

At our last meeting and in previous meetings there has been a suggestion that we no longer charge membership, but incorporate membership into the weekly playing fee by increasing it. The suggestion was to increase the weekly playing fee of \$5 per player to \$6.

The question is: What would this achieve?

- A huge reduction in work load for both the Treasurer and the Score Registrar
- A much simpler system, it requires no “policing”
- Players do not have to come up with \$40 at the start of the year.
- Captains do not have the problem of ensuring their team are members

How does this affect our insurance cover?

This would have to be explored.

Currently our players have a “grace” period of 4 weeks at the start of any season in which they are to pay their membership. More often than not we have to “chase” players to get them to pay. Some clubs pay the membership for their players and we do not receive this until the club is invoiced at the end of the season.

With the new system players cannot be “unfinancial” as everyone pays as they play. We would have to insert some things into our by-laws re membership for tournament play and remove the term unfinancial.

Please Note: all reference figures used in the following are checked and accurate. They are derived from the database using member statistics and invoices.

Income for the 2015 Calendar year from both seasons is as follows.

2015 Income from week to week competition			
Pennant (S1) & Billiards & Willis (S2)		Total Value	\$46,578.00
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2015 Membership income			
	Value	Count	Total Value
Total Life members	0	8	\$0.00
Total Members where "Paid" = 0	0	0	\$0.00
Total Members where "Paid" = 10	10	2	\$20.00
Total Members where "Paid" = 20	20	124	\$2,480.00
Total Members where "Paid" = 40	40	284	\$11,360.00
Total Members		418	
Total Income from Memberships			\$13,860.00
2015 Total Income from pennant, Billiards & Willis and membership			\$60,438.00

So, I did a budget using 4 options, initially I tried the option of simply raising the playing fee by \$1 to \$6, the shortfall was in the vicinity of \$5,000 so this option was discounted immediately.

Option 1 raises the playing fee by \$1 to \$6 and introduces a "Team Registration" fee of \$25 per team to cover the shortfall. This option still leaves a reduction in income on memberships of around 13% and a reduction of around 2% on our total income from our weekly competition.

Option 1			
2015 income projection if no membership and players pay \$1.00 extra per week			
	weeks	Total Value	
playing positions S1 = 288	18	\$5,184.00	
playing positions S2 = 270	14	\$3,780.00	
Total Income			\$8,964.00
If we charged a \$25 per team "Team Registration"			
Total teams S1 x \$25	63	\$1,575.00	
Total teams S2 x \$25	64	\$1,600.00	
			\$3,175.00
Shortfall on memberships			- \$1,721.00

Option 2 raises the playing fee by \$1.50 to \$6.50. This option still leaves a reduction in income on memberships of around 3% and a reduction of less than 1% on our total income from our weekly competition.

Option 2		
2015 income projection if no membership and players pay \$1.50 extra per week		
	weeks	Total Value
playing positions S1 = 288	18	\$7,776.00
playing positions S2 = 270	14	\$5,670.00
Total Income		\$13,446.00
Shortfall on memberships	-	\$414.00

Option 3 raises the playing fee by \$1.50 to \$6.50 and introduces a "Team Registration" fee of \$20 per team to cover the shortfall. This option gives an increase in income on memberships of around 17% and an increase of approximately 3% on our total income from our weekly competition.

Option 3		
2015 income projection if no membership and players pay \$1.50 extra per week		
	weeks	Total Value
playing positions S1 = 288	18	\$7,776.00
playing positions S2 = 270	14	\$5,670.00
Total Income		\$13,446.00
If we charged a \$20 per team "Team Registration"		
Total teams S1 x \$20	63	\$1,260.00
Total teams S2 x \$20	64	\$1,280.00
		\$2,540.00
Increase on memberships		\$2,126.00

Option 4 raises the playing fee by \$2 to \$. This option gives an increase in income on memberships of around 34% and an increase of approximately 7% on our total income from our weekly competition.

Option 4		
2015 income projection if no membership and players pay \$2.00 extra per week		
	weeks	Total Value
playing positions S1 = 288	18	\$10,368.00
playing positions S2 = 270	14	\$7,560.00
Total Income		\$17,928.00
Increase on memberships		\$4,068.00

