



ACT Eight Ball Association
Captains Meeting Monday 5 August 2024
Minutes

1. Meeting Opened

- Apologies – Steve Trout, Richard Sawinski and Phil Morton
- Proxy – Tony Warren, Joseph Renee, Phil Morton
- Minutes from previous meetings

July Minutes be accepted as tabled		
Proposed	Matt Harmon	
Seconded	Paul Chapelli	
For	Against	Abstain
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2. President's Report

- Matt H advised that there had been a lot of entries to go through for the state team selections, however all state team positions had been filled with only captains and vice captains to be decided after this meeting.
- There are issues around players needing to have completed umpiring certification prior to nationals that Matt will have more definitive answers to at our next meeting.
- Matt will announce squads for the nationals on Facebook

3. Vice President's Report

- Paul C advised that Presentation Night will be held at the HGC on the 23 November 2024. Menu selections and Eventbrite registrations will be sorted asap.

4. Secretary's Report

- Paul C advised that only having been in the role for 10 minutes he had nothing to report.

5. Treasurer's Report

- Terry M advised the account balances as of August 2024 are as follows:
 - Savings \$98,827
 - Nationals \$30,605
 - Term Deposit \$1,300
- Terry explained that due to the majority of the financials of the association being run through Eventbrite, it is essentially very simple to control and report on ACTEBA's funds if anybody was interested in taking over the Treasurer's role in the future
- Terry noted that the association would not be in a position to do anything with regard to re-investing ACTEBA's funds without changing banks and we would need to wait for the new secretary to be signed up to the accounts appropriately before any changes can be made.

- Terry also noted that Paul C would need to attend the bank with Nicole W and himself to sign over the signatories on the account.

6. Tournament Director's Report

- Graham O advised the following:
 - Aus Cup selections were completed
 - State of Origin was taken out by the Guns 24-10, meaning the Guns have 2 out of 3 in the series so far.
 - Adjudicators comp will be Nov 16 with players and venue to be announced soon.
 - Champion of Champions comp to be organised between himself and Paul C post nationals.
 - There is a need for all teams to understand that players are allowed to question the referee's decision, however these issues need to be resolved at the time that they happen, TD and head umpire are unable to change results once they are registered through poolstat, and trying to remotely resolve issues is very difficult. His advice was that if you have an issue, stop the game and engage your captain to resolve the problem. Umpires guidance is available online through the ACTEBA website as well as the availability of the head umpire to answer questions on the night.
 - Graham wished all teams and players the best entering the final few weeks of the season prior to the finals beginning.
 - Graham also clarified that Thunder, Balls in Hand, Buffalos and The Gentlemen were not present at the meeting.

7. Assistant Tournament Director's Report

- Fred reported the following
 - 48 pairs had registered for the Doubles tournament starting on the 7-8/9/2024. Those events would be held at HGC and the Austrian Club at Mawson
- Lissi asked that other clubs be considered for these events as most events are held at HGC. This does not seem to be supportive of all the other pubs and clubs that support our ACTEBA community. Joseph Morale also supported what Lissi was saying.
- It was noted by Matt and Graham that the number of tables has been an issue in terms of scheduling and that opening times were also taken into account in these decisions.

8. Webmaster's Report

- Tony discussed the following points;
 - Richard Taliaferro Award nominations will be put out to the ACTEBA community through captains in the next week.
 - Joseph Morale asked why there were no results available for Divs 1-3 for the summer competition which Tony said he will rectify
 - Matt Power requested that contact details for captains and vice captains only be shared through the captains pack and that they not be made publically available through the website, and particularly in historical data stored on the website. Tony also said he would fix this asap.

9. Fundraising Coordinator

- Lissi C again encouraged anybody needing funding for the upcoming Nationals in WA to contact her for inclusion in Jackpot Joker at HGC. There are still some empty spots in the upcoming fortnights; volunteers have been steady but still encouraged all to please volunteer to assist.
- Fred also mentioned that the upcoming tournaments will need adjudicators as another way for Nationals funding to be achieved.

10. Junior Development Officer's Report

- Lissi C advised state trials had been held on 24-25 August 2024, and those results will be posted on Facebook.
- It was discussed that each Nationals Team member is responsible to attain their funding through the normal processes as there is no team managers to provide that direction for them.

11. Assistant Junior Development Officer's Report

NIL

12. Head Umpire Report

- Ron Farmer advised the following
 - He is aware that a number of people will need to complete their umpire accreditation prior to Nationals.
- A question was raised to Ron over the fair break rule and it was confirmed that a ball must be 100% over the mid mark of the table to be included in the fair break rule.
- Ashley pointed out that the current certification exam is quite tricky in it's wording and people sitting the exam should be aware.

13. Vacant

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15. General Business

- ACTEBA received a revised proposal from Clive Hardisty and Heath Newport regarding proposed changes to the current relegation and promotion rules for our summer and winter seasons.
 - Major concerns are around the Tournament Director placing teams, how team rankings are used to rank current teams and that moving forward teams should only be ranked using rankings from weekly games.
 - The new document has tried to make the movement of teams between divisions a mechanism that only allows the promotion/demotion of teams only applicable to the 1st and last team in a division. Concern was raised about the removal of the rankings points all together as a unit to measure team movement within, and between, divisions.
 - Graham expressed his belief that the current system does work, while admitting that there could be some changes that will allow the perceived result of the new system while maintaining the rules that have been built into the system over many years.
 - There were many differing opinions of the current systems and the proposed system but it was collectively decided to reconsider the change, through some more discussion between Graham O and Clive H/Heath before putting the proposal back to the captains in November.
 - Matt Power put forward his belief that there is potentially room to improve the current system without having to restart the whole process again. It was agreed that there is room within the algorithm that helps determine the division output that could satisfy the outcome through a different path.
 - To be discussed further at the November meeting.
- Matt Harmon asked for people interested in being part of the selection panel with the core to elect the Team captains and Vice Captains for all of the Nationals Teams. This was completed