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Minutes of the Board meeting held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on Monday 20 May 2013 commencing at 8.30am

Present: Trevor Quilliam (President), Grant Allford, Ross Bannister (from 8.40am), Jan Booth, Neil Clark, Michael Eiszele, Tony Fulton, , Shirley Hay, Tony Kerrison and Rob McGuire. Mike McHugo also attended the meeting from 9.30am until 9.45am.

Apologies: Ailsa Milburn (Deputy President) and Bev Gillie.

Vale: The President advised that Ailsa Milburn's husband, Charlie, had passed away on Friday, 17 May 2013 and asked that the Secretary pass on the Board's sympathies to Ailsa on behalf of BTS.

Minutes: Moved: Jan Booth Seconded Shirley Hay that the minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2013 be confirmed. Carried.

Matters Arising:

Bowls Tasmania Pennant Restructure

The Secretary has advised Bowls Tasmania of its decision in regard to pennant for next season and has requested that:

- An urgent meeting of the Regional Consultative Committee be called to further discuss the proposed pennant restructure.
- The Board of Bowls Tasmania formally defer the directives in regard to the proposed pennant restructure for the time being.

No response has yet been received from Bowls Tasmania in regard to the above.

Clubs have been advised of the above and the information has been placed on the BTS website and Facebook.

The North Western Tasmanian Bowls Association has also decided that it will not follow the Bowls Tasmania directives in regard to pennant next season and has advised Bowls Tasmania accordingly.

Southern Squad Uniforms

The Secretary has checked our current uniform stocks to determine what needs to be purchased for next season. Our original order was for 60 jackets and thirty each of the men's and women's polo tops and we now have 51 jackets and twenty-five each of the men's and women's polo tops. Moved Rob McGuire Seconded Neil Clark that BTS purchase another eighteen jackets, fifteen women's polo tops and nineteen men's polo tops in the sizes recommended by the Secretary. Carried

The Secretary advised that there was no interest from Tassal in the sponsorship proposal submitted to it in regard to provision of a cap for BTS Southern players. It was suggested that RACT and Inghams be approached by the Secretary to determine if they are interested in the sponsorship opportunity.

DJ Motors Divisional Fours

Bev Gillie was an apology so was unable to discuss the future format of the DJ Motors Divisional Fours.

No Shows at BTS Men's Singles and Pairs Championships

No response has yet been received from Scott Davie who left the BTS Men's Singles Championship without advising the Match Manager and was unable to mark the next Singles game as required. Scott Davie has been suspended from BTS Championship games until he responds to the BTS letters.

Coach Assessors and Presenters

The nomination from Robert Priest from Beltana to become a Coach Assessor and Presenter for Bowls Tasmania in the south was not proceeded with following advice received from Bowls Tasmania.

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Social Media Acceptable Use Policy

The attached amended BTS Acceptable Use Social Media policy was approved. It was agreed that the amended policy should be placed on the BTS website and Facebook page.

Venue Men's Division 3 Reserve State Final

The East Coast Bowls Association has agreed that the venue for the Saturday Division 3 Reserve State Final (between the winners of the BTS Division 3 reserve pennant and the East Coast pennant) will alternate between Southern Tasmania and the East Coast. The Secretary undertook to advise Bowls Tasmania of this arrangement.

Missing Trophies

The Secretary reported that twelve trophies are missing or never existed and one trophy is full and needs replacing. Tony Fulton undertook to check old Secretary records in his possession to determine if the trophies existed back then. The Secretary undertook to contact all Clubs and ask them to check their trophies to determine if any of the missing trophies are being held by the Clubs.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

NWTBA – Request for name of BTS Delegate to BT

It was resolved that the President be the BTS Delegate and the Secretary be the BTS Alternate Delegate to Bowls Tasmania in accordance with Rule 30.1 of the Bowls Tasmania Constitution. It was further resolved that Bowls Tasmania, North Western Tasmanian Bowls Association, North Western Tasmanian Women's Bowls Association and Bowls North be advised of the appointments.

Tasman – Request to be promoted to Division 4 in 2013-14

Tasman has requested that, because of a lack of members, its women's pennant team be placed in Division 4 which is the same division as its men's team to enable its men to play as substitutes if required. If this is not possible, Tasman requested special dispensation to permit its men to play as opposite gender substitutes in its Division 5 team. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Women's Match Committee for its consideration.

Tasman – Men's Division 4 Match v's Rosny Park 9-Mar-13

Tasman expressed concerns about the BTS decision to force this game to be played rather than consider it on a similar basis as a "wash-out" and Rosny Park's decision to play some Division 2 players in the game when it was played on 9 March 2013. Tasman considered this not to be within the spirit of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls. Rosny Park has advised that it had several regular Division 4 players who were unable to play on the day. All Rosny Park players who played on 9 March 2013 were eligible to play albeit some were Open-graded players. The Board noted the concerns of Tasman but agreed that Rosny Park had not breached current Conditions of Play. It was agreed that a change in Conditions of Play to prohibit this situation occurring in the future should be considered when Conditions of Play for 2013-14 are being formulated.

RACT – Request for formal sponsorship proposal for 2013-14

The Secretary was requested to submit a formal sponsorship proposal to RACT for the 2013-14 season.

Berriedale – Request to change uniform

Approval was given to Berriedale to change its men's (currently white) and women's trousers (currently bottle green) to burgundy.

Bowls Tasmania – Nomination from BTS for a male BT Director to replace Michael Hannon

A nomination form was sent to all Clubs for a male Director for the Bowls Tasmania Board to replace Michael Hannon who has resigned. The information was also put on the BTS website and on the BTS Facebook page. The only nomination received was from Mike McHugo from Kingborough. Mike attended part of the Board meeting to introduce himself to Directors and to outline his reasons for nominating. Mike undertook to communicate regularly with the BTS Board in the future. It was resolved that Mike McHugo's nomination be approved and that it be sent to Bowls Tasmania.

Outwards:

All Clubs – Information on the BTS Survey Results, response to Bowls Tasmania re pennant restructure, nominations for Bowls Tasmania Director and Coaches Course 18 and 19 May 2013.

Bowls Tasmania – BTS decision re pennant restructure, nomination for BT female Director, information re Men's State Champion of Champions event and agreement re venue for Men's Division 3 Reserve State Finals.

Dover and Buckingham – Complaint from Dover re game 2 February 2013.

Alf Jones – Permission to use a bowling arm.

Kevin Bowkett – Permission to use a bowling arm.

Joy Quilliam – Thank you re Manager Southern Development Squad.

Toni Griffiths, Brett and Jack Ellis – Warning re breach of BTS Social Media Policy.

East Coast Bowls Association – Agreement re venue for Men's Division 3 Reserve State Finals.

Moved: Jan Booth Seconded: Shirley Hay that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards correspondence be endorsed. Carried.

Reports:**Finance:**

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

Clearances:

Moved: Neil Clark Seconded: Tony Kerrison that the following interstate clearance be approved and the other clearances are noted:

- Louis Cookson – Buckingham to Kawana (Queensland)
- Marlene Riley – Tarooma (Open)
- Rosemary Riley – Tarooma (Open)
- Tony Riley – Tarooma (Open)

Carried

Match Committees:

Bev Gillie has advised that she is not seeking re-election as Chair of the Women's Match Committee. It was agreed that the Secretary should approach Bev to see if she will stay on for another year and in that time BTS would try and find an understudy who would be prepared to assume the role of Chair of the Women's Match Committee in 2014-15.

Neil Clark advised that the Bowls Tasmania Events Calendar has been prepared for 2013-14 and will be circulated to Board members. Roger Harvey is currently in hospital and will be unable to prepare rosters for the 2013-14 season, however, Rob McGuire has undertaken to do these.

It had been previously agreed that Women's Division 5, Men's Division 4 Reserve and 5 and the Mixed Competitions should start later than the other competitions to enable Clubs to determine if they have enough players to fill their teams in these Divisions. A later start would mean fewer games for these players and that is not a preferred outcome. It was agreed that nominations should be called now for these competitions which will start at the same time as all other competitions, however, rosters will not be drawn up until the week before the competitions begin which will allow Clubs to change their nominations up until then. This will mean that the draws for these competitions will not be in the Bowls Tasmania Handbook.

When Conditions of Play are being formulated for 2013-14, it was suggested that consideration be given to bracketing divisions together – for example divisions 3 and 4 and divisions 4 and 5 – when allowing opposite gender substitutes.

Umpires:

As per the attached report.

Coaches:

Ross Bannister advised that eleven people started the Coaching Course in Hobart on 18 and 19 May 2013.

General Business:

Women's Saturday and Mixed Pennant 2013-14:

Discussion took place on the possible introduction of a Women's Saturday Pennant and the Mixed Pennant for 2013-14. Possible formats for a Women's Saturday Pennant included a Super 8 competition as previously suggested by John McKibben, six-a-side triples or a five-a-side competition consisting of singles and fours followed by triples and pairs. Consideration should be given to limiting the Mixed Pennant to B Grade players only. The main objective of Women's Saturday and Mixed Pennants are to provide a suitable competition for working women who are unable to play on Thursday's. It was agreed to contact Clubs to determine their interest in and preference for the above competitions in 2013-14.

It was further suggested that consideration be given to making Women's Division 5 next season an 8-a-side competition.

Sponsorship:

It was agreed that Rob McGuire and Tony Fulton should contact DJ Motors to determine its interest in continuing its sponsorship of BTS in 2013-14.

Michael Eiszele advised that Veolia may be interested in sponsoring a Premier League competition. The Secretary advised that this may conflict with the DJ Motors sponsorship.

Annual General Meeting:

The Secretary advised that arrangements are in place for the Annual General Meeting. A second notice and the agenda will be sent out to Clubs today. The Annual Report and Financial Report are currently being printed. Nominations have been received for all Board positions except for the Chair of the Women's Match Committee. No elections will be necessary.

Men's Chairman of Selectors:

Don Patmore has advised that he intends to stand down as Men's Chairman of Selectors to let someone else have a go. It was agreed to call for expressions of interest in this position. It was further agreed to write to Don thanking him for his efforts in this position.

Australian Indoor Singles Championships:

Tony Kerrison raised concerns at the lack of information coming from Bowls Tasmania in regard to this tournament and the lack of entries throughout Tasmania. The Secretary advised that the Kingborough Indoor Bowls Centre would be hosting both the southern qualifying round and the State Finals of these championships in 2014.

Date of next meetings: Will be held on Sunday 26 May 2013 after the Annual General Meeting at the Beltana Bowls Club and on Tuesday 16 July 2013 at 4.30pm at the Buckingham Bowls Club. (Tony Kerrison advised that he will be an apology for the meeting on 16 July 2013.)

Meeting closed at 10.05 am.

Confirmed Chairman: / / 2013

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Social Media Acceptable Use Policy

Bowls Tasmania South (BTS) welcomes all comments on our Facebook social media page. We want to hear from our members about what they love about BTS, the game of lawn bowls, our players, coaches and our achievements.

You are welcome to express your views, comments, ideas, insights, and criticisms about the BTS.

At the same time, you should show courtesy and respect to others and must not use our Facebook social media page to abuse others, expose others to offensive or inappropriate content, or for any illegal purpose.

Be aware that many people monitor use of social media and social networking web sites. Members are encouraged to always think twice before hitting “send”, consider what could happen if others including your employer see what you publish on the Internet and how that may reflect on you. The bottom line is that good judgment is paramount.

When using our Facebook social media page, please ensure that you:

- protect your personal privacy and that of others by not including personal information about yourself or others in your posts to our social media channels (for example, email addresses, private addresses or phone numbers)
- represent your own views and not impersonate or falsely represent any other person
- are not abusive and do not harass or threaten others
- do not make defamatory, racist or libelous comments
- do not use insulting, provocative or hateful language
- do not use obscene or offensive language
- do not post material to our Facebook social media page that infringes the intellectual property rights of others
- do not post multiple versions of the same view to the our Facebook social media page or make excessive postings on a particular issue
- do not promote commercial interests in your posts to our Facebook social media page
- do not include internet addresses or links to websites, or any email addresses in your post to our Facebook social media page.

BTS reserves the right to enforce this Acceptable Use Policy at its discretion. A breach of the Policy will result in a warning to the person or persons concerned. A second breach will result in the person or persons concerned being excluded from the BTS Facebook group. The BTS may remove any posted messages that it considers to be in breach of the Policy. If you have any questions about this policy, please contact us at bowls.south@bigpond.com

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Approved by Bowls Tasmania South
20 May 2013

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BTS Umpires Panel Report to BTS – 20 May 2013

Although the 2012/13 season has drawn to a close the Panel members have been busy conducting 2 Level 1 Reaccreditation Courses since the last meeting. These courses have enabled the majority of umpires whose accreditations were due to expire to reaccredit before start of next season.

A number of umpires have retired and some have not responded to requests to attend.

Level 2 reaccreditations have been deferred until September.

It is also intended that the panel will conduct a course for new umpires prior to start of next season.

Panel activities will be limited over the next 3 months with several members taking holidays.

The next Panel meeting has been scheduled for this evening (20 May) at 7.00pm. Appointments to positions of Chair, Secretary, Umpires Delegate, etc. will be done at that meeting with advice of outcomes supplied to BTS ASAP for 2013/14 handbook and BTS web site.

BTS Umpires Panel