



Sandbelt Bowls Region Inc.
ABN 28 163 129 274
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**Minutes of the General Meeting
held Monday 4th December 2017 at Moorabbin Bowling Club**

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

In attendance were 61 Delegates representing 30 Clubs, Board members and Committee Chairmen.

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

Moved, Bob Baxter, seconded Geoff Cavigan, , that the apologies be received. Carried

Presentation by Bowls Victoria Board Member Marilla Rootsey and Kevin Pattison Chairman of the Competitive Participation Sub- Committee. (Copy to be sent to all Club CCO's and Delegates)

3. Minutes of the General Meeting 4th September 2017

Minutes of previous meeting having been circulated it was moved, Bruce Richards Beaumaris seconded Julie Galloway Dandenong RSL/REC that they be taken as read and accepted. Carried

4. President's Report: President Daphne Camilleri wished all Delegates a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year and to all those who are travelling, stay safe.

5. Treasurers Report tabled at the meeting

1st May 2017 to 4th December 2017 Net Income \$4369.88 Total Equity \$22668.86

Reminder Invoices for Capitation fees will be sent to those Clubs who are still to pay.

Moved that the accounts be accepted Bob Baxter, seconded Glen Baskett Edithvale Carried

6. BVRR: Gary Lasky reported on matters covered at the BVRR meeting September 2017

Items discussed included:-

Club fees

31000 players lost from bowling over the last few years

Clubs should be careful not to lose too many committee members in one year-its difficult to teach new committees how to run bowls clubs

Clubs should get to know their local council and councillors

BV are investigating replacing bowls connect data base-clubs will have training for CCO's

110 Clubs signed up for Play Bowls Month

Timing of Greens

Pre Match practice

Under 25 Championship –Regions to conduct again

Mens Region Championships will be conducted at Traralgon for the next 2 years

State Championships will be at Bendigo for the next 3 years

Champions of State Pennant will be at Moama

Entries for Womens Country Carnival at Geelong are needed

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7. Committee Reports

7.1 Championship,

Of the 19 competitions to be held this season

- 10 have been completed
- 4 have been drawn, but not commenced
- 5 have entries still open (Mixed Pairs, Champion of Champions Singles, Fours)

The Under 25 Singles events were due to start on 3 Dec but, because of inclement weather conditions, have been deferred – date and venue to be determined (aiming for 21 Jan).

Event	Men – this year	Men – last year	Women – this year	Women – last year
Over 60 Singles	38	52	7	13
Over 60 Pairs	38	41	11	11
Triples	19	15	11	9
Novice Singles	10	12	3	6
Pairs	46	48	23	19
Under 25 Singles	8	BV event	2	BV event
Singles	86	63	22	22

Event	Skips - Men		Skips - Women	
	Winner	Runner Up	Winner	Runner Up
Over 60 Singles	J Clark Edithvale	M Yelen CPA	A McCarthy CPA	B Vaughan CPA
Over 60 Pairs	T Nelson Burden Park	W Morten Edithvale	U Jamieson Composite	M Adams Composite
Triples	A Forsyth Composite	B Spurr St Kilda	A McCarthy CPA	T Brodie Clayton
Novice Singles	J Watkins Clayton	K Holland St Kilda	V Lloyd RMGC	J Lye Middle Park
Pairs	A Forsyth Clayton	A Burke Burden Park	K McKerihan Clayton	T Brodie Clayton

7.2 Report Umpires Panel – Neil Smillie

- **Emailed to all Clubs and Delegates 14th November 2017**

"I have had a number of phone calls about the BOWLS Eye, (appearing on a Gippsland green!) . The Bowls Eye is a perspex object with concentric circles etched into it to be used as pre-measure only. It cannot be used to determine shots.

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Our State Umpiring Committee does not recommend its use, but it has been approved by World Bowls therefore cannot be prohibited. It is not particularly accurate, its a bit like crossed fingers... A memo from BA was sent to all CCOs and DUCs last year in July.

I have provided you all with a link to the BA memos, which apply to us all. This is good resource to have.

BA website which has memos that have been sent out by NOAG - <http://www.bowls.com.au/Get-Involved/Officiating-Laws/Memorandums>

The memo specifically related to the Bowls Eye is July 2016 – Clarification to law 23.3. It may be a good time to send to your umpires as a refresher."

2. The Conditions of Play for BV Championships was delayed in getting approval and as a result of Clubs starting their championships it was decided not to publish 2017-18 version, thus Clubs, Regions and BV championships will be conducted under the 2016-17 COPs

3. I did mention that some material from previous RFC / COP that did not relate to Pennant / Championships would be place on BV website under Club Assist but it appears as yet BV have not uploaded this information. Again use that information from 2016-17 version until it is uploaded to the website.

4. In the last update I referred to a number of changes to the 2017-18 COPs but I was unaware of the following, please take note and these are to be applied for this season

(a) the finishing time on Saturdays for an interrupted match is now 6.00pm not 6.30pm

(b) In the 19 Instantaneous Penalties 19.1 was removed due to differences to BA policy. As a result the penalties for 16. Smoking, 17. Personal Devices and 18. Consumption of Alcohol are now more severe than previously. The first offence is no longer a warning, it now carries an 8 shot penalty for Pennant

Instantaneous Penalties. The first part about giving a warning was removed from the Instantaneous Penalties but for Player Behaviour, Smoking, Alcohol and Mobile phone an Umpire **CAN** apply the Instantaneous Penalty but the Umpire may opt to give a warning as **CAN is optional**.

7.3 Coaching – Lyn Goodchild

A questionnaire "analysis of Club resources" i.e Umpires and Coaches will shortly be sent to all Sandbelt Clubs

This may help in the future running and development of Coaching courses for the Sandbelt Region.

Introduction to Coaching course is designed specifically for Barefoot bowling and school children

The Introduction to Coaching course conducted at Mulgrave Country Club on 1st December resulted in qualifying 16 new coaches.

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There are 3-4 Coaching modules covering the courses. Manual can be purchased on the BV website at \$18-\$19

7.4 Club Development:

1. Chadstone President Nigel Maxwell spoke at the General Meeting 4th December 2017 and gave the delegates a report on the situation at Chadstone.

Council is considering putting an indoor stadium on the site which will include a bowling green.

The Club is waiting to see the plans when they are at the Building and Contractual level.

2. Peter Blakey Highett was concerned that some Clubs may need assistance with their websites and when BV (BA) changes to a new ISP – Rodney Bates and Gary Lasky offered their assistance

7.5 Selection Committee: Arnold O'Brien-Nothing to report

7.6 Greens Committee Greens Inspections by Sandbelt have been completed for this season.

Hampton RSL have been given conditional approval for their upgraded green by BV but are still awaiting a final inspection and approval.

7.7 Under18's-no report

7.8 Website. Rodney Bates

Achievements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Added National honour board with the elevation of Arnold O'Brien (Melbourne BC) to the BA Hall of Fame. ◆ News items added and archived, shared items from Bowls Victoria BA, and member clubs posted on Facebook and Twitter accounts. ◆ Sandbelt Championship Results, and stories/photos regarding winners posted on website and social media sites. ◆ Meeting held with G. Lasky to review website capability. Gary to investigate further options for updating the website and the potential setup of pages for use by the board and sub committees.
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Planned Activities:

Activity / For Noting by the board	Due Date	Owner	Status
Update a Sandbelt Electronic Honour board on the website for BA/BV/Sandbelt Region achievements.	31/12/2017	R. Bates	In progress

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Meeting with G. Lasky re involvement with website and social media site administration.	30/11/2017	R. Bates	Completed
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7.9 BV Pennant representatives- Brian Howarth and Toni Newell-no report

Moved that all reports be received: Peter Blakey Highett seconded Ali Forsyth Clayton . carried

10. General Business

1. Paul Holtschke | Regional Bowls Manager (Metropolitan Melbourne/Geelong)

Paul spoke on the following :-

Congratulated Arnold O'Brien on his elevation to the Bowls Australia Hall of Fame

Clubs should consider their Smoking policy, Clubs on Glen Eira Council land will not be allowed to smoke on their Properties

Selection Policy –workshop to be held in the New Year

Grants –Shade Grant5- Clubs wishing to apply and uncertain what to do should contact Scot

Nicholson or Paul Holtschke

SRB Sporting Club Grants- range from \$500-\$2000 could apply for uniforms

Play Bowls Month

Social Media- Clubs should use it more

Schools Competition- all APS schools now have Lawn Bowls on their curriculum

RNDS, Members health

Junior Jack Attack

Country Week at Geelong in March need entries

Chris O'Meagher (Melbourne) "bear" very ill

2. Bev Baxter (Chadstone)

Clubs wishing to purchase Scorecards should contact Bev or Printman.

Insurance claim not covered following an accident at Chadstone Bowling Club. Clubs should look at their policies.

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

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Next General Meeting	Monday	5 March	2018
AGM	"	4 June	2018

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