



Sandbelt Bowls Region Inc.
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Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting

5th June 2017

Acting Secretary Rosemary Michael read the Notice of Meeting.

President Daphne Camilleri opened the meeting at 7.00pm and welcomed Delegates, Board Members, Committee Chairmen and Regional Bowls Managers, and advised that a quorum was established.

Apologies were received (listed as Appendix A).

Motion to accept moved Willow Lodge (P. Smith) seconded Mordialloc(J. Widdowson) and carried.

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Corrections - nil

Motion to confirm moved by Murrumbeena Park (D. Hawse), seconded Dandenong RSL Rec (J. Galloway) and carried.

Business arising - nil

President's report- Daphne Camilleri

Sandbelt has had a successful year. We have been able to maintain our region fees at \$2 a head. Our championships were all completed thanks to our championship committee headed by Brian Howarth. Winners performed well in Bendigo East. The highlights of our year were the Regional Sides Championships. Our men's team reached the final but sadly were beaten. Our ladies' team went on to win this event in a thrilling final, winning by one shot after an extra end. I would like to thank all our sub-committees who have helped us to have a successful season. Their hard work has been greatly appreciated. Thank you to the board members for their continued support. I would especially like to thank Brian Howarth, Michael Classon and Rosemary Michael who are stepping down from our board this year. Thank you for your dedication and commitment, best of luck for your future endeavours.

Treasurer's Audited Report for the year ended 30th April 2017

Net loss (\$1,662.54) Total equity \$18,298.98

Motion to adopt moved Toorak (R. Glenn) seconded Parkdale (G. Woods) and carried.

Treasurer Box Baxter explained that the higher Men's and Women's Regional Side costs were due to the changed playing times of the games as set by Bowls Victoria, amounting to a 300% increase in the cost to the Region over the past few years.

Committee reports

1. Bowls Victoria Region Representatives (BVRR) report – read by the Secretary on behalf of BVRR Lyn Goodchild

This past year I have attended region meeting on behalf of Sandbelt and taken part in discussions on the pros and cons of bowling clubs. The city and country regions have lots of differences as the country regions run their own pennant and make their own rules for pennant games where as we have the assistance of Bowls Victoria, so it is interesting to listen to other regions reports. The thing we have in common is the question of single sex competitions and the problems the clubs face in trying to please all members. At the last BV meeting we had in attendance a legal representative of VCAT who explained how to handle the problems in this field. Those of you who were at Thursday's meeting will have received a handout on how to proceed in this matter. There are some flyers at this meeting for clubs who did not attend Thursdays' meeting. Please take them and read, discuss and action the advice that comes out of these flyers.

On behalf of BV I have presented badges to our senior members attaining the age of 80, certificates to members who have turned 90, presented flags and medals visited any club that has invited me and thoroughly enjoyed the contact with fellow bowlers.

I have enjoyed this year on the Sandbelt Board and hope to continue to enjoy the forward momentum of the game of bowls.

President Daphne Camilleri informed delegates that the procedures to be followed for single-gender games were set out in a handout available at the meeting.

2. Championship – read by the Secretary on behalf of Brian Howarth.

I would like to thank all the participants who took part in this year's championships for making them all successful events. Congratulations to all the section winners who represented the region so well in the state titles. I would also like to thank all the clubs who volunteered their greens and members for the events. It is very difficult to run these events without the support of the clubs the more clubs volunteer the less pressure on clubs to supply greens.

In closing it would be remiss of me if I did not thank all the championship committee for the great job they did this year.

3. Selection – Arnold O'Brien.

This has been a successful season with the women's side winning the Championship, and the men's side runner-up.

4. Greens – read by the Secretary on behalf of Ian Capp.

Ian has made a recommendation for chairman and deputy of the 2017-2018 Greens Committee as he is moving out of the area. President Daphne thanked Ian for his contribution.

5. Under18 Development – No report

6. Laws and Umpiring--Annual Report Sandbelt Umpires Panel read by Don Hawse on behalf of Neil Smillie – Sandbelt Umpires Panel

1. **National Umpires Shirts** – BA have made available a National Umpire shirt (grey with green panels) that can be used when umpires are officiating. They are available from the Merchandising section of the Bowls Australia website.
2. **SBS Bowls Show** – this show starts again on Sunday May 14 at 3.00 pm and continues till Sunday Oct 22.
3. **Accreditation** – The Panel has accredited 5 Umpires, 12 Measurers and 10 markers over the past season and we have applications for a further 26 Markers, 8 Measurers and 28 Umpires. We are conducting a Markers course on May 7th at Hampton BC and hope to run all 3 courses again before or early next season. If Clubs have interested person have them put in an application (form on BV website) and we will let them know when we are conducting courses.
4. **Re-Accreditation** – This season we have re-accredited 25 Umpires / Measurers but still have 38 who have not re-accredited at this stage. Again could Clubs consider their need for these Umpires and encourage them to re-accredit. As we get applications we arrange a date for assessment so put in the applications to BV (application form on BV website) and we will arrange assessment.

5. **Club Development and Support** – **Bob Baxter**. Flyers re Chadstone BC were distributed.

6. **Sponsorship, Marketing,** – **Bob Baxter**. Nothing to report

7. **Coaching** – read by the Secretary on behalf of **Lyn Goodchild**.

There was a coaching course held at the Hampton Bowls Club on 6/7th of May and there were 10 members who applied to become coaches. As yet I have not received any names of new coaches but hope these will be forthcoming shortly.

8. **Website-** read by the Secretary on behalf of **Brian Howarth**.

The Sandbelt website is club run in as much as all the information put on it comes from the clubs so if clubs want information put on the website for any reason inform the new webmaster.

Rodney Bates has kindly offered to be the webmaster and can be contacted on Rodney.bates@outlook.com or mobile 0407 806 359

9. **BV Metro Pennant Committee** – Michael Classon resigned due to family commitments. No report.

10. Paul Holtschke BRM introduced **Scot Nicholson | Regional Bowls Manager (Eastern Metropolitan / Gippsland and then** spoke on the following items:-

- Save Chaddy Bowls
- BLK Clothing – new bowls clothing manufacturers
- Royal District Nursing Services offer free talks on a range of useful topics to clubs
- Bowls Premier League Cup
- BV & School Sport Victoria Primary Schools Bowls Competition
- Conducting Single Gender events in Victoria
- Play Bowls Month October
- New Child Safety Standards

Moved Murrumbena Park (D. Hawse), seconded Dandenong RSL Rec (J. Galloway) that the reports be accepted, carried.

Election of Office Bearers

Under Rule 18(d), If no more than one nomination is received for a vacancy on the Board, the person nominated shall be declared elected.

Acting Secretary Rosemary advised that as only 1 nomination had been received for President, that **Daphne Camilleri** was declared elected **President** for the ensuing year.

President Daphne Camilleri advised that no nomination had been received for **Deputy President**, and that under Rule 17.4, in the event of a casual vacancy in the office of any Director, the Board may appoint an appropriate **Affiliated Member of a Club** to the vacant office and the person so appointed may continue in office up to the end of the term of the Director they are replacing.

That, as only two nominations for the two positions of **BVRR's** had been received, **Lyn Goodchild and Gary Lasky** were declared elected.

That, as only 1 nomination had been received for the office of **Secretary, Ted Montfort** was declared elected.

That, as only one nomination had been received for the office of **Treasurer, Bob Baxter** was declared elected.

That, as two nominations had been received for the two positions of **Board Members, Maurice Powell and Geoff Cavigan** were declared elected.

The Board for 2017/2018 is: President Daphne Camilleri, Secretary Ted Montfort, Treasurer Bob Baxter, BVRRs Lyn Goodchild and Gary Lasky, and Board Members Maurice Powell and Geoff Cavigan.

Appointment of auditor

Moved that **Geoff MacWhirter** be elected **Auditor** for the 2017/2018 season – Elsternwick Club (Bob Baxter), seconded Cheltenham (J. Bulluss) and carried. Geoff was thanked for doing a great job this season.

General Business

1. Region Open Day – Sunday 17 September at Noble Park – Social day for club representatives.

2. Moved by President Daphne and seconded by Treasurer Bob Baxter that a vote of thanks for the use of these premises for our Board Meetings and General Meetings be given to Moorabbin Bowling Club. Carried

3. Honorariums. Moved Elsternwick Club (B. Baxter), seconded Armadale (M. Powell) that the Honorariums remain the same at \$500 each for the Secretary and Treasurer. Carried.

5. Region levy for 2017-2018 has been set by the Board at \$2 per person on the Club Register – moved Elsternwick Club (B. Baxter), seconded Highett (P. Blakey) and carried.

6. President Daphne thanked delegates for their attendance.

Next General Meeting Monday 4 September 2017 at 7.00pm at Moorabbin BC

“ 4 December 2017

“ 5 March 2018

AGM “ 4 June 2018

Close of meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.15 pm.