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**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**2 August 2021**  
**Held at North Launceston Bowls Club**

**1. Opening**

President Greg opened meeting at 7 pm.

**2. Attendance/Apologies**

**Present:** John Glisson, Marlene Bushby, Vicki Bassett, Pat Wilkinson, Dennis Bassett, Aaron Page, Madge Strochnetter, David Heron, Greg Thomas, Greg Smith

**Apologies:** Maxine Viney, Rae Simpson

**3. Conflict of Interest**

**\*\* Declaration of Interest applies to all board members and requires individuals to declare any outside interests that could conflict with, have the potential to conflict, or could be perceived to conflict with the interests of the association.**

Nil interests declared

**4. Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

**RESOLUTION:**

That the minutes dated 5 July 2021 that have been circulated be taken as read and adopted.

Moved by: John Glisson

Seconded: Dennis Bassett

Carried 10/0

**5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

Bowls Tasmania Board appointments query.

- Response received from Bowls Tasmania and matter resolved.

Bowls Tasmania State Finals –

- At the recent East Coast Forum held on 11 July 2021. East Coast clubs was in agreeance to abide with any decision made regarding the division that they compete in Bowls Tasmania state finals. To be taken to next RCC meeting.

RCC Meeting delegates –

- Discussion held on meeting delegates for RCC meetings

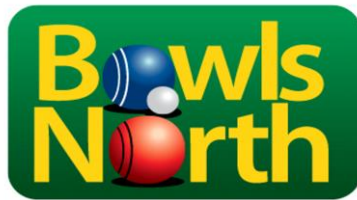
**RESOLUTION:**

That the RCC Delegates remain as Bowls North President and Bowls North Secretary. Bowls North Board to appoint delegates for meetings if President and Secretary are unable to attend

Moved by: Aaron Page

Seconded by Dennis Bassett

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Bowls Tasmania Thursday State Finals –

- No official notification has been received regarding the Thursday State Finals as discussed at RCC meeting held on 25 May 2021.

Insurance Claim –

- Ongoing BN President to follow up.

## **6. Inward and Outward Correspondence**

A list of inward and outward correspondence was circulated.

### **RESOLUTION:**

That the inward and outward correspondence received be accepted and outward endorsed as circulated.

Moved by: Marlene Bushby

Seconded: Pat Wilkinson

Carried 10/0

## **7. Business Arising from Correspondence**

Hearing Australia Sponsorship –

- Discussion ongoing with Hearing Australia regarding sponsorship for BN pennant scorecards and Championship event.

### **RESOLUTION:**

That if sponsorship is received from Hearing Australia that the funds be used for prizemoney for the 2021-22 Bowls North Men's and Women's Over 60's pairs championship.

Moved by: Madge Strochnetter

Seconded: Marlene Bushby

Carried 10/0

Query on BN Sponsorship packages –

- Sponsorship packages for potential sponsors were completed and are available from BN Secretary if required.

## **8. Treasurers Report**

### **RESOLUTION:**

I move that income totalling .45 cents for the month of July 2021 and expenses totalling \$1 570.80 for the same period be ratified as paid.

I can confirm that Bowls North Inc is trading in a solvent position.

Moved by David Heron

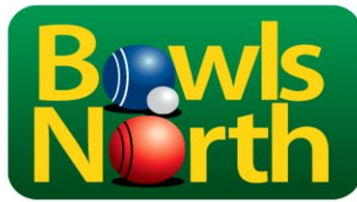
Seconded by John Glisson

Carried 10/0

## **9. General Business**

### **9.1 Fees for 2021-22**

Capitation meeting was held on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021, with twenty-three (23) Bowls North clubs in attendance.



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Discussion held from feedback & suggestions received from clubs -

The two (2) options are –

- Player registration system stay the same – user pays as per previous seasons
- Levy each club based on last years memberships as recorded on Bowls Link Portal as at March 31, 2021.

Concerns\Issues

- The 15% safety net offered by Bowls Tasmania, only applies to the regional authorities, not individual clubs.
- Tremendous advantages in the new system for progressive clubs
- Concerns over player movements to other clubs
- No growth in the game.
- No idea on how clubs are going with membership if they have gained or lost members.
- Concerns for smaller clubs under the fixed capitation model.
- Bowls South are using the user pay method for this season and forming a sub committee to investigate how to move forward with the Fixed Capitation fee model.
- Bowls Northwest have sent clubs two (2) invoices – 1 to cover Bowls Tasmania fee and the other to cover Bowls Northwest fee based on membership on the portal on the 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2021.
- Feeling gained by Bowls North from Capitation meeting, is that clubs preferred user pay system.
- Bowls North needs to consider a fee for a player who only plays three (3) games or less.
- Bowls Tasmania Capitation fee for the next two (2) years has a 3% CPI increase
- BN Treasurer likes the Bowls South approach to the fixed capitation fee model for this year. A subcommittee needs to be set up the, which should include members from BN clubs along with two Bowls North Board members to investigate and make recommendations to the Board. The sub committee to cover the following –
  - Fixed Fee model moving forward
  - Reduced fee for a member who only play 2 to 3 games.
  - Rules & Regulations regarding BN Conditions of Play.
  - Exploring on how Bowls North can be proactive and get more players one the green.

#### **RESOLUTION:**

That the fee collection structure remains the same and a subcommittee is formed consisting of two (2) Bowls North Board members along with three (3) Bowls North members to investigate the best way to implement the Capitation fee model moving forward and make recommendations to the Bowls North Board.

Moved: Aaron Page

Seconded: Dennis Bassett

Carried 10/0

#### **RESOLUTION:**

That the fees for 2021-22 be –

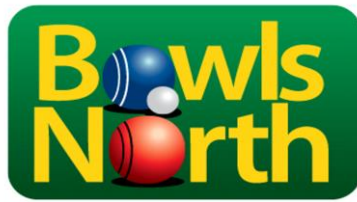
Adult \$90 – (\$33 Bowls North fee & \$57 Bowls Tasmania component)

Junior \$40 – (\$14 Bowls North fee & \$26 Bowls Tasmania component)

Moved By: David Heron

Seconded by Greg Thomas

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## **9.2 Conditions of Play**

Final list of changes was presented to the Board for approval.

- 1.7 - Use of Electronic devices – changed wording
- 1.11 - Bowls Discs – changed wording
- 1.13 - Registrations and Clearances – changed wording and dates
- 2.2 - Draws for Matches – changed wording
- 2.5 - Duties of Host Club & Match Committee – changed wording
- 2.10 - Singles Format – added (b)
- 2.22 - Protected Players – deleted
- 2.22 - Code of Conduct – added
- 3.9 - Starting Time, Designated Breaks and No Shows – changed start times
- 3.32 - Finals – changed wording
- Appendix B – Other Considerations – changed wording
- Appendix C – Match Managers – changed wording
- Appendix C – Score cards – changed wording
- Appendix C - Eight Badges – deleted
- Appendix F – Bowls Australia Greens Protection Policy
- Scoring System – Added mixed pairs

### **RESOLUTION:**

That the changes to Conditions of Play for 2021-22 as presented be adopted.

Moved by: Dennis Bassett

Seconded By Marlene Bushby

Carried 10/0

List of changes will be sent to club's and placed on website. Conditions of Play document will be sent out to clubs and placed on website.

## **9.3 Women's Only & Men's Midweek Pennant Competition**

Discussion held on Bowls North Pennant structure.

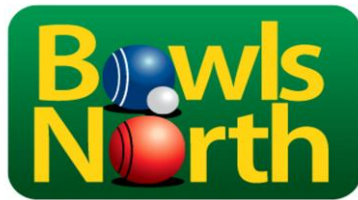
- 2015-16 Women's only pennant was conducted alongside Thursday open gender pennant, with competition only being played for two season due to the lack of numbers.
- Several BN clubs do not have sufficient members to run separate competitions.
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To be taken to the next Bowls North President & Secretary's forum for further discussion amongst the clubs.

## **9.4 State Conditions of Play**

Discussion held on Conditions of Play across the three regions.

- To be taken to next RCC meeting to try and implement the same Conditions of Play across the three regions.



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## 9.5 BN Policies

The following policies was presented to Board for endorsement –

BOWLS AUSTRALIA	BOWLS TASMANIA	BOWLS NORTH
Member Protection Policy	Inclusion Policy	Code of Conduct Policy
Artificial Devices Policy		Player Code of Conduct Policy
Greens Protection Policy		Disciplinary Regulations Policy
		Junior Selection Policy
		Life Membership Policy
		Serious Injury Policy
		Social Media Policy
		Uniform Policy
		Working With Vulnerable People Policy
		Board Confidentiality Policy
		Selection Policy

### RESOLUTION:

That the policies as presented be endorsed and adopted.

Moved by: Vicki Bassett

Seconded by John Glisson

Carried 10/0

## 9.6 Umpires

Query was raised regarding umpires/markers courses and reaccreditation.

- All queries should be directed to Bowls North Umpires Coordinator Geoff Anderson.

## 10. Next Meeting

To be held on Monday 6 September 2021 at North Launceston Bowls Club.

## 11. Closure of Meeting

President Greg closed meeting at 8.50pm.

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President

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Date