

# Minutes of the General Meeting held Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at Moorabbin Bowling Club

President Daphne Camilleri opened the meeting was at 7.00 pm and welcomed all Delegates

In attendance 44 Delegates representing 28 Clubs, Board members and Committee Chairmen.

20 apologies were received from Board members, Delegates and Committee Chairmen.

Moved, Kerry Disney, SOC, seconded Julie Galloway, Dandenong RSL/Rec, that the apologies be received. Carried

# 3. Minutes of the General Meeting 5th December 2016

Minutes of previous meeting having been circulated it was moved, Geoff Harding, Middle Park seconded Beryl Stephenson, Glen Eira McKinnon that they be taken as read and accepted. Carried

# 4. President's Report: Daphne Camilleri.

As the season draws to a close I would like to congratulate all the Clubs that reached the Pennant finals. Good luck to those who are playing this weekend

Congratulations also to the winners of our Sandbelt Region competitions. We wish you all the best at Bendigo East. Our Ladies Regional Side has been selected and will play at Murray Downs at the end of the month. Our Men's team will be selected shortly. For those leaving for your winter break keep safe and come back refreshed

**5. Treasurers Report** emailed prior to the meeting to all delegates and Clubs 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016 to 17<sup>th</sup>March 2017 Net Income \$8339.44 Total Equity \$28300.96

Income includes Green fees and use of Clubs facilities for Championships, which are still to be paid to the Clubs as well as BV's contribution to the Men's and Women's Regional championships

Moved that the accounts be accepted Bob Baxter, seconded Kerry Disney SOC Carried

6. BVRR: next meeting 12th April 2017

#### 7. Committee Reports

#### 7.1 Championship,

All Championships events have been completed. There were slight delays towards the end of 2 events due to protection having to be given to some players.

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Congratulations to all winners –good luck in the finals at Bendigo East in April and thank you to all players, Clubs, and officials who took part the events.

## 7.2 Report Umpires Panel – Neil Smillie

Re-accreditation – there are a number of Umpires / Measurers (57) that are due for re-accreditation, or have elapsed and I am prepared to re-accredit. Recently I re-accredited 6 candidates, have 4 to assess, so if there are more than Clubs can put in an application to BV (application form on BV website) and a copy of front page to me (nsbowls3172@gmail.com) and I will arrange assessment.

- 1. Accreditation recently 12 candidates completed their assessment as Measurers successfully and we will be conducting a Markers course on Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup> at Hampton BC and when completed we will offer the Umpire unit to those that have completed both the Markers and Measurers courses (they will be contacted when dates arranged)
- 2. Comm Games 2018 congratulations to Sarah Hope, Rob Coulson and Neil Smillie being appointed to officiate at the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast in April 2018
- 3. RFC Review In April the Laws committee are to review the Rules for Competition for Season 2017-18 and if there is any comment that bowlers or Clubs wish to make please pass them onto myself (<a href="mailto:nsbowls3172@gmail.com">nsbowls3172@gmail.com</a>) ASAP. There will be discussion on Pre-Pennant practice and the timing of greens, so if you have input please let me know.

#### 7.3 Coaching - Lyn Goodchild

There will be a club coaches course held on 6th and 7th May at Hampton Bowls Club. Anyone interested is asked to send in their applications to BV as soon as possible, also, if there is anyone interested in becoming a presenter and assessor they should attend this course and learn what it entails. Lyn

**7.4 Club Development:** Bev Baxter reported on the latest steps taken by Stonnington Council to acquire the area occupied by the Chadstone BC. The Council is currently conducting a feasibility study and the Club is notifying and alerting neighbouring property owners of the possible future ramifications of the Councils intentions.

Clubs on Councils land were warned that they could possibly face the same issues and should be mindful of the use of their club facilities, keep details of the functions held at the Club and record the numbers and age group attending. This may be handy in applying for Grants as well reinforcing your Clubs involvement in the community

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**7.5 Selection Committee: Arnold O'Brien**-reported that the Clubs had been asked to forward their nominations for the Men's Region Side and after trials the selected Side will be known by Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017

The following players have been selected to represent the Sandbelt Region in the Women's Region Sides Championships at Swan Hill 31<sup>st</sup> March -2<sup>nd</sup> April 2017

Skip	Third	Second	Lead
M. Gumbleton	A. McCarthy	K,Steele	A. Macauley
K McKerihen	L.Burke	F.Clarke	S. Rodger
P.Wood	D. Macauley	N.Russell	S.Hetti
Non Travelling emergencies	L.Williams	J,Paccoli	

7.6 Greens Committee: Ian Capp, Nothing to report

# 7.7 Under18's-no report

7.8 Website. Brian Howarth

Clubs were advised to use the website to advertise their events.

## 7.9 BV Pennant representative- Michael Classon

There has not been a Metro Pennant Committee meeting since the last Sandbelt Meeting

#### **Paul Holtschke Regional Bowls Manager**

- 1. Paul reported that Scott Nicholson had replaced Barry Lester
- 2. Clubs should be aware of Council Grants-. Clubs who require assistance in applying for Grants should contact Paul. Email to be sent to all CCO's
- 3. Working with Children- free for volunteers
- 4. Code of conduct-set of standards
- 5. Bowls census- Clubs should be aware that this information has a large bearing on obtaining Grants
- 6. RDNS Health and Wellbeing –a free 45 minute course is available
- 7. Hearing Aids- Blamey Saunders will provide a free check
- 8. BA Survey closed 13 March 2017

Bob Steele Edithvale – suggested that Clubs should record the number of people "coming through their doors"

Also that Clubs in the Kingston Council area that are on Council controlled land and are contemplating replacing or putting in a new synthetic green should plan 12 months in advance

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Moved that all reports be received: Jason Placas, Elsternwick Club seconded Simon Strickland Albert Park carried

### 10. General Business

1. Edithvale BC- Letter read dated 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016 re Single Sex Bowls Events

Bob Steele Edithvale addressed the meeting stating his Clubs concerns:-

Refers to Men's Tounaments and Events

Discriminatory

VCAT

Ramifications

Lack of information from BV covering their discussions with VCAT

Discussions with Marilla Rootsey BV Board Member

The need and request that the Clubs be informed'

Bob tabled a letter and questionnaire asking for it to be forwarded to BV to consider at the next BVRR meeting.

2. Cheltenham BC asked that Clubs their letter re the Heat Rule be circulated to the Clubs. Michael Classon Chairman of the BV Pennant Committee email read:-

The BV Laws & Rules Committee review the Rules for Competition prior to every season. This includes Rule 10.5 Inclement Weather, which includes the provisions for heat.

I have copied a reply by Peter Delaney on 6/2/17 to a query from Camberwell Central BC about the heat rule which might assist tonight. I think it is a good response and highlights important issues in relation to playing in the heat. I also think it is fair to say that only a small number of queries/complaints about heat are received by BV each season.

If a majority of delegates feel that a review is in order perhaps the matter should be referred to Club Committees for consideration in the first instance prior to further discussion of the issue at Region level.

#### Hi Doug,

Thanks for your call earlier and this follow-up email, the wellbeing of our players is of paramount importance and I have copied in the Chair of BV Metro Pennant Committee, Chair of Laws & Rules and the Chair of the BV Umpires Committee so they are aware of your thoughts views and comments and my response.

As you are no doubt aware here in the Metropolitan area the BV Heat Policy is 36deg C for both Saturday & Midweek Pennant; the original RVBA Saturday temperature of 38deg C was arrived at after consultation with the experts from the Australian College of Surgeons, the Australian Medical Association, The CSIRO, the Australian Institute of Sport, the Victoria Institute of Sport and other like

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organisations and outdoor sports and medically deemed to be safe insofar as the body stress heat index was concerned.

The Saturday RVBA temperature as mentioned above was previously 38deg C and this was originally the recommended temperature but was reduced as a compromise when the original VLBA Midweek temperature was 34deg C after the two bodies joined forces. The "mid-point" of 36deg C was a common-sense mid-point as both males and females are playing Saturday & Midweek Pennant.

Doug, we do need to keep in mind the sport of Bowls is a summer sport that is played outdoors in the sun and the heat of the day, bowls caters for players from the ages of 10 right through to the 90's. Many of the heat related issues are caused by dehydration in that players are not drinking sufficient water prior to going out on the green.

We must also keep in mind a player who may be subject to "age" heat related stress or medical conditions has a clear **Duty of Care to themselves** to pull out of playing bowls for their own well-being, we cannot deprive those able bodied younger players who relish and thrive these conditions from playing the sport they love just to satisfy the others who cannot deal with the heat of the day as this would be discrimination - the player must make the choice for their own personal well-being.

Temperature is not necessarily the primary factor in body stress heat index - it is a combination of both temperature and humidity; for example if you were playing in say 40deg C with a humidity reading of 10% it would be quite comfortable and pleasant BUT if the temperature was 30deg C with 90% humidity it would be very unpleasant and stressful on the body.

Thanks once again for your email and I will get back to you if there is any feedback from any of the above parties I have copied in to my response.

Regards

Pete Delaney



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- 3. Gaby Cohen asked if the results of Women's Only events survey were available- refer Michael Classon
- **4.** Peter Cochrane Mordialloc City of Kingston Lease agreement stated that they had had conversations with the Council re Lease rental agreement and there were some points still under discussion.

President Daphne thanked Moorabbin for the use of their premises for the meeting

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

**Next General Meeting** 

AGM Monday 5 June 2017 at 7.00 pm at Moorabbin BC