



**MINUTES FOR EXECUTIVE MEETING
OF THE MANGAWHAI CLUB INC**

Monday 15th January AT 5.00 PM

		Present	Apologies	Absent
Alan McIntyre President	AM	Y		
Denise West Vice President	DW		Y	
Bruce Beale	BB	Y		
Phillip Johnson	PJ	Y		
Leigh Hunt	LH	Y		
Chris Allen	CA	Y		
Paddy Kneller	PK	Y		
Kelly Brown	KB	Y		
Brett Goodley	BG	Y		
Dave Frame - Representative Bowls	DF		Y	

Welcome

Meeting commenced at 5.00 pm.

Minutes of previous meeting December2023

Proposed: PJ

Seconded: CA

Passed: Yes

Matters Arising:

AM has found some carpet tiles at home; he will bring them in to complete the steps to the upstairs office.

AM noted that the purchase of the new Gaming machine and upgrade of another is progressing. Documents to be sent to DIA tomorrow, payment for machine due 20.2.2024.

Bowling Club – David Frame

DF unable to attend.

Bar Report - Brett Goodley

BG presented a report showing the Revenue, GP and Wages over the last 8 months. He noted that the GP is jumping around a bit. AM said this needs to be evened out. Wages are fluctuating with staff away in December. AM noted that he should aim for 20% and if it is averaged out, overall wages are ok.

Sales have been increasing and BG surprised at how good December was.

BG noted there was poor marketing and planning for both the Christmas dinner and Mardi Gras, for which he takes responsibility.

BG noted the music for some December events was not good and that he will also give Karaoke a rest for awhile.

BG has answered the letter re Mardi Gras. Some people were very happy with the day, always get a mix of opinions.

Correspondence: In

Confirmation from DIA that Alan McIntyre is the Venue Manager on our Gaming Licence

Email from Michelle Muir re Mardi Gras day

Correspondence: Out

Financial Report:

December 2023 Accounts

Approved: LH

Seconded: PK

Passed: Yes

Committee Reports-

- **Finance (AM)**

All going well. Gaming sales particularly good, this should continue and may improve more once new machine installed.

- **Members Disputes (LH)**

N/A.

- **Staff management/Budget/Future funding (AM, PJ, CA)**

AM, PJ and CA have had a meeting and discussion. They are getting together some information which they will then take to the staff. With business growing it is time to review and define job specifications and requirements.

- **Marketing & Promotions/Events/Entertainment (DW, KB, Admin staff)**

DW does not want to do this anymore. Recently has been covered by BG.

AM has met a Band member in the Club, they are a 5 piece band and are interested in playing here. He has listened to them and feel they would be great

for St Patricks day and/ or a lazy Sunday afternoon. Definitely not right style for Friday nights. They have agreed to come on Sunday 4th February to try the acoustics etc, for a donation. They are more expensive than usual but the Committee agreed to confirm their booking for St Patricks day.

PJ noted so long as it is advertised correctly and well in advance.

KB mentioned people fizzle out on a Friday night about 9, particularly if no good music or entertainment. It was suggested to try a Saturday night, maybe once a month to see to start with. BG to be more involved with looking into this.

- **Repairs & Maintenance Buildings & Grounds (BB, LH, PK)**

AM said the Bar area needs to be modernised and a good start would be to paint the front of the bar- wood paneling underneath it, white. PK to look at LED strips/ chanel to put under the bar top where it joins the bottom part.

- **Compliance, Gaming & Liquor (LH, AM)**

N/A

- **Club Sections (BB)**

BB said both Pool and Darts Club declining and not doing well.

LH noted the Darts should have had a break over Christmas. AM noted Petanque doing well after fence fixed and area cleared of trees.

AM said we need to encourage and attract people to the adjuncts as it gives the Club the community feel and is a great amenity for the community to use.

BB to ask Darts and Pool group what they would like to encourage more people? – more organised? Prizes? lucky draw?

PK mentioned the Poker club encourage people with a points system, get points just for turning up and then more if win. KB said very mixed skill set in the Darts and not fair if the better players always win so maybe random lucky draw for Club vouchers or bar tab.

BB went downstairs and noted only 4 darts players there so far, he will start the conversation and see how we can improve this.

KB noted that you have to always ask for the music to be turned on for the back area. Suggested to look at getting a Bluetooth speaker, link to spotify to create a better atmosphere. AM said this will be looked at with the new outdoor area and bar stools etc once completed.

- **Grant Applications (AM, PJ)**

Two applications have been received and reviewed.

1. Two teams from the Mangawhai Bowling Club are heading to the Chartered Club National Bowls tournament in Oamaru. It was agreed to give them the same donation as last year.
2. Piroa Conservation Trust have applied for \$ 4,128.00 for a utilities shed to house their traps, animal and weed control, tools etc. This covers the area

from Mangawhai to Waipu. The Golf Club have allocated them land to put the shed. What they do is great for the whole community. It was agreed by the Committee to support this request in full.

- **Health and Safety (AM)**
N/A

NEW MEMBERS

David Harding, Maggie Neilson, Barry Munsell, Lisa Andrews, Graham Andrews, Donna Percy, David Percy, Lindy Ewart, Honor Lock, Richard Tuck, Sandi Priestley, Russell Priestly, Greg Cassidy, Colleen Strachan, Felicity Andrews, Hans Van der Stelt, Choice Little, Michael Brown, Kate Waldock, Troy Ross, George Millar, Harold Tautari, Diljit Bolla, Alex Heppell, Bruce Wood, Tracey Burrows, Nigel Burrow, Tony Donaldson, Tania Brooker-Bailey, Sheryl Viggars, Bridget Lysaght, Ross Tudor, Roger Harvison, Kristian Neilson, Jake Meenhorst, Rochelle Raddock

Approved: KB

Seconded: CA

Passed: Yes

General Business:

Deed of Debt:

AM mentioned that the Deed of Debt is an ongoing discussion with the Bowling Club and to date it has not been resolved.

AM updated on the extension to the front of the building. The Council consider the Club a Commercial enterprise and as such we need different fire escape requirements. They have recommended a Fire designer (north of Whangarei) who has said he is interested in the job. AM to follow up with him.

Meeting Closed at 6.35 PM

NEXT MEETING: TBA February 2024 – 5pm