

THE BASQUE CLUB OF NORTH QUEENSLAND – AUSTRALIA, INC

COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes for Tuesday, October 12, 2010

- Present: B. Bengoa; P Mendiola; A. Urberuaga; D. Larrazabal; P. Balanzategui; D. Fry
- Apologies: M. Arrate; J Larrazabal
- Meeting opened: 5.35 pm
- Chair: Pedro Mendiola

Ratification of Previous Minutes:

- Previous minutes from September 14 were ratified
- Moved: B. Bengoa
- 2nd: A. Urberuaga

Treasurer's Report:

- Pedro Mendiola read the balances – withdrawals and deposits and details of the club's accounts (these records are attached to these minutes).
- Membership payments continue to be received (\$2765 to date); approximately 76 invoices have been paid out of 139 which were issued
- The monthly luncheon (held on Sunday, the 3rd of October) was successful (\$827.75) and details are attached
- Moved: Pedro Mendiola
- 2nd: P. Balanzategui

Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence:

- All incoming correspondence has been filed and when needed, distributed to the relevant parties.
- A Thank you card has been sent to the Gure Txoko Basque club of Sydney for their gift of a commemorative plate.
- Annual return to the State Government is ready to be sent
- Forms to amend bank signatures (to include secretary) will be sent by the secretary
- Moved: B. Bengoa
- 2nd: P. Mendiola

General Business:

- The committee would like to extend a thank you to Ciriaco Lejarcegui for cleaning the interior and exterior of the clubhouse
- Peter Balanzategui told the committee that the handball players who arrived from Adelaide arrived in the previous month and were showed around Ingham and Townsville by him.

- The Annual Christmas Party will be organised at the next committee meeting; the committee will be hosting this event (as in previous years)
- An email was sent by Amaia U asking for expressions of interest for learning to play the drum (tamborrada) ; only one interested party replied, therefore, the lessons will not go ahead
- A Spanish radio station has requested a person from North Queensland who would be interested in communicating (fortnightly/monthly) details about the day's major news and weather. Amaia U will replay in the affirmative and will take on the task of being the communicator
- On the 23rd of October, the Basque Club will host a 90th birthday party (lunch); helpers will be needed to serve food and help clean afterwards (Miren Bego, Peter and Jane Balanzategui, Deana and Begoña will assist). All helpers will need to be at the clubhouse at 11.00 am
- Amaia U suggested that she be the official "door person" at the next few functions in order to keep the club's database up-to-date and current
- The clubhouse is booked on the 3rd of December and will need to be ready for the Christmas party on the 5th
- Club t-shirts will be available at the next monthly function
- The committee will continue to meet monthly (the second Tuesday of each month). The future dates will be:
 - November: 9
 - December: 14
 - January-April (t.b.a)
- Stephen Goicoechea would like to purchase extra fold-out tables for the club; more forks are also needed, as are plastic cups
- Mary Arrate suggested that the club purchase small takeaway containers to use at monthly lunches. Amaia will buy these
- Amaia U suggested that the club invite Liz Hodder and her family to the Christmas function. The committee wholehearted agree with this suggestion

Items for Action:

- The secretary will send forms for the annual return
- The secretary will send forms to bank (to amend treasurer's signature)
- Date of birth needs to be added to the new membership forms
- Signs need to be made for the clubhouse toilets

Meeting Closed:

- 6.30 pm

