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Minutes of the Board meeting held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on Monday 20 February 2017 commencing at 4.30pm.

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

Apology: Tony Fulton.

Minutes: Moved Shirley Hay Seconded Ross Bannister that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2017 be confirmed. Carried

Matters Arising:

BTS Uniform Register:

Work is continuing on the re-establishment of a BTS Uniform Register. Twenty Clubs have submitted details to date.

Constituted team for BTS Championships and BTS Bowler of the Year:

A formal response has now been received from BT advising that it believes that BTS is correctly following the decision made at the RCC meeting in February 2016 that if a team is changed throughout an event the constituted team would be awarded the Bowler of the Year points. However, this is not the BTS position and is not the position outlined by BT Board Member Les Harrison in his communications with BTS – namely that the players that actually played in the final round in which points were gained would receive the points towards the Bowler of the Year award and not the originally constituted team. It was agreed to take this matter up again with Bowls Tasmania.

Anti-Discrimination Hearing – Rod Pursell and Saturday Pennant Action Group:

No determination has yet been received from the Anti-Discrimination Commissioner re this matter.

BTS Greens Advisory Committee:

At the November 2016 Board meeting, concern was raised at the condition of the Ouse green and it was agreed to request that the BTS Greens Advisory Committee talk to Ouse about its green. The BTS Greens Advisory Committee has been requested to inspect and report on the Ouse green, however, no report has been received to date. It was agreed that it was too late for the report for this season now.

Bulk Discount on Club Insurances:

No further advice has been received from BT in regards to its discussions with Bowling Club Insurance Brokers (BCIB) on this matter.

Bowls Tasmania Senior Selector Women:

BT has advised that it has appointed Ailsa Milburn as the BT Southern Senior's Women's Selector.

Maintenance of Synthetic Greens and Berry Bowling Systems:

President Peter Kirby advised that nothing further has been done in regard to Berry Bowling Systems offer to present a workshop on the maintenance of synthetic greens in Hobart.

Tribunal Decision re Player Infringement Report – Kaye Sproule:

A letter of clarification of the Club's response in regard to the above from Beltana was deferred from the last Board meeting along with a recommendation from Ken Copleman for an independent review of the conduct of the above.

A report from the Tribunal was circulated to Board members prior to the meeting.

Moved: Ross Bannister Seconded Ken Coppleman “that a sub-committee be formed to develop a BTS Policy on handling complaints like this in the future”. Carried

A sub-committee consisting of Peter Kirby, Ken Coppleman and Malcolm Salier was formed to prepare a draft BTS Policy and report back to a future Board meeting.

No-Shows at BTS Women’s Open Pairs:

A written response has been received from Nerise Baker and Val Lukasek for their no-show at the BTS Women’s Open Pairs Championship on 13 January 2017. It was agreed to accept their explanation without further penalty.

No-Shows at BTS Men’s B Grade Pairs:

No response has yet been received from Howrah in regard to Des Carpenter and Dick Davidson for their no-show at the BTS Men’s Open Pairs Championship on 15 January 2017

Venue for next Delegates Meeting:

Rosny Park has agreed to host the next Delegates Meeting on Monday 20 March 2017.

Venue for BT Thursday State Pennant Finals:

Nominations were received from Brighton, Buckingham, New Norfolk and Rosny Park to host this season’s Thursday State Pennant Finals on 29 and 30 March 2017. Moved: Shirley Hay Seconded Leonie Price “that the Thursday State Pennant Finals be held at Rosny Park”. Carried

Venue for BTS Presentation Cocktail Party:

Rosny Park has agreed to host the BTS Presentation Cocktail Party on Monday 1 May 2017 for the same price as last year.

Venue for Annual General Meeting:

Beltana has agreed to host the BTS Annual General Meeting on Sunday 28 May 2017.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Bowls Tasmania – Constituted teams for BTS Championships and BTS Bowler of the Year - Refer Matters Arising above.

Brighton, Buckingham, New Norfolk and Rosny Park – Expression of interest to host BT Thursday Pennant State Finals - Refer Matters Arising above.

Sandy Bay – Decline to host BT Thursday pennant State Finals - Noted.

Rosny Park – Agreed to host Delegates Meeting 20 March 2017 - Noted

Rosny Park – Agree to host BTS Annual Presentation Evening – same cost as last year - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Minutes of SGM, RCC meeting and Board meeting December 2016 - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Advice of venues for Open SWC on 19 February and Seniors SWC on 7 March 2017 – Forwarded to Selectors and Team Managers.

Kingborough – Request to change Saturday Pennant Division 3 from synthetic to grass effective from 28 January 2017 – Approved out-of-session. It was agreed to review the current restriction on change of greens when reviewing Conditions of Play for next season.

Bowls Tasmania – Appointment of Ailsa Milburn as BT Seniors Selector (South) - Refer Matters Arising above.

Orford – St John’s Park Green – Inspected by BTS Greens Advisory Committee on 31 January 2017 who advised that the green is still playable, although the bowls will bump a bit, the green is a bit slow at present and will be a bit ordinary for a couple of weeks but is improving every day. It was agreed out-of-session to take no further action in regard to this matter.

BTS Match Committee – Variation from Conditions of Play for BTS Men’s Singles Championships to require players in the main to mark the first round of the championships with the introduction of byes was approved by the Board out-of-session. It was agreed to consider this method for future championships when reviewing Conditions of Play for next season, however, if introduced, BTS Match Committee must clearly show markers on the draw.

Tony’s Fiddly Bits (formerly Trophy Traders) – Quote to provide trophies at same price as last year - Accepted.

Laura Best – Queries re uniforms. It was agreed that the BTS Uniform Policy is as follows:

- The Bowls Australia Logo Policy as amended from time to time will apply to all persons playing in BTS Championships and Pennant competitions.
- All persons playing in Pennant competitions must wear their own approved Club’s uniform.
- Players from a club making up a composite Pennant side may wear approved attire as if they were a side in their own right.
- It is up to individual Clubs to determine what their Club uniform is (which must be approved by BTS) and what, how and when it should be worn (provided that it complies with the Bowls Australia and BTS policies).
- In approving Club uniforms, BTS is only interested in Club lower body wear and polo tops.
- Outerwear worn by players should be in Club colours.

Beltana – Agree to host Annual General Meeting on 28 May 2017 - Noted

Glenorchy Rodman – New uniform from 2017-18 – Approved – query colour of trousers for women.

New Norfolk – Apology for non-attendance of Keith Clark to BTS Men’s Singles Championships - Agreed to accept apology without further penalty.

Cremorne – Advice re new synthetic green - Noted.

Sandy Bay – Query eligibility of Dover RSL’s Meg Wilson to play in Saturday Pennant Division 6 v’s Sandy Bay on 4 February 2017. Dover RSL has admitted playing Meg Wilson and that she did not have dispensation to play Saturday Pennant Division 6 and was therefore a non-eligible player. Moved: Rob McGuire Seconded: Ross Bannister ‘that in accordance with Conditions of Play 1.12.3 it was resolved to strip Dover RSL of all points earned for the game and that they be debited with 15 shots and that Sandy Bay be awarded the maximum points available for the game and be credited with 15 shots’. Carried

Sandy Bay – Suggestion for Delegates Meeting that Clubs be permitted to register up to four un-named Barefoot Bowlers for Pennant – It was agreed to put this matter on hold until BT determines its position in regard to charging of capitation fees in future. If the Bowls Australia model is adopted by BT then this suggestion becomes irrelevant as Clubs would be charged an annual fee based on current membership levels regardless of the number of players it registers in the future.

Dennis Lourey – Report SWC3 Open - Noted.

Glenorchy Rodman – Complaint re behaviour of Orford player Saturday Pennant Division 2 Glenorchy Rodman v’s Orford 11 February 2017 – Referred to Orford for response.

Nerise Baker and Val Lukasek – Apology for non-attendance at the BTS Women’s Open Pairs Championship on 13 January 2017 – Refer Matters Arising above.

Dover RSL – Explanation for playing Meg Wilson in Saturday Pennant Division 6 v’s Sandy Bay on 4 February 2017 – Refer action taken in Correspondence from Sandy Bay above.

Dover RSL - Dispensation to play an additional man in Women’s Thursday Pennant Division 5 – Refused.

Derwent City – Dispensation to play Grant Dudman in Saturday Pennant Division 5 (excluding finals) – Approved.

Outwards:

All Clubs – Board Meeting Minutes January 2017, Draw for BTS Women's RACT DL Reid Singles Championships, Women's Seniors (Over 60's) Southern Teams, Men's Open Southern Team, Women's Open Southern Team, Eligibility Requirements for Saturday Pennant 2017-18, Draw for BTS Men's Singles Championships, Men's Seniors (Over 60's) Southern Teams, Reminder Champion of Champion Singles Championships, Entries received for BTS Women's Champion of Champion Singles Championships, Draw for BTS Women's Open and B Grade Champion of Champions Singles Championships, Kingborough Saturday Division 3 move from synthetic to grass, Entries received for BTS Men's Champion of Champion Singles Championships and Approval to use "Bowls Eye".

Bowls Tasmania – SWC Seniors teams and catering 7 February 2017, Reminder re constituted team and Bowler of Year points, Endorsement of Ailsa Milburn as Southern Womens Senior Selector and State Seniors Championships at Sandy Bay.

Rosie Geeves – Appointment as Selector BTS Women's Senior Southern team.

Dover RSL – Dispensation for two Premier Division players to play in Saturday Pennant Division 6.

Buckingham – Inconsistency in Conditions of Play to be discussed at next Delegates Meeting.

Derwent City – Permission for George Patterson to wear non-Derwent City approved clothing for rest of season.

Beltana – Approve request for Saturday Pennant Division 5 to change from synthetic to grass green for rest of season.

Tasman – Dispensation to play an additional man in its Women's Thursday Pennant Division 4 team.

Howrah – Negative effect of Conditions of Play on where Women's Division 2 players can play on Saturday to be discussed at next Delegates Meeting.

Kingborough – Approve request for Thursday Pennant Division 2 to change from synthetic to grass green for rest of season.

Brighton – Explanation from Nerise Baker and Val Lukasec for their no-show at BTS Women's Open Pairs Championship.

Howrah – Explanation from Des Carpenter and Dick Davidson for their no-show at BTS Men's B Grade Pairs Championship.

Tom O'Brien – Request report from Juniors SWC games.

Rosny Park – Request to host BTS Delegates Meeting on 20 March 2017.

Rosny Park – Request to host BTS Presentation Cocktail Party on 1 May 2017.

Beltana – Request to host BTS Annual General Meeting on 28 May 2017.

Moved: Ross Bannister Seconded: Ailsa Milburn "that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards correspondence be endorsed". Carried.

Reports:**Finance:**

Acting Treasurer Rob McGuire forwarded his report to Board Members prior to the meeting. Moved: Rob McGuire Seconded: Ken Coppleman "that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and that accounts paid be approved". Carried

Rob McGuire reported that there were debts outstanding by Kingborough and Glenorchy City that are long overdue and will be followed up this month. Rob McGuire also reported that he has handed all the financial records back to Tony Fulton who has resumed his duties as BTS Treasurer.

Clearances:

Moved: Rob McGuire Seconded: Ross Bannister "that the following clearances be noted:

- Josh Baker – Beltana to Glenorchy Rodman
- Shane Baker – Beltana to Glenorchy Rodman

- Rod Cooper – Sandy Bay to Kingborough
- Ben Dayton – Sandy Bay to Kingborough//
- Nick Ellis – Rosny Park to Open
- Alison Hay – Latrobe to Rosny Park
- Ebro Jesenkovic – Kingborough to Derwent City
- Jackie Knight – Beltana to Glenorchy Rodman
- Max Streets – Ouse to Glenorchy Rodman
- Mike Wilkie – Howrah to Cremorne”

Carried

Match Committee:Women’s Match Sub-Committee

As per attached report.

Men’s Match Sub-Committee

As per attached report.

Bill Muss did not show for the BTS Men’s B Grade Singles Championships on 5 February 2017. It was agreed to write to him to ask for an explanation.

It was agreed that the Men’s Champion of Champion Championships should be held at the Kingborough Indoor Bowls Centre provided that Kingborough was willing to make the venue available for the normal championship green fees.

Discussion took place on venues for BTS finals. It was agreed to ask the BTS Greens Advisory Committee to nominate greens suitable for BTS finals.

It was agreed as follows:

- The Club heading the ladder has the option of choosing the venue for the second semi-final. All other venues will be determined by the BTS Match Committee.
- All finals (except the second semi-final) must be on grass.
- Finals should be combined wherever possible so that more than one final can be played at the same venue.
- Where possible, Clubs playing in more than one grand final should be played at the same venue.
- Grand final venues should be held in a central location and no further out than Brighton, Howrah or Kingborough.

It was agreed that the above decision should be built into Conditions of Play for 2017-18.

Officiating Panel:

As per attached report.

Concern was raised that some Clubs are appointing umpires for Pennant matches whose accreditation has run out rather than appoint an accredited umpire from visiting teams. This practice must cease. It was agreed to write to Clubs accordingly.

Coaches Panel:

As per attached report.

Moved: Rob McGuire Seconded: Shirley Hay “to hold the BTS Winter Coaching Program at the Howrah Indoor Centre for a hire fee of \$20 per month which will be paid by BTS”. Carried

It was agreed to write to Beltana thanking it for its support of the BTS Winter Coaching Program in the past.

Selectors:

As per attached report on the Women’s Open and Senior SWC and the Men’s Open SWC.

General Business:Board Polo and Jackets:

Board polo's and jackets should only be worn by current Board members. Accordingly Board members will be required to return their polo tops and jackets at the end of their term as Board members.

Friday Night Super Pairs:

It was agreed that the grand final will be held as a stand-alone game immediately following the other games on the final night provided that Rosny Park is agreeable to holding it under lights.

It was also agreed to conduct a survey of players and Clubs at the end of the Friday Night Super Pairs to review how the competition went, should it happen again in 2018 and if so to determine what improvements could be made for next season.

Bowls Tasmania Constitution:

A draft constitution from the BT Constitution Sub-Committee has been circulated today and will be forwarded to Board members for comment.

Barefoot Bowls Champion of Champion Championships:

It was agreed that this championship will be held at the Howrah Indoor Bowls Centre if it has a bar operating inside the Indoor Centre on the night else it will be held at the Kingborough Indoor Bowls Centre.

Bowls Australia Survey:

Bowls Australia in conjunction with State and Territory Bowls Associations is undertaking an e-Survey as part of the development of a Bowls in Australia 2017-22 Strategic Plan. Concern was raised that this matter has not been brought to the attention of regions, clubs or members by BT. It was agreed to raise this matter with BT.

Bowls Tasmania Southern Women's Board Member:

Marion Florence's term as the BT's southern women's board member will expire at this year's BT AGM and Marion is not eligible for re-election. BTS needs to think about a possible replacement for Marion.

Date of next meeting: The next Board meeting will be held on Monday 20 March 2017 at the Rosny Park Bowls Club immediately following the next Delegates Meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.10 pm.

Confirmed President: / / 2017



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH MATCH COMMITTEE

Report February 2017

Women's Sub-Committee

The first round of the D.L. Reid singles was played at the Sandy Bay Bowls Club on 3rd Feb with the finals on the following Friday.

Semi-finals between Lyn Triffitt and Peri Buckley, Jeanette Lane and Christine Dowl set the scene for an exciting final between Lyn and Jeanette. After another close game Jeanette managed to defeat Lyn in the final to give her back to back wins. Congratulations to both players for a great game.

The Champion of Champion will be played at Rosny Park on 24th February with the winner of the Open advancing to play in State Champion of Champions on 13th. March.

A. Milburn
Match Committee

Men's Sub-Committee

The BTS men's Open and B-Grade singles were completed on Sunday 19th February 2017. Winner in the Open was Lee Schraner from Rosny Park and the B-Grade was Graeme Walker from Kingborough.

The players had to mark the first round in the men's singles this year and because of this we were able to play the entire open event at one club and the B-grade at another club, it is recommended that BTS use this format in the future for marking singles events.

The southern juniors have played their BTS pairs with two girls winning the grand final; Lauren Banks and Alanna Kalbfell both from the New Norfolk Bowls Club.

The men's southern champion of champions singles start on Wednesday the 1st March. We need a venue to hold then and some clubs have entered but have not completed their club singles events, so do we hold off doing the draw until the Tuesday before they start.

Ross Bannister
Chairperson of the BTS Match Committee



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH OFFICIATING PANEL

Report February 2017

The Officiating Panel conducted a meeting on the 17th of January, in attendance myself and Helen Ducker. We are going to invite several Umpires to the next meeting to assess their interest in becoming Panel members. At this stage Helen is carrying a huge load in appointing umpires for various events as I am unfortunately tied up with other duties or actually playing in the events.

There has been a good number of Umpires showing keen interest in Officiating and with mentoring from established umpires have been conducting their duties to a good standard. There are a number that have shown potential to become members of the Panel and it is these that will be targeted.

The Events that the Panel have appointed Umpires for are:

BTS Women's Pairs Finals, BTS Men's Pairs Finals, BT Seniors SWC at Claremont, DL Reid Knockouts and Finals, BTS Men's Singles Knockouts and Finals and the four day event, State Seniors Championships, conducted at Sandy Bay and Buckingham Bowls Clubs.

Approximately 20 Umpires have been involved in these events and our thanks go out to them all. A special thank you to Helen for her dedicated work in organising all the above.

The next events to be covered will be the Champion of Champions for Men and Women and then on to the Pennant Finals Series.

This year the Panel will secure Umpires for all Grand Finals and will assist clubs, if asked, with obtaining officials for semi's and preliminary finals.

There has been an enquiry from the Beltana Bowls club in relation to the use of Men in the Women's Pennant Finals to which the answer was affirmative as long as they have fulfilled the Eligibility requirements.

Another enquiry from an Umpire in regard to a bowl in the ditch to which he had the right answer but was not called to make a decision and noticed that the player involved virtually bullied their opponent into accepting. This same player also bullied an Umpire during the Men's Singles Knockout play and over-rode that Umpire's decision quoting that the Match Manager said he could do what he was doing. This is interesting in that Club appointed Match Managers will need to be told that their duties do not include breaking the Laws of Bowls or over-riding the Conditions of Play.

With the number of events in the Bowls calendar it is unfortunate that The Panel will not have time to conduct the promised forums in regional areas but will have an early start into next season.

Leonie Price
BTS Officiating Panel



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH COACHES PANEL

Report February 2017

An email was sent to the Beltana Bowls Club and the Howrah Bowls Club asking if we could use the synthetic green for the winter coaching program and below is the clubs reply. Would Bowls South cover the cost of the Howrah Bowls Club?

Hi Ross,

I refer to your email of the 25th January, 2017 in relation to the use of our Synthetic Green.

- The matter of using the Club's Synthetic Green for coaching lessons for Winter was discussed.
- The Club has no problem in this being continued this Winter if required.
- The only change would be that a fee (nominal) of \$2.00 per head will be requested to offset wear and tear of Green.
- We await the outcome.

Regards,
PETER HYLAND
SECRETARY.

Dear Ross

At the Committee of Management meeting on Friday 10th February your request to hold the winter coaching sessions at the Howrah Indoor Centre on the first Sunday of May, June, July, August and September from 12 noon to 3 pm was presented.

The Committee was delighted with the request and would be very happy for you to use the Centre for these coaching sessions.

The only cost would be \$20 per month to cover the cost of the lighting. This could either be met by BTS or ask the members attending to donate say \$1 per person towards the cost.

I trust this meets with your approval and we look forward to assisting you in these very valuable coaching courses.

Regards

Paula Hadley, Secretary, Howrah Bowls Club

Ross Bannister
Coaches Panel



BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH SELECTOR REPORTS

BTS WOMEN'S OPEN SELECTORS REPORT - FEBRUARY 2017

The final round of the Open Statewide was played at North Launceston Bowls Club.

The Southern ladies first game was against North 2 and they came very close to getting all points with Lyn Triffitt going down by 2 shots to Bec Van Ash and Jenny Tirant only losing 1 shot against Gail Linger. The rink skipped by June Guy had enough shots to carry us across the line and give us a 10-4 result.

The afternoon game against North 1 resulted in a 14-0 win. Lyn Triffitt defeating Kim Saunders by 11 shots, Jenny Tirant defeating Courtney Hobbs by 11 shots, and June Guy hanging on to win by 2 shots against Bree Mabb. Overall a very commendable effort by the South with all ladies playing well.

Congratulations to North Launceston for hosting this event and their management of the meals, as well as the greens and facilities. A great day.

Ailsa Milburn
Selector

BTS WOMEN'S SENIOR SELECTORS REPORT - FEBRUARY 2017

Claremont Bowls Club hosted the second round of the Senior Statewide.

Conditions were excellent, but the final result was disappointing to say the least. South 1 could not manage a win against the North West in the first game and the afternoon game against the North proved to be the same result.

The only points came from South 2 scoring 12 against the North and managing to gain 1 point against the North West in the second game.

A very ordinary performance, but hopefully they will be able to redeem themselves in the final round to be played at Kings Meadows Bowls Club on 7th March.

Ailsa Milburn
Selector

BTS MEN'S OPEN SELECTORS REPORT - FEBRUARY 2017

A pregame address from Lee Schraner inspired the South, BTS Open Men's team to wins over both North 2 and North 1. The final state wide challenge of the season was held at the North Launceston club, who deserve special recognition for its state of preparedness to host the event. The green was fast and true and the management of the event, meals, and facility's first class!

In the first round of the tournament, the South played North 2, which featured luminaries such as, Mark Strochnetter and the Baker brothers. The South earned 13 of a possible 14 points, with Lee Schraner contributing 1 point after drawing with Strochnetter, Josh Mabb, straight off a plane from Adelaide won, 21/12, and the consistent Taelyn Male won his 5 out 5 game when he snuck home by one shot. Taelyn is some kind of bowler, he reads the head superbly and has all the shots necessary to compete with the best.

The North comfortably defeated the N/West thus the stage was set for a battle royal between the competition front runners, North 1 and Southern. The match ups featured, Lee Schraner and his team. of Luke Turner, Will Coad and Mick (Moose) Sweeney. The scoreboard read 15 all at the conclusion of the 16th of 18 ends, Lee was able to take a lead into the final end when winning the penultimate end by 2 shots, at the time he looked the likely winner, but in bowls anything can and does happen, sure enough, rival skip, Tim Douce gritted his teeth and his team lifted to secure 5 shots in what was a 3 shot win for the North.

Josh Mabb and his team of Mitch Banks, Josh Baker, and Jarrod Long resisted responding to the trash talking, urging and sledging of rival skip, Rob McMullen, by focusing purely on the game, they were rewarded with a gutsy 9 shot win. The final game was between the youthful stars of Tasmania Bowls, Michael Sims and Taelyn Male. The Southern rink also contained, lead, David Douce, 2, Bryce Guy and 3, Jarrah (Badger) Allan. The match was of a very high standard, both skips were firing, and urging their team on with positive reinforcement. In the end Taelyn Male was the only undefeated skip in the SWC Series when he defeated Sims by 4 shots. Taelyn locked up his 6 from 6 victory, surely State selection is not far off.

Dennis Lourey
Manager, BTS OpenMen.