

**METROPOLITAN SNOOKER
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Minutes for Annual General Meeting 2022
Held Friday 17 March 2023 at the Burwood RSL Club.

Meeting opened:

By the President, Errol Aristodemou at 7:31 pm

Present:

Board Members -

Steve Balmford	Errol Aristodemou	Gisela Kriek	Bob Rendall
Brett Porter	Jeff Goldsworthy		

Club Delegate Representation -

Jim Ryan	Bill Morgan	Bill Lindsay	Russell Burgess
Bill Grant			

Quorum: Attained

Apologies:

George Skoutas	Lenard Ciantar	Paul Lund	Phil Paull	Paul Gray
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2021 AGM minutes (meeting held on 18 March 2022):

Minutes summarised and read by Errol Aristodemou.

Minutes moved by Bob Rendall Seconded Brett Porter Carried

Matters Arising: Nil

President's Report:

As attached	Moved Bill Morgan	Seconded Bill Lindsay	Carried
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Secretary's Report:

As attached.	Moved Errol Aristodemou	Seconded Brett Porter	Carried
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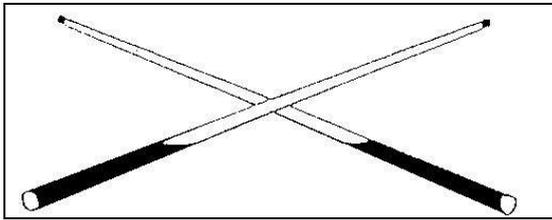
Treasurer's Report:

Financial report for Financial Year ending 31st December 2022 was tabled by Steve Balmford.

He detailed the revenue and expenditure items which showed an overall cash surplus for the year of \$1379. He noted that there had been no expenditure on polo shirts in 2022 and that the cost of trophies only covered the two Summer season competitions with the previous Spring competition not held due to Covid. It was also expected that the cost of trophies will increase in 2023 with retail prices being substantially higher than those charged by Henry Chetcuti.

The closing bank balance is \$9642 which is also the total assets of the MSBA.

Report moved by Steve Balmford Seconded Jeff Goldsworthy Carried.



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Election of office bearers:

Executive:

As Errol Aristodemou was not standing for re-election the position of President was vacant. Brett Porter had nominated for the position which had been moved by Steve Balmford and seconded by Errol Aristodemou. There were no other nominations and Brett was elected unopposed Carried.

Steve Balmford was elected for two years at the previous AGM and will continue in his roles as Secretary and Treasurer.

Brett took over the meeting as Chairman and thanked Errol for all his work as the outgoing Chairman.

Other board members:

The four remaining Board members, George Skoutas, Bob Rendall, Gisela Kriek and Jeff Goldsworthy all re-stood. Seconded Steve Balmford. Paul Bray also nominated for a position on the Board and had been moved by Brett Porter and seconded by Steve Balmford. All five were elected Unopposed and Carried

General Business:

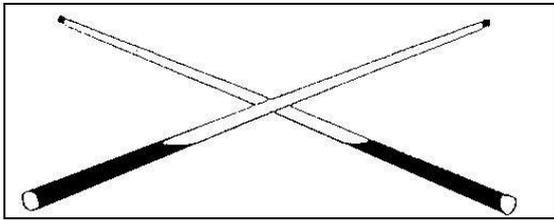
- Errol Aristodemou recommended that enquiries be made to determine the best prices for the supply of trophies. Contact with Henry Chetcuti and Mark Dunn from the VBSA was also suggested. Steve Balmford advised that enquiries had already commenced and that he would consult with Henry and Mark.
- Steve Balmford advised that there had been comments received that some low handicap players were not happy at having to continually give large starts in their matches. He explained that this referred mainly to snooker matches rather than billiards. While this issue had been discussed previously it had not been possible to find a workable solution. In the billiards it had been decided to make matches 80 minutes rather than 75 to give the lower handicap player more time to make up the handicap difference. He asked for any feedback from those present.

The consensus was that the time change to 80 minutes had been well received particularly as this brought the competition in line with VBSA arrangements. For the snooker it was felt that the existing handicap system worked well and gave all players equal chance to win their matches. The consensus was that changes were not required.

An issue was raised with the procedures in place for the third frame of the snooker when there was 15 minutes or less to play and the game was played off half handicaps. The possibility of playing off scratch or reducing the frame to a black ball re-spot were considered. The matter was left for the new committee to discuss further.

Meeting closed: by Brett Porter at 8.18 pm

Appendices: President's report, Secretary's report and Treasurer's report.



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AGM - Presidents Report 2023

Friday 17th March 2023

How good it was to achieve a full year of snooker and billiards in 2022 for our clubs and members to enjoy. A return to the consistencies of competition without fixture interruptions and mask wearing. Being able to focus on the management of Snooker and Billiards competitions plus our traditional singles tournaments also provided enjoyment with a fuller sense of achievement for the Board of Management and helpers.

2022 provided some competitive seasons, worthy winners, runners up and finalists. Recalling some highlights of 2022, Billy Lindsay's Frankston RSL chasing back-to-back to back Summer Snooker premierships, nearly creating history however being runners up 6-7 in the Grand Final to a well drilled North Brighton Snipers led by Steve Harper.

Camberwell Cue Sports rounding off a strong year for the club with a consistent performance in Spring Snooker defeating Hampton Diamonds in a tight final. A credit to the planning and leadership of Richard Shacksnovis of Camberwell and Karen Winter "Gov" of Hampton Diamonds.

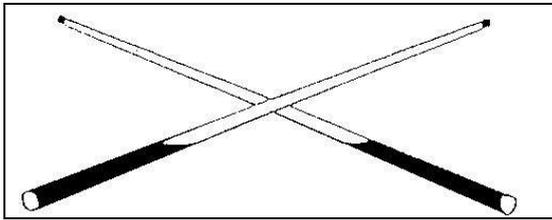
Kooyong playing in their 5th consecutive billiards finals series in 5 years and having won 3 premierships in the last 4 years went close again only losing on points to North Brighton Legends. Considering the recent history of Snooker and billiards, the consistent performances and sportsmanship qualities of Frankston RSL and Kooyong teams are something to aspire to.

David Heath's achievement as 2022 Snooker Singles Tournament winner stamped his emergence as a quality player. David's improvement through the year was an excellent reward for his commitment to cue sports. Bob Cocciardi in winning the Colin Chegwedden Billiards Singles Tournament became the second player to have won both the snooker and billiards singles tournaments, well done Bob, not an emerging player however a steely focused competitor.

Sportsmanship awards for displaying competitive, friendly behaviors voted by opposition captains - the qualities the Board of Management encourage went to worthy winners. Richard Gunn in Snooker and Tex Partridge in Billiards. Tex has recovered well from open heart surgery and is back at the table.

Most of you will know that Bunney and I have relocated to the Sunshine Coast and my 15 year? tenure supporting the MSBA Board as committee member then president comes to an end this evening. Looking back on the growth of the competition over that period I am pleased to have made a contribution to the consolidation of the competition, teams, development of new clubs and encouragement of values. It has been a privilege to contribute to the ongoing achievements of the Board of Management and to the great work of previous Boards in past years since MSBA was founded in 1952.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our members, clubs and teams for their contributions to our competitions and for encouraging the sportsmanship values that we promote. Also, to the Boards of Management that have supported me through the last 15 years. To our long-term Secretary, Treasurer, Life Member - Steve Balmford whose tireless



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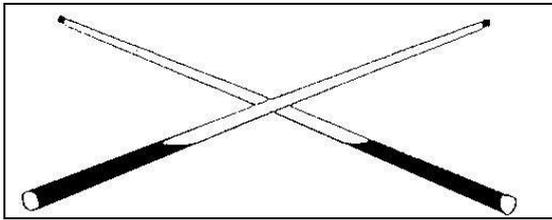
work for the MSBA to benefit members, clubs and teams has been a shining light in the history of the MSBA Board of Management, thank you Steve for your valued contribution and unwavering support. I wish our current members, the new president, and Board of Management all the best for what I'm sure will be an even brighter future.

Making many friends through this journey has been something to cherish, I look forward coming along to watch a few matches and catching up with friends when I'm visiting Melbourne and catching up when those of you that visit the Sunshine Coast.

Thank you and keep well.

Errol Aristodemou

MSBA President



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SECRETARY'S REPORT 2022

For the first time in three years it was possible to run all the snooker and billiard competitions in both the Summer and Spring seasons. While the threat of Covid was always present and some players were infected its impact overall did not take away from the success of the competitions.

This year there were twenty four teams competing in MSBA competitions and a further nine in the Spring billiards run by Southern. There were over twenty new players which is both pleasing and an excellent endorsement for the future of the MSBA.

The competition results this year were:

Summer snooker: North Brighton Snipers defeated Frankston RSL

Church billiards: North Brighton Legends defeated Kooyong LTC

Spring snooker: Camberwell Cougars defeated Hampton Diamonds

Spring billiards: Boronia Greens defeated Frankston RSL

There were some issues raised during the year which were discussed by the MSBA board and as a result there have been a few amendments to the by-laws. The new by-laws have been advised to all the captains and a copy is also on the MSBA web page.

It was also possible to run a singles tournament in both the snooker and billiards. Our thanks to Gisela Kriek, George Skoutas and Errol Aristodemou for co-ordinating these events. The winners were:

Snooker Singles: David Heath

Colin Chegwedden Memorial billiard singles: Bob Cocciardi

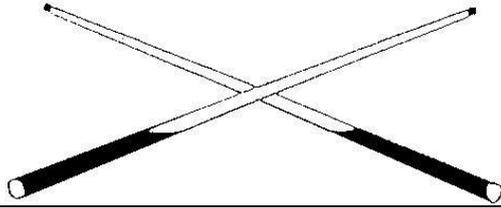
The runner up in both tournaments was the rather unlucky Brett Porter. Bob Cocciardi now joins the select few who have won both the snooker and billiard titles.

The Presentation Night and social snooker doubles tournament was again held at the Yarraville club. Our thanks to Paul Cosgriff for his excellent hosting role, Errol Aristodemou for running the doubles tournament and to Henry Chetcuti for preparing all the trophies. Many of you would now know that Henry has now retired from making trophies so we thank him for many years of tirelessly getting the trophies ready with often very short notice for the winners of the Summer competitions.

Our thanks to the board with its new members who have worked through all the problems associated with running the MSBA and to all the volunteers who contributed to another's year's successful competition.

I would also like to thank Errol Aristodemou who now lives in Queensland for his commitment and contribution to the MSBA in several roles over many years. He has been on the Board for fifteen years and has served as President for the last eight years. His leadership in that time has been a stabilising influence and he has always been there for advice and assistance. Snooker and billiards in Buderim is their gain.

Steve Balmford



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METROPOLITAN SNOOKER & BILLIARDS ASSOCIATION INC. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022							
	2022				2021		
	Working	Savings	TOTAL		Working	Savings	TOTAL
CASH BALANCE B/F	3207	5056	8263		3548	5055	8603
REVENUE :							
Team Registration Fees	480		480		360		360
Player Registration Fees	605		605		470		470
Weekly Match Fees	3,888		3,888		2,661		2,661
Polo shirts			0		(80)		(80)
Tournaments	355		355		255		255
Interest		0	0			1	1
TOTAL REVENUE :	5,328	0	5,328		3,666	1	3,667
EXPENDITURE :							
Trophies / Prizes	(1,745)		(1,745)		(1,740)		(1,740)
Tournaments	(800)		(800)		(400)		(400)
Supper Costs	(221)		(221)		(47)		(47)
Presentation Night	(1,023)		(1,023)		(936)		(936)
Polo shirts			0		(905)		(905)
VBSA Affiliation Fee	(100)		(100)		0		0
Consumer Affairs Fee	(60)		(60)		(59)		(59)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE :	(3,949)	0	(3,949)		(4,087)	0	(4,087)
CASH SURPLUS / DEFICIT:	1,379	0	1,379		(421)	1	(420)
CASH BALANCE 31 December	4,586	5,056	9,642		3,127	5,056	8,183
ACCRUED FUNDS							
Polo shirts	0		0		80		80
CLOSING BALANCE AND TOTAL ASSETS	4,586	5,056	9,642		3,207	5,056	8,263