

MINUTES MEN'S BOWLING CLUB EXECUTIVE MEETING

DATE **Wednesday 10.30 January 15th 2025**

PRESENT – Terry Norwood (Chair), Robin Staples, Richard Denman, Ian Duncan, Chris Forrester, Ted McPhee, Gordon Lewis (ex officio)

APOLOGIES – Graham Hunt

1. Actions from previous meetings

Minutes of meeting 27th November accepted.

Sponsorship – Ian reported that his paper and a request for discussion has been sent to Manager Tony. There seem to be some potential sponsors out there, perhaps for smaller rather than large amounts. Action- seek meeting with Tony and Board Chair Stephen to take matter forward asap.

2. Membership

New member Terry Salter.

3. Financial Report

Still no word on BOQ sponsorship.

Robin reported that current balance is \$1919. BBQ expenses of \$72 will leave balance at \$1847.

Greens Committee – Robin spoke to his paper on the maintenance of the Waratah Green. Committee to pursue a meeting with Manager Tony and Greenkeeper to determine a plan of maintenance and assistance/overseeing by the Greens Committee.

4. Match Committee

Major Pairs now completed – Stephen Della and Dave Coltman

Major Fours now completed – Scott Kennon, Dave Coltman, Al McGhee, Dugald Braithwaite

Southern Highlands Cup – Bowral retained the title

Grade three Pennants team officially withdrawn. Stephen Della, Mick Armstrong, Mick Anderson, Dugald Braithwaite ineligible for grade six. Ash Lewis, Dave Coltman, Al McGhee all eligible for grade six.

Major Triples Championship to be staged in May, 15th, 22nd (29th if required)

Senior Singles Competition to be run in June following Triples.

Resolved to run Minor, Consistency and Handicap events if possible. Ted & Peter.

Gordon Lewis to sponsor winter mid-week singles pairs and triples competitions for Wednesday bowlers. Only for Wednesday bowlers who'll all be included.

Chris Benton Charity day – May 8th, to be confirmed with manager Tony.

5. Reports – Selectors, Umpires, Coaches

Robin reported that pennants trial teams have been selected and posted. Trials set down for January 18th, 25th (if bowlers available on that holiday weekend) and February 1st (if required). First pennants game for Bowral against Bundanoon has been postponed from February 1st until March 29th at Bundanoon's request.

6. Region / BNSW Issues

Pennants (as above). Grade three withdrawn and eligibility to play grade six now resolved.

7. Communication

Peter has gained access to the emailing list of addresses all member. Terry to do so also. List is now out-of-date, Terry to compile list of all current members. Chris to help.

8. General Business

Ian's paper on Strategic Plan to be circulated to all committee members for comment at next meeting.

Ian's stock take of uniform wear to be circulated to all members.

Advice about when play should be stopped because of extreme heat; we used to have a pamphlet in the weather box but it's no longer there. Need to seek advice of Region.

On recommendation of Gordon Lewis, meeting agreed to urge Club Board to consider why so many top players have chosen to leave BBC, and to detail a clear direction on 'bowls at the club' including any plan to revive grass green bowling.

Arrangement of teams for Wednesday social bowls and occasionally grouping 'best' bowlers together – opinion seems to be mixed! Proceed at will!

Listed for later consideration is discussion on the possibility of following the lead of the Women's Committee and establishing banking accounts.

Next meeting – 10.30am Wednesday February 12th.