

Neptunes WPSC Triq Censu Tabone St. Julian's, Malta

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Dear Member,

This circular is intended to update you with the latest developments at Neptunes WPSC (the "**Club**"), and the outlook for the remainder of the year.

Committee 2022

The committee for 2022 is composed of the following:

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Membership Rates 2022

Membership rates for this year have remained the same in all categories.

Attached to this email please find the membership price list for 2022 together with the membership application form and membership information sheet. If you are interested in renewing your membership with the Club, kindly complete the application form and information sheet and send it via email to <u>ccalleja@calpacms.com</u> or by mail to **P.O. Box 10**, **St. Julian's, STJ 1000**.

Payment can be made by either by cash or cheque payable to **Neptunes WPSC** and sent to the above address.

Basic Membership

The basic membership entitles the individual to:

- (i) enter the Club's premises;
- (ii) watch training sessions and spectate matches alongside the pool and the deck;
- (iii) use of the bar on the main deck; and
- (iv) discounted day rates.



Basic members are not however entitled to attend and vote at the Club's annual general meeting.

Full Membership

The full membership entitles the individual to all the benefits of the basic membership and to:

- (i) use of Club's facilities (i.e. the pool, deck, showers, etc.);
- (ii) a sunbed upon request; and
- (iii) attend and vote at the Club's annual general meeting.

Children under the age of 12 will not be charged an entry fee but will not be entitled to a sunbed.

Single Membership

An additional category has been introduced by the Club whereby such individual will be entitled to all the benefits of the basic membership and will also be entitled to attend and vote at the Club's annual general meeting. Such members will not however be entitled to make use of the Club's facilities.

We would like to make an appeal for membership fees to be paid as soon as possible, and ideally not later than the end of April 2022. Whilst helping the Club with its cash flow, processing membership forms and cards at this time of the year helps us reduce and spread the workload more evenly.

We kindly urge everyone to cooperate with this appeal. As always, any voluntary contributions will be gladly accepted, and we thank all those who will be able to help the Club with an additional donation, over and above membership fee.

Caterers

After months of negotiations with various interested parties, the Club reached a long-term agreement with a new caterer to manage and operate the restaurant upstairs (Ex-Paul's Seabreeze). The committee is confident in its decision, seeing as the new caterer already operates in the catering industry and owns and manages various catering establishments. The new caterer plans to carry out extensive works to refurbish the restaurant, with the intention of opening for business sometime in May 2022 and remaining open for the majority of the year.

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With respect to the main deck, an agreement was reached with NAAR whereby the main deck would be managed and operated by the Club, or a third party selected by the committee, every day from 6:00pm onwards from June until end September. The committee is currently in negotiations with various parties who are interested in managing and operating the main deck during the abovementioned time period, which would include the provision of food and beverage.

Waterpolo News

Last year the Club had yet another successful season winning the BOV summer league, the U/17 league and also finishing second in the U/15 league.

With respect to the coaching staff, Nenad Navarin, assisted by Rainer Scerri, will continue to be responsible for all the Club's junior squads other than the U/13 squad for which Niki Lanzon will be responsible. The senior team will continue to be coached by Jovan Popovic, whilst Matthew Pisani will continue to serve in his role as team manager of the senior team for the remainder of the year.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, foreign players will not be included in the 2022 waterpolo campaign. The committee is confident that the senior team will once again challenge for the top honours, despite the exclusion of foreign players.

There were no changes to the format of the BOV summer league.

After many years at the Club, Benji and Sebi Busuttil joined Valletta and we would like to thank them for their contribution to the Club and wish them well for the future. We would also like to thank Andrew Bugeja for his contribution to the Club and wish him well at his new club, Valletta.

Club Projects

After submitting an application for funding from the Central Region Council, the Club managed to secure an amount of funds in order to carry out works at the Club.

The works being carried out at street level are only temporary. Said works include a temporary brick enclosure 7 courses high (circa 1.8m) in which two gas tanks will be housed while the existing ramp down to the Club is demolished and reinstated. The existing gas tank (currently used to heat the pool and service the caterers) is situated adjacent to the ramp and in the interest of public safety it was decided by our consultant and REWS (the local authority responsible for such matters) to empty and move said tank during works. Said brick enclosure will also form part of the site hoarding which will be erected in the coming days as per local construction building practices and as the club is obliged to do by law.

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All works are being carried out under PA and REWS permits, and also under BCA approval, with insurance cover etc also in hand, again as is required by law.

The Club is delighted to announce that said works will also include the installation of a new electric heat pump which will significantly reduce the carbon footprint to heat the pool for 8 months each year. Based on our engineer's calculations, the savings in CO2 are equivalent to planting 15,000 trees each year. The heat pump will also substantially reduce the localised emissions of the existing gas boiler.

All works are expected to be completed by the end of May 2022.

Honorary President

The committee would like to inform its members that Tony Cachia was appointed as Honorary President of the Club. Tony is one of the Club's longest serving members and has contributed significantly to the Club over the years, serving as Club secretary between 1971-1985, and between 1991-1993.

If deemed necessary, the committee shall issue another circular with updated information closer to summer. In the meantime, we wish you all another enjoyable year at the Club.

We kindly request that you to like and follow the Club's <u>Facebook page</u> for news and updates.

Yours Sincerely,

The Committee