# Canberra Chess Club

# Minutes of Annual General Meeting - 28 January 2009

The meeting opened at Café Essen In Garema Place at 7.20pm.

#### **Attendance**

Mosaddeque Ali Brian Mengelkamp Carl Parkes John-Michael Roberts Roy Teymant Lance Gurney Denis Jessop Milan Grcic Stephen Bartlett

# **Apologies**

None.

# **Reports**

## Presidents Report

The current president (Mosaddeque Ali) reported the following:

- The club had enjoyed a successful year albeit with a small membership of regular players.
- There had had some difficulties with the venue (Canberra City Club) at the beginning of year
  though the club had persisted with the City Club due to the lack of alternative venues. The City
  Club was not willing to store the club's equipment which meant the equipment had to be shared out
  amongst the club's members, which though not ideal was still workable.
- The president thanked the other office bearers for their assistance and contributions though the 2008 year.

# **Treasurers Report**

The current treasurer (Brian Mengelkamp) reported that the club finished the year with a cash balance of \$1229 though noted that affiliation and rating fees had not been paid for two years and therefore these amounts were still owed.

## **Election of Office Bearers for 2009**

The following were elected as office bearers for 2009:

President - Mosaddeque Ali Vice President - Stephen Bartlett Treasurer - Brian Mengelkamp Secretary - Roy Teymant

Promotions Manager - John-Michael Roberts

Equipment Officer - Roy Teymant

It was noted that any player is welcome to attend committee meetings of the club.

#### **Venue Problems**

It was agreed that although the City Club was a convivial meeting place (and had improved since being taken over by the Magpies group) it was not ideal for playing chess and was not the easiest environment in which to welcome new members. The lack of storage space was also a problem.

Denis Jessop raised the possibility of playing at the Hellenic Club in Woden as he had been provided with some contacts at that club. It was agreed that Dennis and John-Michael Roberts should approach the Hellenic Club regarding the use of one of their rooms. Milan Grcic pointed out that we should seek the use of a function room rather than the Hellenic Club's gaming room as this is quite noisy.

#### **Fees**

The following fee structure was agreed for 2009:

	Full Fees	Concessional Fees
Club membership (for the year)	\$30	\$20
Entry per tournament	\$20 (x 6 tournaments) + \$5 (lightning tournament) = \$125	\$15 x 6 + \$5 = \$95
Total	\$155	\$115
Discounted total if paid in full before the end of the first tournament.	\$100	\$80
ACTCA membership	\$15	\$10

This provided players with the option of paying on a pay-as-you-go basis or paying a discounted annual amount.

#### Fees will cover:

- · ACTCA affiliation fees.
- · Rating fees.
- · Equipment costs.
- Trophies.
- End of year celebrations (ie cost of a meal and some drinks).

All players would need to be club members and ACTCA members.

#### Calendar

The club's lightning championship would follow the AGM and the calendar for the rest of the year would be provided subsequently by the president.

## **Equipment Stock-Take**

All players currently holding equipment were requested to bring it to next week's meeting to facilitate a stock-take.

#### Other

Milan Grcic suggested the club should provide a one or two page summary of each tournaments results with possibly some analysis of one or two of the more interesting games. Milan volunteered to do this with assistance from Roy Teymant if required.

#### Close

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.