



**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**7<sup>th</sup> July 2014**  
**Held at the Archer's Manor**

President Tony Benneworth opened the Board Meeting at 6pm and thanked Warren Groves, Match Committee Chairman for attending the meeting to discuss the Match Committee recommendations.

**Present:**

Tony Benneworth, Gaylene McNab, Tony Butters, Sandra Krushka, Brenda Jones, Natalie Hill, David Sims and Les Harrison.

**Apologies:** Margaret Pearce and Marleen van den Bosch

Warren Groves reported on the Match Committee:

- The calendar of events has been finalised and emailed to the clubs.
- Bowls North are communicating with Bowls South to compile a common COP for Saturday Pennant.
- Discussion on the Thursday pennant Match Committee recommendation:

**a. Saturday men can play in Thursday pennant as follows from:**

- Premier & Division 1      Lead, 2, in Division 1  
  Cannot play in the lower divisions.
- Divisions 2 & 3              Lead, 2, in Division 1 and 2  
  Cannot play in the lower divisions
- Divisions 4 & 5              Lead, 2, in Division 1, 2 and 3  
  Cannot play in the lower division
- Division 6 & 7              Lead, 2, in all Divisions.

➤ All of the above to be revised for season 2015-16.

**b. Male bowlers playing Thursday Pennant ONLY shall only play as a lead, two or three**

**c. Clubs whose Thursday Division 4 side does not have any eligible Div 6 or 7 club men may use men from their lowest Saturday side as a lead or two only (there are currently 3 such clubs, Cressy, Lilydale and Ravenswood)**

- **d. Sides competing in Thursday Pennant shall play no more than 2 eligible men per rink and 6 eligible men per side. (Total from a. b. and c. above)**
- Note: "Saturday men" refers to regular players in these Divisions as per the definition included in the Open Gender (Filgate) COP recommendations.

➤ Resolved that the BN Match Committee recommendations be accepted.



- BT Women & Men's Fours, Pairs & Singles played 2<sup>nd</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup> January
  - Warren had a meeting with Garry Beven, Chris Lee and Tony Benneworth.
    - Outcome: A task group to be organised.
- There will be no under 25 SWC:
  - 3 players under 25 must be included in the Northern Open Female & Male sides.

### **Confirmation of Minutes as circulated be accepted**

Moved Brenda Jones

That the Minutes dated 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2014 that had been circulated be taken as read and be adopted.

- Seconded Les Harrison CARRIED

### **Business arising from previous minutes:**

BN tops for the over 60s sides to be purchased. All players in the second sides are to wear their club tops.

### **Correspondence - list of inward & outward circulated**

- BT Director position vacancy with the resignation of Nicole Smith
  - Lyn Mitchell to be approached as she was the only other nominee.
  - Bowls Australia over ruled the changes to the Bowls Tasmania constitution.
  - East Coast letter – a meeting held with the East Coast President & Secretary.
    - Outcome – St. Helens 3rd side in the Northern pennant denied.
    - East Coast for season 2015-16 to be 12 aside.
    - East Coast pennant winner to play Division 4 in the state pennant finals
      - This will be a 4 side play off.
      - If the East Coast has a second division in season 2015-16 the winner of this division will play off in state pennant finals at Division 6.

Moved by Natalie Hill

That the correspondence received be accepted and the outwards endorsed.

- Seconded Les Harrison. CARRIED

### **Treasurer Report by Tony Butters**

Moved Tony Butters

That payments for \$2,295.84 as at 7<sup>th</sup> July 2014 as paid be ratified.

- Seconded Brenda Jones. CARRIED

Moved Tony Butters

That the financial report as presented for the 7<sup>th</sup> July 2014 be accepted.

- Seconded Charlie Thomas. CARRIED

The Raffle audit has been completed.

The current bank statement is to be sighted and signed at each meeting.

Dates are to be set for Club training with MYOB.

- A fee of \$50 will be charged.

Tony Butters explained that due to changes in the tax laws the Auditor approved at the AGM is unable to audit the BN Financials.

Moved by Tony Butters

That James Gibson be appointed as the Bowls North Auditor for season 2014-2015.

- Seconded Charlie Thomas.

### **Reports:**

#### **Umpires and Coaches by Les Harrison:**

Waiting on information from the BT EO re accreditation of umpires, a new system is being organised by Bowls Australia.

A lack of Presenters and Assessors to take the courses in Tasmania is an issue.

#### **Women's Section by Sandra Krushka:**

Memo for Expressions of Interest for Selectors & a Coach, and players for Northern Squad have been forwarded to clubs.

- Will be viewed and process will continued with Marleen van den Bosch when she returns from holidays.

#### **Men's Section by Charlie Thomas:**

Lightning Premiership is being introduced.

- A notice to be sent to all clubs, including the format.
- Sponsorship is being sort after.

Men's Coach, Charlie Thomas nominated Chris Dudman, Charlie is to follow up.

#### **Publicity by Natalie Hill:**

Lyn Mitchell and Greg Baker are continuing their Examiner columns.

Special events articles inclusion in the Examiner and photographers are to be organised.

- Website and Facebook to be utilised where ever possible.
- Match managers to report unusual incidents to be included in write ups.

#### **Under 18 by David Sims:**

Michael Oliver is to continue as the Coach.

A coaching day for the East Coast juniors is to be organised.

#### **Marketing:**

Mitsubishi providing pennant and Championship score cards.

Car raffle (Mitsubishi Car) for season 2014-2015 is to be organised by Tony Butters.

#### **General Business:**

**Patron:**

Moved by Tony Benneworth  
That John McKenna be accepted as the Bowls North Male patron. Seconded Charlie Thomas  
**CARRIED**

President Tony is to advise John McKenna of the position. Olive Bennett is the Female Patron.

BN Championship fee increase required:

- Assist with the payment for Umpires, officiating at these events.
- Clubs hosting the event receive \$2 per player.

Payment of the Championship fees:

- To be reviewed by the Secretary and the Treasurer.

David Sims advised that due to his work commitments he is having difficulty in attending meetings. Sandra Krushka asked if an information session can be held to advise members of what the requirements are to do the Umpire and Coach courses.

- To be included at a forum.

Moved by Charlie Thomas  
That the Bowls North championship fee be increased to \$10. Seconded Natalie Hill  
**CARRIED**

**The next meeting** will be held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2014 at the BN office at 6.30pm.

Meeting closed at 7.15pm.

Following the meeting, a dinner was held with Lyn and Kent Mitchell attending, to recognise and thank Lyn for her contribution to Bowls North during her time as a Director on the Board.

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President

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Date