

2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - MINUTES

The 2020 Croydon Chess Club Annual General Meeting was held on **Thursday, 30th January 2020** at the Croydon RSL, Civic Square, Croydon VIC 3136.

1. Opening and Preliminary Business

- 1.1 Time: *Meeting commenced at 7.40pm*
- 1.2 Election of Chairperson: *As the President and Vice-President were not present a Chairperson needed to be elected.*

Nomination: Richard Goldsmith By: Ian Birchall Seconded: Pearl Yung Elected.

- 1.3 In Attendance: *Ian Birchall, Pearl Yung, Richard Goldsmith, Cameron Yung, Ion Kloprogge (Quorum of 10% of members eligible to vote was met).*

Apologies: Kyle Gibson, Steve Bickell

- 1.4 Previous AGM Minutes: *No amendments requested*

Motion: *That the record of Minutes of the previous AGM, incorporating amendments made at this meeting (if any), be adopted.*

Moved: Pearl Yung

Seconded: Ian Birchall

Carried

2. 2019 Annual Reports

- 2.1 2019 President's Report: *(tabled & to be made available on our website) In summary: The club continues to provide the community with a welcoming place for learning and playing chess.*

Motion: *That the 2019 President's Report be adopted.*

Moved: Richard Goldsmith

Seconded: Cameron Yung

Carried

- 2.2 2019 Treasurer's Report: *tabled and presented by Pearl Yung.*

Main points -

1. The club continues to be in a good financial position thanks to the reliable and consistent junior membership.

2. There turned out to be no requirement for the additional paid coaches which had been budgetted, so we finished the year with a small surplus.

3. The substantial "liabilities" are the result of outstanding cheques and the ongoing lack of invoices from Chess Victoria for which we need to make provision.

4. *Appreciation for the guidance and continued assistance of our Auditor Jaclyn Wong in the preparation and auditing of the financial statements.*

Noted: Financial Statements have been seen by the current committee and have been certified as a true and fair by 2019 Committee Members Pearl Yung and Ian Birchall, as required by the Associations Incorporations Reform Act 2012.

Motion: *That the 2019 Treasurer's Report be adopted.*

Moved: Ion Kloprogge

Seconded: Ian Birchall

Carried

3. Proposed Calendar for 2020

3.1 Presentation of 2020 Proposed Calendar – *tabled by Ian Birchall*

Main changes – 1. Tournament lengths adjusted to fit term lengths. 2. Junior tournaments increased to 7 rounds to reduce casual sessions.

3.2 Questions and Discussion: *1. Will look into trialling Spring Cup as a grades tournament with trophies/prizes at each grade level. 2. Will look at promotion of club to adults in the local community – perhaps using the Novelty tournament or Spring Cup grades tournament as an informal introduction to the club.*

3.3 Amendments to Proposed Calendar: *No scheduling amendments, but consideration will be given to the nature of the Spring Cup and Novelty tournaments.*

3.4 **Motion:** *That the proposed 2020 Croydon Chess Calendar, incorporating amendments made at this meeting, be adopted.*

Moved: Richard Goldsmith

Seconded: Pearl Yung

Carried

4. Proposed Budget for 2020

4.1 Presentation of 2020 Budget – *tabled and presented by Pearl Yung.*

Main points:

1. After liabilities we have approx \$9800 in reserve. The \$4668.90 of liabilities consist of unpresented cheques and 3 years of Chess Victoria fees for which we have not been invoiced. The reserve is sufficient to deal with any untoward circumstances.

2. As the junior membership is stable there is no longer a need to account for a possible reduction in membership in the budget. Various expenses have been projected as having a 10% increase over the previous year. The junior program budget assumes no need for additional paid coaches in 2020.

4.2 Questions & discussion – *1. Why is there no budget for Entertainment (Wine and cheese)? In recent years, no expenses have been claimed. 2. Trophy expenses in 2019 were over budget owing to the need to provide 3 new perpetual trophies/shields. There may be additional expenses above the budget if the grades tournament goes ahead.*

4.3 Amendments to Proposed Budget - *none.*

4.4 Adoption of Proposed Budget

Motion: *That the proposed 2020 Croydon Chess Inc. Budget, incorporating amendments made at this meeting (if any) be adopted.*

Moved: Ian Birchall

Seconded: Ion Kloprogge

Carried

5. Motions On Notice

5.1 Motions on Notice: *None*

6. Election of Executive Members

- 6.1 **President** – Nomination: **Kyle Gibson** Nominated, with prior permission, by Ian Birchall. Elected unopposed.
- 6.2 **Vice-President** – Nomination: **Richard Goldsmith** Nominated by Ian Birchall. Elected unopposed.
- 6.3 **Treasurer** – Nomination: **Pearl Yung** Nominated by Ian Birchall. Elected unopposed.
- 6.4 **Secretary** – (also Registrar & Public Officer) Nomination: **Ian Birchall** Nominated by Richard Goldsmith. Elected unopposed.
- 6.5 **General Members**

Motion : That there be 3 General Member positions on the 2020 Committee.

Moved: Ian Birchall Seconded: Pearl Yung

Carried

Nominations:

Steve Bickell Nominated, with prior permission, by Ian Birchall

Ion Kloprogge Nominated by Ian Birchall

Cameron Yung Nominated by Ian Birchall, Pearl Yung

All elected unopposed.

7. Assignment of Organisational & Other Positions

- 7.1 Junior Program Director: Ian Birchall
- 7.2 Senior Program Director: Kyle Gibson
- 7.3 Junior & Youth Coaches (unpaid): Ian Birchall, Cameron Yung, Richard Goldsmith, Kyle Gibson Emily Lin
- 7.4 Senior Coaches (unpaid): N Y Wong, Guy West
- 7.5 Liaison Officer: Richard Goldsmith
- 7.6 Library Manager: None
- 7.7 Website Manager: Pearl Yung
- 7.8 Website Editor: Ian Birchall (with help for digitising games from Pearl and Cam)
- 7.9 Auditor: Jaclyn Wong (if willing)
- 7.10 Other positions: To be filled by committee as required.

8. General Business

- 8.1 *Players failing to notify arbiter of impending absences (Senior Club). This causes significant inconvenience to other players and delays the beginning of rounds. A statement has been included in tournament advertising to the effect that repeat offenders risk being withdrawn. New members and players are counselled.*
- 8.2 *Authorised signatures on bank accounts. For convenience and ease of access, the 4 signatories remain Pearl Yung, Ian Birchall, Richard Goldsmith and Guy West.*
- 8.3 *Parent Club & Coaching. This initiative was unsuccessfully attempted in 2019. It was found that it required ongoing support from the Junior organiser to maintain. This was not possible given the organiser's main duties.*
- 8.4 *Novel Coronavirus outbreak. As the club is a place where significant numbers of people congregate, the club will notify/remind members & parents of the standard precautions that have been notified to schools by the Victorian Department of Health and Human Resources.*

9. Close of Meeting

- 9.1 The meeting finished at 8:55 pm