

# MINUTES MEN'S BOWLING CLUB EXECUTIVE MEETING

**DATE** 10.30 am Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025

**PRESENT** – Terry Norwood, Robin Staples, Graham Hunt, Ian Duncan, Richard Denman, Peter Flight, Chris Forrester, Gordon Lewis ex-officio

**APOLOGIES** – Ted McPhee

## 1. Actions from previous meetings

Minutes of meeting 25<sup>th</sup> June accepted as distributed.

### Matters

1. Strategic Plan ongoing; no advice received from Board re integration of our strategic plan and Board's.
2. Etiquette Statement endorsed and has been included in Jack Chat; President to prepare laminated version for posting on the notice board.
3. RSL Shield – noted that Mittagong RSL has provided \$1200 as prizemoney.
4. AGM set down for 17<sup>th</sup> August at 10am; notice posted and nomination forms are available.
5. A laminated copy of Extreme Weather policy now in Stevensons Screen (Weather Box) on the corner of the Waratah Green.

## 2. Membership

1. New member introduction booklet endorsed without reference to 'social bowls membership'. Ian to include in next edition of 'Jack Chat'.
2. Current members list tabled; 64 members. A number of yet to pay are expected to continue membership.
3. Initiative required to attempt to attract new members.

## 3. Financial Report

Robin reported that the balance is currently approx \$2623.15. Expenses for trophy engraving. \$480 has been shifted to our account for Chris Benton event – Robin to check whether this should be for donation to charity.

\$2000 available from Nathan Lyon to the Men's Bowling Committee on request.

## 4. Committees

**Sponsorship** – Ian has emailed sponsorship invitations to approximately 100 potential sponsors. Gubbins Mitre 10 representative to meet with Ian and GM Shane soon to negotiate sponsorship. No other responses yet.

**Uniforms** – Peter has had initial discussion with Women's Reps and has devised some designs and will follow-up with FCW and Wicklow. Peter to check with

Board/Stephen Della about payment and distribution once uniforms obtained.  
Caps and beanies to be priced.

**Strategic Plan** – Ian has now tidied up final details and is monitoring progress.

**Greens** – Concern was registered about the conduct of some of the barefoot bowlers on the Wilson Green and the need for instruction and monitoring when in use.

A lengthy discussion transpired on the quality of the Wilson Green with the usual reservations being expressed. Resolved that the President organise to meet with the Chair of the Board and the GM to resolve what the Board intends for the Wilson.

**Match** – Handicap Pairs Competition recently completed with winners being Gordon Lewis and Margaret Butcher.

The Mixed Pairs Championship is currently underway.

Resolved that Major Championship events will be Men only until amalgamation of Men's and Women's Clubs is achieved.

Organisation of the Gordon Lewis' 'Spirit of Bowral' event to be resolved by Peter, Gordon and Ted.

RSL Shield competition organisation – Dates for three rounds 23/08 Fours, 30/08 Pairs, 06/09 Triples and Singles. Prize money of \$100 each week to most successful team, and prize money for overall success to be 1<sup>st</sup> \$400, 2<sup>nd</sup> 300 and third \$200. Both Men and Women bowlers will be encouraged to enter, and teams will be organised by the Match Committee after individual bowlers place their names on the schedule. The Match Committee will be Peter Flight, Robin Staples and Gail Fraser.

## **5. Reports – Selectors, Umpires, Coaches, Other**

**Selectors** – nothing new to report

**Umpires/Coaches** – Noted that Peter Flight and Barb Wainberg have now qualified as umpires. Hearty congratulations to both.

## **6. Region / BNSW Issues**

Extreme Weather Guidelines – noted as above.

Noted that Gail Fraser and Reta South were runners-up in the Regional Women's Pairs Championship. The Men's Bowling Committee offers warm congratulations.

## **7. Communication**

President's monthly newsletter 'Jack Chat' continues to receive positive comment.

Ian is working on a new/revised web site for the Men's Bowling Club. Opinions will be sought soon.

## **8. General Business**

Canterbury (Sydney) Social Travelling Bowls visit 28<sup>th</sup> September – Peter has not heard from Canterbury so this matter will lapse.

Tulip Time ladies competition September 11<sup>th</sup> to be supported by the men in mixed teams.

Noted that Wicklow Bowls Supplies will have 'supply shop' at Tulip Time.

Amalgamation of Men and Ladies – President has raised matter with Women's President who will investigate the general position of women.

Noted that Keith Edwards remains in respite in unchanged condition.

Noted that Bruce Yahl has had major shoulder surgery and is recovering.

Constitution – with no constitution, we are bound by the constitution of the BBC Ltd.

AGM date - 10am Sunday August 17<sup>th</sup>

**Next Meeting – AGM**