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President: Trevor Quilliam

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Minutes of the Board meeting held at 631 Main Road Berriedale commencing at 5.00 pm on Monday 18 June 2012.

Present: Trevor Quilliam (Chair), Ailsa Milburn (Deputy President), Ross Bannister, Jan Booth, Michael Eiszele, Tony Fulton, Bev Gillie, Shirley Hay, Rob McGuire and Suzi Rogers (in lieu of Trevor Govey),

Apologies: Grant Allford and Trevor Govey.

Welcome: The President welcomed all member, in particular new Board members Michael Eiszele and Rob McGuire and declared the meeting open.

Minutes: Moved: Ross Bannister Seconded: Jan Booth that the minutes of the meeting held on 26 April 2012 be confirmed. Carried.

Matters arising:

Saturday Competition for Women

This will proceed if enough is enough interest from Clubs. Conditions of play are to be determined by the Ladies Match Committee. The Secretary is to advertise the Saturday Competition again in the next BTS Newsletter.

Pennant Competition 2012-13

At the Special General Meeting on 17 June 2012, it was agreed to repeal the decision to implement changes to playing conditions for pennant for the 2012-13 season as adopted by the Board and that the existing pennant format would remain. This decision was ratified by the Board.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Rosny Park – Club Clothing

Moved: Ailsa Milburn Seconded: Shirley Hay that the newly designed trousers and shorts for men be approved. Carried.

Royal Hobart – Club Clothing

Royal Hobart sought guidelines on the above. There is a move within the Club to allow members to wear dark blue trousers instead of whites / creams, however, dark blue would not be imposed on members and members would be able to choose which colour to wear.

The following policy was adopted by the Board:

- In accordance with the BA logo policy, for all affiliated state and territory pennant and above level events, competitors must comply in accordance with the controlling bodies' dress regulations and conditions of play.
- Accordingly, any change of club clothing colours other than white / creams for BTS pennant play must be approved by the BTS Board.
- Once a change is approved, there is a one full season phase-in allowed during which either the previous colours or the new colours may be worn.
- After the phase-in period, only the newly approved club clothing colours can be worn.
- All clubs clothing must contain the BA logo in it and must conform to the BA logo policy.

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Sandy Bay – Women’s Pennant Conditions of Play

Sandy Bay requested Women’s Pennant Conditions of Play be amended to allow only one team from any Club in the same division. It was agreed that Sandy Bay be permitted to do this in 2012-13 and that Rosny Park be contacted by Trevor Quilliam to determine its views on the matter. It was agreed that the Women’s Pennant Conditions of Play for 2012-13 will be amended to reflect this decision subject to confirmation ex Rosny Park.

Kingborough – Australian Indoor Championships Qualifying Rounds

Kingborough has expressed concerns that it only received \$7.00 from a \$25.00 entry fee for hosting the Southern Tasmanian qualifying rounds of the Australian Indoor Championships. Kingborough hosted the qualifying round over two days requiring the Centre Manager’s presence plus the cost of lighting. It received just \$154.00 for its efforts which did not cover its costs. BA seeks \$18.00 of the \$25.00 entry fee with no funds retained by BT or BTS. BT has advised that it will need to consider seriously whether or not it will run this event in Tasmania in the future.

The Mercury – Bowls Results

Following receipt of correspondence from BTS regarding lack of consistency in getting results into The Mercury, Sean Stevenson has written to BTS advising that every sport would like their results run the day after they receive them but, unfortunately, that is not always possible. The Mercury is not going to leave out news to put in bowls results, and because their industry is in tough times they cannot make any guarantees about running sports results on a given day. The Mercury endeavours to run the bowls results as soon as they possibly can, and can understand that people like to see them in Monday's paper. Sean pointed out that bowls already receives - thanks largely to Tony Fulton’s efforts - a much better run in The Mercury than many other sports, and certainly better than it does in interstate newspapers. The Board accepted the position of The Mercury and noted its appreciation of the support given to bowls by The Mercury.

Geeveston and Franklin – Composite Teams

The Franklin and Geeveston Bowls Clubs have advised that it wishes to field composite Men’s and Women’s teams for the 2012-13 season. This move will be for a trial period of one season and, if successful, will be continued into the future. In recent years the Franklin and Geeveston clubs have experienced significant difficulty maintaining pennant playing numbers. This has been caused by retirements and difficulties in recruiting new players.

Geeveston Bowls Club has the following pennant teams: Men - Division 1 and Division 3 Reserve and Women - Division 1 and Division 4 and Franklin Bowls Club has: Men: Division 2 and Division 4 and Women: Division 5.

Franklin/Geeveston Composite would therefore field the following teams: Men Divisions 1, 2, 3 Reserve and depending on numbers either Division 4 Reserve or a three rink Division 5 team and Women-Divisions 1, 4 and/or 5.

To make rostering clear and consistent Geeveston will host home games for composite Men’s Divisions 1 and 3 Reserve and Women’s Divisions 1 and 4 while Franklin will host matches for composite men’s Divisions 2 and either 4 or 5 and Women’s Division 5.

To abide with bowling rules composite teams playing at Geeveston will use Geeveston bowls stickers (home and away) while teams playing on the Franklin green will use Franklin stickers (home and away). In 2012-13 composite teams would wear their current club uniforms. If the trial is successful the Clubs will move to composite stickers and uniforms in 2013-14.

Moves: Ross Bannister Seconded: Tony Fulton that the request from Geeveston and Franklin Clubs be approved. Carried.

Outwards:

Nil

Moved: Ross Bannister seconded: Tony Fulton that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards correspondence be endorsed. Carried.

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Reports:**Finance:**

Treasurer Tony Fulton presented his report. Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded Ross Bannister that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Carried.

It was agreed that Ailsa Milburn and Rob McGuire be added as approved bank account signatories.

Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Ross Bannister that the following Honorariums apply for the 2012-13 season:

President Expense Allowance	\$600.00	
Deputy President Expense Allowance	\$300.00	
Secretary	\$9,500.00	
Assistant Secretary	\$1,000.00	
Treasurer	\$2,500.00	
Statistician	\$3,000.00	
Men's Match Committee	\$1,000.00	
Women's Match Committee	\$1,000.00	
Publicity Officer	\$250.00	Carried.

Clearances:

The following clearances were noted:

- Charles Thomas – Howrah to Sandy Bay
- David Thomson – Taroona to Sandy Bay
- Steve Graf – Derwent City to Sandy Bay

Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Bev Gillie that the following clearance be approved:

- Ron Burk – Claremont to Queensland Carried.

Match Committees:

Neil Clark was appointed as Chairman of the Men's Match Committee.

It was agreed to call for expressions of interest via a BTS Newsletter for nominations for the Men's and Women's Match Committees. Expressions of interest will close on 30 June 2012.

It was agreed that rosters should be prepared by 30 June 2012 to enable them to get in the BT Handbook for 2012-13. (BT Handbook entries must be submitted by 6 July 2012.)

Umpires:

See attached report.

Coaches:

See attached report.

Bowls Tasmania:

Due to illness Roger Harvey will not be able to attend the next BT Board meeting on 25 June 2012. Trevor Quilliam undertook to contact Neil Clark to request that he attend in lieu of Roger. Suzie Rogers undertook to attend in lieu of Joan Middleton. Trevor Quilliam undertook to check their eligibility.

General Business:

Selectors:

The following appointments were confirmed at the Annual General Meeting - Joan Middleton is the Chair of the Women's Southern Selector. Don Patmore (Chair), Grant Allford and Roy Nunn will continue as Men's Southern Selectors and Tom O'Brien will continue as the Southern Juniors Selector.

It was agreed that Joy Quilliam would be appointed as the Selector and Manager for the Women's Development Squad.

Statistician:

Verbal expressions of interest have been received from Tony Riley and John McKibben for this position. It was agreed that the Secretary should get written confirmation from both. Approval was given to the BTS Executive to make the appointment.

Executive Assistant:

It was agreed to call for expressions of interest via a BTS Newsletter for applications for the Executive Assistant. Expressions of interest will close on 30 June 2012.

Finance Committee:

It was agreed that the Finance Committee for 2012-13 consist of the President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Public Officer:

It was agreed that Rob McGuire should be appointed as the BTS Public Officer for 2012-13.

Honorary Legal Officer:

Discussion took place on the appointment of an Honorary Legal Officer for 2012-13. Suggestions put forward included Bill Bale and Danny Evans who may know someone at Dobson Mitchell and Allport where he worked. Trevor Quilliam undertook to follow this matter up.

Member Protection Officer:

It was agreed that the Secretary should approach Grant Allford to determine his interest in being appointed the BTS Member Protection Officer for 2012-13. Documentation on the role of the position had been prepared previously by Neil Clark and this should be located if possible.

Delegates Meetings:

It was agreed that the next Women's Delegates meeting will be held on Monday 17 September 2012 at 1pm and the next Men's Delegates meeting will be held on Monday 17 September 2012 at 3pm – with both meetings to be held at the Sorell Bowls Club.

Opening Day:

It was agreed that Opening Day will be held on the Monday prior to the opening of the 2012-13 season at a venue to be determined at the next BTS Board meeting.

Southern Water – Water Rates for Clubs:

Rob McGuire reported that Grant Allford had advised him that he had raised at the last meeting the matter of rebates on water charges for non-profit organisations offered by Southern Water and said he would follow up. Grant reported that he has spoken to Southern Water who advised as follows:

If bowls clubs had an existing arrangement with their local council to receive a rebate on water costs then Southern Water would honour that arrangement for the next five years. However clubs will need to apply to Southern Water with that proof to continue to receive the rebate. If clubs were not receiving the rebate they will be charged from July 1 2012 the full amount for water usage.

It was agreed that the Secretary should get this advice out to all clubs in southern Tasmania.

Hosting Finals on Synthetic Greens:

Michael Eiszle asked if it was the intention of BTS to not allow Pennant finals to be played on synthetic greens. Trevor Quilliam advised that this matter had never been discussed at BTS Board meetings.

Meeting closed at 6.30 p.m.

Date of next meeting: Will be held on Wednesday 18 July 2012 at 10am – and thereafter on the last Wednesday of the month at 10Am.

Confirmed Chairman // 2012