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MEMO FROM BOWLS NORTH PRESIDENT

SUPER LEAGUE PROPOSAL

A proposal was received regarding establishing a Super League. This was discussed at a Board meeting and was decided to conduct a forum to determine more information. This Forum was conducted on the 12th Feb with approx. 32 members from 11 clubs present.

Discussion took place and questions answered. A questionnaire was distributed and completed forms returned. This data was presented to the next Board meeting, at that Board meeting it was decided that clubs be invited to provide feedback.

The Board is interested in this initiative and wishes to “thrash it out”, with the view of implementation as soon as practicable.

The Basic Proposal

Offer an invitation to six teams from the current Premier Division, to form a “Super League”. Name to be determined, hopefully by sponsorship “Naming rights sponsor”.

Each team would provide a member to represent that team in a match committee function for that league.

Conditions of Play for this League would be drawn up by this match committee functioning group.

Each playing team would consist of twelve members. The four remaining Premier Division teams, along with four teams from the current Division1 would form the new Premier Division.



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The Six remaining teams of the current Division 1 be joined by two teams from the current Division 2 structure.

Premier, Division 1 and Division 2 would continue to play an 18-week pennant season. This would work on a rotational roster of 2.5 (Every two years would generate the complete rotation).

Promotion and relegation would remain the same as now. At the present we have ten teams in these three divisions. (30 teams)

The proposal would have a Super League of 6 teams, Premier, Div1 and Div2 would each have 8 teams resulting in 30 teams.

There is no proposed change at all, to Division 3 to Division 6.

Expectations

The Super League will have the ability to roster games when and where they choose. This could be at any time agreeable to all. It is envisaged that these games would, where ever possible, be live streamed. This would definitely give our game greater exposure and enable sponsors to gain exposure through this, thus contributing to our game.

It would not only make the Super League more competitive but also improve the competition through the Premier, 1 and 2 Divisions.

More flexibility for the Super League to trial, whatever they as a group, wish to.

Comments that the stronger clubs will get stronger, and the weaker clubs will struggle, are being heard.



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This is happening now and has been for the past 7-8 years.

If nothing is changed, the future will not change. If we don't change direction somehow, we will end up where we are headed.

Attached are the forum notes, the questionnaire, data and comments from the forum.

Board Members will be available to attend your club, if requested, to either meet with members or Boards/committee. They will either answer your questions or find out the correct response and get back to you. It is requested that your club provide feedback to the Board of Bowls North by the 30th April 2019.

Regards

Garry Beven

Bowls North President