



1. ComScore evaluation. Robert has investigated utilising Altosoft with Peter Busch and is loading more information onto our Website. E.g. Photos, Newsletters, and our Club Rules. Altosoft has more information that we can utilise which ties in with Pianola.
2. Letter from Carol Cowley which has been mislaid concerning payment for our teachers. There is prior minuted approval for payment to teachers. Payments to Sue Morgan to continue.

### **President's remarks:**

The President thanked the Committee members for making themselves available to serve on the Management Committee. It is a great responsibility to ensure that the Club is managed responsibly.

Our focus for the year must be professionalism, communication, transparency and democracy.

Within the coming weeks our key focus and goals will be identified. We must commit to these goals.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Lin McLaren presented her financial report as follows:

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| Opening Balance: | \$11,551.19 | Receipts:        | \$3416.82   |
| Payments:        | \$ 2,544.29 | Closing Balance: | \$12,423.72 |

In response to questions regarding the increase costs of electricity the Treasurer advised that air conditioning usage had increased during the year. Increased costs for the Congress were partly due to Peter Busch's substantially increased Directing fee. However, the Congress showed a \$700 profit.

Robert requested that future meetings be provided with a bank statement reconciling the report balance.

Lin McLaren moved that her report be accepted and that accounts paid in January be ratified. Seconded by Ruth Webb. Motion carried.

Noreen commented that we need to set a budget to minimise deficits.

### **General Business:**

- Committee members were given position duty statements outlining responsibilities for the year.

- The poor state of the front yard of the Clubhouse was discussed. Hank Hyde is responsible for Club maintenance. Noreen moved /seconded Lorraine that a battery operated blower and whipper snipper be purchased to help to keep the front entrance tidy. Carried.
- Standby: Noreen moved a motion that Standby be suspended for a trial period of 6 months. As we are attempting to make members more aware of the uses of Pianola, it seems reasonable that we utilise this technology for arranging partners.

The positives and negatives of this proposal were debated at length. The motion was seconded by Robert Cowley and carried .

- It was decided that Minutes approved by all members of the Management Committee will be circulated by email to members via Pianola within a week of the meeting.
- Draft minutes once approved by committee Members will be put on the website in pdf format by Robert.
- Further to the motion carried at the AGM, Pianola was again discussed. Robert will organise lessons in the use of Pianola for Club members within the 6 month period Pianola is under review.
- Paying non-playing Directors for major events was discussed. This proposal was discussed at a previous Committee meeting, but a Director was not able to be accessed. Noreen will ring Jan Peach for advice. The expected fee is \$80-100 per day.
- June Congress: Fees were discussed and it was decided that the charge this year would be \$35.00 per person and \$140.00 for teams which would include lunch. Lorraine requested that the brochure be circulated soon as possible. Ruth will update the brochure.  
Robert suggested giving our players advanced notice of the Congress and charging our members a discount of \$10 to encourage members to play in the congress. This proposal was accepted. Robert will circulate members.
- Match Committee meeting to be the second Thursday of the month. Next meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> March. All Directors will be invited to form the Sub-Committee.

- Future Management committee meetings scheduled for the third Thursday of the month. Next meeting the 16<sup>th</sup> March.
- Carol Cowley has offered to continue to maintain the Library.
- **Technology:** Robert will appraise our equipment to ascertain what assistance is required to ensure that it is reliable. The backup is not working on the main computer at present. There is now remote access on both machines to Peter Busch at Altosoft.
- **New Members Nominations:**  
The following new members have applied for membership of the Club.  
Michael Turner, Ken Mander-Jones, Pauline Wilkins, Marjon Robken, Stephanie Maller, John Picot, Maria Comas-Busine, Wayne McClear, Janice Jeffries, Lyn Cullinane, Shelley Pasche, and Jennifer Borowski.

Moved by Lorraine Carr and seconded by Lin McLaren that these members be accepted. Motion carried.

Meeting closed at 6.05 pm.