



TASMANIAN SQUASH RACQUETS ASSOCIATION INC MEETING NOTES

Annual General Meeting
14th February Devonport Squash Club at 12.00 pm.

1. Present: Leon Barnett, Julie Smith Kingston, Diane Kinghorn, Robert Clyde, Mike Palfreyman, Mark Hudson, Angie Desire, Linda Pattison, Leigh Mitchell, Veronica Bramich, Melissa Hopkins, Marc Kinghorn.
2. Apologies: Michael Brown, Kent Harbuck
3. Confirmation of Minutes: Robert Clyde, Seconder Julie Smith Kingston
4. Business Arising: None
5. Declaration of Interests: None
6. President's Report: Leon spoke to it.

Mark Hudson spoke about the Pathways Program.

There has been an improvement in numbers.

The trip to Cairns was well organised and TAS Juniors put in a good effort. Having interstate coaches to inject new ideas and methods paid off with improved results. However Squash Tas. can no longer afford to bring them here.

There has been a reduction in finance from Squash Aust. due in part to that organisation not attracting as much Federal monies. However by the end of the financial year there will be money in the bank. There will be 2 grants of \$3000 from the State Govt. to assist with the running of the Australian Junior Champs (AJC) in Devonport 25 -27 March 2017.

Leon welcomed Steve Lee as the State Juniors coach. He also explained that Andrew Strugnell and Mike Palfreyman attended both State and National Championships to further their quest for national accreditation as referees. Squash TAS will be looking to give them opportunities to assist their referee development.

Leon outlined 2 major events in Devonport in 2016.

The AJC in March and the TAS Open in July.

The Devonport Council has been a major sponsor and has been very supportive.

There will be a change of routine for TSA meetings this year. A phone hook up will be funded by Sport and Rec.

Recent advertisements in the 3 State newspapers to push Squash into the public arena have resulted in more inquiries so the exercise may be repeated. Also opportunities to place flyers in schools and other public institutions e.g. fire stations and sports clubs were discussed.

Acceptance of President's report: Mike Palfreyman, seconded by Veronica Bramich.

7. Treasurer's Report: see attached statement.

Mark Hudson mentioned that they hope to profit at the 2016 AJC.

Marc Kinghorn noted player numbers were down therefore registration monies followed. Leon replied that to improve numbers Squash as a sport needs to be fostered in the general public.

Linda Patterson also discussed various ways of promoting squash in schools.

Acceptance of Treasurer's report: Di Kinghorn , Seconded by Robert Clyde.

8. Election of TSA 2016 Office Bearers:

All nominees accepted including Leigh Mitchell representing the Racquet Ball Association which has combined with TSA.

9. Appointment of Auditor: agreed present auditor remain for 2016.

Moved Di Kinghorn seconded Robert Clyde.

10. Club Affiliation Fees: Michael Brown's suggestion the fees remain the same for 2016 was accepted.

11. Notice of Motions: N/A

12. Other Business:

Leigh spoke to the AGM about the affiliation of Devonport Squash and Racquetball to increase numbers and lift enthusiasm in both clubs.

Mike Palfreyman explained the rigorous process of becoming a nationally accredited referee. He would like to see more referees at club and State level. To this end David Mulcahy has commenced the process for State accreditation.

Linda Patterson requested assistance with names of businesses that could donate or sponsor food for AJC.

Leon announced that Max Moorehouse is standing down from all duties due to health issues but would like to be involved with the selection of a replacement Coach Educator.

Next Meeting: TBA

12. Close 12.45pm