

BRUSH COMMITTEE MEETING

9/8/23 7.30pm

Via MS Teams

Attendees: Robyn Napolitano, John Campbell, Gail Weston, Tony Coffey, Murray Neilson, David Robinson,

Apologies: Brett Stanley, Geoff Pearce

Guest: Andrew Mead

NO	ITEM DESCRIPTION:	ACTION BY:
1.	<p>FINANCIAL:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Current balance is \$283k, \$4562 owed on the credit card. Recent payments made: manager's fee, ATO \$4078, RMB \$10260 *TC has supplied our bank with various documents to begin the process of gaining a loan. TC to provide a copy of our lease. TC to keep the committee up to date with the progress of this application between meetings. 	TC
2.	<p>WEBSITE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *AM to upload a copy of our lease onto the member's section of the website. *Asset register to be added to website *Our latest report from Abby indicated that our website is performing well in terms of SEO metrics *A recent hiccup due to a MS upgrade had our payment notifications heading straight to spam. Happily DR was able to hunt out the cause and fix the problem. 	AM
3.	<p>MAINTENANCE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Sauna repair more complex than originally thought. BS & SC to get this sorted during their upcoming visit. Likewise with the ski room entry pad. *Defibrillator cabinet has been purchased and will be fitted during AM's upcoming visit * BS to check fridges as water leakage and fluctuating temperatures have been noted. *Door to room 4 is sticking *Spa level appears to be low when not in use. MN indicated that the refill process is very slow and improvements could be made to the system over summer. 	BS/SC AM BS BS
4.	<p>BOOKINGS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *There have been a couple of instances with problem guests so far this season. One guest was asked to leave recently following inappropriate and aggressive behavior. Our managers and Brendan O'Neill handled the situation calmly and successfully. Unfortunately our booking system doesn't allow us to create a blacklist but fortunately these kinds of events are few and far between. *The committee would like to flag a conversation regarding member rate nights to take place at the next AGM. Members currently receive 40 bed nights and an additional 14 to be used in the low season. Is this still fit for purpose? Any suggestions, comments, ideas are welcome. *DR commented on what a great job the resort is doing to keep the lifts running following the rains and lack of snowfall. 	

	<p>*Currently Mt Hotham ski lifts (Vail) don't offer a snow guarantee. Full terms and conditions can be found at https://www.mthotham.com.au/lift-pass/lift-tickets/lift-tickets . The committee considers that at all times we should be reasonable and fair and handle any requests forthcoming as they arise.</p> <p>*Members requiring the use of a trundle bed during their visit need to arrange this directly through the booking officer. Kiddy bunks (singles over double beds) can be booked via Little Hotelier.</p>	
5.	<p>PLANNING & FACILITIES: BATHROOMS & ENSUITES PROJECTS:</p> <p>*AM, NG & JL to continue their ongoing conversations around this while all 3 are on site over the weekend 12/13 August.</p> <p>*NG asking for quotes from 2 local builders: Bright Alpine Builders and BGD Constructions. Both builders will visit the lodge in the upcoming weeks.</p> <p>*JL has requested an Architect-Client Agreement be completed. AM to forward to RN for signing</p> <p>*The fee for the drawings will be approx. \$5000</p> <p>*The first draft of the drawings is due week ending 18/8</p> <p>*No approvals are required for the internal renovations</p> <p>*The vaulted ceilings in the existing bathrooms will result in a void once the new bathrooms are completed. This could provide much needed storage space. JL to investigate.</p> <p>*AM and JL to discuss various options around the addition of an ensuite in the manager's area: access, office space, storage?</p> <p>*Painting of the foyer and stairwells will be part of this summer's projects</p> <p>*AM to put together an email to members regarding the work that can and should be done by members in order to reduce costs</p> <p>*AM asked MN for input on the ventilation and noise reduction required for both the new ensuites and the bathrooms.</p> <p>*JC to undertake some preparation works during the second week of October</p>	<p>AM</p> <p>NG</p> <p>JL-RN</p> <p>JL</p> <p>AM-JL</p> <p>AM-RN/GW</p> <p>AM-MN</p> <p>JC</p>
6.	<p>MANAGERS:</p> <p>*Suzie asked the guests directly affected by our unpleasant guest to write a small report on the events, which were then forwarded to the committee along with Suzie's report. These guests were reassured by the way the whole situation was handled and grateful for the care and attention.</p>	
7.	<p>GENERAL BUSINESS:</p> <p>*Do you have a locker downstairs at B'Rush? Do you still use it and therefore want to keep it? If not, please let GW know, sec@brushskiclub, and the committee will arrange for its removal at the end of the season. Likewise if you would like to take over a locker not currently in use.</p> <p>*Sarah Kempson has regretfully decided to put her membership on the market. While there is a waiting list of enquiries, committee would like to hear from any members who may have a friend or family member interested in taking up a membership. Emails re this can be sent to sec@brushskiclub.com.au</p> <p>*RN has asked Brett Stanley to go through his extensive archive of photos taken around Mt Hotham with the possibility of finding one suitable to be enlarged and displayed in the central dining/living area.</p>	<p>GW</p> <p>GW</p> <p>RN-BS</p>
	Meeting closed at 10pm	

	Next committee meeting – Wednesday 6 th September, 7.30pm, via Microsoft Teams	
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