

DART LEGENDS WA INCORPORATED
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Dalmatinac Club Spearwood
Saturday 16th November 2024

Meeting opened at 12.09 pm

Present as per attendance sheet

Apologies 58 apologies received

Previous Minutes read by secretary.

Accepted Warren Campbell Seconded Karen Fleming.

Business Arising from Minutes: Warren Campbell noted division range still not shown on draw sheets. Heather advised fluid area when doing draws which can alter due to pull outs, generally 1.5 to 2.00 was range in any one group. Karen Fleming requested averages should be shown for players in any division to stop the confusion.

Correspondence In 2 Notice of Motions to be discussed.

President's Report as attached.

Treasure's Report Heather tabled report showing current bank balance is \$24,533.22 showing a profit of \$3,194.58.

Accepted Mike Condon Seconded Cathy Johnson

Election Office Bearers: Position vacant

Treasurer Nomination received for Heather Knoblauch; no further nominations received. Heather accepted the position.

President 2 Nominations received for Alley Hawkins and Tony Lowe. Written ballot papers were handed to all players for completion. Nomination was won by Alley Hawkins.

Notice of Motion (1) Submitted by P Govorko requesting re no play off if only one sheet in divisions 1 to 4 this came about at singles championship where Division 1 had an outright winner on one sheet and then sent to a knockout if though most players protested at the rule which may lead to players not attending the event in future.

Heather advised in her experience Premier liked play offs, and the only reason she did not do knock outs for all divisions was due to time constraints.

Warren Campbell stated if there was only one sheet and an outright winner then no knockout should be required. If 2 sheets, then a knockout should be used.

Kevin Chappell queried whether knockouts for Premier Division were there to ensure they complete 2 day event.

Trish commented that if players sit around for too long waiting for sheets to be completed it can be detrimental to the outcome.

Dave Snell felt there should be round robin sheets of 8 and no more.

Vote conducted to state if one sheet in Division then no knockout is required.

Carried.

Notice of Motion (2) Submitted by Trish Butcher requesting that players in championship events be at venue by 8.30am and notify the games coordinator immediately they know they are unable to attend. In the event of a no show on the day player forfeits nomination fee and is ineligible to nominate for the next championship event.

Trish stated that the committee were constantly under pressure with having to re draw sheets on the morning of events due to lack of notice by players. She will have more to say in general business as to a possible solution to this ongoing problem.

Darren White felt notify Heather prior to event and 8.30 attendance for players was reasonable.

Warren Campbell agreed with forfeit of nomination and penalty should be no further ability to nominate for events that year.

Voted taken – Carried.

FEES WA Legends at present \$10 vote needed to continue with this fee..

Aust Dart Legends \$20 in 2025, club to set their own fee.

Carried

Honorarium – At present President and Vice President \$250, Secretary and Treasurer/Games Coordinator \$500.

Vote taken– Carried.

Trish spoke about the proposal to introduce a SMS message system for championship events. Jan advised that if this system was successful then Nationals would look at implementing the same, as WA had the most Legends members it felt reasonable to test the system in our state. Trish explained that not all legends players were on social media or websites, but many did have a mobile phone. It was anticipated that we buy a dedicated phone and an app system whereby Heather could notify nominated players by message one week prior to the event as a reminder to attend. This will hopefully cut down the rush of doing new draws on the day of the event. Likely cost to set up would be \$300 to \$600 (which includes a dedicated phone) plus yearly fee for system. As we will be using mobile numbers to avoid any privacy issues, we require a vote to be taken to implement as soon as practicable.

Vote taken – Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Alley spoke about complaints received at Tasmanian nationals whereby one WA player faced action as was given a good behaviour bond. 2nd complaint received also regarding WA players; National committee have requested state executive conduct a mediation hearing on return to WA which has now been organised for Saturday 23rd November 2024.

Trish spoke about arranging booklets setting out championship rules and code of behaviour for new and existing players. Heather and Trish will start work on this asap. Heather advised booklet will include instructions (normally found on clipboard with draw sheets) to ensure everyone has their own copy. Details such as nomination forms, websites, phone numbers will be included in the hope it cuts down the queries at state events.

Dave Snell asked why message went around on first day of nationals about not drinking whilst playing. Trish advised this was an error by Robin Andrews and was withdrawn once she received the correct advice.

Kevin Chappell spoke about the boards not being the required distance apart and felt National executive should be more stringent. Lou Cherrington stated it was up to state holding the event to try and configure their spaces as best they could. Jan explained that the original venue in Tasmania was withdrawn due to renovations and they is why 2 venues were used all week. Venues in all states are becoming difficult to source due to venue hire

costs. For example Geelong cost \$15,000 at their last event which was some years ago. National executive had discussed the need to limit amount of players, which we do not agree with as many legends players used the travel as part of a getaway holiday. To keep the playing fees down is a high priority and therefore we do try for venues that do not charge a hire fee. Di Hinds stated that players know it will be crowded, and they go anyway for the experience.

Query regarding trial for Dart Connect at Nationals – cost is prohibitive for the one-week competition.

Trish advised there was still confusion about state shirts ordering as Jan received many calls one week before national commenced about players looking for black and gold shirts. Please ensure players are aware shirts need to be ordered no later than end of June for national competition in October. First 2025 order will commence in March 2025.

No further business

Meeting closed at 1.15pm