



Bowls North Harbour Inc

MINUTES

Type of Meeting: Meeting of the Board
Meeting Location: Bowls Orewa Annex
Meeting Date: Monday 17 August 2026
Meeting Time: 6:30 pm

Present: Neil Connell (NC), Mark Batley (MB), Sue Rossiter (SR), Sheryl Wellington (SW), Greg Yelavich (GY), Raewyn Thomas (RT), Garth Partridge (GP)

Apologies: Tony Popplewell (TP), Jan Harrison (JH)

Meeting:

The meeting commenced at 6:30 pm

Mark Batley presented a paper on his acceptance to officiate as the BNH Board Chair. (attached)

Approval of minutes from previous meeting:

Proposed that the minutes from the previous meeting on 13th July 2026 be approved.

Moved:	SW	Seconded:	GY
Carried			

Matters arising from previous minutes:

Others: Included in General Business

Incoming Correspondence:

1. Final notice of BNZ AGM - Saturday 12th September 2026
2. Note from Pauline Thomas – enjoying keeping in touch through reading the weekly newsletter.
3. North Harbour Sports Excellence awards nominations open – circulated

Proposed that the BNH Annual Special Awardees be entered into the North Harbour Sports Excellence Awards.

Moved MB	Seconded GY
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Carried

MB to prepare the nominations

Outwards Correspondence:

1. Response sent to Bowls Taranaki
2. Confirmed with BNZ that we would like live streaming of the Masters finals on Friday 9 October.

3. Provided proof of affiliation to Belmont Park Bowling Club

Finance Report:

Raewyn Thomas

1. P&L and Balance Sheet reports
2. Monthly Transaction Report

It was noted that a grant from 4WINS for wages had been received.

Account Signatory:

SW requested that she be added as a signatory for the Umpires account.
RT to investigate with Westpac

It was proposed the Mark Batley, Chair of the Board, be added to the Westpac account as an account signatory.

Proposed NC Seconded GY
Carried

It was proposed to apply to Auckland City Council for a grant to upgrade the BNH laptop computer as per the attached resolution.

Proposed SW Seconded SR
Carried

Presidents Report:

Neil Connell

Quiet month recovering from a health issue.

Centre Manager Report:

Garth Partridge

Changed over to the upgraded website – WIP re updates.

All competitions prior to Christmas 2026 are online and available for entry.

Working with clubs on the green allocations for the events prior to Christmas 2026.

Entries for the Masters are on line with the entries at this stage in 2025

100 players registered for the fours

212 players registered for the pairs

As at 15 August:

2-4-2 Mixed Pairs entries at 60 – entries close 21 August

Ivan Kostanich Mens Singles entries at 80 (max 128) – entries close 29 August

Assisted with the Winter Coaching sessions each Saturday morning in July.

Attended the Campi and the Canoe on Saturday 15 August

Collating expressions of interest being received from rep players

Logistics and preparation for the Executive Fours on Saturday 5 Sept – Mairangi Bay Bowling Club

Assisted players who have forgotten how to enter competitions

Attended the monthly BNZ Centre ZOOM Meeting.

- Bowls NZ AGM
- New Zealand Open
- Bowls Canterbury remit on club/green hire fees
- Judicial process review

- Bowls NZ and India
- Bowls NZ Hall of Fame
- General Business

Report accepted as presented

Match Committee Report:

Tony Popplewell

Members – The members of the Match Committee as confirmed at the last meeting of the Board are – Tony Popplewell (Convenor), Mark Batley, Sheryl Wellington, Neil Connell and Garth Partridge.

Completed Events – The Winter Cup for both men and women has been completed as scheduled without any weather delays. We thank the clubs who hosted these events – Mairangi Bay, Warkworth, Waimauku and Browns Bay.

Coming Events – The events for the early part of the season are now live on BowlsHub and entries are coming in progressively. There has been little comment on the increase of entry fees for these events. Comments regarding the NZ Masters event will be provided to the Board by the appointed committee who are monitoring arrangements for this event.

Venues for Events - The Centre Manager is now working through the projected requirements for venues taking regard of the hosting clubs from last season and knowledge of club greens. This is an ongoing exercise.

Champ of Champ events 2006 - The national finals for these events are in process with mixed results for the teams from Bowls North Harbour.

Men Singles – Colin Rogan had 1 win, 3 losses and 1 bye and did not qualify;

Women Singles – Lisa Dickson had 3 wins, 1 loss and 2 byes and qualified for the Quarter-final but lost narrowly 20/21;

Men Four – From Browns Bay had a good run through to the semi-final where they had a loss;

Women Four – From Mairangi Bay had 2 losses and 2 byes and did not play their last 2 qualifying games.

Champ of Champ events 2027 - We are still waiting for Bowls New Zealand to confirm the venues for the national champ of champ finals in 2027 so that we can then formulate the order to hold our centre championship events. Although dates have been reserved in our calendar for these events we have yet to confirm the disciplines relating to the dates and once we have this information from Bowls New Zealand we will complete this and circulate the information to clubs.

Tony Popplewell

Match Committee Chair

Report accepted as presented

Coaching & Development Report:

Greg Yelavich

We have now completed our Saturday coaching sessions

The sessions held at Orewa under the umbrella were the largest turn out BNH have ever had, over the four sessions, we averaged 48 bowlers. Our coaches offered to bowlers, new skills, training methods, suggestions on tweaking their own style. Time was given to mental preparation, mental toughness and an insight to learning concentration skills

There was also chaos, one session had 66 bowlers, over 8 rinks

Our sessions finished with choosing 5 or 6 bowlers being quizzed on what they learnt in this session, even in the chaos there was learning. Positivity, nice comments, encouragement, flowed in both directions - bowlers to coaches and coaches to bowlers

We have some very talented new bowlers, all very enthusiastic, so enthusiastic we have three teams entering the Auckland Campie Cup and the Canoe Cup, both have requirements that bowlers must have attended the training sessions and the team player experience can only add up to 13 years

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BNH have been working together with Auckland Bowls for coaching courses. Please track down the Foundation and Development coaching courses on their web site. Even if not wishing to pursue the coaching path you will learn and gain knowledge that will help you become a better bowler

Regards

Greg

General Business:

1. Code of Conduct update – MB to investigate if the player code of conduct requires a criminal history declaration.
2. BIAS Committee – Ian Coombe has accepted becoming a trustees of the BIAS fund. The current trustees are; Ian Coombe, Tony Popplewell, Garth Partridge, Raewyn Thomas and Greg Yelavich
3. Website review
4. Handbook – WIP
5. Trophies engraving 2025 2026
6. Masters logistics update. Sub-committee JH, MB, GP
 - a. Medals
 - b. Shirts
 - c. Bowls Stickers
7. Executive fours logistics update.
 - a. Entries
 - b. Catering
8. Caps for players

It was proposed to obtain inexpensive caps for players participating in events such as the Canoe and Campi.

proposed SR Seconded NC

Carried

GP to investigate and report back to the next meeting.

9. BNZ Workshop – GP to ask for a breakdown of the two-day agenda
10. BNH Special award winners to be invited to enter the BNZ NZ annual awards.
 - a. Club of the Year
 - b. Volunteer of the Year
 - c. Bowler of the Year
11. Uniform to identify Board Members

It was proposed that board members have a white shirt and a maroon jacket to identify them as BNH board members

Proposed SR Seconded NC

Carried

It was proposed that board members fund their own white shirt and that BNH would pay for the branding.

Proposed SR Seconded SW

Carried

SR to provide samples of white shirts and maroon jacket to the next board meeting

Meeting closed at 8:00 pm

Next Meeting Dates:

Next Board meetings: 14 Sept, 12 Oct, 9 Nov, 14 Dec.

Hi, coaching report and perhaps a thank you on our web site?
Enjoy
Greg

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Profit and loss report

Accrual mode

01 May 2026 - 31 Jul 2026

	Total	
	Actual	Last Year
Income		
General Interest	726	1,018
Grants Received	0	3,360
Sponsorship - Super Sponsors	0	15,000
Development & Coaching	310	1,994
Sundry Income	0	1,861
Total Income	1,036	23,233
Gross Profit	1,036	23,233
Expense		
Accounting fees	10	30
Accounts Review Fee	290	280
Annual Meeting & Awards	2,413	3,031
Bank charges	8	12
Board Honorarium	870	1,043
Development & Coaching	122	1,140
Donations	1,800	0
Internet	157	312
Printing & stationery	809	1,074
Rent	750	750
Sundry expenses	0	111
Telephone	250	312
Admin Wages	4,212	4,212
Admin Contractors	11,760	10,920
Website	90	325
Total Expense	23,539	23,553
Operating Profit	(22,504)	(320)
Other Income		
Executive Fours	70	139
1-5 year Interclub	0	261
1-5 year Women Singles	0	(7)
1-5 year Men COC Singles	22	217
1-5 year Women COC Singles	22	130
1-5 year Any Combination Pairs	0	(85)
Women COC Singles	0	(16)
Women COC Pairs	0	217
Women COC Triples	0	457
Women COC Fours	87	609
Women Winter Cup	1,304	1,304
Men COC Singles	0	(16)

	Total	
	Actual	Last Year
Men COC Pairs	0	261
Men COC Triples	0	587
Men COC Fours	174	522
Mixed COC 2-4-2 Pairs	43	435
Men Ivan Kostanich Singles	696	0
Men Winter Cup	2,174	2,087
Mixed 2-4-2 Pairs	1,461	0
Open A/C 2-4-2 Pairs	2,565	2,739
Masters Entries	2,991	0
Umpires Income	443	409
Total Other Income	12,052	10,250
Other Expense		
A Commissions	0	264
1-5 year Interclub	574	0
1-5 year Men Singles	533	0
1-5 year Women Singles	359	0
1-5 year Men COC Singles	489	533
1-5 year Women COC Singles	402	402
1-5 year Any Combination pairs	304	0
Women COC Singles	372	0
Women COC Pairs	413	489
Women COC Triples	709	554
Women COC Fours	630	663
Women Winter Cup	0	896
Men COC Singles	372	0
Men COC Pairs	500	489
Men COC Triples	709	598
Men COC Fours	630	663
Mixed COC 2-4-2 Pairs	500	413
Men Winter Cup	0	1,048
Mixed 2-4-2 Pairs	375	0
Open A/C 2-4-2- Pairs	1,861	1,970
Masters Expenses	0	391
Umpires Expenses	435	1,449
Total Other Expense	10,169	10,822
Net Profit	(20,621)	(893)

Balance sheet report

Accrual mode

31 Jul 2026

	Total	
	Actual	Last Year
Asset		
Banking		
Westpac - Current account	30,102	38,356
Westpac - Card account	4,000	4,000
Westpac - Umpires Account	4,775	4,534
Total Banking	38,877	46,890
Current Assets		
Westpac Term 3.80 Due 21/06/26	0	20,000
Westpac Term 3.45% Due 27/10/2026	50,000	50,000
Westpac Term 3.55 Due 19/01/2027	40,000	40,000
Westpac Term 3.70 Due 28/08/26	20,000	20,000
Westpac Term 3.45% Due 31/10/26	70,000	70,000
Umpires - Investment	550	550
Accounts Receivable	(0)	450
Total Current Assets	180,550	201,000
Fixed Assets		
Office Equipment, Furniture, Bowls	7,808	7,915
Umpire Assets	2,367	2,367
Accumulated Depreciation - Umpires	(463)	(50)
Accumulated Depreciation - Office Equip & Others	(5,133)	(4,464)
Total Fixed Assets	4,579	5,768
Total Asset	224,005	253,658
Liability		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	4,500	4,500
Sponsorship for Bowls3Five	2,559	4,809
Coaches Association Support	2,877	2,877
Sponsorship Dick Bree	2,461	4,348
Grants Received But Not Spent	2,000	7,300
GST collected	1,861	4,596
GST paid	(4,160)	(4,558)
Total Current Liabilities	12,097	23,872
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Net Assets	211,908	229,787
Equity		
Umpire Assets on Merger	984	984
Retained earnings	231,544	229,695
Current year earnings	(20,621)	(893)
Total Equity	211,908	229,787