



ACT Eight Ball Association
Captains Meeting Monday 5 December 2022
Minutes

1. Meeting opened

- Apologies – NIL
- Proxy – NIL
- Minutes from previous meeting

AGM Minutes be accepted as tabled		
Proposed	Matt Harmon	
Seconded	Graham O'Connell	
For	Against	Abstain
18	0	9

September Minutes be accepted as tabled		
Proposed	Matt Harmon	
Seconded	Fred Johnson	
For	Against	Abstain
18	0	9

2. President's Report

- Matt H advised:
 - He has been busy organising administrative arrangements for the nationals which was a very successful and well-run event.
 - Matt congratulated the ACT Ladies Team on runner-up position at nationals, Nicole for top of the stats, Brent Hampton for top of stats and player of the carnival in the Australia Cup, Simon Wade for semi-finals of the Australia Cup singles, Doug Percy and Ged Johnston for semi-finals of the masters doubles, Penny Foudoulis and Tejh Dussain finishing in the top 10 on stats and Phil Morton for quarter finals in the masters plate.
 - ACTEBA Core Committee held two development meetings to finalise 2023 calendar of events and tournament and administrative taskings over the next 12 months.

3. Vice President's Report

- Ann advised grand final day and presentation night went really well and thanked all those who helped on the day/night. Ann also echoed Matt's congratulations on nationals performances and thanked all the ACT crew for their support.

4. Secretary's Report

- Nicole provided a recap of the AEBF AGM. Noting major to note, the Committee is predominately the same. 2023 nationals is the last year in Albury with NSW to host. The biggest item to note is the change in ruleset from World Rules to International Rules across all AEBF events on 2023.

5. Treasurer's Report

- Bank accounts as at December are:
 - Savings - \$61,927
 - Nationals Account – \$42,495
 - Nationals entry fees - \$10, 715.00

Recent payments made as follows:

- ACT Uniforms for team attending Nationals - \$2,300.00
- AEBF affiliation fees & Nationals Presentation Night - \$4,000.00
- Grand final table hire and Presentation night - \$4,150.00
- Transferred \$5,740.00 from Savings to Nationals account (yearly Nationals Levy)
- Still waiting on the invoice for this year's Trophies.

6. Tournament Director's Report

- Graham O advised:
 - Entries for the 2023 summer competition are now open and the season will commence on 11 January 2023.

7. Assistant Tournament Director's Report

- Fred J advised that Open Doubles were completed and congratulations to Matt Harmon and Dean Welsh on winning and Mick Norton and Brendon Smith for runners-up.

8. Webmaster's Report

NIL

9. Fundraising Coordinator

NIL

10. Junior Development Officer's Report

NIL

11. General Business

- International Rules: Matt H opened discussion about the introduction of international rules at the state level and what the best approach would be. Matt advised that a phased approach with super league and 1st division to implement the new ruleset first and to hold an introductory comp in February for others.
 - Joseph R advised his team were in full support of the transition but stated it would be complicated to try and play different rule sets interchangeably but appreciates people have played world rules for a very long time.
 - Ann M stated that it is her preference for all division to be played under the same rules as the trials events will also likely be played under the new rule set.
 - Joseph M stated that the rules appear to be designed for higher divisions rather than the lower division and thought phasing in over a longer period would be better.
 - Marg A, Vanessa N and Ben S advised that her team are in favour and would like to transition to the new rules for the upcoming season.
 - Heath N advised his team are not in favour of the transition to the new rules.

- Jason P advised his team was in favour but questioned how you referee on certain parts of the rules, particularly the 'genuine attempt' rule.
- Many people raised potential issues with rule ambiguity.

Motion: ACTEBA adopt international rules across all events and all divisions from January 2023		
Proposed	Matt Harmon	
Seconded	Neil Whitbread	
For	Against	Abstain
24	4	0
Motion Passed		

- Super League Bonus Round: Matt H revisited discussion about removing the bonus round from super league and advised the Core Committee had discussed and thought it may be a good idea to implement one or two frames of doubles.
 - Doug P advised his team are in favour of doubles but asked what format will it be played under and can we cap the amount of times each player can play so that it is not always the same players playing the doubles frames.

Motion: Bonus round be removed from Super league and two doubles frames to be included between rounds 2 and 3 and across all divisions		
Proposed	Matt Harmon	
Seconded	Doug Percy	
For	Against	Abstain
21	4	2

- Competition Night: Graham O advised he didn't receive many responses regarding the preference for super league to return to Wednesday nights but it was agreed that Thursday is the preference to accommodate venue shortages.
- Over 60's Team Event: Matt H advised that AEBF has introduced an over 60's teams event at nationals that will see team of 3 players compete in a teams only event. Doug P advised that it would be best if ACTEBA takes over the running of the super senior's event to select the team.
- Women's Masters Event: Matt H advised that AEBF has introduced a women's master's event at nationals that will see 3 players compete in a women's team only event. Matt proposed that ACTEBA select the team with the 3 women who finish highest in the ACT Masters Trials event.

Motion: ACTEBA run an over 60's trials event to select an over 60's team and select a women's masters team from the 3 highest finishing ladies in the ACT Master's Trials event.		
Proposed	Matt Harmon	
Seconded	Graham O'Connell	
For	Against	Abstain
25	0	0

- Scotch Doubles: Matt H advised ACTEBA read out a proposal from Danni Marlow to change the current state doubles format to be played as scotch doubles.

- Joseph R stated that the length of the current doubles is too long and the ranking points need to be reviewed.
- Penny F asked if state doubles results would be used at nationals selection but Nicole advised that nationals doubles is derived from the state team players.
- Joseph M advised that it is unnecessary to change the format if it doesn't result in any state selection.

Motion: Change the ACT doubles format to be played as scotch doubles		
Proposed	Danni Marlow	
Seconded	Heath Newport	
For	Against	Abstain
16	4	5

- Scoresheets: terry M asked how we can amend the scoresheet to avoid back-to-back games in rounds 3 and 4. Graham will look at how it can be done.
- State of Origin: Graham O raised the state of origin format and the requirement to try and field 50+ players from each zone is too burdensome. Graham advised there are 4 impacted by-laws but will look to retain the core elements but wants to propose changing the format to be a combination of singles and doubles matches like a Davis Cup style format that would have 4 players from each division, so 20 players total from each zone.
- Australia Cup: Marg A advised that trials events need to be run for Australia Cup selection in future. This was agreed as it will be an ongoing tournament.
- Next meeting to be held viz Zoom on Monday 9 January 2023.