



MINUTES OF MEETING

Special General	Yes
Executive Committee	No
Held at Paringa Clubhouse	29 June 2019

Attendance	Present: Graham Brown, Jeff Garner, Paul Korosi, Paul Malinowski, Geoff Dyer, Nick Heywood, Roger Emery, Karen Neil, Amy Hilaire, Kelli Charles, Elliott Hillaire, Richard Barnes, Brian Swinton, Dean Emery, Clint Freeman, Debbie Draeger Apologies: Wal and Shirley Morphett. Andrew Fluck, Rolfe de la Motte
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Discussion Items:

Changes to constitution and by-laws.

Introduction of new "Recreational archer membership category"

Meeting opened at 12:35

Jeff Garner, public officer, welcomed everyone and explained the need to update the current constitution.

He went over the points in the case for amending the constitution by pointing out that the constitution is not only the legal document that governs how the club should operate, but also provides an insurance policy to club members in case of the club needing to be wound up.

If we are not operating as the constitution is set up, members may be liable.

The constitution is the legal document that should govern how the club operates. The constitution was last updated in 1994 for annual subscriptions due 30th June each year

At the moment we are not following the constitution due to a number of issues that have changed. One is the change to memberships being due on a yearly date from becoming members from being due on the 30th June each year.

Another change to the constitution needs to cater for the fact that our bank accounts now operate electronically not via cheque payments and all membership fees are received electronically through the Archery Australia website.

What else needs to be changed

1. Alter membership types.
 - a. Add Recreational Member and change Normal Member to Sport Member.
 - b. Allow for the Committee to add/remove membership types and conditions
2. Add in the Archery Australia sections.
3. Current memberships are: (Life, Honorary, Associate, Normal)

Change membership subscriptions to AA's online system and anniversary date of membership

The case for adding another membership type is due to the current Archery Australia temporary membership category where the public can come to 12 only come and try sessions and be covered by the AA insurance. This means that after completing their 12 sessions, the person either has to pay a full membership or simply drop out of the club scene. This has been brought up to AA by a number of clubs but to date there has been no response.

The club executive has considered the creation of the recreational member category which allows the person to be covered by AA insurance as the fees include the AA fee, the AST fee and a handling fee to the club. This overcomes the AA insurance issue and keeps the new archer in contact with the club and the sport.

There was discussion on the new membership category with Clint and Geoff Dyer speaking of their

concerns over the category and whether it will disadvantage full members. Jeff pointed out that the category only allows them to shoot at come and try sessions at Paringa and pay the normal fee. But also allows them to shoot at other clubs and AA events as the AA and AST fees are part of the membership.

Jeff pointed out the need to keep memberships going otherwise eventually the club will become unfinancial and by giving people options, it helps keep membership going.

Roger pointed out that it was a win, win situation, if the new category was taken up then funds will come into the club via the administration fee and then the come and try fees. If they don't take up the membership category, we have lost nothing. And if they adopt a full membership straight away it was even better

It was pointed out that a recreational membership can be updated to a full membership at any time by paying a pro-rata difference.

After checking for any amendments needed – the final draft constitution will be put to all members after giving 2 months' notice of the special general meeting.

After further discussion the meeting was closed at 1:05pm