

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. WELCOME:	President Aaron opened meeting at 6.55 pm	
2. PRESENT:	Dennis Bassett, Madge Strochnetter, Aaron Page, David Heron, Rae Simpson, Vicki Bassett, Joseph Reissig, Todd Mohr, Judy Gurr, Denise Middap, Scott Zeuschner, Marlene Bushby	
3. APOLOGIES:	Nil	
4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:	Nil	
5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:	RESOLUTION: That the minutes dated 14 TH July 2023 that have been circulated be taken as read and adopted. Moved by: Scott Zeuschner Seconded by: Marlene Bushby Carried 12/0	Resolved
6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:	1. PROPOSED UMPIRES COURSE: BN Secretary had investigated costing for conducting umpire's course through Bowls Tasmania. Costing was \$120 per person. Breakdown of costings - \$40 measurers course component, \$40 Umpires course component, \$25 for manual, \$15 for on green assessment. Courses can be done online through Bowls Learn with the costing being \$90 plus on green assessment fee. Bowls North needs to focus on clubs that do not have registered umpires within respective club. Consideration to conduct Measurers/Umpires course for ten (10) BN members and be paid for by Bowls North. It was noted that Bowls Tasmania are conducting a review into the charges for courses, as each STA is charging different fees. Participatnats in course paid for by Bowls North will be compelled to umpire at events in 2023-24. 2. PRESIDENT & SECRETARY'S FORUM: President and Secretary's forum to be held on Wednesday 20 September 2023 commencing at 7 pm at Kings Meadows Bowls Club. Agenda items to be raised by Bowls North Board are. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of greens for Bowls North Championships and Bowls Tasmania events. • Roster • Sponsorship 3. GREENS COMMITTEE: 2023-24 Greens Committee as of 14 August 2023 is David Toohey and Les Watts. Awaiting reply from Dale Walker. Sam Donnellan and Mark Strochnetter to be approached.	BN President & Secretary investigate further. To be raised at next RCC Meeting BN Secretary to send Memo to all clubs and place on website. BN Secretary to follow up.

11. GENERAL BUSINESS:

Play included on document are still relevant and consist with Bowls Australia policies and procedures and World Bowls Laws.

Changes for 2023-24 are –

- Cover Page
- Update references to Crystal Mark 3.1 throughout document

- Changes to

1.3	1.6	1.8	1.9	1.10	1.11	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4
2.5	2.6	2.8	2.10	2.11	2.12	2.13	2.14	2.16	2.18
2.20	2.21	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.9	3.10
3.11	3.12	3.13	3.16	3.17	3.18	3.19	3.22	3.23	3.24
3.25	3.26	3.27	3.29	3.31	3.32	3.33	3.34	3.35	3.36
Appendix A			Appendix B			Appendix C			

Discussion Held:

- Match Committee desire is for consistency across the board in all divisions and be in line with all other regions that all divisions play twenty-one (21) ends and forty-five (45) ends as per Thursday Pennant constitute a game.
- Starting time can be changed by mutual agreement between clubs. Pennant needs to be reinvigorated. Night/twilight games to be played.
- Practice will be allowed on any rink and must cease thirty (30) minutes prior to start.
- Change to ruling regarding stickers. Amended to abide with World Bowls law.
- Clubs can play three (3) social substitutes and games played by social substitutes/substitute players will be recorded for finals eligibility.
- Revert division 6 back to twelve (12) player competition and introduce division 7 eight (8) player competition for clubs who can not fill a full division 6 side. Match Committee aim is to keep as many players as possible on the green. Minimum of six (6) or eight (8) sides entries must be received for division 6 and 7 to proceed.
- Promotion & relegation from 2023/24 onwards, clubs can have two (2) sides per division, and it is an individual club's choice if they want/or don't want to have two (2) sides in a division. Promotion and relegation are still at the match committee discretion.
- Qualification for finals eligibility ruling set out clearer for clubs to understand.
- Appendix B – Selection of Greens. Changes made to formalise greens committee role in the selection of greens for championship events and streamline the organisation of greens for events.
- No change to starting time for Thursday and Saturday pennant matches. A break can be taken by mutual agreement. If no agreement for a break is not agreed upon, then Bowls North Conditions of Play as stated stand.

**Changes to
Conditions of Play
to be an agenda
item at President &
Secretary's Forum**

11. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Match Committee will be penalising clubs who do not abide to rulings in in the conditions of Play.

Clarification was asked on Bowls North conditions of Play regarding players who are dual members of clubs and regions. Clarification needs as to eligibility of being able to play in Bowls North Thursday Pennant and play in Bowls Northwest Saturday Pennant. Discussion held. Needs to be investigated further by Match committee and if needed to be amended in current Conditions of Play. Issue also needs to be raised at the next RCC meeting. Match Committee to send their recommendation on this issue by circular motion to Board for further amendment to Conditions of Play for 2023-24

RESOLUTION:

That the changes to be 2023-24 Conditions of Play as presented be accepted.

Moved by Rae Simpson

Seconded by Dennis Bassett

Carried 12/0

President Aaron thanked the match committee for the work completed on conditions of play.

2. WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE CARD:

All Bowls North Board members under section 16 of the Tasmanian Registration to Work with Vulnerable People Act 2013 are to provide BN Secretary with a copy of current WWVP card. The following Board member to action. Aaron Page, Judy Gurr, Denise Middap and Joseph Reissig.

3. BN CHAMPIONSHIPS ENTRY FEE AND PRIZEMONEY 2023-24:

Discussion held regarding proposal for Bowls North championship events entry fee to be increased to fifteen dollars (\$15) with five (\$5) dollars to be paid to the host club, to encourage clubs to host events. Host clubs must invoice Bowls North at the completion of events. Payment of prize money as per proposed 2023-24 Conditions of Play, is that the prize money be based on the number of entries received. If an event only had four (4) entries, then prizemoney would only be paid to winners. Eight (8) entries need to be received for runner-up prize money to be paid. The following to be added to bottom of all entry forms. 'That prize money will be dependent on entries received.'

RESOLUTION:

That the entry fee for Bowls North championships be increased to fifteen (\$15) dollars with five (\$5) dollars to be paid to host club and prizemoney for 2023-24 will be dependent on entries received.

Moved by Scott Zeuschner

Seconded by Judy Gurr

Carried 12/0

4. MATCH COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE:

Match Committee Chairman Scott Zeuschner spoke to meeting regarding match committee procedures put in place for 2023-24. In the interest of transparency, all correspondence inward and outward concerning match committee will be documented on a separate correspondence list. All email chains of correspondence will be kept, and Bowls North Board members can request to see correspondence emails if they wish to. Chairman Scoot gave a brief outline of match committee correspondence received as at 14 August 2023.

Resolved

BN Secretary to follow up.

**To be discussed at
President Secretary
Forum**

BN Secretary to follow up.

Resolved

11. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Uniform requests from Westbury
- Roster request from Launceston
- Cressy regarding availability of green due to installation of new synthetic surface.

5. JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT PATHWAY FUND RAISING CARINVAL:

Fund raising carnival is to be held at Kings Meadows Bowls Club on Saturday 27 August 2023. A five hundred (\$500) dollar anonymous donation has been received. Junior Development Committee to set strict guidelines regarding the distribution of funds raise and present to next meeting. Funds are to be distributed to help Juniors who representing the Bowls North Region and Bowls Tasmania. Bowls Northwest are also holding a fund-raising event to support Juniors in their region. Junior Development Committee are to consider holding various events throughout the year.

6. MALE BOARD DIRECTOR TERMS:

Terms of office for male board directors need to be determined as under BN Constitution 33.7 – To ensure rotational terms, four (4) of the Board Directors referred to in Rule 32.1 (c) elected at the inaugural meeting of the Association shall retire after one (1) year. The four (4) Board Directors to retire after one (1) year shall be two (2) of each gender elected by the fewest votes.

RESOLUTION:

That the term of office for the current elected male Board Directors will be Todd Mohr – two (2) year term, Joseph Reissig – one (1) year term and Scott Zeuschner one (1) year term.

Moved by: Aaron Page

Seconded by Rae Simpson

Carried 9/0

Todd Mohr, Joseph Reissig and Scott Zeuschner did not vote on motion.

7. EAST COAST PENNANT AND CHAMPIONSHIPS:

BN Secretary attend meeting with East Coast clubs. 2023-24 season dates have been set. East Coast to begin their pennant on 14 October 2023 with Scamander being host club for all championship events.

8. 2023-24 ROSTERS:

Rosters will be disturbed to clubs after next Board Meeting. Memo to be sent to all clubs outlining changes to division 6 and the introduction of division 7. If any clubs are concerned, they might not be able to field sides in any division, Bowls North needs to be informed by Friday 1st September 2023. Side entries for Saturday Division 6/7 and Thursday division 4 need to be received by 22 September 2023. Saturday roster discussed –

- Premier reverting to eight (8) sides, does not fit in the eighteen (18) game roster evenly.
- Agreed by Premier League Steering Committee to play the extra four (4) games at the beginning of the season.
- Very difficult to even up the home and away scenario.

Match Committee and BN Secretary to meet and finalise rosters and send to all Board members by circular motion for approval.

On-going

Junior Development Committee to action

Resolved

**Roster and
Calendar of Events
has been set.**

Match Committee and BN Secretary to finalise.

