

HSS SNOOKER COMPETITION - 2012

Minutes from AGM Wednesday 15 February 2012

1. The 2012 HSS Snooker Competition Annual General meeting was held at Hornsby RSL Club on Wednesday 15 February 2012.

2. The following representatives from participating clubs were present:

Andy de Haan, President - Hornsby
Harry Anderson, Treasurer - Hornsby
Billy Shum - North Ryde
Robbie Crane, North Ryde
Marin Orlic - North Sydney Leagues
David McMahon, Secretary - Hornsby
Jim Sullivan - Hornsby
Peter Raymen - Pittwater

Apologies: Jeff Middleton - Castle Hill
Steve Luschwitz - North Sydney Leagues

3. **Minutes of last AGM**

The meeting was opened at 7.10pm by Harry Anderson who explained that copies of the minutes of last year's meeting had been sent to all attendees at last year's AGM in March 2010 and no corrections had been recommended. The minutes were accepted as correct (proposed by Dave McMahon and seconded by Marin Orlich).

4. **Business Arising from last AGM**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. **President's Report**

Andy de Haan read out the President's Report which is attached.

6. **Secretary/Treasurer's Report**

Dave McMahon and Harry Anderson presented the Secretary/Treasurer's Report which was accepted (proposed by Dave McMahon and seconded by Marin Orlic). Harry advised that the balance sheet would be posted on the HSS website.

7. **Election of Officers for 2012**

The 2012 office bearers stood down and an election of office bearers to conduct the administration was held. The following positions were nominated, elected and accepted as forming the committee:

President	- Andy de Haan
Secretary	- Harry Anderson
Treasurer	- Harry Anderson

7. **Nominations for 2012 Competition**

The following teams were nominated for the 2012 competition:

Hornsby 1, Hornsby 2, North Ryde 1 (possibly changing to a City Tatts team), North Ryde 2, Norths 1, Norths 2, Castlehill and Pittwater with possibly a second team from Castle Hill.

8. Dates for Pre-Season Competition and Round 1 of HSS

No matches will be scheduled over the Easter/Anzac Day period. The Pre-Season Competition will be played at Pittwater RSL Club on Tuesday 13 March commencing at 7.00pm. Round 1 of the HSS Cup will commence at 7.30pm on Tuesday 20 March. A fixture list will be produced when the number of teams have been confirmed, and provided at the Pre-Season fixture.

9. 2012 Subscriptions

The Treasurer called for \$100 cheques from each team to be sent to him before Round 4 of the competition, and explained the set up for reporting results. Preferred method is to send result with breaks of 40+ by email to harry142@bigpond.net.au and entry of result in the HSS website result page by the home team. In addition the result sheet should be faxed by the home team to 9487 5128 to enable recording of players match history.

10. Finals and Semi Finals Venues

For the last few years the competition has enjoyed the benefit of having both semi finals played at the same venue on the same night to enable anyone to watch both matches. This could only be achieved at Hornsby, however this year with only 5 tables available until mid September we will need to use two venues. It was agreed that subject to the approval by the Hornsby RSL Club Board of Directors, the following would be scheduled to take place at Hornsby RSL Club:

One HSS Semi-Final with 3 tables reserved for 2 hours prior to start;

HSS Grand Final and Presentation Function immediately following the match.

The other HSS Semi-Final will be played at Castle Hill or alternate venue. Semi-Finals 1 and 2 will be allocated venues with the intention of avoiding home advantage. It was decided to play Semi-Final 2 first with Semi-Final 1 being played the following week

A fixture list is to be promulgated with venues for the knockout stages to be shared by the other clubs. A venue for the Scottish Cup Grand Final is still to be decided.

11. Scottish Cup Finals Format

If there are less than 8 teams it was agreed that the Scottish Cup would be played for by the teams positioned 5th, 6th and 7th after the last round. If there are 8 or more teams we will revert to the same format as the HSS finals.

12. Introduction of a Dress Code Regulation

Andy deHaan proposed a new ruling for this year's competition to introduce a dress code for players taking part in each match. This will require all players to dress smart casual with no torn shirts torn jeans or other torn pants. Waist coats are the preferred option for the finals. The proposed dress code is:

- Black /dark trousers (no jeans in any form)
- Single colour shirt or polo neck with logo (club or manufacturer) or club allocated top.
- Dark shoes / socks (not runners or canvas)
- Optional waistcoat and/or tie

Penalties to team points will be imposed for incorrect dress per player

- first offence - warning
- second offence -1 point
- subsequent offences -2 point

13. Any Other Business

The ruling for this year's competition for "foul and miss" was discussed, and in particular whether to continue with last year's ruling. This will require a foul and miss to be called automatically for a failure to strike a ball-on in a fully snookered situation on the first attempt (this will remove any argument about whether a genuine attempt was made). However a foul and miss can only be called again if subsequent attempts to hit a ball on is struck with insufficient force to reach a ball-on or no real attempt has been made. This was agreed by the majority of those attending the AGM and will therefore apply during the 2012 competition.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

H G Anderson
Secretary,
HSS Snooker Competition