

Major points from the Committee Meeting 30th November 2019

Grants: Still being investigated. The Committee suggested that we invite Council personnel to have a social game on Friday afternoon

Lighting: PB, JM & KD met the proposed contractor on 27/9. Due to possible unanticipated preparatory and make good costs the contractor's quote may require some trimming. We are awaiting written confirmation that the project does not require Planning or Building permits. We expect funds being available February or March 2020 but we are awaiting confirmation from the Government that we can get the cash up front, not at the completion of the project.

The Club has finally received the JMC minutes, it was suggested that we provide our minutes to them as a reciprocal gesture.

Piste Drainage: The sub-Committee had looked at various options, after discussion the following actions were approved. 1) Trial holes be dug by crow bar breaking up the bituminous layer to ascertain if speed of drainage improves. 2) Trial holes along with soil analysis to be done by consultant Andrew Redman who may be able to provide guidance on improving drainage. The Committee approved an expenditure of \$1,000. When we know what has to be done we should explore options for community grants. Also MB is awaiting guidance from MCG curator.

Weed Control: In the absence of any response from Barry's Mowing a capital expenditure of \$350.00 was approved by Committee to purchase a weed spraying machine, KD already has purchased the chemicals required for spraying. A roster of operators along with operating procedures and safety requirements will be drawn up.

Christmas Party: Marion has her team of volunteers arranged. 50 members have confirmed their attendance, the hall will be set up on Friday by Marion and Barbie. Blue Illusions to provide small bags to the ladies. Rex Barker has agreed to be the MC, a musician playing the Accordion is coming, there may be the opportunity for some dancing, this will be in the hands of the MC.

Training Sessions: This is viewed as constructive in attracting new members and holding the interest of existing members. Guy will draw up a schedule. Agreed to offer free social membership to Jean Francois and an ex gratia payment of \$50.00 per session as previously.

Increasing membership: Diana Collins is assisting KD. They are aiming at the 50+ age as the 'low hanging fruit'. They have met with Will Bullock at the Council to enlist Council's help with information and planning. They will be looking to recruit from U3A, Probus and close-by sporting clubs including those at Lynden Park (Girl Guides and Vintage Car Club). Facebook and letter drops will be targeted to people in the Boroondara area, particularly those neighbours in Through Road and nearby, to get people to visit the club and experience Petanque. The Club will need to put on one or more occasions so interested people can come and see what Petanque is all about. Noted Strathcona school play Petanque, maybe worth following up.

Security: The Committee has concern over recent observations. Front door left open, Coffee Machine left in a dirty condition, the club cupboard left open. A nominated member on each play day to be made responsible for making sure all areas are locked and kitchen is tidy and clean.

Succession Planning: In line with organisations like Rotary, Lions and Probus, where there is good succession planning which we believe our club would benefit from and should adopt. The President and Vice President are elected for a one-year term, the VP always succeeds the President, this does not stop them from holding the position at a later date. Approved by Committee.

Agreed the Committee meeting dates will be set for a year in advance to be the third Saturday in the month, i.e. 15/2/20, 21/3/20, 18/4/20, 16/5/20, 20/6/20, 18/7/20, 15/8/20, 19/9/20, 17/10/20, 21/11/20.