

# *Bowls North Harbour*

## **Minutes of Bowls North Harbour Annual General Meeting held at Orewa Bowling Club on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2020 commencing at 11 am**

**PRESENT:** Board of Management Maureen Taylor (President), Tony Popplewell (Chairman), Elaine McClintock, Neil Connell, Mike Beretta, Murray West, Gail Dick, Norma Klaassen, Lesley Langer (Centre Secretary/Events Manager), Raewyn Thomas (Treasurer)  
Delegates from Birkenhead, Orewa, Warkworth, Browns Bay, Helensville, Hobsonville, Leigh Womens, Mahurangi East, Mairangi Bay, Manly, Milford, Sunnybrae and Takapuna, Jean Ashby, Martin Mackenzie (BNZ representative) and Jenny Daniels (Chairman Umpires Assoc)  
**Minute Taker:** Lesley Langer

### **WELCOME:**

Maureen Taylor (President) thanked Orewa for the use of their facilities. A warm welcome to delegates, invited guests and bowlers who took the time to attend

Tony Popplewell (Chairman) firstly introduced the board members and Martin Mackenzie and Jean Ashby.

Lesley announced apologies from Omaha and Riverhead and that there were 13 clubs attending therefore there was a quorum

As per the Bowls North Harbour constitution, Clauses 23.1, 23.3 and 23.4, advance notice of the date of this meeting and notification of the AGM agenda and notices of motion requirements has been given to all clubs.

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Omaha Beach, Riverhead and Mark Cameron (Bowls NZ)

### **2. MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 23 JUNE 2019 TO BE CONFIRMED**

**Moved:** That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23 June 2019 be tabled and open for discussion

**Proposed:** Hobsonville      **Seconded:** Takapuna

There was no discussion or matters arising.

**Moved:** That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23 June 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**CARRIED**

### **3. BOARD REPORT**

TP highlighted a few points from the report

1. Membership numbers now 1,436, on a downward spiral
2. Some events were missed due to Covid-19. The Champ of Champ events to be run in July, but the Champ of Champs at a National level has been cancelled for the 2019-20 season
3. The first edition of the New Zealand Master bowls was successfully run in February and will be repeated this next season
4. The Representative teams had some successful tournaments against neighbouring centres but the National Intercentre competition in Wellington was unfortunately cancelled
5. BNH took delivery of the Ryman Coaching trailer complete with 20 sets of bowls and is now available for the clubs to use

There were no questions from the floor

**Moved:** that the Board report be adopted.

**Proposed:** Tony Popplewell      **Seconded:** Sunnybrae

**CARRIED**

#### 4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH APRIL 2020

Points highlighted by the chairman -

1. Solid input from grant funders and sponsorship of the NZ Masters by Ryman
2. BNH benefitted from the Government wage subsidy for the last month of the financial year'
3. Expenses were kept in line with the budget
4. The format of reporting the financials has been altered to be more in line with the standard of reporting which will be included in the revised Incorporated Societies act when that comes in

Graham Dorreen from Takapuna complimented the Board on the high standard of reporting

**Moved:** that the statement of financial performance and statement of financial position together with the accompanying notes, for the Financial Year ending 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020 be approved

**Proposed:** Birkenhead                      **Seconded:** Sunnybrae                      **CARRIED**

A report on the BIAS fund was included at the end of the financial statement in the Annual Report

#### 5. CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET FOR YEAR TO 30TH APRIL 2021

The board had considered the budget for 2020/21.

All income is expected to be lower due to Covid-19 impacting on the opportunity to get grants, but a watchful eye will be kept on all opportunities to increase income

Expenditure is expected to be in line with the previous year

Included in the budget is an amount to cover the replacement of the Representative uniforms and there is unused expenditure for the Inter-centre tournament which can be utilised in the next season  
A net deficit is expected but the centre has good reserves in the Balance sheet

There were no questions from the floor

**Moved:** that the budget for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021 be adopted.

**Proposed:** Takapuna                      **Seconded:** Orewa                      **CARRIED**

#### 6. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Maureen Taylor is standing for the role of president unopposed

Tony Popplewell declared Maureen Taylor President for 2020/21

Elaine McClintock is standing unopposed for the role of Vice-President

Tony Popplewell declared Elaine McClintock Vice-President for 2020/21

#### 7. ELECTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CENTRE BOARD

Neil Connell, Michael Beretta, Murray West, Gail Dick and Norma Klaassen are all continuing into their 2<sup>nd</sup> year of a 2-year term.

The Board has received one nomination for the one vacancy from Tony Popplewell (Mairangi Bay)

The constitution allows for the President, Vice-President plus up to 6 board members.

Maureen Taylor declared Tony Popplewell elected to the Board for a 2 year term

Lesley Langer will continue as Centre Secretary/Events Manager

Raewyn Thomas will continue as Treasurer

Lindsay Knight will continue as publicity officer

Jean Ashby as our Laws Officer and  
Kevin Holland has agreed to remain Patron of the Centre

#### 8. FIXING THE MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR THE YEAR

The board has agreed that there will be no change to the membership fees, which are currently \$23 + gst per member.

**Moved:** that the membership fee remain at \$23 + GST for the 2020/21 season

**Proposed:** Mairangi By **Seconded:** Orewa **CARRIED**

#### 9. APPOINTMENT OF ACCOUNTS REVIEWER

Tony Popplewell confirmed the reappointment of Jason Tudor from Orewa Taxation Services Ltd as our accounts reviewer for 2020/21

**Proposed:** Mairangi By **Seconded:** Orewa **CARRIED**

#### 10. APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY SOLICITOR

Nick Kearney has confirmed that he will accept the role of Honorary Solicitor for 2020/21.

**Proposed:** Browns Bay **Seconded:** Takapuna **CARRIED**

#### 11. NOTICES OF MOTION

The Board has received 2 notices of motion that comply with Clause 23.4 of the Constitution. The notices of motion have been circulated to all club boards. The attending delegates have a voting pack and are entitled to a number of votes depending on the size of the club. The total votes available to the clubs attending are 33 votes

1. Proposal for Honorary Life Membership for Jean Ashby
2. Proposal from Browns Bay Bowling Club to amend the conditions of play for plural membership to read –  
Dual membership – A full playing member, who is a member of more than one Bowls North Harbour Club, shall not play the same Club Championship in more than one club. For clarification this means the player may elect to play one discipline (e.g. the singles) at Club A and another discipline (e.g. the pairs) at Club B but cannot play the same discipline (e.g. singles, pairs, triples or fours) at both Clubs A & B whether they have been successful in winning the Championship or not.

#### VOTING RESULTS

Motion 1 is passed 33 votes for, 0 against

Motion 2 is passed 33 votes for, 0 against

**Moved:** to destroy the voting papers

**Proposed:** Tony Popplewell **Seconded:** Takapuna **CARRIED**

**12. GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. Tony talked to the paper on BNH membership fees. He said clubs currently pay an affiliation fee to Bowls NZ and a membership fee to Bowls North Harbour. The concern BNH has is as the membership numbers decline the revenue BNH receives from the clubs is also declining. BNH is not promoting any change at this stage. The white paper outlined a few options that may be considered in the future. The centre would like the delegates to take the discussion back to the clubs and get some feedback on their thoughts

Chub Roberts (Hobsonville) said even though they have two greens they are a small club and would not like to see any fees based on the number of greens

2. Online entry of Centre events is being developed for the BNH website. Individual events will be entered online by the player/s and paid online by the player/s. Events entered by the club like Winter cup, Pennants etc will be entered by the nominated person at the club. An invoice will be generated at the end of that entry which will need to be given to the club Treasurer for payment. One invoice per entry  
The centre are hoping to have it ready for the start of the season, ie for the Executive Fours
3. Bowls3Five next season has changed, only have 3 players per team instead of the 9 players in a team currently. The event will be run on a section play and post section basis towards the end of Nov and clubs can enter multiple teams as they want. There will no longer be a junior Bowls3Five event
4. The awards function is re-scheduled for 16<sup>th</sup> August after the Champ of Champ events are completed
5. Summerset National Singles and Pairs in January will be hosted in the Auckland district.
6. Garry Moverley (Birkenhead) asked what format the Pennants is to be played this coming season. The Premier divisions are only allowed 1 team per club but the other divisions can have multiple entries from a club, that is Division1, Mixed Division A and B.

Martin McKenzie was invited to address the meeting. He brought all up to date with what is happening at Bowls New Zealand

Graham from Manly asked Martin about casual bowlers that play for an extended period of time prior to joining a club as a junior, which is not fair on the genuine new bowlers. Martin said that Bowls NZ does not have any ruling on this.

Tony declared the meeting closed at 12.15 pm