



## **HSS Snooker Competition / Secretary's 2021 AGM Report**

Good evening gents, as you would suspect this will be a relatively brief report.

The year 2020 was memorable for all the wrong reasons !! Firstly and most significantly on June 17<sup>th</sup>, we of course sadly witnessed the unexpected passing of Harry Anderson, a very dear friend of the HSS / Scottish Cup Competition and all those associated with it. Harry was a long time sponsor of the Scottish Cup and many years primary office bearer as Secretary Treasurer (more recently Treasurer) and custodian of the competition statistics, a task which he undertook with great passion and aplomb for many years.

As Hornsby RSL President, Harry was appropriately honoured at an extraordinary and well deserved wake function on June 26<sup>th</sup> at Hornsby RSL where a large attendance of family friends and fellow Billiards and Snooker fraternity attended in his honour.

The other significant reason for remembering (or rather preferably not !!) the past, year was of course the onset of Covid-19 which notwithstanding the Cttee's joint valiant efforts, precluded us for the very first time ever to my personal knowledge, in having an HSS Competition.

### **Team entry forms**

I have prepared the 2021 new team entry forms, and I please ask you to ensure these are utilised and submitted promptly by email as soon as practicable prior to competition start. I understand that the first few weeks are potentially likely to see some required team roster changes until the comp settles. I ask you to always provide each player's full Christian and surname and club membership ID # to facilitate accurate statistics. Captains and Vice captains' full contact details at minimum are of course appreciated and vital, thanks. I have a supply of these forms with me tonight for all Captains / Vice-Captains in attendance, and will on request forward any further soft copies by email if / when required.

### **Team entry fees**

Each year, we inevitably seem to have some clubs dragging the chain with late effecting the payment of dues. Can I ask that you please place a higher priority on this being paid promptly into the competition account and advise me or the to be elected Treasurer when this is done, thank you.

### **Notification of match scores**

Again 2021 scoresheets are also available in hard copy tonight and I am also happy to email now or at a later date further copies to any Captain requiring that electronically. I request hosting Captains to please provide these a.s.a.p. promptly on the completion

of each round's play to myself by email (not SMS) as an attachment as that enables me to distribute early results the next morning. Being able to avoid chasing Captains for results on Wednesday mornings would be great, thank you.

**Post-match host supper function etc....**

In the Covid safe environment in which we still remain for a while yet, we are still to discuss this evening the position in relation to serving suppers, whatever form that might take or otherwise.

**WPBSA Rules changes introduced**

As you know, there were some WPBSA rule changes and tweeking made effective by the world body in August 2019 which the Cttee decided we would not consider mid-comp. I propose that we should now consider these and under General Business, we will review any of those changes which should be implemented this coming year subject to broad majority agreement.

Thank you in advance for the cooperation of all Captains and Vice-Captains in running and managing the forthcoming competition.

**Patrick Gauci**  
**2021 HSS Snooker Competition Secretary**  
**15<sup>th</sup> March 2021**