRSL Hotshots
3. MRSL Pool Sharks
4. MRSL Rebels
5. MRSL Rednecks
6. MRSL Renegades
7. Rack n Roll
8. Sports Bar
9. Turks Allsorts
10. Turks Table 4
11. What's the Points
12. Where Back

Team name change via Jamee Van Gelderen from Turks Table 4 to Sharp Shooters.

##### 2) Gradings: 3 Season Average.

1. The Committee went through the nominated teams and their players and graded the new players with a few to chase up more details.
2. The Committee also spoke about the way the three-season average is calculated as there are two ways to do it and there are differences in results between the two ways to calculate a player average. It was decided that the other way was more mathematically correct and therefore more accurate, and the Committee will look at changing over to that calculation system.

### 3) Calendar:

1. Andrew said that he has done the calendar for the summer season with only a couple of things to chase up to complete but have done the rounds with a two week break in January expect to finish in mid-March.
2. The Committee looked at going round 1.5 times but decided not to, due to the fact we would not have enough time and that last time it caused problems with who ended up playing who. We need to look at getting the Winter Comp started earlier if we can as Easter and Anzac Day are public holidays which cause issues with starting as people go away over these periods. We hope to get the Winter season going by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April if not the week before depending on how many teams we get.

### 4) Summer Draw:

The draw was done in front of all the members of the Committee took all of a minute to conduct.

### 5) Start Date:

5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 (11 Rnds).

### 6) Turks Bar Money Competition:

We would be having issues trying to start the comp any earlier because of the money comp being run there over the next three weeks. Andrew has spoken with Lyn and we will communicate more going forward after each season as Turks Bar would like to run a comp in between seasons.

### 7) Finals:

Final 6 for the Summer and Claire proposed and it was decided by the Committee to run with it that with the extra time we have being a short season to play the elimination finals on Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> March with the rest of the finals/presentation on the following Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> March. This will hopefully eliminate the issue of a long day on the Sunday.

### 8) Scorebook:

Andrew said that he had the books for the Summer Competition basically ready just waiting to insert the calendar/draw and teams' details and then can go off to the printers, we will easily get this done by the 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

### 9) MRSL Rednecks:

Team season commitment needed from the captain, Claire to chase that up.

### 10) MRSL Fowl Strokes:

Claire and Dean have spoken with the captain Alfie and he is aware of his responsibilities.

### 2. Turks Bar:

It is up for sale there are buyers interested we will see how thing pan out with the sale when it happens.

### 3. Captains Messenger Group:

We will need to do a reset and get all the old captains off and put the new ones in. Claire to complete this task.

### 4. Winter Finals:

Head adjudicators, table leveling (Shane Vogt) & dress code. All went well Shane did a great job with the tables and it was decided to get a voucher for him as an appreciation gift.

5. Presentation:

1) Trophies:

2) We have the invoice for the trophies, they were basically the same as last year with cups being presented to the winners.

3) Catering:

4) The food was great everyone enjoyed their lunch.

5) Alcohol:

6) The wrist bands work well the bill for alcohol was \$839.

7) IR Comp:

8) The comp went well with trying the new rules which was a great way to introduce the new rules to the members, the prize was a couple of gift vouchers from Turks Bar. The International Rules (IR) will be addressed at the next Annual General Meeting to be held in April next year.

9) Venue:

Claire said that the presentation at the venue went well, maybe a better public speaker might have been good but that's all we had (may have been having a dig at herself here). It was noted that a microphone would have been good Andrew said that he's sure Turks have one.

6. Country Cup 2024:

An agreement between both parties has been signed. It was also mentioned that next time we would look at using a venue locally, Jamee noted that the Premier Function Centre has reopened.

7. Bairnsdale Cup:

Being held on the 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> November which is this coming weekend.

8. Letter Ash Vogt:

Ash Vogt has requested a meeting of the Country Cup Associations to be held within the next month as he wants to propose a couple of changes. His letter to the Association was read with the proposed changes being wanting to having two divisions for finals and that the grand finals would be a race to 7 frames. Committee agreed on both ideas and has given the green light to go ahead to have a meeting. Andrew will organise an agenda for the meeting and will give two weeks' notice to the Associations.

9. Letter Shayne Kearney:

The letter of complaint was addressed at the last Committee Meeting and it was decided at that meeting the appropriate action to be taken with regards to the letter of complaint.

10. Letter Rick Merlo:

Rick Merlo has asked for sponsorship for his son Trey Merlo who will represent Victoria at the Nationals (Juniors) in Canberra in January next year to help with costs. It was noted that Pool Victoria has paid for his uniform, entry fee and a portion of his accommodation costs, the previous arrangement with Pool Victoria is no longer available to us anymore, we would pay the member through Pool Victoria. The letter was discussed at length by the Committee and it was decided to give Trey Merlo \$250 from the juniors account via a pre-paid eftpos card with payment made at the start of January 2024.

11. Letter Daniel Tabone:

Daniel has issue with his handicap for the upcoming season after the Committee decided to adjust his handicap after the Winter Competition. The Committee discussed the issue at length and it was decided to leave Daniel at the grading that the Committee had decided on, after the completion of the Winter Competition.

12. Pool Victoria Annual General Meeting:  
The Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2023 starting at 11am not the usual January date. Andrew said that he would like to know how many Associations did not re-affiliate this year?
13. Group Chat Messenger: Note Committee business that was conducted since last Committee Meeting via the messenger group chat: Postmen - finals night change, Facebook requests, Rosa's request to keep a mini highland cow as a pet - pending Council approval! Grading's: Peter Simpson - 2.5, Mark Tanti - 2. Rosa to give full details at next meeting of pending council approval!
14. Country Cup Shirts:  
Claire was approached by Ronald Stephen Kingsly about the embroidery for the Country Cup shirts, this was moved to be raised at the next committee meeting for Rosa Payne to answer.

### **Around the Committee:**

Nothing else to report.

### **Next Meeting:**

6<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting 2023 T.B.A.

### **Meeting Closed:**

Closing: The President Claire Blackford closed the meeting and thanked everyone who attended the meeting.

Time/Duration: 10:24pm/2:43.01min.

Regards

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting of the Latrobe Valley 8 Ball Association held at the Morwell RSL on Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.

### Constitution 32.1 Meeting of the Committee

### Minutes

(Meeting recorded)

#### 0. Dinner:

Dinner started at 6pm at the Morwell RSL, was optional.

#### 1. Chairman:

1.1 Meeting opened at 7:10pm.

1.2 President Claire Blackford welcomed everyone.



#### 2. Attendance:

2.1 Roll call of Members, Guests and Observers.

Committee		
President	Claire Blackford	Attending
Vice President	Matt Anderson	Not in Attendance
Secretary	Andrew O'Neill	Attending
Treasurer	Dean Burridge	Attending
Scorer	Jamee van Gelderen	Attending
Publicity Member	Rosa Payne	Attending
Ordinary Member	Vacant	Not in Attendance

2.2 Guests and Observers: None.

Quorum met in accordance with **Constitution 34.1** Any four (4) members of the *Committee* (two (2) of whom must be *Officers* of the Association) shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of the business at a meeting of the *Committee*.

#### 3. Quorum:

Quorum met with 5 members in attendance of the Committee.

#### 4. Apologies:

Vice President: Matt Anderson.

#### 5. Correspondence:

Letters from Warragul & District Eight Ball Association.

## 6. Previous Minutes:

### 6.1 5<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting Minutes 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.

Business Arising: None

Moved: Claire Blackford

Sec: Jamee van Gelderen

Accepted

### 6.2 4<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting Minutes 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.

Business Arising: None

Moved: Claire Blackford

Sec: Jamee van Gelderen

Accepted

### 6.3 5<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting Minutes 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023.

Business Arising: None

Moved: Claire Blackford

Sec: Jamee van Gelderen

Accepted

## 7. Around the Committee:

### 1. Presidents Report: Claire Blackford

Another summer comp season has come to an end and I'm happy to say it was another successful season, even though it was a shorter season of 11 rounds it still felt like a decent season.

Congratulations go to the Sharp Shooters for taking out the gf who played awesome all day and deserved the win... a team to watch out for going forward as well.

Congratulations to Jamee for taking out player of the gf, it was a well-deserved win, you played above your handicap and played well all day.

I'm excited about the committee I have lined up for the next year and I look forward to the agm and the next season of LVEBA.

### 2. Vice Presidents Report: Matt Anderson

Matt has asked for these issues to be raised -

#### 7.1 Duncans Trophy:

Minor premiers' trophy is missing Dean Burr ridge to have a look for the trophies he has at home.

#### 7.2 Cox's Plate:

Peter Simpson's Summer competition 'Player of the Year' perpetual plate is missing needs to be found.

### 3. Treasurers Report: Dean Burr ridge

Business Arising:

#### 3.1 Money in Bendigo Bank:

\$21,750.50 minus Juniors \$3,323.47 = **\$18,427.03**

The Committee has directed Dean Burr ridge to open up an account for the Juniors and transfer \$3,323.47 into it from the main account.

#### 3.2 Sponsorship:

##### 3.2.1 Turks Bar \$500 sponsorship has been paid.

It was decided that the new owners would not pay next year's sponsorship as they have paid the previous owner's owing sponsorship.

3.2.2 Andrew asked Dean about the Michael Mihaly email in which Dean said that he has sorted that out. Andrew O'Neill raised the issue he had with someone from Sydney calling him wanting to confirm sponsorship payment from the local members sponsorship. He suggested that this was a scam and hung up on them. There are plenty of scams out there so everyone please be aware.

### 3.3 Summer Competition Finals

Trophies 485.50

Pizzas \$78

Catering by Jay \$1,810

Refreshments \$1,079

Trophies and Pizzas have been paid and will pay outstanding of Catering and Refreshments.

### 3.4 Summer Competition Teams.

Morwell RSL Rednecks still owe one round of match fees.

Moved: Rosa Payne

Seconded: Jamee van Gelderen

Accepted

### 3.5 Annual General Meeting Report:

Dean Burridge said he will have everything paid by the end of the financial year 31<sup>st</sup> March. He will also have the report ready for the Annual General Meeting and will bring copies for members. Dean Burridge said he will send it to Andrew O'Neill to review before hand.

### 4. Secretary's Report: Andrew O'Neill

Business Arising: Nothing.

### 5. Scorers Report: Jamee van Gelderen

Had a great final and it's been a great season looking forward to another good season again. The new groupings have been done.

### 6. Publicity Members Report: Rosa Payne

#### 6.1 Facebook: Public advertising for sponsors:

I would like to apologize as I haven't really done a lot with that but it something that really needs looking into as it would be good to have a public page without comments where we can post information.

#### 6.2 Sponsorship:

Good to see Turks Bar has paid and I think it's a really good idea what we have decided to do concerning them for the next financial year.

#### 6.3 Bunnings bbq's:

September date set for Traralgon. We will wait until after the Annual General Meeting before making contact with them again about dates. Andrew O'Neill said that we need to really do two bbq's to cover expenses so maybe we lock in another date and maybe try and set the insurance payment around the Annual General Meeting.

6.4 Rosa Payne also thanked everyone for their support throughout the year. Rosa Payne was thanked for her efforts over the finals as she was the only one on the Committee available to kick things off and was able to get things going and sorting out all the issues as they came her way, well done Rosa Payne. Gold Rolex diamond encrusted watch is on its way in the mail!

### 7. Ordinary Members Report: Vacant

Business Arising: None.

## 8. General Business:

### 1. Summer Competition 2023/24.

#### 1.1 Complaining:

Claire Blackford said that I intend to bring up at the Annual General Meeting people that have been complaining, whinging and behaviour in general and can we do better. There has been a lot in the last few weeks and I want to inform people that all that stuff adds to what we have to do.

#### 1.2 Handicap System:

Claire Blackford also added that the other thing she has taken away from the Summer Competition is that the handicap system works. Look at how close the ladder was throughout all of the season, it's great it's competitive.

### 2. Ranking Average 2024:

Andrew O'Neill presented the gradings list for the next season, the Committee looked at the changes and decided not to adjust any of the player group rankings. To be posted on Facebook and the Website.

### 3. Annual General Meeting: Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

#### 3.1 Venue:

Andrew O'Neill asked if the Golf Club in Morwell is available again as it's a good venue to hold the Annual General Meeting. Dean Burridge is on the Committee there now and he will check it out and get back to us over the messenger group chat app.

#### 3.2 Committee Positions:

Claire Blackford went through the positions to fill for the next Committee and who was available and who was not and other people she has asked who she believed would make a good fit for the role and the Committee going forward.

#### 3.3 Committee Nominations:

The election of members to positions was discussed with the decision to go back to nominating people and putting them in the notice as per constitution instead of waiting to the meeting to see who is interested. The reason the constitution does it this way as it allows members to see in advance who the nominations are and to what position they are going for and in a timely manner make a decision about who they would like to see in elected positions before they attend the meeting and vote. We seem to have fallen into the default position of just doing this at the meeting which can cause issues and also adds time to an already long meeting. It was noted that there used to be nomination slips/forms once upon a time. The Committee discussed the positions for election of officials for the next Committee going forward which will be included in the notice for the Annual General Meeting in which two weeks' notice must be given.

#### 3.4 By-Laws.

##### 3.4.1 Play Offs:

Andrew proposed an idea to remove play offs altogether as they were causing issues with the end of season and finals but the Committee collectively decided not to go that way and it was decided to leave it in the Committee's hands to decide with notice to be given to all teams at the start of the season (if the captains of the teams in play offs cannot negotiate an agreeable date and time for play offs) and if possible, notice put in the scorebook if room is permissible.

##### 3.4.2 Draws:

Rosa Payne said that Ken Krieger asked if she could raise the possibility of having a tie breaker played if there are any draws in the home/away season. This was discussed by the Committee and it was decided against Ken Krieger's request.



### 3.4.3 Ranking Average Table:

Tom Gill from the team What's the Points? Has sent an email through to the Secretary asking for a Special Resolution to be put forward regarding the ranking average system at the Annual General Meeting. It was decided that a Special General Meeting would be called and start before the Annual General Meeting to discuss/vote on the proposal. His proposal is to make all the fields (1, 1.5, 2, 2.5 & 3) an even 20%. Andrew O'Neill said that this would nullify the points system as it effectively removes groups 1 & 3 which would benefit a stacked side and remove the competition that we currently enjoy because of the points system.

### 3.4 I.R. (International Rules):

At the Annual General Meeting the International Rules will be brought up again and we will have to be voted on. Andrew O'Neill said that he was thinking of the Summer Season to introduce the new rules. Jamee van Gelderen said that it will get knocked on the head and then asked for a vote to bring it in for the Winter Competition. Andrew O'Neill said that he thought that it would be to close, I don't think that will get up as people don't even know the rules. I think if we sell them the new rules for the Summer Competition, we will have a better chance of getting it up. The biggest thing is if the Country Cup change, then we will have to but I would like to do it before then. My thoughts were to have a night up at Turks where Steve Halliday would go through the rules as he knows them with people to help them get to know the rules and do this in between the two seasons. Then when we start the Summer Competition, we do what Wonthaggi have done and have the first 6 weeks as an open rule period. Claire Blackford went on to explain what that meant and that the player could ask anything about the new rules and that you could ask any question. We could also run some comps as well if we wanted to. Andrew O'Neill said that some teams may leave and play in the other league as they have that option, though it would have been good for both leagues to change at the same time. If we try and sell this idea to the members for the Summer Competition, I think we will have a better chance of getting it across the line.

## 4. Winter Competition Teams 2024:

### 4.1 Teams:

1. MRSL Rebels
2. MRSL Hotshots
3. MRSL Pool Sharks
4. MRSL Ballz n' All
5. MRSL Renegades
6. MRSL Quad Squad
7. Rack n' Roll
8. Sports Bar
9. Turks Allsorts
10. Sharp Shooters
11. Where Back
12. Rick Strays Team
13. What's the Points?

The Annual General Meeting will be the cut-off date unless we have an uneven number only then we would consider another team. The information about the Annual General Meeting is up on the website and we can link that to the website.

#### 4.2 Calendar:

Andrew has done a calendar for an 18-round comp and a 22-round comp. The Committee discussed the calendars and decided whichever season we would start the following week after the Annual General Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

#### 4.3 Draw:

Andrew O'Neill said that he would like to have a Committee Meeting straight after the Annual General Meeting like last year so that we can do the draw and have a quick intro for the new members.

#### 4.4 Scorebook & Printing:

Andrew O'Neill said that he still has the same template as last year so it's all pretty much there I just need to add in a few things like the draw, calendar etc. Jamee van Gelderen said that when you are ready to print call me and I'll try and come down to see how that part is all done. If we can't get the scorebooks done before the first round, we will be handing out the draw and scorecards to get by for the first round or two. Done!

#### 5. Automation System:

Jamee van Gelderen asked about what's is going on with the automation system for the scoring. Andrew O'Neill said that he hasn't had a chance do it this year as he's been too busy being the dumb secretary. Going forward in the new Committee he would be elevated to Vice President and that would free up time to work on a system for the league. Pool Stats seems to be very popular Wayne van Heerwaarden had already been in contact with them. They can do the points system and we can set it up so the scorer can go in and adjust things like the gradings. I'm also hoping he has an app now to. I have his number and I'll get in contact with him.

#### 6. Captains Messenger Group:

Andrew O'Neill said that it is just a reminder to reset the Captain's and the Committee group chat for the new season. Claire Blackford said that we delete them and start fresh so that people cannot go back and see what others have said or done.

#### 7. Country Cup 2024:

We are all up to date with that no updates thus far. It will be on the agenda for the Annual General Meeting to let members know what's going on with that and it will be up to the new Committee to deal with that.

#### 8. Pool Victoria:

Their Annual General Meeting Report to be tabled at the Annual General Meeting. Claire Blackford to go through it with the members, not too much to report but will discuss the Associations who have changed to IR.

#Coffee & Hot Chocolates delivered - meeting paused!

#### 9. Pool Victoria & Trey Merlo:

Claire Blackford said that Pool Victoria is in the process of arranging a tribunal to address the actions of Trey and Rick Merlo. We will wait till that process has been completed and then decide what is to be done if anything.

#### 10. Warragul & District Eight Ball Association Letter:

Claire Blackford read out and spoke about the issues that the Warragul league have recently experienced. The Committee discussed the Warragul & District Eight Ball Association issues at length.

11. Group Chat Messenger: Note Committee business that was conducted since last Committee Meeting via the messenger group chat: Summer Competition qualification reduced from 5 to 4 games. Jamee's prediction Rack n' Roll vs. We're Back GF 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 2023 went down in flames! Rankings: Geoff Perkins 1.5, Pete Perham 3, Mark Tanti 2, Kade Ingram 3, Alan Brooks 2.5, Robert Blunt 2.5, Amy Blackford 3, Luke Sterrick 3, Caroline Anderson 2.5.
12. Any other general business:
  - 12.1 Rosa's request to keep a mini highland cow as a pet - pending Council approval. Still waiting on council approval.
  - 12.2 Drew Payne Cup:

Rosa Payne has asked for the Drew Payne cup to be added to the calendar as it was decided that both leagues will participate in the event and that will be great for both leagues to come together.
  - 12.3 Mick Hill Exhibition:

Jamee van Gelderen spoke about the idea of both comps paying for Mick Hill to come down to Turks Bar for an exhibition night. It would cost each league \$450. Daniel Tabone is going to organise the event.

## 9. Around the Committee:

General Questions. None.

## 10. Next Meeting:

Straight after the Annual General Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

## 11. Meeting Closed:

11.1 Closing: The President Claire Blackford closed the meeting and thanked everyone who attended.

11.2 Time/Duration: 11.01pm/3:51.19min.

Ps: Rosa was leaving the Committee at the start of this meeting at the Annual General Meeting but was worn down after a four-hour meeting and 'wow' she's now back on and welcomed with open arms! Well done to Claire & Andrew on a long but 'cunning plan' - good team work!

Regards

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