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Board Meeting Minutes
6 September 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, Rae Simpson Maxine Viney

Apologies: Nil

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 2 August 2021 that have been circulated be taken as read and adopted.

Moved by: John Glisson

Seconded: Madge Strochnetter

Carried 12/0

5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

RCC Meeting Delegates – Discussion held on who attends Bowls Tasmania RCC Meeting representing Bowls North and that the motion passed on 2 August 2021 be rescinded.

RESOLUTION:

That the following motion tabled at the Bowls North Board meeting on 2nd August 2021 be rescinded and the following motion tabled.

That the Bowls North President and one (1) other Bowls North Board Member attends the RCC Meetings representing Bowls North.

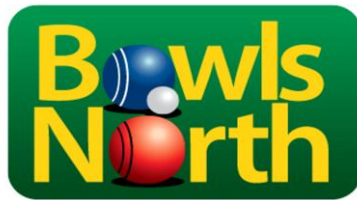
Moved by Rae Simpson

Seconded: Marlene Bushby

Carried 12/0

Bowls Tasmania Thursday State Finals and Bowls Tasmania Bowler of the Year.

- No official notification has been received from Bowls Tasmania regarding Thursday State finals or announcement of the Bowler of the Year. To be raised at the next RCC Meeting.



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Hearing Australia Sponsorship –

- BN Secretary to follow up

Capitation Fee Meeting –

- Was well attended and great feedback/recommendations was received from clubs attending and the BN President thanked Treasurer David Heron for the work he had put into preparation of information for this meeting.

BN Subcommittee – Capitation Fee Structure Nominations –

- Expression of Interest was received from Jane Pickett (St Helens) and Scott Chellis (East). BN Board members on this committee to comprise of – David Heron, Greg Thomas, Maxine Viney. Letter to be sent to J Pickett and Scott Chellis advising them of their acceptance to this committee.

Bowls Tasmania Budget 2021-22

- Discussion held as to whether Bowls Tasmania will be re-evaluating their budget for 2021-22 due to the cancellation of Bowls Australia National Championships. Letter to be sent to Bowls Tasmania seeking clarification on this.

RESOLUTION:

That Bowls North writes to Bowls Tasmania and asks if it is re-evaluate their budget estimates in light of all Bowls Australia National Championships have been cancelled for this season.

Moved by: Rae Simpson

Seconded: Maxine Viney

Carried 12/0

Umpires Meeting –

- Meeting was held with twenty (20) BN member attending. Discussion was held regarding the use of a concealed microphone connected to a player's hearing aid. Bowls Tasmania Umpires Director is to investigate this and inform Bowls North. Dumping mats was also discussed. BN Secretary to follow up with Geoff Anderson. Umpires/Measurers courses to be conducted soon in the Northern region.

Conditions of Play –

- Bowls North to raise at the next RCC meeting on the proposal of the same Conditions of Play across the three (3) regions.

BN Policies –

- All Bowls North policies have been updated. Policies are available from the Bowls North website.

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: Maxine Viney

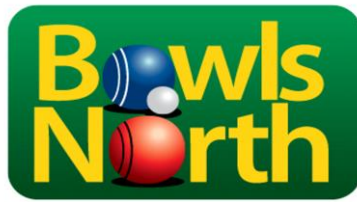
Seconded: Rae Simpson

Carried 12/0

7. Business Arising from Correspondence

Promotion & Relegation –

- Two (2) clubs have responded. Email to be sent to clubs.



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BN Competition Portal Training

- No further correspondence has been received regarding request for assistance.

Bowls Australia Regional Bowls Manger Tasmania appointment –

- Bowls North has not received any official notification of the appointment of Rob Soward to this position.

BN Pennant Roster 2021-22 Queries –

- Letters was received from Bridport and Exeter regarding rosters for 2021-22. Discussion held around club's concerns.

RESOLUTION:

That the Bowls North Pennant roster as presented by the Match Committee for 2021-22 Bowls North Pennant Season is to remain the same as presented. Any further concerns need to be discussed with Bowls North President.

Move by: Dennis Bassett

Seconded: Greg Thomas

Carried 12/0

8. Treasurers Report

RESOLUTION:

I move that income totalling \$4 465.40 for the month of August 2021 and expenses totalling \$1 864.35 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: Marlene Bushby

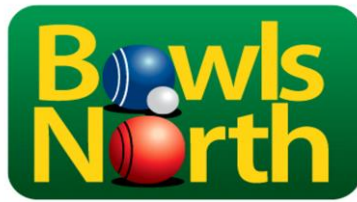
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9. General Business

9.1 BN Championships Outsourcing

Proposal compiled by David Heron, Aaron Page and Chris Lee was discussed.

- BN need to generate more entries into events and restore the prestige to Bowls North Championship events.
- The proposal is for individual clubs to run the event on behalf of Bowls North, with the possibility of the club securing sponsorship to entice more entries. There are a lot in incentives for clubs to run these events.
- Feedback received from clubs, is that they require six (6) to eight (8) weeks' notice so that they could really prepare for staging BN championship events.
- Clubs will need to be able to meet BN guidelines.
- Greens will need to be inspected by Greens committee once Expression of Interest is received.
- Triples and Mixed pairs to be put out as a start. BN Board to elevate once championship event has been completed.
- This proposal needs to be taken to President/Secretary forum for further discussion with clubs.
- The BN Board to make the final decision as to where these events are held once Expression of Interest are received.



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RESOLUTION:

That the Bowls North Triples and Mixed Pairs be outsourced to clubs for Expression of Interest to stage these events.

Moved by: David Heron

Seconded: John Glisson

Carried 12/0

9.2 Smoking Policy

Issue raised through Facebook conservation regarding BN Smoking policy.

➤ Bowls Australia Smoking Policy –

The following areas shall be smoke-free at all times:

- the green.
- the bank.
- all indoor areas.
- all enclosed outdoor areas.
- all outdoor dining areas.
- all al-fresco dining areas.
- within seven (7) metres of any building entrance, or in accordance with Federal, State or Local Government regulations

➤ Bowls Tasmania Policy

- No smoking within 20 metres of Sporting Competition or seating area.
- Penalties Apply

Clubs need to take a tougher stance on players. Match Mangers/Umpires can speak to players.
Memo to be sent to clubs prior to commencement to season.

9.3 BN Life Members Capitation Fee Query

Query raised regarding capitation fees for Life Members of Bowls North.

- ### ➤ Life Members of Bowls North do not have to pay Bowls North proportion of the capitation fee. Clarification to be sought regarding Bowls Tasmania proportion of capitation fee.

9.4 SWC Player Code of Conduct Forms

Legal requirement for these forms to be signed by players competing in Statewide Challenge Series each year.

- ### ➤ BN Secretary to investigate ways for the forms to be signed electronically.

9.2 Eight Badges

Quote received for purchase of eight badges \$6 each with a minimum order of 500.

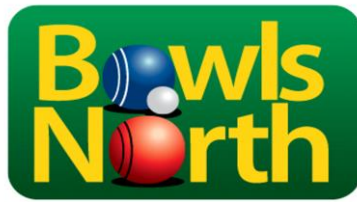
RESOLUTION:

That Bowls North Eight Badges are made redundant

Moved by: Rae Simpson

Seconded: Madge Strotchnetter

Carried 12/0



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9.3 East Coast Catering Expenses

Discussion held on this matter. Letter to be sent to East Coast clubs

9.4 COVID-19 Vaccinations

The issues were raised as to whether Bowls North needs a vaccination policy.

- To be guided by Bowls Australia and Bowls Tasmania on this issue.
- Government guidelines need to be followed
- Legal ramifications need to be looked at

BN president to follow up with The Department of Sport and Recreation and legal advisors.

9.5 SWC Uniform Order

There has been a mix up with the order placed with Premier Bowls World. This has now been rectified and replacement tops are now being sent out. The incorrect size tops that already have been received are to be kept by Bowls North at no extra cost.

9.6 RCC Meeting Delegate – Meeting 29th September 2021

Bowls North Board appointed Vice President Maxine Viney as Delegate to attend with BN President at the upcoming RCC Meeting on 29th September 2021.

9.7 Etiquette Guide Document

Etiquette Guide document was presented, and discussion held on this document.
Rae Simpson to review this document and present at next meeting.

9.8 'Pink Day' – BN Fundraiser for Breast Cancer Awareness

BN President has proposed that the second round of Thursday pennant on 28th October be called 'Pink Round'. All players are encouraged to wear something pink on this day and make a gold coin donation to the Breast Cancer Awareness Foundation.

10. Next Meeting

To be held on Monday 4 October 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