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MINUTES OF THE LADIES DELEGATES MEETING HELD AT THE SORELL BOWLS CLUB COMMENCING AT 1.00 PM ON MONDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2012.

Welcome: President Trevor Quilliam welcomed all delegates and especially welcomed Life Members Cath Smith and Joan Middleton.

Apologies: Apologies were received from Life Member June Foster and the New Norfolk Bowls Club.

Attendance: As well as two Life Members, the meeting was attended by 33 delegates representing the following 20 clubs: Beltana, Brighton, Buckingham, Claremont, Cremorne, Cygnet, Derwent City, Franklin, Geeveston, Glenorchy Rodman, Glenorchy RSL, Howrah, Huonville, Kingborough, Orford, Rosny Park, Sandy Bay, Sorell, St Johns Park and Tasman. A further 11 interested ladies attended the meeting. Board members Trevor Quilliam, Ailsa Milburn, Bev Gillie, Shirley Hay, Jan Booth, Neil Clark, Ross Bannister and Rob McGuire also attended.

Minutes: It was not possible to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 27 February 2012 as they could not be located.

Business arising: None.

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Match Committee:

As per the attached report.

Coaches:

As per the attached report.

Umpires:

As per the attached report.

Selection Committee:

Joan Middleton reported that she had been on holidays and the Committee has not yet met. If anyone is interested in attending training / selection trials, please contact Ailsa Milburn or Joan Middleton.

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MATTERS REFERRED FROM THE BTS BOARD:

DJ Motors Sponsorship:

BTS is extremely pleased to announce that DJ Motors has confirmed its sponsorship of BTS for the 2013-14 season. In essence this sponsorship has taken over from the Mitsubishi and DJ Motors sponsorships from previous years. Clubs were requested not to approach competitors of DJ Motors for Club sponsorships.

Conditions of Play:

Conditions of Play booklets were provided to all Clubs. Changes to the Conditions of Play are highlighted in the booklet and were summarised by the Secretary. Major changes included the new “no smoking” laws, adoption of the Bowls Australia Extreme Weather Policy, notice required to change pennant from grass to a synthetic green, only one side will be allowed in each division from 2013-14 and the withdrawal of male substitutes in Women’s Pennant.

Forms:

The Secretary handed out Club Initial Registration Forms, Member Registration Forms, Pennant Cards, Pennant Results Forms and Championship Entry Forms. The Secretary stressed that the DJ Motors score cards are to be used only for pennant and BTS events. They are not for use in clubs’ own domestic events.

Bowls Tasmania Handbook:

The Bowls Tasmania Handbook has not yet been received. Clubs will be notified when it arrives.

Late Results:

The Secretary requested Delegates to ensure that Side Captains submitted results to our new BTS Statistician, John McKibben, on time to enable results to be placed on the BTS website and in The Mercury in a timely manner. John has guaranteed that all results will be placed on the BTS website on the day following matches (and not on the same day as previously been the case). Penalties can be applied for submission of late results.

Women’s Division 5 and Saturday Mixed Pennant:

Nominations close today. The Secretary read out nominations received to ensure that all nominations were included.

Saturday Competition for Women:

The BTS Board has decided not to proceed with a Saturday competition for women due to a lack of interest, however, the Board is keen to try and get this competition going in the future, perhaps as a short competition only during the season.

Bowls Tasmania Review of Pennant Structure:

The President advised that Bowls Tasmania is going to undertake a review of pennant structures for 2013-14 with a view to standardise pennant across the state. Decisions of the BT Board will be mandatory for associations to follow. Submissions will be invited in due course from any Clubs who wish to have their say in the pennant structure in 2013-14 and beyond.

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GENERAL BUSINESS:

Male Substitutes:

The Secretary read out a letter from the Glenorchy RSL Ladies Bowls Club asking the BTS Board to reconsider its decision not to allow male substitutes for the lower Women's Pennant divisions. A lot of discussion took place on this matter.

Moved: Berriedale Seconded: Orford that Conditions of Play for 2012-13 be amended to allow male substitutes to play in the lower divisions – and revert to the same wording as the Conditions of Play 2011-12. Carried

Clarification is required on what division Saturday Mixed Bowls players are deemed to be.

The President advised that the BTS Board would consider special circumstances that exist for small Clubs like Tasman whose men are in Division 4R and their women are in Division 5 which means that their men cannot substitute for the Women's Division 5 team.

As there was no further business the President closed the meeting at 2.05 pm, thanked all delegates for their attendance and participation and thanked the Sorell Club for making its facilities available for the meeting.

Date of Next Meeting: February 2013 – day and venue to be advised.