Summary: Committee Meeting held 14th February 2019

Life Members' Board

The board is now available and will be displayed in the front foyer area.

Publicity

The Autumn Newsletter will be distributed on 01 March. We are achieving an acceptable reach on our Facebook page which we will continue to monitor.

Renewal of Membership

Reminders will be sent to those members who have not yet renewed their membership.

Boards

The problems have now been resolved. New boxes and boards are now in use and padding has been put inside the boards to prevent cards falling out. Storage issues will be addressed when the office layout is reviewed.

Vouchers for Restricted Players

As agreed at the October meeting, vouchers will be awarded to the 2 winning pairs in the Thursday restricted session. The vouchers will be able to be used at any session except Tuesday nights and Thursdays. Rules pertaining to eligibility will be documented.

No Red Points for Graded Pairs

We have been advised that it is not possible to obtain Red Points above our normal allocation. We are therefore unable to award Red Points for Graded Pairs.

Catering Roster

A list of events that require catering throughout the year will be prepared and volunteers will be sought to fill the spots.

Financial Report

Profit of \$11460 to date is favourable to budget (\$10507) but less than last year (\$14309). Table numbers were well above budget for Dec/Jan, with the result that table fees are now 4.6% ahead of budget YTD. Subscriptions are in line with last year.

Expenses of \$59946 YTD are ahead of both budget (\$59719) and last year (\$57024). Key factors in expenses being higher than last year are Consumables +\$1604, Rates +\$923, State/Nat competitions +\$1321; partly offset by R&M (lower by \$3069).

Country Teams

Qualifying events commence in March. An email with the details has been sent to members; details are also available on the website. It has been confirmed that we will be hosting the Regional Final on Sunday 2nd June

Cleaners

Negotiations are underway with the cleaners after they advised a 13.6% price increase.

Strategic Plan

A meeting was held to revisit the 2014 Strategic Plan. Follow up action includes finding ways to increase the skill levels of members, to increase member numbers and to provide a social environment that fosters and maintains social and friendly sessions.

Next Meeting

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday 14th March.