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Board Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2015
Held at the BN Office

1. President Charlie Thomas opened the meeting at 5.31pm and welcomed Bill Hodgetts from Scamander Bowls Club representing the East Coast Clubs. President Charlie asked the member present to “ratify Greg Smith to fill the vacancy for the Men’s Board Directors” Ratified. President Charlie welcomed Greg to the meeting.

2. **Present:** Charlie Thomas, Marleen van den Bosch, Gaylene McNab, Tony Butters, John Bowerman. Sandra Krushka, Brenda Jones, Maxine Monson, Marlene Bushby, Greg Smith, Kent Mitchell and Bill Hodgetts (East Coast Clubs’ representative).

3. **Apologies:**

4. **Confirmation of Minutes as circulated be accepted**

Moved Tony Butters

That the Minutes dated October 5, 2015 that had been circulated be taken as read and be adopted

- Seconded Brenda Jones CARRIED

5. **Business arising from previous minutes:**

5.1 BN BT elected Director – Sue Ross has been nominated and ratified as the BN BT elected Director.

5.2 Governance Training held with Leigh Oswin. President Charlie spoke and informed the meeting of “Conflict of Interest”, members to declare their conflict on agenda matters. Members may be included in the discussion but unable to vote, otherwise be excused from the room while discussion is held.

Conflict of Interest Bill Hodgetts, Agenda Item 11

5.3 President Charlie spoke with David Sims re his position on the Board.

5.4 Sponsorship – a proposal letter is being drafted.

6. **Correspondence - list of inward & outward circulated**

6.1 Forum – President & Secretary November 23, at 7pm, venue Kings Meadows Bowls Club. Memo has been emailed to clubs.

6.2 Pennant sides’ collator filled. Clubs emailed the details.

6.3 Anti Discrimination Claim – date TBA

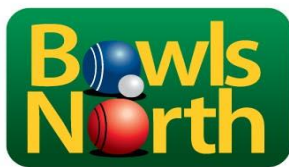
6.4. Sam Springer letter read and discussed. The Bowls Tasmania Veolia Selection Policy over rides the Bowls North Selection Policy (adopted September 2015).

- Action: letter of response required.

6.5 PCz4U – quote for re printer/scanner/copier.

6.6 Bowls Tasmania, BN Over 60s selectors required. Rebecca Van Asch and Chris Dudman have resigned.

6.7 St. Helens letters – for discussion in Agenda Item 11.



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6.8 Craig Johnston's letter changes to the East Coast Association Constitution.

- For discussion in Agenda Item 11.

6.9 Westbury Bowls Club letter re Examiner Saturday column re Thursday pennant headlines.

Kent Mitchell removed himself from the meeting "conflict of Interest". Discussion held, green keepers comments," found the column disrespectful".

- Outcome: President Charlie and Deputy President Marleen to meet with Lyn Mitchell.

Kent Mitchell invited back into the meeting.

Moved by Brenda Jones

That the Inward correspondence received be accepted and the Outwards endorsed.

- Seconded John Bowerman CARRIED

7. Clearance as circulated accepted and ratified

8. Tony Butters presented and explained the Budget Analysis.

Moved Tony Butters

That the October, 2015 Bank Register containing Cheques 802854 – 802860 and Direct Debits of \$6,258.90 as paid, be approved and ratified.

-Seconded Sandra Krushka CARRIED

Moved Tony Butters

That the Financial Report dated October 2015 as presented be accepted and approved.

- Seconded Sandra Krushka CARRIED

Tony Butters reported issue with electronic funds transfers, clubs are required to note in the description what payment is for. Agenda item for the Forum.

9. Reports:

9.1 Women's Section by Sandra Krushka:

A hugely testing month with the finalising of the Northern Ladies Team to play at Latrobe on Sunday 8th November 2015.

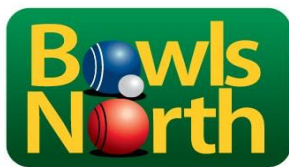
We started with 9 State Squad players plus 3 selected players then we lost 3 State Squad members for various reasons. This put added pressure onto our mentor/coach Mark and selectors Sophie, Margaret and Greg. After a lot of work and time we are now back on track with our Northern Team.

The system of automatic selection for the State Squad members looked great on paper but once the players dropped out what was a straight forward situation ended up adding huge pressure to the process. This definitely needs to be reviewed with Bowls Tasmania at seasons end. Players are either in or out, there should be no half way when it comes to representing the North and ultimately our State.

Our 12 Northern Team members are:

Rebecca Van Asch, Maxine Monson, Maxine Viney, Rebecca McMaster, Satya Springer, Barbara Smith, Maggie Campbell, Sheryl Watts, Kim Saunders, Maureen Zoon, Terese





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Termine, Vicki Winley. Because of withdrawals from this team we only have 2 under 35 players in our squad.

9.4 Men's Section by John Bowerman:

As per the Veolia State wide challenge Conditions of Play, State players plus the Development side named are to be included plus 3 under 25 players if this is not adhered to a letter of explanation is to be sent to Bowls Tasmania.

The letter from Sam Springer was disappointing.

There is a stigma to the second side as being a lower standard, not the case. The players in the second side have the opportunity to be sighted by the Bowls Tasmania selectors.

A meeting with the side has been organised in preparation for the first round of the State wide Challenge.

Men's Side:

Matt Mitchell, Andrew Whitmore, Adam Gurr, David Minns, SKIP
Joey Thomas, Daniel Hollingsworth, Chris Roach, Simon Zaparozec, SKIP
Matt Jackson, Victor Goss, Will Springer, Scott Summers, SKIP
Emergency, Corey Bowerman.

9.3 Women's Over 60s by Brenda Jones:

Practice has been organised for November 18, Kings Meadows Bowls Club and players informed.

9.4 Men's Over 60s by Kent Mitchell:

With the resignation of Chris Dudman, Col Ward for the interim has taken his place, discussion are taking place with Mick Oliver to come on board.

Practice will be held November 11 from 5pm – 7pm, awaiting confirmation of venue.

Information will be forwarded to Pat Bennett for the website and advertised in the Examiner.

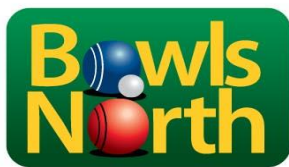
9.6 Umpires and Coaches by Tony Butters:

Since the last meeting umpires appointed for National Senior Sides - 18 umpires used BN Triples - 2 umpires appointed. Junior SWC - Nov 8 - 1 umpire appointed.

It is hard requesting umpires to be available when we cannot tell them the venue. Is it possible that as soon as the Match Committee makes a decision I could be informed Even a possible venue would also assist, as most umpires will agree to assist, but would like to know a possible venue.

In discussion with BTAS the following topics were discussed & need to be clarified by BN Board.

1. - Umpire Accreditation Course. A course has been scheduled for next year – May.
As most of the Northern Regional umpires have expired we need to apply for dates to have those umpires re-accredited or else they completely expire & will need to complete the 3 tier programme.
 - o Action: Tony Butters as his Portfolio is to organise dates with Bowls Tasmania.
2. - Payment to Umpires- discussion held. No, outcome. Carry over to the next meeting.



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9.7 Under 18s by Tony Butters:

Under 18 State-wide Challenge 11 players and only 1 female (two required as per the COP).

Brenda Jones removed herself from the meeting at 7.20pm.

10. General Business:

10.1 Greg Smith – some members are only paying affiliation fee and a social membership. What does this entitled them? A Club issue.

- o Forum. Agenda Item

10.2 John Bowerman –

- o Bowls Tasmania over 60s selectors close November 6, 2015.
- o Dwindling club membership. Forum Agenda Item.
- o Examiner Sunday column words compared with North West.

10.3 Kent Mitchell

- o Why the change to the Conditions of Play after the start of the season?
To assist clubs to keep their lowest sides on the green.

11. East Coast Clubs: Bill Hodgetts removed himself from the meeting “Conflict of Interest”

Craig Johnston and St. Helens’ letters tabled.

Members present informed of the BN Executive meeting with the East Coast Clubs. Discussion held.

Moved by Greg Smith

That all correspondence be forwarded to the BN solicitor for a report”

Seconded Marleen van den Bosh

CARRIED

The next meeting will be held on Monday December 7, 2015 at 5.30pm at the BN Office.

The President declared the meeting closed at 7.50pm.

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President

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Date

