

## **Bowls Taranaki (inc.)**

Minutes of a meeting of the board of Bowls Taranaki held  
at the Bowls Taranaki office on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 10am

**WELCOME:** The Board Chairman welcomed the board members.

**PRESENT:** Robert Wolfe (Chairman), Grant Hassall (President), Kevin Gray, Dean File, Val McEldowney, Chris Commane, Ian Lewis (Executive Officer)

**APOLOGIES:** Kristin Stampa. It was moved by Grant Hassall/Kevin Gray that the apologies be accepted. **CARRIED**

**MINUTES:** Moved by Grant Hassall/Dean File that the minutes of the board meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024 having been duplicated and circulated to all members, be taken as read and confirmed. **CARRIED**

It was moved by Val McEldowney/Grant Hassall that the minutes of the in-committee meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024 having been duplicated and circulated to all members, be taken as read and confirmed. **CARRIED**

**MATTERS ARISING:** None

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Inwards: Thank You letter from Margaret Cole  
Correspondence from Bowls New Zealand – National Fours and Mixed Pairs  
Correspondence from Bowls New Zealand – National Intercentre  
Correspondence from Bowls Whanganui - Octagonal  
Correspondence from Bowls Wellington – Junior Hexagonal  
Junior Hexagonal Managers Meeting Minutes  
Notice: Taranaki Greenkeepers Field Day  
Bowls New Zealand Greenkeepers Newsletter  
Letter from Hamish Kape  
Managers Report from the Senior Men’s Side at Octagonal  
New Plymouth BC reply regards the setup of rinks for the Taranaki Open Fours  
TSSSA Review of Youth Have A Go Day event.  
Letter from Okato Bowling Club – Nomination for Annual Awards

Outwards: Minutes to Awakino Bowling Club  
Sponsors Reports – DARTH’s Funeral Services, NP Club, The Devon Hotel,  
Midlands Funds Management, MiLife and Abrahams Funeral Home.  
Marketing Report – Venture Taranaki  
Accountability Report – Aotearoa Gaming Trust  
Letter to Papakura Team regards the Taranaki Women’s Open Fours  
Grant Application to Venture Taranaki  
Letter of Affiliation to New Plymouth BC  
Enquiry to New Plymouth BC re: setup of rinks for Taranaki Women’s Open

The Inwards correspondence was received and outwards confirmed.  
Moved by Kevin Gray, seconded by Chris Commane

**CARRIED**

**FINANCIALS:** Moved by Grant Hassall/Dean File that the accounts for payment and financial statements for January and February be approved. **CARRIED**

## **REPORTS**

a) **Administration**

It was moved by Robert Wolfe/Chris Commane that letters to be sent out to clubs for outstanding payments of Centre Event Entry Fees. If clubs do not pay Centre Events on time, then those clubs with players entered will be excluded from playing. **CARRIED**

b) **Greens**

Venues have been booked for upcoming Champion of Champions events with Stratford-Avon to be host for the Finals Weekend.

c) **Events**

A discussion was held over the recent Open Triples and Open Singles Events. It was believed that no changes are necessary in the formats. Contact to be made with the Umpires Association over recent events. A definition of suitable footwear to be included in the Conditions of Play in the Handbook.

It was moved by Robert Wolfe/Kevin Gray "that a circular to be sent to all clubs before the AGM about the use of suitable footwear on greens and clothing in Centre events." **CARRIED**

d) **High Performance**

It was agreed that Simon Rowe is appointed as manager of our team in the Bowls Wellington National Under 26's event.

A review of the High Performance and Representative programme to be held with the Selectors and Managers once the Bowls New Zealand National Intercentre has been played.

e) **Youth**

Have A Go Day event with TSSSA was held with 84 secondary school students attending. A review of the event was held with Karla Ralph from TSSSA.

f) **Membership/Club Engagement**

A general discussion was held about local club's social/non-bowler/business house bowls events. Robert Wolfe, Dean File, Grant Hassall and Ian Lewis appointed to a sub-committee to come back to the board with some ideas of how Bowls Taranaki could help clubs in their attempts to convert interest in bowls into potential new members.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **Taranaki Open Fours Review**

A financial review of the Open Fours was distributed to the board. This showed a small profit made with most money distributed back to clubs in the way of catering, tickets and

green fees. Overall, the tournament ran very well with many teams expressing an interest in returning next year. Format and Entry Fees to remain the same for next year. It was noted, that the best greens in the division in which the event is held shall be used, and if greens are not of a sufficient quality than other greens outside the division should be selected.

Bowls New Zealand Nationals

A letter to be sent to Bowls New Zealand thanking them for the opportunity of hosting. This letter is to also ask for an explanation as to why greens were selected that would not normally be considered good enough for our Centre events, it is also to include some suggestions for improvements for future events.

The meeting was closed at 12.20am.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 10am

Confirmed as a true and correct record: .....

Chairman:

Date