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Board Meeting Minutes
8th November 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, Dennis Bassett, Aaron Page, Maxine Viney, Madge Strochnetter, David Heron, Greg Smith, Rae Simpson, Pat Wilkinson, Greg Thomas

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.**

John Glisson, Marlene Bushby, Pat Wilkinson

4. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

RESOLUTION:

That the minutes dated 4th October 2021 that have been circulated be taken as read and adopted.

Moved by: Madge Strochnetter

Seconded: Marlene Bushby

Carried 11/0

5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Promotion & Relegation – discussion held

- Bowls North Conditions of Play will need to be amended
- Does not conflict with Bowls Tasmania Pennant Policy. Regions are responsible for conditions of play for their pennant competition
- Need to specify the number of games involved in player movements.

RESOLUTION:

That a club can have two (2) teams per division and that a player can not move to the team within the division after playing five (5) games in a particular team.

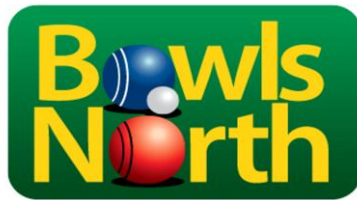
Moved by: Madge Strochnetter

Seconded: Greg Thomas

Carried 8/3

Maxine Viney, Dennis Bassett, and Rae Simpson requested for their vote against be recorded. Pat Wilkinson abstained from voting.

Bowls Tasmania state finals winner's plaques – ongoing



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Bowls Tasmania Saturday state finals

- It has been confirmed from Bowls Tasmania that continue in their current format.

East Coast State finals division –

- Received email from Bowls Tasmania regarding format for Division 3 state f. BN need to advise Bowls Tasmania of our recommendation.

RESOLUTION:

The Bowls North advises Bowls Tasmania that Bowls North recommends that the East Coast play in Saturday state finals in Division three (3) in a round robin format.

Moved by: Maxine

Seconded: David Heron

Carried 11/0

Pink Day 2021 –

- Pink Day on October 28 was a remarkable success and will be conducted next year.
- A charity day to be held in the new year for a men's health charity.

Outsourcing of BN Championship events –

- Kings Meadows will be the host club for BN Mixed Pairs. \$500 dollars sponsorship has been gained by Kings Meadows for this event. No other responses received regarding this format.

Improving the Playing Field Grants Program -

- Grant application has been lodged. If successful BN will purchase new playing jackets – hoodies & hats.

BN Forum –

- BN forum was cancelled that was to be held 3 November 2021. No agenda items were received from BN Clubs

BN Selectors Vacant Positions –

- Expression of Interest was received form Robyn Zoon Open Women's selector and Heather Thompson Over 60's Women's selector. No Expression of Interest was received for Over 60's Men's Selector. Memo to be sent to clubs asking for Match Mangers to pass onto BN members and to be placed social media.

RESOLUTION:

That Robyn Zoon be appointed as Bowls North Open Women's selector for 2021-22 and Heather Thompson be appointed as Bowls North Over 60's Women's Selector for 2021-22.

Moved by: Rae Simpson

Seconded: David Heron

Carried 11/0

6. Inward and Outward Correspondence

A list of inward and outward correspondence was circulated.

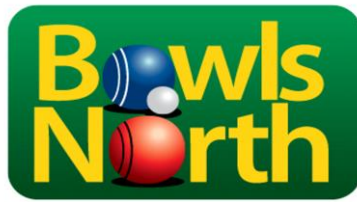
RESOLUTION:

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

Moved by: Rae Simpson

Seconded: Marlene Bushby

Carried 11/0



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7. Business Arising from Correspondence

Letters of support request was received Bass & Flinders and Scottsdale to be included in their grant applications.

8. Treasurers Report

Bowls Tasmania capitation fees have been paid for 2021-22.

- BN registration is down 144 players which equates to 12% from 2020-21. Shortfall for payment of Bowls Tasmania capitation fees was \$6000.

Finance Committee Meeting to be organised to finalise budget for 2021-22

Capitation Committee –

- Meeting to be organised. BN needs to seek feedback from clubs, Bowls Northwest & Bowls South regarding capitation fee structure and how to proceed with setting capitation fees for 2022-23
- Current capitation fee structure causes the prospect of financial stress for regions.

RESOLUTION:

I move that income totalling \$110 676.59 for the month of October 2021 and expenses totalling \$65 693.30 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: Greg Thomas

Carried 11/0

9. General Business

9.1 Substitute Players

Discussion held on allowing club to use non-affiliated social members in BN pennant matches.

- Aim to increase participation and help clubs that have a shortage of players.
- Need to consider what is in the best interest bowls in the northern region.
- Keeps teams/players on the green
- Social substitute players would only be allowed in a club's lowest division
- Heavy penalties will apply if a club is considered to be mutilating the rules. Bn acting in good faith to avoid forfeits.
- Memo to be sent to clubs.

RESOLUTION:

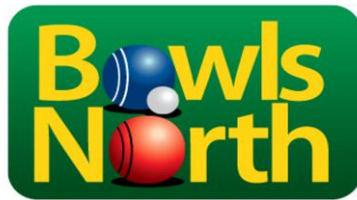
That club's can use three (3) unregistered social members of their club to play as a substitute player in a club's lowest division in Thursday or Saturday Pennant for two (2) games before any capitation fees are required to be paid to Bowls North.

Moved By: Rae Simpson

Seconded: David Heron

Carried 7/2

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9.2 BN Calendar of Events

General consensus from BN members is that the fours/triples championship games are being held to early in the season.

- Need to look at calendar of events schedule for next season rearranging games.
- Refer to Match Committee for consideration that the singles, pairs are to be played first. Triples and fours later in the season.
- Consider using long weekends to play Bn championship games.
- Play double headers to free up weekends for BN events.

9.3 Catering at BN Events

Matter was discussed and resolved.

9.4 Attire

Players still not adhering to BA NMP policy & BN Conditions of Play regarding dress code.

- Infringements need to be reported to umpires or BN Match Committee.

Memo to be sent to clubs and placed on social media.

9.5 Complaint – Alcohol

A written complaint has been received regarding players bringing alcohol onto bowls club's premises.

- Against State Government Liquor legislation and club's liquor licence.
- Club's and players can be fined.
- Club's have the right to ask player to leave the premises.
- Alcohol should not be taken onto club's premises without their permission
- Letter to sent to club's involved.

9.6 Compliant Re BN Pennant Match

John Glisson, Pat Wilkinson and Marlene Bushby left the meeting due to conflict of interest

BN Board discussed issues from correspondence received regarding Saturday Pennant match on 6 November 2021. Matter referred to BN Match Committee for adjudication.

10. Next Meeting

To be held on Monday 6th December 2021 at Kings Meadows Bowls Club.

11. Closure of Meeting

President Greg closed meeting at 8.55 pm.

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President

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Date