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Minutes of the Board meeting held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on Monday 20 November 2017 commencing at 4.20pm

Present: Peter Kirby (President), Shirley Hay (Deputy President), Ross Bannister, Ken Copleman, Tony Fulton, Paula Hadley, Ailsa Milburn, Leonie Price (until 6.00pm) Malcolm Salier and Rob McGuire.

Apology: Margaret Cornish (Bowls Tasmania Board Member).

Minutes: Moved Ken Copleman Seconded Ailsa Milburn "that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 October 2017 be confirmed. Carried

Matters Arising:

Procedures for handling complaints:

The draft policy has been updated in accordance with minor changes made at the last Board meeting. It was resolved that the policy be sent to Clubs and placed on the BTS website.

Friday Night Super Pairs:

Moved: Ross Bannister Seconded: Shirley Hay "that the draft Conditions of Play for the 2017-18 Friday Night Super Pairs competition be approved". Carried

It was agreed to send the Conditions of Play to Clubs and advertise the competition with Clubs and on the BTS Facebook page.

Changes to BT Constitution:

At the May 2017 Board meeting it was agreed that BTS approach the other two regions seeking their support to make further changes to the BT Constitution at a future time. This has not yet been done by the Secretary.

Appeal from BTS to Bowls Tasmania re Bowls North and State Pennant Finals:

Bowls Tasmania has advised that the format for future State pennant Finals would be as follows:

- Play two games on Day 1 and only one game on Day 2 - the same rotational format as was used previously will be used to allow the team travelling the furthest to have the first morning off.

Vacant Committee Positions 2017-18:

Further expressions of interest for vacant Southern teams' selectors and managers and the Greens Advisory Committee positions have been sought via Clubs and the BTS Facebook page. The Board approved the following appointments:

- Lee Schraner – Senior Men's Selector.
- Paul Hoddy – Manager Open Men and Women

There has still been no interest in the Greens Advisory Committee positions.

DJ Motors Sponsorship 2017-18:

DJ Motors has advised that it will no longer sponsor BTS but will endeavour to support lawn bowls at a club level in some way. The BTS Board expressed disappointment in the late advice from DJ Motors as many benefits under the sponsorship proposal for 2017-18 had already been delivered by BTS.

It was agreed to take the following actions:

- Write to DJ Motors thanking them for its sponsorship over many years.
- Advise Clubs of the loss of sponsorship and advise them that there is no longer a need to fly the DJ Motors flag, use the DJ Motors corner flags or to display the DJ Motors Sponsorship Certificate in Clubs.
- The Secretary is to prepare a draft generic sponsorship proposal that can be presented to potential sponsors in future.
- Further consideration of where we go for a major sponsor will be considered at a future Board meeting of Finance Committee meeting.

Equal Opportunity Tasmania and State Pennant Finals:

At the October 2017 Board meeting, it was resolved to write to Equal Opportunity Tasmania (EOT) querying why the agreement regarding State Pennant Finals is enforceable if Rod Pursell and the Saturday Pennant Action Group refuse to sign it. It was further agreed that EOT should be requested to get Rod Pursell and the Saturday Pennant Action Group to sign the agreement or dismiss the complaint.

EOT has advised that signatures are not required for the agreement to be binding.

Bowlers with Bowling Arms Committee:

At the October 2017 Board meeting, it was resolved to advertise again with Clubs for BTS representatives on the Bowlers with Bowling Arms Tasmania Committee. No nominations have been received for the Committee. It was resolved to advise BT accordingly.

Discussion Paper on Clearance Fees for 2017-18:

At the Delegates Meeting in September 2017 the BTS Board advised that it would prepare a discussion paper on clearance fees for 2017-18 for discussion at the next Delegates Meeting. The Secretary undertook to prepare a draft discussion paper for consideration by the BTS Board at its next meeting.

Discussion Paper on the future of Pennant:

At the Delegates Meeting in September 2017 the BTS Board advised that it would prepare a discussion paper on the future of pennant for discussion at the next Delegates Meeting. It was agreed to hold a meeting of interested Board members on Monday 4 December 2017 at the Buckingham Bowls Club commencing at 4.30pm to prepare the discussion paper.

Equal Opportunity Tasmania and Bowlers in Wheel Chairs:

At the Delegates Meeting in September 2017, Stephen Lockey from Brighton advised the meeting that the BTS Board had rejected a request from Brighton that if Clubs do not have suitable bathroom facilities for wheelchair bowlers, Brighton requested BTS to relocate pennant games to a neutral club with compliant facilities. As the BTS Secretary did not have the relevant information on hand to fully explain the reasons for the BTS Board's decision, it was agreed that the BTS Board will revisit this matter and advise Clubs of the outcome.

BTS had previously received a query from Brighton about the legal need for bowls clubs to provide facilities for handicapped players at their clubrooms. There are a number of handicapped players including those in wheelchairs who play lawn bowls, however, not every bowls club has all the necessary facilities including suitable entrances and handicapped toilets to cater for these bowlers.

It is understood that all new public buildings (including licensed premises such as bowls clubs) must provide buildings that are accessible to people with disabilities but it is not clear what the law in Tasmania is in regard to older buildings.

In Victoria the *Equal Opportunity Act 210* includes some exceptions which mean that discrimination will not be against the law in particular circumstances. Such circumstances include where it may be unreasonable to provide complete accessibility to existing public buildings.

The BTS Secretary contacted Equal Opportunity Tasmania (EOT) to determine the situation in Tasmania and was advised that there are also exceptions under the Tasmanian *Anti-Discrimination Act 1998*. Section 48 provides that a person may discriminate against another person on the grounds of disability in access to public places if the provision of access would cause unjustifiable hardship. This does not stop someone lodging a discrimination complaint to Equal Opportunity Tasmania but would appear to give Clubs a reasonable defence.

Clubs were advised accordingly on 2 May 2017.

Brighton subsequently requested the BTS Board to relocate pennant games to a neutral club with compliant facilities if a Club does not have suitable facilities for wheelchair bowlers. The BTS Board refused this request.

The BTS Board resolved to re-confirm its position and advice to Clubs on this matter.

Host clubs for Southern Open and Seniors State Wide Challenge, State Triples Championships and Saturday Pennant State Pennant Finals:

At the October 2017 Board meeting, it was agreed to seek expressions of interest from Clubs with two or more grass greens who are interested in hosting one or more of these events. Expressions of interest have been received from Beltana, Buckingham, Kingborough, New Norfolk, Rosny Park and Sandy Bay to host one or more of these events. It was resolved to authorise the BTS Match Committee to appoint Clubs with suitable greens to host these events.

Change of Venues Sorell v Dover RSL

At the October 2017 Board meeting Shirley Hay advised that Sorell and Dover RSL are seeking permission to change venues such that the Division 1 and 4 games between the Clubs will be played at Sorell on 30 November 2017 and at Dover on 15 February 2017. It was agreed to approve these changes provided that both Clubs agreed to them. Advice has now been received from both Clubs approving these changes.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

DJ Motors – Decline ongoing sponsorship – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Paul Hoddy – Expression of interest for BTS Men’s and Women’s Open Manager – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Buckingham – Advice that Thursday Division 1 game v Dover RSL will be played on 31 October 2017 (due to players being in Tasmanian Senior team) and Thursday Division 1 game v Rosny Park on 21 December 2017 will be played on 19 December 2017 - Noted.

Kingborough – Advice that its Thursday Division 1 team will be playing rounds 2 and 8 on the alternate dates due to player commitments to the Tasmanian team - Noted.

Cygnet – Request change of venue for Thursday Division 5 team v Derwent City on 19 October 2017 to be played at Derwent City and the round 2 game to be played at Cygnet - Approved.

Kingborough – Permission for Noah Sculthorpe to wear his school yellow polo shirt until a Club top can be purchased for him – Approved out-of-session until 31 December 2017.

Cremorne – Appeal against Brighton for playing a women in Midweek Division 2 on 18 October 2017 – This matter was considered by the BTS Match Committee who found that Brighton did play a woman in its Midweek Division 2 on 18 October 2017 which is in contravention of BTS Conditions of Play 5.2. The BTS Match Committee has penalised Brighton in accordance with Conditions of Play 1.12.3 (d) which provides that when side plays a non-eligible player in a game then that game shall be regarded as a forfeit and pennant points and shot allocations provided for in Conditions of Play 1.12.3 (f) shall apply – namely Cremorne will be credited with 14 pennant points and will be credited with 15 shots. Brighton will receive no pennant points for the game and will receive a penalty of minus 15 shots.

The BTS Match Committee voiced its displeasure with Cremorne over its actions in regard to this matter. Cremorne's Side Captain agreed to allow the woman to play (even though he has no authority to do so as Side Captains cannot agree to over-rule Conditions of Play) but subsequently lodged an appeal against the woman playing. If there is any doubt about the eligibility or otherwise of a player it needs to be sorted out prior to playing the game rather than just accept the situation on the basis that the issue can be looked at after the game and if necessary a protest can be made thereafter.

Brighton – Response re above appeal – refer to the decision above.

Kingborough – Expression of interest in hosting any BTS Men's and Women's Championships – Referred to BTS Match Committee.

Rosny Park and Kingborough – Request to swap Saturday pennant Division 1 games around to facilitate the playing of the Derek King Cup - Approved.

Royal Hobart – Complaint re state of Cygnet green on 7 October 2017. This matter was addressed by the BTS Match Committee who found that Royal Hobart played on the Cygnet green before it was top dressed. The bowls season was too early for most clubs to get their greens ready for pennant and Cygnet had heavy rains with frost that stopped the grass from growing. Most Club's grass greens were 12 seconds or less for the first few games. The BTS Match Committee accepted the explanation received from Cygnet and no further action was taken on this matter.

Cygnet – Response re above. As there have been some further concerns raised at the state of the Cygnet green since the above complaint was received, Ross Bannister was requested to inspect the Cygnet green and report on its condition to the BTS Board. It was agreed to pay Ross' out-of-pocket expenses incurred in making such an inspection.

Rod Pursell – Query re Equal Opportunity Agreement and Thursday Pennant State Pennant Finals - Noted.

Beltana, Kingborough and Sandy Bay – Expression of interest in hosting Bowls Tasmania State Triples Championships.

Dover RSL and Sorell – Confirmation that Dover RSL and Sorell Division 1 and 4 games will be played at Sorell on 30 November 2017 and at Dover RSL on 15 February 2017 – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Tom O'Brien – Concerns re Junior Bowls. Tom's first concern that Junior State Wide Challenge should remain as ten players per region was endorsed by the BTS Board and has now been approved by Bowls Tasmania. Tom's second concern is that the Tasmania Junior Championships have been added on to the Tasmanian Open Championships and will again be held in Launceston. Southern players and their families have had to travel to the Junior Championships for the last two years and this year they were supposed to be in the South. It was agreed to ask the BTS Southern Juniors Manager to canvass parent's to determine their views on this matter and report back to the BTS Board.

Howrah – Expression of interest to host Men's B Grade Pairs on 10 and 17 December 2017 and the Men's B Grade Singles on 4, 11 and 18 February 2018 – Referred to BTS Match Committee.

Geeveston – Permission to play up to three Saturday Pennant Division 4 players in its Thursday Pennant Division 4 team if required. Approval was given to Geeveston to be granted dispensation to play up to three Division 4 Saturday players (leads and seconds) to fill its Thursday Pennant Division 4 team if needed. The names of leads and seconds that may be available are: Mick Hardy, John Brooks, Brent Hardy, Corey Killingback, Rodney Kennedy and Mark Drake. Such dispensation was granted on the following additional conditions:

- No opposite gender players can be used if any of its women are available to play.
- Such additional opposite gender players can only play as a lead or a second.

Lee Schraner – Expression of interest BTS Men's Senior Selector 2017-18 – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Buckingham – Request to change Section 4.5 of Conditions of Play 2017-18. It is not possible to change these Conditions of Play without the approval of Equal Opportunity Tasmania as these conditions were inserted as part of a binding agreement with Equal Opportunity Tasmania following a complaint received from Sandy Bay. All Conditions of Play will be open to review by Clubs in the review of pennant that will be undertaken prior to the start of the next season. As it is impossible to change these Conditions of Play in the short-term, it was agreed to reject Buckingham's request.

Buckingham, Kingborough, Rosny Park – Expression of interest to host Southern Round of Open State Wide Challenge on 21 January 2018 – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Kingborough, New Norfolk, Rosny Park – Expression of interest to host Southern Round of Seniors State Wide Challenge on 6 February 2018 – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Beltana, Kingborough, New Norfolk, Rosny Park, Sandy Bay – Expression of interest to host Saturday Pennant State Pennant Finals 2018 – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Bowls Tasmania – Change of next RCC meeting to Monday 11 December 2017 - Noted

Bowls Tasmania – Bowling Arm Registration Form 2017 - Noted

Bowls Tasmania – State Pennant Finals Schedule and Junior State Wide Challenge - Noted

Taroona – Query re Conditions of Play 6.5 (a). This condition was amended to what it currently is several years ago. Previously opposite gender players could only play in a Club's lowest division in Thursday Women's Pennant from Division 3 down. The Condition was expanded to allow Clubs to play opposite gender players in more than one division as Clubs were having difficulties in filling all their Thursday Women's pennant teams. Allowing opposite gender players to play in a higher division than some women was introduced so that Clubs could use a man to fill a gap in a team without necessarily disturbing a Club's lower division side. Furthermore it also allowed Clubs to play a man who may not qualify to play in a Club's lower division sides.

Orford – Advice that Thursday Division 2 game v Howrah and Division 4 game v Kingborough on 21 December 2017 will be played on 19 December 2017 - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Information sheet and entry forms for State Championships 2018 Gala Week - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Request from Penguin Bowls Club to swap North West and Southern rounds of Open State Wide Pennant - Approved.

Kingborough – Expression of interest to host either of BTS Men's and Women's Triples Championships – Referred to BTS Match Committee.

Buckingham – Expression of interest to host BTS Women's Triples Championships – Referred to BTS Match Committee.

The Argosy Motor Inn – Quote for accommodation bookings for Open and Seniors State Wide Challenge - Approved.

Equal Opportunity Tasmania – Agreement with Rod Pursell and Saturday Pennant Action Group – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Derwent City – Advice that Thursday Division 3 game v Cremorne on 21 December 2017 will be played on 19 December 2017 - Noted.

Sorell - Expression of interest to host either of BTS Men's or Women's Triples Championships – Referred to BTS Match Committee.

New Norfolk – Expression of interest to host BTS Men's Triples Championships – Referred to BTS Match Committee.

Rosny Park – Advice that its Thursday Division 1, 2 and 4 games on 21 December 2017 will be played on 19 December 2017 - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Grant writing workshop - Noted.

Buckingham – Advice that its Thursday Division 1, 2 and 3 games on 21 December 2017 will be played on 19 December 2017 - Noted.

Outwards:

All Clubs – Reminder re Midweek Pennant and Thursday Women’s Pennant and Opposite Gender Players, Mobile Phones and Pennant, Future Delegates Meetings and General Business, Expression of Interest - Host Bowls Tasmania State Triples Championships, Expressions of Interest - Bowlers with Bowling Arms Tasmania Committee, Clarification of Conditions of Play 2017-18, Entries received for Men's Open and B Grade Fours Championships, Entries received for Women's Open and B Grade Fours Championships, Expression of Interest - Host Bowls Tasmania Veolia Open and APIA Senior State Wide Challenge, Expression of Interest - Host Bowls Tasmania Saturday Pennant State Pennant Finals, Expressions of Interest for Women's Open and B Seniors (Over 60's) Southern Sides, Men's Open and B Grade Fours Championship Draws, Women's Open and B Grade Fours Championship Draws, Changing Bowls During Game, October 2017 Board Meeting Minutes, Expressions of interest - Host Men's and Women's Triples Championships, Entries received for Women's Open and B Grade Triples Championships, Entries received for Men's Open and B Grade Triples Championships, Clearances 2017-18 as at 12 November 2017, Selection Trial and Practice - Men's Open Southern Team, Men's Open and B Grade Triples Championship Draws, Women's Open and B Grade Triples Championship Draws, Expressions of Interest - Greens Advisory Committee.

Bowls Tasmania – State Pennant Finals Options, Catering for SWC Open 29 October 2017, Uniform Change for BTS Men's Teams, Bowls South SWC Teams, SWC Juniors 10 Players, Request for State Wide Challenge Conditions of Play and Results Forms.

Beltana – Refuse two dispensation requests for Women’s Pennant Division 5.

Cygnnet – Request further information re request for dispensation for Saturday Division 7.

Huonville – Approve request for dispensation for Thursday Women’s Division 2.

Cremorne – Approve temporary uniform exemption.

Cremorne – Approve dispensations for Saturday Divisions 1 and 5 consecutive side players.

Rosie Geeves – Appointment as Senior Women’s Selector

Paul Hoddy – Appointment as Manager Senior Men’s and Women’s Southern teams.

Mick Sweeney – Vacancies for Senior Men’s Selectors.

Deb Jeffrey – Than you for conducting training session for Club Treasurer’s.

Equal Opportunity Tasmania – Query re refusal of Rod Pursell and Saturday Pennant Action Group to sign Record of Agreement.

Derwent City – Approve change of uniform.

Ken Copleman – Refuse dispensation request for Beltana’s Women’s Pennant Division 5 side.

Dover RSL – Approve dispensations for Saturday Divisions 1 and 7 consecutive side players.

Rosny Park and Cremorne – Approve composite Rosny Park / Cremorne Midweek Division 4 team.

Cygnnet and Kingborough – Approve composite Cygnnet / Kingborough Saturday Division 7 team.

Cygnnet – Approve change of venues for 12 and 14 October 2017 games.

Beltana – Suggestion of club levy to pay for production of 2018-19 Bowls Tasmania Handbook.

Howrah – Approve uniform exemption for Michael Preddy.

Sorell and Dover RSL – Approve change of venues for games on 30 November 2017 and 15 February 2018.

Moved: Ailsa Milburn Seconded: Ken Copleman “that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards correspondence be endorsed”. Carried.

Reports:**Finance:**

Treasurer Tony Fulton forwarded his report to Board Members prior to the meeting. Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Shirley hay “that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted and that accounts paid be approved”. Carried

Clearances:

Moved: Ailsa Milburn Seconded: Paula Hadley “that the following interstate clearances be approved and the following other clearances be noted:

- Noel Buckingham – Claremont to Glenorchy City
- Curtis Coleman – Sandy Bay to Derwent City
- Mary Forbes – Kingborough to Huonville
- Michael Hemmings – Sandy Bay to Kingborough
- Felicity Ives – Penguin to Sandy Bay
- Ross Kelly – Beltana to Sorell
- Wayne Lampkin – Claremont to New Norfolk
- Terry Law – Cygnet to Kingborough
- Ricky Murdoch – Kingborough to Franklin
- Deb O’Donnell – Glenorchy Rodman to Derwent City
- Anthony Poulter – Ulverstone to Glenorchy Rodman
- Michael Thompson – Sandy Bay to Derwent City
- Wayne Walker – Geeveston to Franklin
- Paul Williamson – Armadale (Victoria) to Rosny Park”

Carried

Match Committee:

As per the attached reports from the Women’s Sub-Committee and the Men’s Sub-Committee.

Officiating Panel:

As per attached report.

For BTS Championship events, it is essential that all teams are listed in full before the start of each championship event.

Conditions of Play 1.11 “Restricting Movement of Players” is taken from Laws of the Sport of Bowls A.4, however the words “After delivering their first bowl” in A.4.1 has been omitted from Conditions of Play and needs to be added next season.

Coaches Panel:

Nothing to report.

Selectors:

As per attached report.

General Business:BTS Southern Men’s Uniform:

Following a request from the BTS Men’s Open Selectors, it was agreed to change the BTS Men’s Southern uniform trousers from white to bottle green so that the uniforms are the same as the Women’s Southern uniforms. This will apply to Open and Senior representative teams. Juniors normally wear their own Club’s trousers and this will continue.

Caps for BTS Southern Representatives:

A sponsorship proposal is currently with RACT which includes provision of caps to representative players. Moved: Ailsa Milburn Seconded: Ken Copleman “that Southern caps be provided to new Southern representative players regardless of the outcome of the RACT sponsorship proposal”. Carried.

Possible loss of green at Beltana:

Ken Copleman advised that the Clarence City Council is considering a Management Plan which may result in the top grass green at Beltana being acquired by the Council for additional parking in the precinct. The BTS Board agreed to provide support to Beltana if requested to do so to make sure that this does not happen.

Date of next meeting: The next Board meeting will be held on Monday 15 January 2018 at 4.30pm at the Buckingham Bowls Club (there will be no meeting in December 2017). Ross Bannister will be conducting an Umpires Course on that date and will be an apology.

Meeting closed at 6.20 pm.

Confirmed President: // 2018



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH MATCH COMMITTEE

Women's Sub-Committee Report November 2017

The BTW Women's Open and B Grade Fours Championships were held at the St John's Park and Derwent City Bowls Clubs on 5 and 12 November 2017 with all semi-finals and grand finals played at St John's Park on 12 November 2017.

There were 22 team entries received this year with last year entry numbers (21) shown in brackets:

- Open Women – 16 teams (17 teams in 2016-17)
- B Grade Women – 6 teams (4 teams in 2016-17)

Winners were:

- Open Women – Barb Liddington, Sheryl Phillips, Meg Wilson and Nadine Seabourne (Dover RSL)
- B Grade Women – Marjorie Self, Diane Nieuwhof, Pat Clark and Kaye Cole (Rosny Park)

Many thanks to St John's Park and Derwent City for hosting these championships.

The BTW Women's Open and B Grade Triples Championships will be held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on 19 and 26 November 2017.

There were 21 team entries received this year with last year entry numbers (16) shown in brackets:

- Open Women – 15 teams (14 teams in 2016-17)
- B Grade Women – 6 teams (2 teams in 2016-17)

It is interesting to note that entry numbers have increased marginally this season with our move to Sunday championships

Rob McGuire
BTS Match Committee

Men's Sub-Committee Report November 2017

Bowls South men's fours championships were played on the 5th and 12th November at the New Norfolk bowls club with only 14 A-grade teams and 11 B-grade teams entering. These games were still played as sectional play

Open winners

L. Schraner (s), M. Sweeney, B. Griffiths, R. Ormerod

Defeated

T. Male (s), K. Booth, B. Dayton, J. Mabb

21 shots to 8

B-Grade winners

B. Johns (s), D. Reeves, D. Ransley, A. Taylor

Defeated

J. Catt (s), D. Elliott, C. Greenough, T. Morgan

17 shots to 14

New Norfolk bowls club has also been awarded the men's Bowls South triples championships on Sunday 19th and Sunday 26th November as no other southern bowls club showed any interest in holding these championship events. There are 13 entries in the A-grade and 10 entries in the B-grade; this will be a knock out competition for both divisions.

Ross Bannister

Chairperson of the BTS Mach Committee



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH OFFICIATING PANEL

Report November 2017

The Bowls South Officiating Panel has conducted two of three scheduled Panel Forums in the South. The first was held at Kingborough, attended by 9 players plus the Panel and represented 4 Clubs. The second was at St Johns Park and there were 13 players from 6 Clubs. The last forum will be conducted at Beltana Bowls Club on Monday the 20th November. Feedback from participants has been very positive and the regionalisation has been successful.

Officials were appointed by the Panel for both the Men's and Women's Championships finals and our thanks go to the New Norfolk Club for providing their umpire for duty. Appointments have already been made for the upcoming Triples Championships.

Helen Ducker has continued her work on the upgrading and amalgamation of the Officials lists and was very happy to see that the BTS website is now up to date. It is to be noted that any spelling errors in names can only be changed by the person or club concerned contacting Bowls Tasmania direct.

At the Officiating Panel meeting, held on the 15th of November, the following topics were discussed:

- Clarification to the C of P with regard to rule 4.5 on page 26,
- An email received from Rob about changing bowls during a game,
- An email received in regard to the process of Pennant teams playing with three players,
- An inquiry about a club umpire not being outside next to the greens when umpiring,
- The movement of players between teams, from the same club, in the same divisions,
- A suggestion that next season the "regular Players" definition be included in General Section 3 of the C of P,
- The situation where an ineligible player was to play in a team in the A Grade Women's Fours Finals last Sunday. (see notes on page three)

As a result of these and some other small issues the Panel has sent an email to all Southern Officials with information and where in the Law book it can be found. Copy attached

Leonie Price
BTS Officiating Panel

Notes for Officials

1. Conditions of Play 2017/18

4.5 page 26 at the bottom

This definition of a “Regular Player” applies to all Pennant competitions, not only Saturday. This is a clarification posted by BTS to all clubs.

2. Laws of the Sport of Bowls January 2015 edition

These laws have been written by World Bowls, they apply to all international games.

Australia has a set of Domestic Regulations (starting on page 110) which have been approved by World Bowls to take into account conditions special to Australia, and include the following :

DR 1.3 page 113 Minimum length

DR 2 page 114 – 119 includes Intended, Constituted, Replacement and Substitute player laws.

DR 2.5 page 119 Playing a fours game with one player missing.

DR 3.1.1 & 3.2.4 page 119 Use of Scoreboard and who keeps the scorecard in Australia.

3. Umpire of the Day

The umpire of the day may be a member of a team, or a non-playing person. It is expected that a non-playing umpire would be greenside for the duration of games on all rinks. If this is not possible for the host club, an umpire from a visiting team must be appointed.

Conditions of Play 3.7a page 19

4. Umpire Equipment Box

In addition to measuring equipment, the box must contain a copy of the current Laws of the Sport of Bowls, as stated in Law 54.1 page 80.

A copy of the 2017/18 Conditions of Play should be on display in your clubhouse, and would be useful to have in the Umpire’s Box.

These notes are based on questions that have arisen this season.

Notes on ineligible player

On Sunday the 12th November Lee Cowie and myself were present to umpire the Women's BTS Championship Fours Final when it was reported to us that a player for the Dover Team, (a replacement for Carol Bannister) had been in another team and asked if she was eligible to play.

It appears Sonia Martyn had entered a team in the fours but had withdrawn (forfeited) before play commenced.

The following Laws were applied and Sonia was deemed ineligible to play.

Domestic Regulation section 2 Game anomalies (page 114)

2.1.5 Intended team

2.1.6 Constituted Players

And 2.2.3 forfeits

This is all very straight forward and our concerns are:

The Tournament director needs to have a list of all intended players,

An Intended team should have all names listed, not TBA.

Dover found a replacement within 30 minutes and were able to play. We have been told by Dover, and it is true, that the replacement player was not in the Intended team but without the team listed this could have created a problem.



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH SELECTORS

Women's Open Report November 2017

There was mixed fortunes in the first round of the Women's Open State Wide Challenge held at North Launceston Bowls Club on 29th October.

The morning session was played against North 2 with our team bowling well. Carmel Rainbird and Jenny Tirant both won by 3 shots with Lyn Triffitt coming away with a draw giving us a total of 11 points.

The afternoon game against North 1 resulted in a 29 - 57 loss with nil points. Carmel Rainbird's team had a 3 shot loss against Candice Hodgetts and Jenny Tirant's team fought hard against the top team skipped by Bec Van Asch going down by 3 shots. Kim Saunders team was too strong for Lyn Triffitt's team.

The next round will be held in January 2018.

A. Milburn
Southern Selector