

# **MINUTES**

Type of Meeting: Board

Meeting Location: Orewa Office

Meeting Date: Wednesday 13 January 2021

Meeting Time: 4 pm

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

Apologies: None

### Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Proposed that the minutes from the previous meeting on 9 December 2020 be approved

Moved: EM Seconded: NK Carried

### Matters arising from previous minutes

Covered below

## **Incoming Correspondence**

- 1. Letter from Birkenhead responding to BNH Letter. BNH received a response to a letter sent to Birkenhead regarding support to Centre events being held there
- 2. Letter from Browns Bay regarding Volunteer of the Year criteria.

Motion to remove wording from Volunteer of the Year nomination that states "The nominee cannot be an elected/appointed Club Executive Member"

Proposed: EM Seconded: MB Carried

LL to send letter of response to Browns Bay and to notify all clubs via the Weekly Reminders

3. Warkworth email regarding shaking of hands. LL to add a note to Weekly Reminders reminding all that Covid is still with us

### Secretary

No actions

### **Presidents report**

No action

### Masters

- 1. The Board accepted a recommendation that the Birkenhead greens are not good enough to hold any Masters tournaments on. Neil will meet with Birkenhead club and advise them.
- 2. The greens we will use are Browns Bay, Mairangi Bay, Milford
- 3. Maureen confirmed there are enough medals for this year. Maureen will arrange engraving
- 4. Maureen confirmed BNH can bill Rymans now

5. Maureen asked for approval for the logo to be painted on the green again. The Board approved the expenditure subject to satisfactory visual and agreement from the host club.

### Chairman's report

- 1. A debate was held on when the event trophy should be presented to winning teams of the Centre tournaments.
  - Motion to present the event trophy together with the winning prize money to the winning team at the end of the tournament. The trophy should then be returned to BNH for engraving
  - Proposed: TP Seconded: EM Carried
- 2. Tony has been working on the Rep programme for next season

### **Match Committee**

- 1. COPs for next year that were discussed at the recent meeting to be updated by LL and circulated
- 2. Pennants. Only Mens Premier that has three teams (9 players) will have a master board next year. The Mixed A division will be dropped as there were no entrants this year. There will only be one Mixed division consisting of 2 teams (6 players). There will be points for winning the total game. 2 points a game and 3 extra for winning the game overall
- 3. PPL. The MC meeting decided that only games will decide the winner, unless a tie then sets and finally differential

### Coaching

- 1. No coaching courses lined up for the rest of the season. MB asked for time to provide feedback by the next board meeting
- 2. Mike has confirmed the trailer still has a valid WOF. The board expressed disappointment that the trailer is not being utilised by the clubs
- 3. BNH were approached where to get bowls for coaching and the retirement villages. LL directed inquiries to Bowls New Zealand

### Reps

- 1. Neil looking for a meeting with Graham and Gary regarding next season
- 2. Gail and Ian had a meeting with Tony
- 3. Tony is pulling together next year's programme
- 4. Training arranged for the Junior women on 16<sup>th</sup> January at Mangawhai
- 5. Tony talked about calling for nominations for team management convenors for next year. Tony wants to get the process right for next season

### Greens

1. Refer to Masters above.

## **Juniors and Umpires**

- Lots of Juniors out there looking for events to play in. Gail questioned if that was because Kittyhawks is no longer being played
- 2. Murray questioned if the players in centre tournaments could be from different clubs. LL will update the conditions of entry to say the players must be from the same club

### **Finance**

- 1. One club still to pay capitation
- 2. BNH received sponsorship payment from Benefitz.
- 3. The financial report was received and accepted by the Board

Moved: Seconded: Carried

### **General Business**

1. Invite from Milford. Tony asked if any of the board could please go

- 2. Travelling uniforms. EM has heard nothing. EM will talk to Gary Stevens
- 3. Disposal of the old playing uniforms. EM suggested we sell them for \$5 per item. All agreed we can get rid of them. Since the meeting all the old uniforms have been taken by Garth Partridge He will pay BNH the \$5 for each item he gets money for
- 4. National singles and pairs. Went well. BNH were disappointed that BNH was not as involved more The clubs that hosted all did a great job and accolades to all the markers that helped
- 5. EM suggested that the Rep keeps his/her unform and only when they are no longer in the Rep squad they would be returned. There is not enough space to store them at the end of each season
- 6. Prizemoney for Men and Women should be the same across the board. TP asked this be taken back to the match committee.
- 7. EM asked about the \$12,000 that was put into the Bias fund for safe keeping should be taken out. TP explained why it was put there and identified separately
- 8. Online entry. EM asked if they have to enter all tournaments via online entry. TP confirmed that this is the case

## Meeting closed at 5.45 pm

Next Meeting Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021 (early to accommodate Masters week)

## **Board Reports**

## Secretary report for 13th January 2021

- 1. Publish minutes for December Board meeting, thanks to Tony for taking the minutes
- 2. Manage emails and website
- 3. Reps fixtures
- 4. Masters entries and draw
- 5. Run Battle of the Bridge Men at BBBC
- 6. MC meeting on various topics
- 7. Nationals week at BBBC
- 8. Update Junior list in all clubs
- 9. Work on Player Points
- 10. Entries for Centre womens/mens singles/pairs

#### **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

### President's Report for Meeting 13th January 2021.

My report this month mostly covers the National Singles and Pairs as we have had no BNH events since the last Board Meeting.

Attended Brown's Bay – Men's Pairs on 4<sup>th</sup> January. Sunnybrae and Birkenhead on 5<sup>th</sup> January.

On 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> assisted Sunnybrae by doing recording both days.

9<sup>th</sup> January attended Carlton Cornwall for the finals, late before finishing due to rain early on Friday.

## **Masters Report for January Board Meeting.**

18<sup>th</sup> December – met with Steph Cawte, Lesley and Terry at Birkenhead, agreed to extend closing date for entries by one week to 23<sup>rd</sup> December.

Met again on 29<sup>th</sup> December at Board Office (Steph on holiday). Lesley sent out email to all entrants to double check their entry and also asked for more teams to fill the byes.

Contacted Mark Cameron asking him to say a few words at our Opening Ceremony on 14<sup>th</sup> February. (Thank you Tony for the suggestion). He agreed and has also asked Rob Davis to contact Terry and myself with regard to doing an article on the Bowls New Zealand website and Facebook before the start of the Masters.

Due to meet with Lesley and Terry on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January to do the draw.

Neil also to inspect the Greens at Birkenhead this coming week and talk with Terry on Thursday.

## **Chairman's report to Board meeting 13 January 2021**:

**1 Award Presentations** – I have included this item again as it was held over from the last meeting –

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 Rawhiti Memorial Tournament** There has been no further information coming to hand on this tournament.
- **4 Representative programme 2021/22** Following on from my report at last meeting I have had discussions with our Open team managers on their thoughts for the 2021/22 season. This is an ongoing discussion and further information will be provided in due course. Suffice to say that this needs to be prepared well in advance to enable the proper preparation of the teams.
- **5 Representative Managers/Coaches for 2021/22** Discussion has commenced on this process and further information will be provided as the timing and process are developed.

Tony Popplewell, Chairman.

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### MATCH COMMITTEE AND REPS Neil Connell

Nothing to report on competitions but we did have a good meeting regarding the C O P's for next season, more info at the board meeting.

Reps.

This weekend prem 1 & 2 teams are away to BOP Centre. Gail doing a great job with the 1-5 womens as mentioned in her report.

Greens.

Having a meeting this Thursday with Terry Moverley regarding the use of greens for the upcoming Masters.

Neil Connell.

### Coaching and Development Mike Beretta

Nothing to report from our last meeting on the coaching and development.

I took the trailer in to VTNZ and have update the Warrant of Fitness.

# **Report: Murray West**

Juniors Report:

Nothing to report other than I had a conversation with Martin Mackenzie from BNZ at the National Singles about Junior events that have a National Pathway.

I have a question for the match committee regards BNH Centre Championship,

\* Do the players need to be from the same club or can they be a composite team?

I know this use to be in the condition of entry but I can find these on the website.

## TREASURERS REPORT TO BOARD JANUARY 2021 MEETING

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

## **Capitation Fees:**

There is one club still to pay. I have sent reminder and phoned the club.

Advised they will pay ASAP.

## **Grant Applications:**

Awaiting result from Lion Foundation for application for 3 months wages.

Raewyn Thomas

Treasurer

6<sup>th</sup> January 2021