

**Board Meeting Minutes
8th October 2012
Held at the East Launceston Bowls Club**

President Tony Benneworth opened the Board Meeting at 6.28pm.

Present:

Tony Benneworth, Joyce Shaw, Gaylene McNab, Margaret Turner, Lyn Mitchell, Brenda Jones, Sam Springer, Charlie Thomas, Scott Summers, David Sims, & Margaret Pearce.

Apologies: Marilyn Widdowson

Meeting adjourned for 15 minutes for the Board members to inspect premises for the BN office relocation.

Confirmation of Minutes as circulated be accepted

Moved Lyn Mitchell

That the Minutes dated 3rd September 2012 that had been circulated be taken as read and be adopted. - Seconded Margaret Pearce

Business arising from previous minutes

- Honour Board – cost of \$547.37. For inclusion of the budget for season 2013-2014. Secretary to liaise with Doc Signs.
- Greens Committee – Chairman Scott Summers, Will Springer and Kim Saunders. Ratified.
- Bowls Tasmania President Tony King unable to attend the Board meeting due to a prior commitment and is to be invited to the next meeting.
- BN Office relocation

Moved by Brenda Jones

That the BN office is to be relocated to East Launceston and Bowls North allocate no more than \$2000 to assist in renovation to the rooms. Seconded Scott Summers

CARRIED

Ravenswood Green has been assessed by the Greens Committee and the following recommendation made:

- We (the Greens Committee) commend the Ravenswood Bowls Club on the work completed to improve the surface and encourage them to continue works on improving the green further, with the new equipment sure to help this process.

- We have no hesitation in confirming that the green is fit for pennant play and unless further information comes to hand, we do not believe future inspections or monitoring of the green are necessary.

Correspondence - list of inward & outward circulated

- Media Coverage – sponsorship for coverage. President Tony to follow up.
- BT Regional Consultative Committee meeting outcome:
 - A forum for all BN members will be held on Monday 19th November 2012 at the Kings Meadows Bowls Club at 7pm. An agenda to be circulated when the minutes are received for the BT Regional Consultative Committee meeting.
- Lilydale coloured trousers – approval for coloured trousers but 2 year transitional period denied as Bowls North Conditions of Play states:

3.2 ATTIRE (refer also Clause 1.9)

- *Teams / Sides members must ALL be in identical Club uniform as approved by Bowls North.*
- *Teams/Sides members must ALL wear white/green or club approved shorts/pants/slacks/dress as approved by Bowls Australia.*
- *New players in the club's lowest division may be permitted to wear a plain white top in special circumstances.*
 - Lyn Mitchell asked to be noted that she disagreed with the denial of the two year transitional period.

Moved by Charlie Thomas

That inwards correspondence be accepted & outwards be endorsed –

-Seconded by David Sims CARRIED

Clearances as circulated be accepted & ratified.

Treasurer's Report

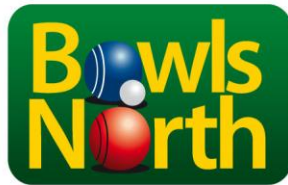
Margaret Turner distributed copies and explained her report.

Moved Margaret Turner

That payments for \$383.99 as paid be ratified - seconded by David Sims. CARRIED

Moved Margaret Turner

That the financial report as presented be accepted- seconded by Lyn Mitchell. CARRIED



Reports

Umpires/Coaches Report by Joyce Shaw:

Umpires and Markers are to be commended on their professionalism whilst officiating at the BA Junior Championships held at North Launceston Bowls Club 1st- 4th October.

Women's Saturday Pennant by Brenda Jones:

4 sides have been entered, Scottsdale, Exeter, Trevallyn & East Launceston.

Brenda is to liaise with Warren Groves and Gaylene McNab to draw up a roster and circulate to clubs.

Match Committee

A Club only having a single gender pennant side is being penalised by the Conditions of Play

- Clause 3.29.3 Such opposite gender players shall be regular members (see Note 2 definition below) of that clubs lowest pennant side.

The Match Committee has give consideration to an exception to the rule for a Club with a single gender pennant side.

Match Committee Resolution:

- ***"That a Club with only single gender pennant sides are able to use no more than 4 opposite gender non pennant playing members in their club's lowest division."***
- That Scottsdale women's request to remain in Division 2 be accepted and that the Trevallyn Division 1 side that was relegated 2011-2012 remain in Division 1

The above Match committee decisions ratified.

Youth by David Sims:

A letter was received from the Bowls Tasmania President Tony King in response to allegations of misconduct, no further action required.

Margaret Turner informed the Board that only 39 junior bowlers are registered, numbers down on last season.

Women's Report by Margaret Pearce

Northern, development & composite squad selected. Practice and coaching is being held at the Kings Meadows Indoor Complex.

Margaret asked if the Northern squad could wear white trousers/shorts etc instead of the green with the Northern top. Margaret is to make the decision after consultation with the Northern side.

Five (5) Northern players have been selected in the BT over 60's side, the Championship is being held in Canberra.

Margaret Pearce new phone no. is 6344 7675.

Men's Section by Sam Springer

The Challenger league Lightning Premiership was a success, with North Launceston as the winner.

Men's Northern squad of 16 has been selected.

Greens Committee by Scott Summers

Men's Statewide Pennant first round is being held at the Kings Meadows bowls Club. An email has been sent to BT EO confirming venue.

Greens Committee inspected the Ravenswood Green, report submitted to Bowls North Secretary.

Statewide Pennant Men's Round 2 & Women's 1st round both being held on 11th November 2012, preference would have been to hold at one venue but North Launceston's 4th green is not available, separate venues to be allocated.

General Business

Margaret Turner - bowlers playing organised midweek games, should they be affiliated?

Sam Springer – introduction of the Sporting Pulse data base.

- Sam Springer, Scott Summers, Gaylene McNab and with assistance from Pat Bennett to dedicate time to train Club Secretaries in the use of the electronic membership base. The database to be implemented next season.

Scott Summers congratulated those involved in running the Challenger League Lightning Premiership.

Charlie Thomas asked if name badges were compulsory. Name badges are not compulsory but are etiquette.

David Sims thanked all for attending and supporting the BA under 18 championships.

President Tony & the Bowls North Board congratulate the North Launceston Bowls Club, Green Keeper Ray Boutcher and all members for their hard work during the Bowls Tasmania Junior Championship in making the BA Junior championship a success event.

Thank you to Marie Cleaver for her hard work and involvement in the BA Championships.

President Tony asked David Sims to convey congratulations to his son Michael on his achievement of making the BA under 18 squad.

President Tony expressed his thanks to Board members who attend Club opening days as his nominee.

St. Helens Bowls Club has a green mower for sale; contact St. Helens Secretary Ian Blades.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 12th November, 2012 at 6.30pm at the Kings Meadows Bowls Club.

Meeting closed at 7.58pm

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President

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