



Bowls North Harbour Inc

Minutes

Type of Meeting: Board
Meeting Location: annex – Orewa Bowling Club
Meeting Date: Monday 21 October 2024
Meeting Time: 6:30 pm

Present: Neil Connell (NC), Tony Popplewell (TP), Greg Yelavich (GY), Nigel Rattray (NR), Raewyn Thomas (RT), Hanaan Shahwan (HS), Garth Partridge (GP)

Apologies: Sue Rossiter (SR), Laurie Kean (LK)

Meeting:

TP opened the meeting at 6:30 pm

Approval of minutes from previous meeting:

Proposed that the minutes from the previous meeting on 19 September 2024 be approved

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| Moved: | HS | Seconded: | GY |
| Carried | | | |

Matters arising from previous minutes:

Others: Included in General Business

Incoming Correspondence:

1. Nigel Thompson – re accommodation for Nationals in March 2025 – NZCIS 8 rooms available
2. Taranaki Fours posters – emailed to BNH Clubs
3. Henselite Oct newsletter – sales brochure

Outwards Correspondence:

1. Confirmation letter re affiliation to Sunnybrae for their grants applications

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| All matters of inwards and outwards correspondence were noted and no queries were raised |
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Finance Report:

Raewyn Thomas

Westpac bank authorities – A schedule of bank authorities was presented by the Treasurer and approved by the Board.

BANK AUTHORITIES:

Signatories on the Westpac Account are:

All accounts – Tony Popplewell, Raewyn Thomas, Garth Partridge

Umpires Account – Sheryl Wellington, Consuelo Mathieson, Sue Rossiter, Raewyn Thomas, Tony Popplewell.

Business on Line Users are:

All accounts – Tony Popplewell, Garth Partridge, Raewyn Thomas

Umpires Account – Consuelo Mathieson, Raewyn Thomas, Tony Popplewell.

Names to be set up in Business On Line:

Sue Rossiter, Sheryl Wellington – Westpac Administrator to set these up

Administrators on the Westpac Account

Tony Popplewell and Raewyn Thomas.

Names to be removed from the Business On Line account are:

Robyne Walker, Patricia Croot, Lesley Langer

Westpac Administrator to remove these names

Heartland Account:

Tony Popplewell and Raewyn Thomas

New laptop for treasurer – The Board approved the purchase of a lap top for the treasurer at \$800 as previously the treasurer was using a personal one.

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| Moved NC, Seconded TP that the accounts and report were received and approved as presented. Carried |
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Presidents Report:

Neil Connell

Attended Steve Yates funeral, a very somber event it mostly soccer people attending.

A great time had at the Metlifecare introductory meeting held at Red Beach.

North Harbour Metlifecare NZ Masters were a great success, well done to all those involved a great job well done, bowlers will go back home knowing they have played in a well organised tournament.

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| The Presidents report was received as presented with no questions raised. |
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Centre Manager Report:

Garth Partridge

Events completed:

IK Men's Singles – 112 entries

Metlifecare NZ Masters – 648 entries over 10 events. Received 482 emails re Masters

Events Open for Entry:

The Grove Orewa Women's Triples – 15 / 16

Dick Bree Memorial Men's Triples – 34 / 40

The Grove Orewa Women's Centre Singles – entries close 25 Oct

The Grove Orewa Men's Centre Pairs – entries close 25 Oct

The Grove Orewa Women's Centre Pairs – entries close 1 Nov

The Grove Orewa Mens Centre Singles – entries close 1 Nov

Assisted with BowlsHub entries - published and distributed the frequently asked questions and the answers.

Responded to all incoming emails

Updated the BNH webpage and Facebook

Received and distributed the BNH 2024 2025 Handbook

Weekly Report produced

Liaised with Auckland Bowls to confirm coaching session with Barry Lester in Nov.
Liaised with Southland Bowls to secure accommodation in Wellington for the National Inter-centre in March 2025

The Centre Manager's report was accepted as presented and no questions were raised.

Match Committee Report:

Tony Popplewell

NZ MASTERS – This major event involving 10 separate events in its programme was completed on time with minimum disruptions during the week. Comments were principally favourable and the involvement of Metlifecare as sponsor was a significant milestone for the event.

BOWLSHUB ENTRIES – There are still a number of players having difficulty in coping with the system of making entries and this is particularly with players without access to technology. The payment of entry fees is still work in progress and is involving much more time in reconciling than is desirable.

CADNESS/WINTER CUP: This matter has still to be resolved.

IVAN KOSTANICH SINGLES – The event completed as scheduled with the winner being Brian Wilson (Birkenhead BC) and the runner up Adam Haywood (Auckland BC).

COMING UP – The Match Committee will be meeting just prior to the Board meeting to progress the venues for the Centre events over the rest of the season. Discussion on the Pennants competition for next year will also be on the agenda.

The Match Committee report was accepted as presented. It was noted that Browns Bay would be hosting the Nationals in January 2025.
It was noted that there had been an appeal lodged regarding a bye in the Metlifecare Masters Mens Fours. After consideration by the Appeals Committee, this appeal was declined.
The Match Committee met on 21st October to allocate greens for the remainder of the 2024 2025 season.

Coaching & Development Report:

Greg Yelavich

Advanced coaching sessions with Barry Lester (Australia) Tuesday 26 November

Coaching course for coaches 10 & 11 May 2025 with Graeme Reeves

Winter coaching sessions 7-14-21-28 June 2025

Advanced Coaching by Barry Lester:
Bowls Orewa is to run the afternoon session from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm and will invite participation from other clubs if the numbers are low.
Bowls North Harbour has committed to the 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm session and this is to be communicated to the managers of the 6 representative teams and to be opened to others if the numbers allow (50 maximum)
There is to be a charge of \$15 per person. Moved TP seconded NR - carried

Sponsorship & Marketing Report:

Nigel Rattray

Verbal report to be presented

NR advised that there is to be a debrief with Metlifecare after his return (after 3rd November 2024.)

Bowls NZ are to be thanked for providing the live TV coverage and their support of the competition.

There are a number of shirts available for sale. There is to be a stocktake of sizes and colours. A small second order maybe required to provide shirts to finalists who returned their shirts as the sizes were required for participants in the later events.

TP thanked NR for the organisation and running of the Metlifecare NZ Masters, which had a record number of entrants with very positive feedback received.

Digital Marketing Report:

Hanaan Shahwan

HS reported that there had been 16 new followers to the BNH Facebook page.

The post template for Facebook has been implemented and improves the professionalism of our posts.

Representative Management Report:

Laurie Kean

New rep uniform

Budget for rep costs during the season

A budget for representative expenses is required, with the CM to consult with LK
BNZ Intercentre is in March 2025.

Each Representative team is to send 8 players and 2 Managers

Airfares and minivan booking needs to be done.

Accommodation to be confirmed

NZ Masters:

Nigel to provide verbal report

Metlifecare NZ Masters report covered in Sponsorship & Marketing

Constitution Update & Re-registration

Work in progress

Umpires sub-committee

Report received and it was noted that the new arrangements were working well.

The report distributed to the board was detailed and comprehensive.
Lorna is to be advised that the next report would be for the BNH Board meeting in February 2025.

General Business:

1. Representative Coaching Plan - Work in Progress - NR
2. BNH Branding & Clothing – Dynasty Agreement – Work in Progress - IP NR, LK
The Dynasty agreement has been discussed, however the outcome is not clear
3. Prize Money 2024 2025 season

RT is to provide an Income/Expense report for each competition so that the prize money offered can be reviewed.

4. Updates to Annual Awards Nomination forms – Work in Progress – GY, SR, TP

It is proposed to amalgamate three awards into one. Volunteer, Admin and Official to become The Club Person of the Year (OTY)
Greenkeeper OTY to be discontinued
Coach OTY to be continued
Umpire OTY to be nominated by the Umpires
1-5 Player OTY and Club OTY to be continued with revised criteria

5. Quotes for production of new member introduction to bowls.

It was moved NR, seconded GY that BNH arrange for the production of 200 copies of the BNH Coaching book and that these are to be distributed to the clubs at no charge. A digital copy is to be available on the BNH website. Cost is \$800 plus GST.

6. Umpires Sponsorship

NR presented a video interview with Lorna Donald which highlighted the contributions that our umpires make to the game and included a request for each club to make a donation directly to the umpire account to cover some of the expense of purchasing equipment. NR has presented this request to 5 clubs so far and all 5 have agreed to donate \$100.
GP to send video and request to all clubs.
GP to put video on the BNH website.
Moved NR, seconded NC - carried

7. Information Distribution

GY questioned how we distribute information to clubs and asked that all review current methods and suggest improvements.

Meeting closed at 8:37 pm

Next Meetings:

Monday 11 November - 6:30pm – Orewa annex
December date is Monday 9 December