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President: *Peter Kirby* Secretary: *Rob McGuire*



Minutes of the Board meeting held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on Tuesday 15 March 2016 commencing at 4.30pm.

Present: Peter Kirby (President), Shirley Hay (Deputy President), Ross Bannister, Ken Copleman, Tony Fulton, Paula Hadley, Tony Kerrison, Nick Lee, Ailsa Milburn and Rob McGuire.

Apologies: Nil.

Minutes: Moved: Shirley Hay Seconded Paula Hadley that the minutes of the meetings held on 15 February 2016 and 22 February 2016 be confirmed. Carried

Matters Arising:

BTS Uniform Register

At the June 2015 BTS Board meeting, it was agreed to re-establish a BTS Uniform Register which would include details of the current uniforms including trousers and bowls stickers of all Clubs. No work has been done on the register recently but the Secretary undertook to continue to work on the register in the off-season.

Sponsorship of sectional play score cards – Clarence Lifestyle Village

Jan Booth arranged a sponsorship with Clarence Lifestyle Village to print sectional play score cards. The Secretary is still waiting final approval from the Clarence Lifestyle Village to print the score cards.

Gambling on Lawn Bowls

Bowls Australia has been appointed as a regulatory body on gambling on lawn bowls. BTS may need to consider its position at a future BTS Board meeting on gambling on BTS games.

Bowls Tasmania and Bowler of the Year Points

At the November 2015 Board meeting, Ailsa Milburn requested clarification on who receives Bowler of the Year points when a team consists of more than the originally entered players. It was agreed that whomever played in the game when the points were earned should receive the points. That was ratified at the RCC meeting on 19 February 2016. It was agreed to amend BTS Conditions of Play accordingly next season.

BT policy of automatic inclusions in regional representative sides

At the November 2015 Board meeting, it was agreed to request BT to re-visit its policy on automatic inclusions in regional representative sides – in particular the requirement that three Under 35 women be included in the Women's teams. This matter was discussed at the RCC meeting on 19 February 2016 where it was agreed that the same automatic inclusions would apply in 2016-17.

Umpires Clothing

BT has been provided with information on what has happened in the past in regard to official's polo tops – namely that the BT Umpires State Panel purchased polo tops for officials and sold them to regions and this should continue in the future. BTS has also recommended that BT also purchase a quantity of broad brim maroon hats with "OFFICIAL" embroidered on them for sale to regions.

Roles of BTS Umpires Panel and BTS Coaches Panel

At the November 2015 Board meeting, in accordance with the BTS Strategic Plan, it was agreed to consider the ongoing role of the BTS Umpires Panel and the BTS Coaches Panel at this Board meeting. Both reports have now been received and will be considered at the April 2016 Board meeting.

BT and Umpires Advisory Panel

At the January 2016 Board meeting, it was agreed to write to BT and suggest that BT form an Umpires Advisory Committee with a representative from every region on the Committee. This is a requirement under the BT Constitution. BT has since advised that it believes this is a regional responsibility and that view was also shared by the regions at the RCC meeting on 19 February 2016. Peter Kirby rejected that assertion by BT. The Secretary has again pointed out to BT that its Constitution requires the BT Board to set up an Officiating Committee.

Infringement Player Report Wayne Clarke Rosny Park:

Wayne Clarke has submitted a written response to the Infringement Player Report. Moved Rob McGuire Seconded Nick Lee “that Wayne Clarke be reprimanded for his behaviour and be advised that any repeat behaviour in the future will not be tolerated”. Carried

8 Badges Earned – Incomplete Game

At the Board meeting on 15 February 2016 Howrah queried what BTS policy was re 8 badges earned when a game was not completed. This matter was referred to other regions to see what they do. NWTWBA no longer issue 8 badges but when they did if a game was washed out the team who earned the 8 badge would still have been awarded points and would have been eligible to get the 8 badge. Similarly NWTBA advised that if points are awarded for a game then that constitutes a game and players would be entitled to receive their 8 badges. Moved: Ailsa Milburn Seconded: Ken Coppleman “that BTS award 8 badges earned in incomplete games”. Carried

Correspondence:**Inwards:**

BTS Umpires Panel – Panel Review Report - Deferred to next meeting.

Grant Allford - Report SWC 14 February 2016 - Noted.

Claremont and New Norfolk – Willing to host BTS Premier League and other finals – Forwarded to BTS Men’s Match Committee.

Equal Opportunity Tasmania – Response to enquiry re discrimination – Dealt with at the special Board meeting on 22 February 2016.

Sandy Bay – Request that BTS seek a ruling from Anti-Discrimination Commissioner - Dealt with at the special Board meeting on 22 February 2016.

Kingborough – Suspension of Anthony Rowe for six months from 10 February 2016 and subsequent resignation from Club. Further clarification has been sought from Kingborough as to exactly what the suspension is from – is it from the Club, is it from pennant, is it from all bowls? BT has advised that BTS and BT should support whatever suspension is imposed on the player by Kingborough.

William Armstrong – Permission to use bowling arm - Approved.

Rosny Park – Query eligibility of Huonville Division 4 players (BTS Statistician also checked eligibility of Kingborough Division 4 players as well). There were no ineligible players for Huonville but Kingborough played George Rahmanovic in Division 4 for the last two games of the season after he had played Division 3 for the previous four games which is contrary to Conditions of Play. This would have resulted in Rosny Park receiving an additional two pennant points but would have had changed the outcome of the final ladder in Division 4. It was agreed that no action would be taken but that both Clubs be advised accordingly.

Wayne Clark – Response to Player Infringement Report – Dealt with in Matters Arising.

Bowls Tasmania – Expressions of interest Junior Assistant Coach, Junior and Open Selectors - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Nominations for Elected Director positions – It was agreed to send to Clubs seeking nominations.

Glenorchy City and response from Kingborough and the umpire – Inappropriate actions by umpire – Moved: Ross Bannister Seconded: Rob McGuire that the actions of the umpire were incorrect but that no further action be taken, the apology from Tony Kerrison be accepted and be forwarded to both Clubs and that this matter be referred to the BTS Umpires Panel for its information”. Carried

(Tony Kerrison left the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed).

Howrah – Information on e-cigarettes – It was agreed that e-cigarettes should be treated in the same way as any other tobacco product and that Conditions of Play be amended accordingly next season.

Grant Allford – Request to endorse his application as Southern position for BT Men’s Open State Selector – Agreed.

Neil Clark and Janet Rutherford – Complaint against Glenorchy Rodman Saturday Pennant Semi-Finals 27 February 2016 – It was agreed to write to Glenorchy Rodman expressing our displeasure at Glenorchy Rodman’s lack of officials looking after the finals.

Bowls Tasmania – Naming of State Awards – Several names were proposed by the Board to BT

Bowls Tasmania – International Women’s Day “Come and Try Day 8 March 2016 – Noted but information was received too late and Women’s Pennant was also scheduled on this day.

Bowls Tasmania – State Umpires Advisory Committee - Dealt with in Matters Arising.

Bowls Tasmania – Bowls Australia Memorandum - Duties of an accredited measurer - Noted.

Michael Eiszele – Seniors SWC Report 1 March 2016 – Noted.

Leonie Price - Request to endorse her application as Southern position for BT Women’s Open State Selector - Agreed.

Regional Bowls Manager (Tasmania) – Coach Education Mentor Project Workshops – Noted but information was received too late to act on.

Telstra – Digital Office technology on NBN - Noted.

Saturday Pennant Action Group – Copy of letter from Geeveston to Clubs and SPAG response - Noted.

Beltana – Complaint re use of “unregistered” coach 25 February 2016 – It was agreed that non-accredited coaches should not act as a coach as it could leave them and their club liable in the event of an incident occurring whilst they were acting as a coach. It was further agreed to advise Beltana and Claremont accordingly. It was also agreed to advise all Clubs accordingly.

Sorell – Poor behaviour of Howrah supporters at St John’s Park on 5 March 2016. Howrah has been asked for a response which has not yet been received.

North West Tasmania Bowls Association and North West Tasmania Womens Bowls Association – Eight Badges - Dealt with in Matters Arising.

Kingborough – In favour of 1pm lunch bell for Thursday pennant - Noted.

Cremorne – Appeal on BTS Men’s Match Committee decision not to allow Geoff Doyle to play in Midweek Finals. Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Ailsa Milburn “that the Board uphold the decision of the BTS Men’s Match Committee”. Carried

Leonie Price – Resignation from BTS Umpires Panel – It was agreed not to accept the resignation and to discuss this matter further with Leonie Price.

(Tony Kerrison left the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed).

Bowls Tasmania – Preliminary information re Thursday Pennant State Finals – Noted and sent to participating Saturday pennant Clubs.

Royal Hobart – Appeal to BTS Men’s Match Committee re Buckingham playing Danny D’Abate in Men’s Midweek Division 4 Semi-Final – Dismissed.

Cremorne – Appeal to BTS Men’s Match Committee re Derwent City playing a substitute from Howrah

and a request to check eligibility of all Derwent City players in Men's Midweek Division 3 Second Semi-Final – Derwent City was found to have played Marie Eiszele without her playing six games in Midweek Pennant and they forfeited the match.

Sue Hill – Permission to use bowling arm - Approved.

Tony Kerrison – Advising that he intends resigning from the BTS Umpires Panel and as the Umpire's Panel representative on the BTS Board at the end of the current financial year (30 April 2016) – Noted.

(Tony Kerrison left the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed).

Outwards:

All Clubs – BTS 2015-16 Women's Champion of Champion Singles Championship Draw, DJ Motors Barefoot Bowls Champion of Champions Competition, BTS Men's Seniors Southern Team, BTS Women's Seniors Southern Team, BTS Saturday Pennant Semi-Finals and Preliminary Finals Venues, BTS Saturday Pennant Finals Eligibility, No Smoking Allowed, Eligibility of Players for BTS Finals, Notice and Agenda for next Delegates Meeting, BTS Saturday Pennant Grand Final Venue, Procedures for speaking at Delegates Meetings, Suspension - Mr Anthony Rowe, Expressions of Interest to host BTS Champion of Champion Men's Singles Championships, State Championships - Triples Draw, Mentor Workshops, Suspension of Players, BTS Men's Midweek Pennant Semi-Finals Venues, State Pennant Finals, Entries received for BTS Men's Champion of Champion Singles, Format of BTS Pennant 2016-17, State Sporting Organisations Governance Forum, New Friday Night Super 8 Pennant 2016-17, BTS Women's Thursday Pennant Semi-Finals Venues, State Pennant Finals - further information, BTS Men's Midweek Pennant Preliminary Finals Venues, Thursday Pennant - State Finals Preliminary Information, BTS Men's 2015-16 Champion of Champions Draw, BTS Women's Thursday Pennant Preliminary Finals Venue, ANZ Sponsorship, Conditions of Play and Eligibility for Finals, BTS Board Meeting Minutes 15 and 22 February 2016, BTS Delegates Meeting Minutes 7 March 2016 and Meeting to discuss future of Premier League.

Bowls Tasmania – Teams and lunches for Seniors SWC New Norfolk Bowls Club, Venue for Division 4 of State Pennant Finals, Umpires Uniforms, State Umpires Advisory Committee, Suspension of Players and Request for copy of ANZ presentation.

Michael Behrend, Jamie Wright, Stewart Edwards and Peter Barned – Accept explanations for no-shows at BTS Men's B Grade Pairs.

Rosny Park – Accept quotation for Annual Presentation Cocktail Party 2 May 2016.

Peri Buckley – BTS Women's Selection Process.

Sandy Bay, Howrah and Claremont – Closure of Claremont's greens on 30 January 2016.

Bruny and Franklin – Closure of Franklin's green on 30 January 2016.

Sandy Bay – Complaint against visiting Glenorchy Rodman player on 16 November 2016.

Wayne Clarke – Infringement Player Report.

Taroona – Permission for Paul Boam to use a bowling arm.

Bowls North, Bowls North West Tasmanian and Bowls North West Tasmanian Women's Association – Policy re 8 Badges.

Rosny Park – Permission for David Wilson to use a bowling arm.

Howrah – Items added to agenda for Delegates meeting.

Beltana and Claremont – No points allocated for first four games in Division 6.

Dover RSL – Query points allocated as a result of Glenorchy City appeal in Saturday Division 6.

Moved: Ailsa Milburn Seconded: Paula Hadley 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

The Treasurer advised that he will be convening a meeting of the BTS Finance Committee in April 2016 to work on a budget for next season.

The Treasurer requested the Secretary to send him a list of BTS Championship winners so that he can get prize money together for the BTS Trophy Presentation Night.

Clearances:

Moved: Nick Lee Seconded: Ailsa Milburn “that the following clearances be noted:

- Nick Ellis – Howrah – Open
- Diane Nieuwhof – Claremont to Rosny Park.”

Carried

Match Committees:Women’s Match Committee

As per the attached report.

Men’s Match Committee

As per the attached report.

Umpires:

As per the attached report.

Tony Kerrison further advised that he has already advised the BTS Umpires Panel that he will not be continuing on as a member of the Umpires Panel next season.

Coaches:

As per the attached report.

Selectors:

As per the attached reports from the SWC Open Men and Women and Senior Men.

General Business:Function for Winning SWC:

It was agreed that, rather than have a function for SWC representatives for winning the overall SWC, funds should be allocated to further update BTS representative uniforms. It was further agreed that the efforts of all BTS representative sides should be acknowledged at the BTS Annual Presentation Cocktail Party at Rosny Park on 2 May 2016.

Venue for BT Champion of Champions 16 April 2016:

It was agreed to seek expressions of interest from Clubs interested in hosting this event.

Royal Hobart 125th Anniversary Invitation:

President Peter Kirby has been invited to attend a luncheon on Sunday 20 March 2016 to celebrate the 125th anniversary of Royal Hobart. Peter is unable to attend due to another commitment. If no other Board member is available to attend, it was agreed to send an apology to Royal Hobart.

Club Uniforms:

President Peter Kirby expressed his concerns at the drop in uniform standards. If Clubs have jackets, hats etc. they should be added to the BTS Uniform Register. It was agreed to review this matter as part of the review of Conditions of Play next season.

BTS Board and Officials Polo:

President Peter Kirby believes that BTS should issue a BTS polo to Board members and officials. It was agreed to consider this matter further at the next Board meeting.

Matter raised from BTS Delegates Meeting:

At the Delegates Meeting on 7 March 2016 it was Moved: Sorell Seconded: Buckingham “that the Bowls Tasmania South Board investigate with Bowls Tasmania the possibility of standardising the number of rinks per team in each competition to bring them in line”. It was agreed to consider this matter further at the next Board meeting.

Movement of Players:

Ailsa Milburn raised concerns at the different interpretations by umpires regarding the movement of players as per Conditions of Play – in particular thirds and skips – following an incident at the Women’s Division One Preliminary Final today. It was agreed to look at this matter further during the off-season.

Timing Ramp:

Paula Hadley advised that Glenorchy City has recently queried the legality of Howrah using a timing ramp to determine the speed of the green before a Thursday Pennant game. It was agreed that timing ramps are approved to determine green speeds.

Date of next meeting: The next BTS Board meeting will be held on Monday 18 April 2016 at the Buckingham Bowls Club at 4.30pm.

Meeting closed at 6.40 pm.

Confirmed President: // 2016



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH Women's Match Committee

Women's Match Committee Report March 2016

The Champion of Champion event was completed at Glenorchy Rodman on 26th February with two country clubs competing in the open final. Carol Bannister from Dover RSL defeated Liz Rickards from Geeveston Bowls Club.

The "B" Grade was won by Janet Rutherford from Buckingham
Thanks to Glenorchy Rodman for hosting this event

This week the final of the Southern Thursday pennant will be completed and the winners will play in the North on 22 and 23 March finalising this seasons events.

Thanks once again to our Secretary Rob for his assistance

A. Milburn

Acting Chair BTS Women's Match Committee



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH Men's Match Committee

Men's Match Committee Report March 2016

The Bowls Tasmania South members of the Men's Match Committee for the 2015-16 year were: Max Banks (Taroona), Craig Triffett (New Norfolk) and Alan Barnes (Taroona).

I would like to thank the members of the committee for their help and co-operation throughout the season. The committee would also like to thank all clubs involved in championship events and pennant finals for the use of their greens. Our committee tried to spread the championships around different clubs again this season. Our thanks also go to the members of those clubs for their participation as markers, umpires and match managers in all events.

Congratulations to the winners of all of our championships and clubs that were successful in pennant finals as well as those that gained promotion with most bowls clubs playing non-gender players in the Saturday pennant. Good luck to all the Southern bowls clubs going to play in the State finales on the North West Coast.

The Men's Champion of Champions will be played in March and DJ Motors is sponsoring the Southern Twilight Bowls Champion of Champions event again this season.

Ross Bannister
Chairman
Men's Match Committee



Bowls Tasmania South Umpires Panel

Report to BTS Board meeting - 15 March 2016

The Umpires Panel has met as needed this season.

It has reviewed its structure and role and has prepared and provided a document to the BTS Board for consideration and direction.

The Panel appointed umpires for BTS Championship games, Bowls Tasmania Championships in January, Veolia Statewide Pennant events and BTS Saturday Pennant Grand Finals. The Panel expresses its appreciation to all the umpires who have made themselves available so far this season. Umpires are still to be appointed for Thursday and Midweek Pennant Grand Finals.

Current records show that we have a total of 86 Accredited Umpires as follows:

International Technical Officer	1
Level 1 National Umpires	50
Level 2 National Umpires	7
National Umpires	28

In addition 56 bowlers have completed the Measurers accreditation course and 39 the Markers Course. A number of these bowlers have subsequently accredited as National Umpires.

Panel member Helen Ducker is currently updating our records and a detailed up to date listing of officials will soon be placed on the BTS web site.

There are several clubs that currently do not have any accredited Officials and these places additional pressured on the current Officials when playing away games in pennant. The Panel recommends that all clubs have sufficient Officials (Umpires and/or Measurers) for all home pennant games. Courses are scheduled for the balance of this year and details are on the Bowls Tasmania Web Site. Please encourage members of your clubs to register for Marker, Measurer and Umpire Courses at the BT Web Site.

BTS Umpires Panel

7 March 2016



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH COACHES PANEL

Coaches Panel Report March 2016

With the new accredited coaching courses up and running there is still very little interest in bowlers becoming Club Coaches and coaching in bowls clubs.

Once again on the first Sunday in each month from May, June, July, August and September 2016 the Bowls Tasmania south Coaches Panel is going to hold coaching sessions at the Beltana Bowls club on their synthetic green. The first session will be from 9 am to 12 noon and the second session is from 12 noon to 3 pm, these sessions are open to new bowlers through to Premier bowlers. We covering everything from line and length to what shot to play and how to play that shot. There will be qualified coaches on each rink.

If your club would like to organise a coaching day for your members please feel free to give Ross Bannister a call on 0439 629 831 and we can organise a day to come to your club and run a session.

Ross Bannister
President
Bowls Tasmania South Coaches Panel



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH SELECTOR'S REPORTS

ROUND 3 OPEN STATE-WIDE CHALLENGE BELTANA 14 FEBRUARY 2016

OPEN MEN

The games in SWC3 at Beltana were played in difficult windy conditions which tested all players. The green was in good condition and ran between 14-15 seconds.

In the first game South 1 side defeated the North West 12-2 on two rinks 60-51.

Lee Schraner def. Luke Richardson 22-18

Rob McMullen def. Tim Douce 21-12

Jarrold Long lt David Gamble 17-21

South 2 side was comprehensively beaten by the North on all three rinks 34-58. Many of the younger players struggled in the conditions and were perhaps a little overawed by the occasion. All three rinks got away to a poor start but managed to claw back a number of shots in the second half of the game.

Cam Tegg lt Michael Simms 10-22

Keghan Booth lt Adam Gurr 14-18

Gene Ayton lt Simon Zaporozec 10-18

In the second game the South 1 side was defeated 4-10 by the North 47-52 despite winning on two rinks. The rink skipped by Jarrold Long was well beaten by Adam Gurr. Long's front end of Peter Bannister and Josh Mabb were disappointing despite the conditions.

Lee Schraner def. Simon Zaporozec 16-13

Rob McMullen def. Michael Simms 21-17

Jarrold Long lt Adam Gurr 10-22

South 2 was given the licence to have fun and enjoy their second game and came away with an exciting two rink 12-2 win over the strong NW side 49-38.

Cam Tegg def. Tim Douce 18-13

Gene Ayton def. Luke Richardson 17-8

Keghan Booth lt David Gamble 14-17

South finished the SWC in second place behind the powerful NW team and showed significant improvement from last year. The decision to blood some new younger players has paid dividends and we look forward to further improvement in 2016-17.

It may be prudent to make sure clubs that are prepared to host championship games, particularly SWC, are aware of their responsibilities in providing a 'Venue Manager' for the day so that team officials know who to approach re any issues. While Beltana needs to be congratulated on the green (for the men) we needed to chase them for overall scoreboards and then man them ourselves.

Grant Allford
Team Manager

OPEN WOMEN

The third and final Open Statewide Veolia Challenge was played at Beltana Bowls Club with the A team putting in a great performance to only lose on one rink over both games. The B team played well adding another 14 points to our overall score.

Congratulation to our Southern ladies for winning the trophy back to back.

A. Milburn
Selector

ROUND 3 SENIORS STATE-WIDE CHALLENGE NEW NORFOLK 1 MARCH 2016

SENIOR MEN

Following the last 2 rounds played at New Norfolk on 1 March 2016 the South has retained the Seniors Statewide Pennant

Round 3 games results are as follows:

AM

South One 62 def. North West 30 (14-0)

Grant Allford 18 Def Alan Carver 10

Alvin Cooke 19 Def Wayne Wilcox 7

Barry Bone 25 Def Wayne Manson 13

South Two 44 Def North 40 (12-2)

Roly Coad 12 lost to Peter Zoon 14

Steve Midson 15 Def D Heron 10

Tony Clarke 17 Def Robert Walsh 16

PM

South One 65 Def North 39

Grant Allford 28 Def Peter Zoon 15

Barry Bone 21 Def D Heron 10

Alvin Cooke 16 Def Robert Walsh 14

South Two 59 Def North West 38 (12-2)

Roly Coad 17 Def Alan Carver 15

Steve Midson 27 Def Wayne Wilcox 7

Tony Clark 15 lost to Wayne Manson 16

Final Points:

South 66

North West 47

North 27

Actual teams for Round 3 (John McKibben was a late withdrawal)

Team One

Grant Allford (s)

Bill Butler

Steve Graf

John Nichols

Alvin Cook (s)

John North

John Sutcliffe

Leigh Munnings

Barry Bone (s)

Graham Rowbottom

Jeff Maughan

Tony Hack

Team Two

Roly Coad(s)

John Howard

Peter Rayner

Grant Chamberlain

Steve Midson (s)

Wayne Lampkin

Barry Nash

Chris Smith

Summary of first two rounds

Round One at Port Sorell

AM

South 58 Def North West two 34 (12-2)

Barry Bone 29 Def J Maher 7

Grant Allford 19 Def S Brand 14

John North 10 Lost to J Neal 13

PM

Barry Bone 18 Lost to A Carver 20

Grant Allford 19 Def Wayne Manson 16

John North 13 Def Phil Moore 11

Round Two at Kings Meadows

AM

South 54 Def North Two 45 (12-2)

Alvin Cooke 15 Def D Quarrell 12

Barry Bone 28 Def Roger Long 16

Grant Allford 11 Lost to M Beeton 17

PM

South 49 Drew with North One 49 (6-8)

Grant Allford 13 Lost to D Herron 17

Alvin Cooke 14 Lost to Peter Zoon 16

Barry Bone 22 Def Robert Walsh 16

I would like to thank my Co-Selector Ken Broomhead and Manager Chris Lee for their valued assistance over the season and believe that we have the players to make it three titles in a row next season.

Unfortunately I will not be re-applying for any Seniors Selectors roles with either BTS or BT next season

Michael Eiszele
Chairman of Selectors