

# **MINUTES**

**Type of Meeting**: Board

Meeting Location: Bowls North Harbour offices

At Bowls Orewa

Meeting Date: Wednesday 18 December 2019

Meeting Time: 4 pm

**Present:** Maureen Taylor (MT), Tony Popplewell (TP), Elaine McClintock (EM), Michael Beretta (MB), Neil Connell (NC), Murray West (MW), , Gail Dick (GD), Norma Klaassen (NK), Lesley Langer (LL)

Apologies: Raewyn Thomas (RT)

Welcome: Wayne Wrack (WW)

## Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Proposed that the minutes from the previous meeting be approved

Moved: EM Seconded: GD Carried

#### Matters arising from previous minutes

None

# **Board Members Reports**

#### Secretary

The Board does not see the need to select people who are not playing in our centre. This is in response
to an offer from Bowls New Zealand of a female player residing in Australia, who is a Talent
Development squad member, and has made herself available for an Intercentre team if required.

# Correspondence received

- Letter from Mairangi Bay regarding the greens. The Board have accepted the conditions from Mairangi
  Bay that the direction of play may be changed by 90 degrees during the days play to protect the green.
  It was agreed that a condition of play be added to all tournaments stating that the direction of play on a
  green can be altered 90 degrees during the days play to protect the green
  LL will respond to the letter from Mairangi Bay
- 2. Email from Takapuna regarding the Junior Interclub change of time to  $1\,\%$  hours for the final. TP responded to Takapuna

#### Masters

- 1. Motion to agree that BNH pay for the Ryman logo to be painted on the green. The quote is \$650 + gst Moved: MT Seconded: EM Carried
- 2. The venue for the finals of the Masters will be decided at the beginning of January which is dependent on the readiness of greens at Birkenhead

#### Chairman

1. The Board need to start looking at arrangements for the Awards ceremony and AGM in the new year. The chairman, president and secretary to meet in January

#### **Match Committee**

1. The Board has directed LL to write to Birkenhead on the Junior Interclub final, congratulating them but pointing out their dress was not acceptable and drinking alcohol around the green also not acceptable. Both of these factors were covered in the Conditions of Play

#### Greens

- 1. WW gave an overview of the standard of greens at most clubs in the Centre and will continue to liaise with clubs and greenkeepers to provide advice on the matter of ensuring greens are provided at the best standard possible.
- 2. WW said that the finals of any tournament should be played on the best greens available.

#### Trailer

- 1. MB is getting quotes to have the trailer modified to enable easier access to the trailer. Currently the only opening is the tailgate and it is very difficult to get the bowls into the trailer and keep it balanced.
- 2. A wheel clamp will have to be purchased. MB will arrange

#### Coaching

1. MB has heard from Howard Sandler that he will not be available this season for winter coaching. MB will get the info on the coaching reps for each club and will arrange with them the winter junior coaching

#### Reps

1. Accommodation and travel bookings for the Intercentre tournament in Wellington were agreed. TP will advise the travel agents

#### **Umpires**

1. BNHUA helped out with Umpiring at Auckland recently. Umpires seem to be in short supply all over. We are lucky to have great umpires in our centre that we can share with other centres

#### **Juniors**

Nothing to report

#### **Sponsors**

1. Benefitz have renewed their sponsorship. We will use their name for some of the Centre tournaments

#### **Finance**

The financial report was received and accepted by the Board

- 1. All the clubs have paid their capitation, great.
- 2. Treasury are still working on the signatories for the Heartland Bank

#### **All Reports**

Proposed that Board Members reports be accepted

Moved: MT Seconded: MW Carried

#### Uniforms

- 1. The design of the new uniforms has been finalised
- 2. EM will take responsibility for what sizes we order
- 3. NC will write to alternative supplier to thank him for his quote
- Motion "to proceed with placing an order with EMS to purchase the uniforms" Moved: NK Seconded: NC Carried
- 5. The board recognises the work done by EM, NC and GD

#### **General Business**

- 1. Printing of the cards. Joe is working on new score cards
- 2. The notes from the Cluster meeting have been circulated to all the clubs
- 3. Format for the next Battle of the Bridge. WW has proposed the differential not be considered in the result. BNH to discuss with AKL. WW also suggested the next tournament should be a couple of weeks later than this year
- 4. Legends awards. This must be included in the awards ceremony. BNH must source a plaque to go on BNH office wall. WW has offered to be on the committee in the future
- 5. Club Returns. BNH will get the membership numbers from Bowls NZ. The Board agreed LL can ask the clubs for a list of their 1-5 juniors
- 6. Breach of Conditions of Play. The board discussed how to enforce the conditions. Put something in the COP to allow enforcement by the controlling body. TP to provide the wording to go into the COP

# Meeting closed at 6.05pm Next Meeting 14 January at Orewa at 4:00 pm

# **Board Reports**

#### **SECRETARY REPORT**

- 1. Interclub and Pennants completed
- 2. Letter sent to Riverhead re Interclub 7s
- 3. New Bowls stickers ordered and received
- 4. Battle of the Bridge completed. Lunches well received
- 5. 175 entries received. Closing day 16 December
- 6. Facebook updated every day for the last 10 days
- 7. Email from Kaushik re female rep player available to BNH. Response from GD to be discussed
- 8. COP for Bowls3Five ready for initial proof reading
- 9. Presidents cluster meeting held and notes circulated
- 10. Junior Interclub section play completed. Final 16 December at Orewa
- 11. Junior Interclub email from Takapuna re change of time limit for Final. Tony responded to the email

Lesley Langer

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I attended Interclub Finals Day, Pennants Finals, and also Junior Battle of the Bridge. I will also attend the Junior Interclub on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November at Orewa.

Met with Tony and Mike when BNH took possession of the new Trailer to be used for Coaching purposes. Steph Cawte from Ryman handed over the keys.

I attended Chairman's Cluster Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> December. I attended the funeral on 13<sup>th</sup> December for Brent Turner.

Maureen Taylor

#### **MASTERS REPORT**

Met with Terry Moverley on 27<sup>th</sup> November for update on Masters. Confirmation from BNZ that they will provide live streaming of the Finals on 21<sup>st</sup> February.

Lesley and I also met with Mark Cooper and Steph Cawte from Ryman along with Terry Moverley at Birkenhead on  $10^{th}$  December.

Ryman have specially made all the shirts for the volunteers for the Masters Tournament and we received them at the Meeting.

There are one or two points discussed which we shall need to discuss at Board level.

Maureen Taylor

#### **CHAIRMANS REPORT**

- 1. Attended Pennants finals, National interclub finals, 1-5 year interclub finals and Battle of the Bridge.
- 2. Dealt with questions raised over National interclub finals for women, and a disqualification in the Pennants finals.
- 3. Had a meeting with clubs and discussed several issues going forward. Separate notes of this meeting already distributed, and they will have a framework for the next season.
- 4. Planning to start for annual meeting and awards. Will meet with President Maureen and Lesley in the New year.
- 5. Dealt with issue over 1-5 year interclub concerning time limits for semi-finals and finals.
- 6. Broad outlines for next season programming attached for Match Committee discussion.

Tony Popplewell

#### **MATCH COMMITTEE AND REPS**

Another centre event finished with the conclusion of the pennants, the winners were,

Premier men, Mairangi

Premier women, Takapuna

Men's div 1 Warkworth

Mixed div 1 Milford

Mixed div 2 Mahurangi East

#### 1-5 Interclub

The final 4 are Takapuna, Birkenhead, Milford and Manly.

Battle Of The Bridge,

The 1-5 men won 8-6 while the women lost 9-5 to 4-5

Premier men 1 and 2 lost on a countback

Premier women 1 and 2 won 15-13 giving Harbour a winning result and taking out the cup.

**Neil Connell** 

#### **COACHING & DEVELOPMENT**

- Attended Pennants Finals and Battle of the Bridge Congratulations on result.
- Collected Trailer from Ryman Healthcare.
  - Thanks again to Sponsor and Graham Doreen
  - Graham suggested contacting trailer manufacturer to get a price to fit top doors. MB to contact AaKron
- Attended Chairman's Cluster meeting.
  - Outcome Clubs to send details of Coach contact at each club.
  - Thanks to Lesley for following up on this.
- Meeting organised with Howard Sandler to finalise winter coaching programme and expected cost to BNH. A grant will be sort to cover this.

Michael Beretta

#### JUNIORS AND UMPIRING

Nothing to report

Murray West

#### **GREENS REPORT**

NORTH HARBOUR GREENS REPORT received 17 November 2019

LEIGH B C -Played there Saturday 19 Oct. Brilliant, smooth running sward of pure Maniatoto, Speed 17 sec plus.

TAKAPUNA B C -Checked green Wed Oct 30. Good cover smooth surface. Speed 14-15 sec. This is a sand based green that will typically struggle for speed.

WARKWORTH B C -Checked green Wed Oct 30. Green has improved in the last 2 years but not quite up to Centre requirement for play yet.

Tuesday 12th November checked greens at following clubs :-

BROWNS BAY- MAIRANGI BAY -MILFORD -All greens at these clubs have smooth, well groomed surfaces, 17 sec plus. Ideal headquarters for Centre events.

SUNNYBRAE - The cover has improved at these greens but the greenkeeper has not followed the NZTI recommendations i.e. verti draining as instructed in their management advisory report. In my opinion by not doing that, "burn out' could occur during the hot summer months. Fairy Ring fungi was still prevalent in the greens. The use of rakes or grooming reel on the mower had not been used at the time of visit. Just usable for Centre events if required.

BEACHHAVEN - Another sand green with the greenkeeper doing a good job with what he has to work with. Not suitable for Centre events.

BIRKENHEAD - Bottom green closely mown and groomed. Suitable for Centre events 17 sec plus. Top green another sand green with a bad attack of nematodes, some bare areas and other areas of inconsistent growth. I spoke with greenkeeper who reckoned he would get it right for Masters events. I wished him luck! For me, the nematodes will always beat him. This green is not suitable for Centre events and certainly not for Masters Finals.

NORTHCOTE An improvement on last year but not suitable for Centre events. They appeared to have a lot of bulbills left over from not being sown?? Greenkeeper??

OREWA - Improvement on last year. Various invasive weeds present. Running very well I was informed. Elaine can comment further. Suitable for Centre events.

MANLY - Playable but bare patches prevalent. Not suitable for Centre events.

RIVERHEAD - I ran out of daylight so did not visit this green.Last year was a huge improvement from the previous year and my spies tell me that it has improved further.Highly recommended for Centre events.

HELENSVILLE - Follow Neil Connell's advice.

Cheers Wayne Wrack

#### TREASURERS REPORT

**Accounts:** Attached to this report is the Profit & Loss (P & L) and Balance Sheet (B/S) as at the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

**Heartland Bank:** Change of signatory forms, CRS Controlling Person Self-Certification form and CRS Entity Self-Certification forms have been mailed to Heartland Bank 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

**Westpac Bank:** Paperwork being processed at the Bank to open an On Call Savings account to enable us to transfer surplus money from the general account which gains no interest to the new account which will attract some interest.

**Benefitz Sponsorship.** Benefitz has sponsored Bowls North Harbour for \$2,300.

**Four Winds Grant:** This grant has been partially successful with \$6,500 being approved for contribution to wages December 2019, January and February 2020.

**New Zealand Racing Board** – This grant has been partially successful with \$14,069.57 being approved for travel expenses and accommodation for the Representative team to travel to Wellington in March 2020.

Foundation North – This grant application has been withdrawn as funds have now been received.

## **Outstanding Grants Update**

**Auckland Council Quick Response Grant** – This was submitted on the 23<sup>rd</sup> September for a new laptop and software. Decision date for this grant is 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

**The Lion Foundation** – This was submitted on 4<sup>th</sup> November for Wages for the Secretary and the Treasurer for Feb, Mar, Apr. If this grant is successful I will need to change the dates to Mar, Apr and May wages.

**Blue Sky Community Trust** – This was submitted on 30<sup>th</sup> November for Uniforms for our Representative teams.

Raewyn Thomas

Treasurer