



**BN BOARD MEETING MINUTES 11 SEPTEMBER 2023
AT KINGS MEADOWS BOWLS CLUB**

MINUTES

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. WELCOME:	President Aaron opened meeting at 7 pm	
2. PRESENT:	Aaron Page, David Heron, Rae Simpson, Vicki Bassett, Joseph Reissig, Todd Mohr, Judy Gurr, Denise Middap, Scott Zeuschner, Marlene Bushby	
3. APOLOGIES:	Madge Strochnetter and Dennis Bassett	
4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:	Judy Gurr – Multi-media Manager appointment	
5. MEETING WITH BOWLS TASMANIA DIRECTOR John Glisson	<p>President Aaron welcomed John Glisson to meeting and thank him for his representation on the Bowls Tasmania Board and for attending meeting tonight to discuss concerns of Bowls North Board members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern raised on the inequality of the Statewide Challenge Series with the aim of the series is to see the best forty-eight (48) players competing to give state selectors the best opportunity to view players. The loss of test series has highlighted a lack of competitive opportunity for state teams prior to the Nationals. Player movements between regions and that state players being automatic selections. Regions will have players who won't make their regional side, that should be viewed/watched by State selectors for possible inclusion in the state squad. Bowls North strongly recommends a change to the format of the Statewide Challenge series to become four teams consisting of State side, Bowls North, Bowls south and Bowls Northwest. Concerns aired over the proposed co-payment being introduced and this could have a bearing on player's availability due to costs associated with representing the state. Question needs to be asked to Bowls Tasmania regarding efforts of gaining sponsors. and what other fund-raising ideas do they have. Sponsorship of representative sides should be an absolute priority. <p>President Aaron thanked John Glisson for attending meeting and noting Bowls North concerns. John Glisson left the meeting at 7.15 pm.</p>	Concerns to be taken to RCC Meetings
6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:	<p>RESOLUTION: That the minutes dated 14 August 2023 that have been circulated be taken as read and adopted.</p> <p>Moved by: Scott Zeuschner Seconded by: Marlene Bushby Carried 10/0</p>	Resolved

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

1. GREENS COMMITTEE 2023-24:

Dale Walker accept appointment on the 2023-24 Green's Committee. Mark Strochnetter regretfully declined appointment to Greens Committee. Mark Strochnetter regretfully declined nomination. President Aaron to organise meeting with Greens Committee.

RESOLUTION:

That Dale Walker be appointed to 2023-24 Greens Committee.

Moved by: David Heron

Seconded by: Todd Mohr

Carried 10/0

2. EIGHT BADGES SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL:

President Aaron has spoken to potential sponsor regarding sponsorship of eight (8) badges. Bowls North to offer naming rights for BN championship event. If sponsorship for eight badges is secured it will be club's responsibility to ensure information is sent to Bowls North to enable badges to be presented.

3. 2023-24 CONDITIONS OF PLAY:

Final Conditions of Play for 2023-24 was presented. Match Committee has changed layout/order of Conditions of Play to a more logical layout and to make document more user friendly.

RESOLUTION:

That the 2023-24 Conditions of Play as presented by Bowls North Match Committee be accepted.

Moved by: Scott Zeuschner

Seconded by: Denise Middap

Carried 10/0

4. UMPIRES COURSE:

Bowls Tasmania has notified BN of upcoming training courses:

- Marker – 9.30 am Saturday 23 September 2023
- Measurer – 1.30 pm Saturday 23 September 2023
- National Umpire – 9.30 am Sunday 24 September 2023
- National Umpire Re-accreditation – 1.30 pm Sunday 24 September 2023

Discussion held. Bowls North strongly recommends that each club should have one (1) accredited umpire. Memo to be sent to all clubs with expression of interest to close on Monday 18 September 2023.

RESOLUTION:

That Bowls North Board approves for ten (10) Bowls North Members to become accredited umpires and Bowls North will cover the cost of the course. Preference will be given to clubs that currently do not have or have very few qualified umpires. Any member completing this course will be required to umpire at least two (2) events conducted by Bowls North in the 2023-24 season.

Moved by: Joesph Reissig

Seconded by Rae Simpson

Carried 10/0

BN President to follow up.

Resolved

**On-going
BN President to
follow up.**

Conditions of Play
to be sent to clubs
and placed on web
site. Bn Secretary to
follow up.

BN Secretary to notify clubs and place on social media and check with Bowls Tasmania final costing. On-going.

Resolved

That the Bowls North Junior representative in Bowls Tasmania State Junior side be paid one hundred and fifty (\$150) each to assist with expenses while representing Tasmania at the upcoming Nationals.

Moved by: Aaron Page **Seconded by: David Heron** **Carried 10/0**

Joseph Reissig gave verbal report on the Bowling Arm Nationals that has been completed last week at Devonport Country Club. Bowls Tasmania side won two (2) shields. Feedback from other states was positive and the live streaming was well received. Selection Policy of Bowling Arm section needs to be addressed. Warren Groves and Michael Shingles to be commended on their work throughout the week.

Expressions of interest is to be called for the following positions for 2023-24, two (2) selectors are required for the following with Expression of interest to close on Monday 2 October 2023

- Open Men's & Women's - Men's & Women's Over 60's

Concerns was raised regarding the inequality of the 2023-24 Premier roster regarding sides home games. The first four rounds of Premier roster for 23-24 was agreed by Premier Steering Committee to be random draw with the first round to be played as per final positions of the 2022-23 season. To be discussed with club at President & Secretary's forum. Rosters will be disturbed on Tuesday 12th September 2023.

Memo has been sent at all clubs regarding sides entries for 2023-24.
Sides entries close on Friday 22 September 2023. Reminder to be sent to all clubs.

Club contact and carnival information for 2023-24 closes on Friday 15 September 2023. Email reminder has been sent to clubs that have not sent information to Bowls North. All information needs to be sent to Bowls Tasmania by Monday 25 September 2023.

Scott Zeuschner has secured two (2) sponsors for naming rights to Bowls North Championships. Bowls North needs to address current sponsorship packages and sponsorship base needs to be formed. Discussion held and sub-committee comprising of David Heron,

**On-going
Committee to meet
and present ideas to
Board.**

11. GENERAL BUSINESS:

Scott Zeuschner and Aaron Page and present ideas/suggestions regarding sponsorship to the Bowls North Board.

9. PRESIDENT & SECRETARY'S FORUM:

President's & Secretary's forum is to be conducted on Wednesday 20 September 2023 commencing at 7 pm. Venue is Kings Meadows Bowls Club. BN Board members are encouraged to attend as observers. Agenda items from club are to be received by 13 September 2023. The following are agenda items from Bowls North –

- BN Championship entry fee increase
- Conditions of Play
- Roster
- Use of greens/clubs for Bowls North & Bowls Tasmania events
- Umpires Course
- Sponsorship
- Junior Development Pathway fund
- Social Media Policy
- Bowls link data

Question will be taken from the floor. Bowls North Board needs to be open and honest with all clubs.

10. RCC MEETING:

The next Bowls Tasmania RCC meeting is to be held on Monday 25 September 2023 at Longford Bowls Club commencing at 10.30 am. Agenda items form Bowls North are –

- Champion of Champions Novice & Veteran Singles State finals
- Statewide Challenge format
- Sponsorship/fund-raising
- Cross regions dual members.

Bowls North Board needs to consider meeting with Bows Northwest to discuss issues and raise at RCC Meetings. President Aaron to raise Open Men's selector David Heron concerns at RCC meeting regarding Statewide Challenge format.

12. BN STATISTICIAN 2023-24:

Expression of interest close on Friday 29 September 2023. Reminder to be placed on website and social media.

13. BOWLS NORTH OFFICE & COMPUTER:

Discussion held regarding location of Bowl North Office currently located at BN Secretary

**Agenda to be sent
to clubs after
Wednesday 13
September 2023.
BN Secretary to
follow up.**

On-going

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On-going BN Secretary to follow up.

11. GENERAL BUSINESS;	<p>premises. Discussion have been held with Kings Meadows Bowls Club regarding leasing room as Bowls North office.</p> <p>RESOLUTION: That the Bowls North enter into 1 year to 1 year lease arrangement with Kings Meadows Bowls Club for the use of room as Bowls North office with lease agreement to be finalised.</p> <p>Moved by: Joseph Reissig Seconded by; Denise Middap Carried 10/0</p> <p>President Aaron spoke to meeting regarding old desk top computer and asked permission from the Board for this to be disposed of and for Bowls North to purchase new laptop that is to be used by Match Committee, BN Statistician and any other Bowls North Committees. BN Treasurer David Heron suggested to work to the budget of five hundred (\$500) dollars.</p> <p>RESOLUTION: That Bowls North are to purchase computer/laptop to the budget of five hundred (500) dollars.</p> <p>Moved by: David Heron Seconded by: Todd Mohr Carried 10/0</p> <p>14. UMPIRES COMMITTEE: Scott Zeuschner Match Committee Chairman spoke on the need for an Umpires Committee to be formed and for one (1) member to be appointed co-ordinator.</p> <p>15. MULTIMEDIA MANAGER: Due to conflict-of-interest Judy Gurr did not participate in discussion or cast vote for resolution: Shane Gurr has agreed to accept the position as Multimedia Manager for Bowls North. Being responsible for Bowls North Website, Facebook sites and live streaming.</p> <p>RESOLUTION: That Shane Gurr be appointed as Bowls North Multimedia Manager.</p> <p>Moved by: Todd Mohr Seconded by; Joseph Reissig Carried 9/0</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>President Aaron to follow up.</p> <p>On-going</p> <p>Resolved.</p> <p>BN Secretary to contact Alona Rogers. On-going</p> <p>BN Secretary to follow up.</p> <p>Resolved</p>
12. NEXT BOARD MEETING:	The next Board meeting is to be held on 2 October 2023	
13. CLOSURE OF MEETING:	President Aaron closed meeting at 8.30 pm.	

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Date