



Bowls North Harbour Inc

MINUTES

Type of Meeting: Board
Meeting Location: Orewa Tai Restaurant, Orewa
Meeting Date: Wednesday 9 December 2020
Meeting Time: 2.00 pm

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

Apologies: Lesley Langer (LL)

Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Proposed that the minutes from the previous meeting on 18 November be approved

Moved: MW Seconded: EM Carried

Matters arising from previous minutes

Nil

Board Members Reports (Reports were received and only the main matters were discussed with the remainder of the items held over until the next meeting)

Incoming Correspondence

Nil

Secretary

1. No report

Presidents report

1. MT updated the Board on problems with Birkenhead club over hosting Centre events. It was agreed to write to the club expressing our disappointment at the lack of support.

Chairman's report

1. Items held over.

Match Committee report

1. Concern over the standard of some greens.
2. To review competitions to date next week.

Masters report

1. Entries closing soon
2. Concern over the standard of Birkenhead green and alternative arrangements to be considered.
NC/EM

Coaching

1. Nothing to report

Reps

1. Nothing to add to report

Juniors and Umpires

1. Nothing to report

Finance

1. The financial report was received and accepted by the Board
Moved: TP Seconded: EM Carried

General Business

1. Old reps uniforms disposal to be considered later
2. Travelling uniform still being progressed with quality and design the main issues
3. Jackets/polos for Board and Event Directors due for delivery next week
4. No response from Orewa regarding non-members playing in club organised events

Meeting closed at 2.30 pm

Next Meeting Wednesday 13 January 2021 at Orewa at 4:00 pm

PRESIDENT REPORT

Placed Order for Board Polo Shirts and Jackets with Emmie Swart. Received and approved copy of logo on both shirt and jackets which was approved by Lesley and myself. Order should be delivered at the latest by Monday 14th December.

Attended Bowls 3/5 finals at Mairangi Bay on 22nd November. Disappointed to learn that the Umpire had to also act as Recorder at Birkenhead as they had no one to do the charts.

Wrote all score cards for Centre 4's – delivered Helensville cards to Dave Pownall who is umpiring at Helensville. Couriered cards for Birkenhead to their PO Box.

Checked on 27th with Terry Moverley (day before Centre 4's) and asked if they had a recorder appointed at Birkenhead to do the charts. Apparently there is a bit of friction as to who does what at the Club. I could not get hold of Lesley and phoned Neil and we agreed to ask Norma to go to Birkenhead to ensure the charts were completed. Terry Moverley suggested that BNH write to Birkenhead and voice our concerns about the situation. After speaking with Lesley who agreed with the course of action she asked me to put some words to paper which I did on 27th November.

Directed Centre 4's at Orewa, 28th/28th November.

Attended Battle of the Bridge Prem. 1 and 2 at Mairangi Bay until after lunch and then on to Brown's Bay for the rest of the day. Made the announcement of winners and thanked all concerned.

Chairman's report to Board meeting 9 December 2020:

1 Award Presentations – The issue of presentation of trophies/recognition of winners immediately at the conclusion of the event has raised its head again after the Bowls 3/5 finals and a subsequent email I received on the subject from the players. In my mind I cannot understand why we do not present the trophies/awards, (prize money for individual events) there and then at the conclusion of the event when there is still the excitement and enjoyment of the result. Doing it six-months later in an austere club rooms, often away from the player's associates or family/club members diminishes the joy of winning. We did it in the pennants and so why not in the other events as well. Almost all other sports events I know present the trophies when the game/race is finished, there and then and not a later date.

Certificates and engraving would be something we can follow up on afterwards. The certificates I believe should be sent to the club for their own presentation to their members. In this way the members receive their certificates in front of their own club members and not at a function in front of a scarcely populated room, of mixed attendance again six months later.

If we adopted this practice then the awards function would concentrate on the special awards which are assessed over the whole season like club of the year, player of the year, etc., and would be combined more with the annual meeting making one “event” rather than the two “events” we currently have.

2 Inter-Centre Arrangements – From the decision made at the last board meeting, I advised the respective managers that the travel cost of the additional three support persons would be covered out of the Air NZ credit we had and that the accommodation costs would be \$760 per person for the four nights.

3 Rawhiti Memorial Tournament – I have had further discussions with Garry Banks and made some recommendations to the conditions of play which are currently in draft form being circulated to the organisers at the three venues. This tournament is still work in progress.

4 Representative programme 2021/22 – I have begun discussions with Auckland Bowls over the dates for rep fixtures in the next season during the recent battle of the Bridge. There is agreement that both Bowls North Harbour and Auckland should further this discussion in the New Year and then involve the near Centres should they wish to join in the competition.

5 Meeting Dates in 2021 – The proposed dates are –

13 January

10 February

17 March (Inter-centre clash and 10 March is two-day tournament at Mairangi Bay)

14 April

12 May

16 June

Most dates are good except for March which we may want to find an alternative.

MATCH COMMITTEE

Bowls 3/5

Huge entry and could cater for more teams next year, with Takapuna taking out both sections, will have a match committee meeting to discuss next year's format.

Centre 4"s

Women's - Won by Takapuna's Wendy Jensen, Anne Doreen, Trish Hardy and Jamie Chen.

Men's - Won by Browns Bay, Neil Fisher, John Walker, Colin Rogan and Brian Wilson, both games were 12 all on the last end with the men going to an extra end.

Greens Report.

Changed greens from Birkenhead to Helensville for sections 1-4 and finals played at Orewa instead of Birkenhead. Will have to discuss the state of Birkenhead greens for the Masters.

REPRESENTATIVES

Open:

Not good news from our rep squad's, well beaten on the day, looks like we may need to focus on leads and two's plus overall draw game.

Juniors:

Good training sessions continued through the month and an excellent practice run with the Prem 2 team was held where we won 1 game and drew the other. We were confident going into the Battle of the Bridge competition with Auckland yesterday, we were going to succeed in toppling them, but our inconsistency in some games precluded this to our disappointment. There were some great close games, and apart from 3 of the singles games where big losses were occurred, we were happy with the other games which often came down to the last couple of the ends, 1 drawn, and several lost only by a few shots and could have gone either way.

We have now concluded training for the year and are going to hold a small Xmas celebration on 19 December at the Backyard Bar in Northcote. We look forward to going down to Tauranga on the 16th January.

We will recommence in January with our extended squad. We have split this into two – Academy players – our top 11 and development players – we have 11 plus possibly 2 more and this is working well. Howard and I take the top 11 and Judy McSweeney the development group with assistance.

I have now received my development coaching certificate and look forward to participating more fully in this aspect.

2020 MASTERS REPORT

Most important item is concern over the Greens at Birkenhead. Apart from Nematodes present on Top Green, there have quite a number of complaints about the bottom green.

Following our Masters Meeting I checked up as to whether there were any bowling tournaments coming up between different Retirement Homes. Steph suggested it may be possible to go along and talk with them regarding the Masters. Unfortunately, there has been nothing for a couple of weeks now and nothing planned for the rest of the year.

Schedule of Play and COP now on website.

Entries at roughly the same number as this time last year. As of 7th December total of 127. Lesley to extend closing date for entries on website.

Did stocktake on Masters shirts in office. Total 11 – nothing smaller than Large.

Mark O'Connor, President of BNZ will be attending the Finals on 19th February.

Arranged with Janine Young at Auckland Bowls to promote Masters on their Friday Flash last week.

Have tried to promote Masters at all Events I have attended over the last month – handed out lots of Posters.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Accounts: Attached to this report is the Profit & Loss (P & L) and Balance Sheet (B/S) as at the 31st November 2020.

Capitation Fees:

There are four clubs still to pay. Reminder invoices have been sent 4th December