

NSRA Council Meeting 21 March 2017.

Start Time: 6:30PM

In attendance: Jeremy Ryan, Melody Francis, Paul Faulkner, Sally Moody, Tanya Bailey, Tim Dann, Todd Noon, Trish Medioli

Guest: Margherita Poli from MFP Creative Design

Minutes –

1. Discussion regarding NSRA Logo. The current logo is intricate and there is no original file. The intricacy results in high costs for prizes (e.g. embroidery, printing) and not having an original file also incurs regular costs as the embroider needs to redraw the logo each time we commission new prizes.
Unanimous vote to agree to proceed with new logo design from a graphic designer.
2. Correspondence in / out
 - Trish Medioli received a letter from Chris Corling proposing the NSRA send flowers in some instances to members when there is a bereavement.
There was a discussion regarding whether the NSRA should send flowers in such circumstances. After this there was a vote and the proposal was unanimously voted down.
 - Email received from NSW Squash – there is a new CEO: Samantha Patterson. Trish will send introductory email to Samantha.
 - Correspondence received from Medowie regarding invoicing for pennants. The council discussed the method for invoicing and unanimously agreed to continue invoicing clubs in the current manner, i.e. with credits / debits each pennants season.
3. President's Report - no further report.
4. Men's Pennants' Report – discussion regarding an incident at Medowie during a pennants match against a Cardiff team. There was a complaint regarding player's behaviour. Men's Pennants' chairperson has spoken with witnesses and the decision of the Men's Pennants' Committee is that the player in question will receive a written warning.
5. Women's Pennants' Report – Ladies A0s is progressing well and A01s handicaps are being reviewed and are being manually updated.
6. Vice President Admin's Report – EGM minutes to be finalised and distributed. VP to also update constitution following EGM.
7. Promotion's Report:
 - discussion regarding website content, we will encourage players to take photos for contribution to the website.
 - Raymond Terrace Squash Centre has new management – contact is Phil Jenkinson. Melody will contact Phil regarding junior development
 - Promotion committee will discuss logistics of grand final day.
 - Further need for NSRA council and sub committees to review prizes.
 - Brief discussion regarding sponsorship options.
8. Treasurer's Report – Profit and Loss sent, invoices sent to clubs.
9. Junior's Report:

- Junior's kit has arrived, Melody to discuss with Phil at Raymond Terrace.
- Discussion re bus hire to transport juniors to tournaments (and possibly extending to senior tournaments to encourage increased participation) – suggestion was that the NSRA may consider putting up the money for bus hire and seeking the regain through renting seats to players at cost price.
- Melody is looking to start a junior pennants competition.

10. General Business:

- Registrar to monitor pennants scoresheets re accuracy, timeliness.
- NSRA to assist with Newcastle Open – agreed we would offer a subsidy to Newcastle Pennants players who have paid registration for pennants in the preceding 12 months (i.e. Autumn 2017 pennants, Spring 2016 pennants).
- AGM is locked in for June.

Meeting concluded at 9:30pm.

Next meeting scheduled for 11 April 2017 at 6:30PM.