



**MINUTES of the MANAGEMENT MEETING of  
BOWLS CENTRAL COAST  
18<sup>th</sup> July 2013 at the Bay Sports Club at 7.30 pm.  
Timebanking Presentation**

At the beginning of the meeting our special guest speaker Angela Chaperon was invited to speak on the subject of Timebanking and its benefits to all members. Timebanking is a community program being trialed in the Hunter and on the Central Coast. It is targeted at retired persons. Timebanking is the voluntary exchange of services between members. Simply, give an hour and receive an hour. By giving one hour to helping another member, you earn one hour in time credits which can be used to receive services that are of personal value such as dog walking, ironing, community gardening massage etc. For more information on timebanking email [hello@timebanking.com.au](mailto:hello@timebanking.com.au).

**Chairman:** Max Le Guier

**Present:** 36 Delegates (representing 18 clubs), Executive and Permanent Committee Representatives

**Apologies:** Richard Love & Garry MacFayden (Avoca Beach), Alan Pollock (Patron), Glen Dawson & Torben Nielson (The Entrance), Rowland Simkin (Norah Head), Jim Swanson (Toukley District), Kevin Dring (State Councillor), Bob King & Bob Penson (Umina Beach).

**Bereavements:** Bill Raper (Umina Beach) & Keith Hamilton (Ettalong Memorial)

**New Delegates:** Les Mackie (diggers@theentrance)

**Confirmation of the Minutes of Management Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> May 2013:** Confirmed

**Business Arising from the Minutes:**

1. **State Councillor**, The Secretary advised that nominations closed for State Councillor on the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2013 with only one nomination received. That nomination was from the incumbent State Councillor Kevin Dring. Accordingly the President declared Kevin Dring elected as our State Councillor for 2013/2014.
2. **Sponsorship** - The secretary made a presentation to the meeting on Sponsorship and Financial Management:
  - a) Expressions of Interest were called for sponsorship.. Two responses were received. Ettalong Memorial offered to be our main sponsor at \$10,000.00 per annum & Ourimbah /Lisarow offered rooms to hold our meetings. The offer from Ettalong Memorial has been accepted on the basis that:-
    - i. Ettalong will be identified as the BCC Major Sponsor with the Ettalong logo shown on the BCC pennant book, web site, advertising, letterhead and all notices including pennants results and championship draws and results and any other appropriate media utilised by BCC in the future.
    - ii. BCC pennant finals, semi-finals and round robin finals series will be played every 2nd year at Ettalong starting from 2014. Ettalong to be consulted by the Match Committee on the structure of the way the various Grades are located on the greens and what will be played on each day of the finals.
    - iii. Each year Ettalong will be allocated some BCC Championship Finals. Which finals are to be negotiated each year between Ettalong and the Match Committee.
    - iv. Ettalong will be favourably considered for representative games or state events that are at BCC's recommendation. BCC will negotiate with Ettalong for additional assistance to help with the cost of staging these events.
    - v. Ettalong will store and display BCC trophies like that of the Pat Geary Shield and Wal Rainbow Shield for the BCC Bowler of the Year.
    - vi. The sponsorship will automatically be renewed each year on the anniversary of its initial acceptance unless either party terminates the agreement with 3 months' notice.
  - b) Canterbury League agreed to sponsor our 2013 Pennants Competition for \$3,000.

**Financial Management:**

- a) When announcing the loss of \$15,000 sponsorship from Canterbury League, the Executive promised to examine every cost item and every income item to see if they need to be addressed Promised to examine every cost item and every income item to see if they need to be addressed
- b) Savings that have been implemented (\$6070 p.a.)
  - i. \$500 not paid to pennant winners (\$3500)
  - ii. Free rooms from Ourimbah Lisarow (\$1200)

- iii. Recorder no longer required by Match Committee (\$880)
  - iv. No \$70 expenses to U18's to Warilla (\$490)
  - c) To be submitted to AGM for approval (\$3000 p.a.)
    - i. Reduction of honoraria by \$500 from all recipients. Offset by \$1000 additional honoraria for Special Days (\$3000 p.a.)
  - d) Under Consideration (\$6700 p.a.)
    - i. Increase championship entry fees by \$2 (\$2100)
    - ii. Increase pennant team entry fees by \$10 (\$1100)
    - iii. Increase Capitation by \$1 (\$3500)
  - e) It has been decided to increase the Mid Week Triples team entry fee to \$70 the same as normal pennants entry fees.
3. **Mid week triples starting time.** Match Committee advised that a number of teams have withdrawn or not entered because of the starting time of 10.10 am which was part of the motion accepted at the last meeting. After discussion, Tony Hegyi who moved the motion at the May meeting agreed that his motion be changed to "Mid week triples start at 12.40 pm and B and C grade have a North and South format using the Shire boundaries, with the 2 winners from each shire to play for the BCC title. A grade to be 2 bowl triples with 25 ends, B & C grade to be 3 bowls and 21 ends". Seconded David Cameron. Carried.
4. **Quadrangular series,** The CCDWBA has agreed to field a team to play the ACT ladies when we host this event every 4 years. They will find a Club near The Entrance to host the event and will be responsible for all their costs.

**Correspondence:** The secretary read to the meeting a letter that had been issued to Mingara BC regarding their Grade 4 team's non attendance at the pennants presentation to receive their runners-up badges. The correspondence was accepted.

**Reports:** *These minutes are to be read in conjunction with the reports issued to the delegates prior to the meeting and printed at the end of these minutes.*

**Coaching Report** - Chairman of the Coaching Academy, David Cameron presented the following report verbally to the meeting:

**Coaching Sessions trialed at Diggers**

At the June meeting of the Academy, the State Coaching Committee presented 6 x 2 hours coaching sessions designed to assist coaches in conducting coaching sessions for club pennant teams. In attendance were 20 local coaches plus 1 from Zone 10 and 2 from Zone 2. The sessions are a continuation of sessions conducted with the Zone Rep and Emerging Squads.

**Advanced Coaching Course**

After discussions with Bowls Australia it has been determined an Advanced Coaches course will be held in Sydney in November 2013, all current Level 2 and Level 3 coaches will be advised of the course and have an opportunity to attend.

**Selection Module**

The Selection Module is designed for club coaches, selectors and others who are keen to ensure their club has best practice selection standards. Coaches should attend this workshop to learn more about benchmarking players, which can assist with selection, while selectors and committee members are advised to attend this workshop to learn how to create a selection policy and a healthy philosophy for their club.

**Academy Annual General Meeting**

The Academy AGM will be held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August, at 9:30am, venue - Diggers at The Entrance all accredited coaches are invited to attend. After the meeting there will be a session on head building to be conducted on the green.

**Web Site Report:** Secretary Doug Rose advised that he had included a web site report this time to advise that we have a new web site and to thank Jim Phillips the Secretary of Umina Beach without whom the new site would not have been achieved in the ridiculous timeframe set by Bowls Australia. It once again demonstrates the cavalier attitude of BA to the impact of their decisions on the grass roots of the game. The conversion had to be done in a panic with no time for planning or time to consider the best approach to the project. The impact on other work like the Constitution was most frustrating and added to the delay of a very important project. It is clear that our representatives to BA need to take a tougher line with these people. Of course all this was achieved without our Web Site manager, Geoff Graham. Bob Bourke reported that Geoff Graham is still not very well. He is into his 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> week now and the experts cannot find a cure for him but he is very keen to get back to the website. The Secretary advised that meanwhile Jim Phillips has agreed to fill in until Geoff returns. To get to the new

website the best address is [www.bowlscentralcoast.org.au](http://www.bowlscentralcoast.org.au). Frequent visitors to the site should ensure that they refresh their shortcut in the favorites bar.

**Constitution:** Due to his heavy workload, Secretary Doug Rose has not had time to work on the constitution but will after next month's AGM which is keeping him very busy at the moment.

**General Business:**

**AGM** – Next time we get together will be the AGM. Individual reports for the Annual Report need to be with the Assistant Secretary by 25<sup>th</sup> July. Also all nominations for the Executive, Match or Selection Committees as well as items of business need to be with the Secretary by that date. Business or motions will not be accepted at the AGM from the floor.

**Championship Entries** - Col Bray reported that the chairman of match and the match committee is delighted that the entries for singles and pairs are at record levels.

**Vice President** – The President advised that 2 current Vice Presidents will not be standing for re-election and called for more nominations for this position.

**Under 18 State Championships** - Garry Macfadyen mentioned how well our representatives performed at Warilla. Luke McBeatty and Jacob Casswell won their section in the pairs but lost the semi-final. The others also played well and will benefit from the experience.

**Pat Geary** – will be conducted on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> August at Halekulani and everyone was encouraged to come along and watch high class bowls from the best players from one quarter of NSW.

**Washed out games.** Peter Freestone (Terrigal) expressed concern at how wet matches were declared by the Match Committee during the 2013 Singles Champs. He suggested that the Match Committee leave it to the individual venues to decide if games can be played or not. However if the Match Committee does decide that play at all venues be cancelled, then that should apply to all venues.

**Pennant nominations in same year** – David Lyons (Gwandalan) asked of the progress of our agenda item to the State Council. In the absence of the State Councilor the Secretary advised that our proposal had been rejected on the advice of the State Match Committee (SMC) that it was not practical. However support had been received from the Zone 12 State Councilor with some suggestions to address the SMC's concerns.

**Closure:** Meeting closed at 9.00 pm **Next meeting:** AGM Thursday 15th August 2013 at 7.30 pm

**Reports for Management Meeting to be held 18<sup>th</sup> July 2013**

***President – Max Le Guier***

**Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> May** - The Executive attended play offs at Ettalong and watched good bowls being played.

**Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> June** - We were at Bateau Bay to enjoy the finals of No 4-5 Grades and completion of the rounds.

**Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> June** - The best laid plans came undone as we were washed out.

**Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> June** - We were all again at Bateau Bay for the rest of the finals. Congratulations to all the winners and also the runners up. You have all made your clubs proud, representing them in the finals. To the winners, may you go on and win State Flags.

**Sun. 16<sup>th</sup> June** - Our Zone team played Zone 6 at East Cessnock BC recording another win in a hard fought game, it shows our Selectors are doing a fine job with their record of wins.

***State Councillor – Kevin Dring***

A State Council Meeting held at Ballina RSL on May 22 Wed resolved:

**Accreditation/Reaccreditation of Level 2 Umpires:** In abeyance awaiting the National Officiating Review, scheduled for implementation in 2015.

**State Seniors and President Reserves Championships:** A proposal that these championships be played as a round robin format was rejected by State Match Committee (SMC).

**Club Clearance and Re-Grading Procedures:** SMC to assume responsibility for administering regrading. New IT system expected to streamline clearance process.

**Club Clearance Fee:** Proposal to abolish \$11 fee rejected. New IT system may provide a cost effective solution

**Regulation 14.2(b):** A motion requesting the Board to reconsider the State Council's role in electing Board Committees was carried. Zone 15 did not support the motion.

**Marketing Direction:** A Marketing Plan is scheduled for completion at the end of June 2013.

**Pennant Administration:** SMC advised that it was not practical that the administration process be completed within the calendar year

**Bowls NSW Magazine:** To be outsourced after June 30 and distributed direct to Clubs (Refer Bowls NSW Circular 03/2013).

**Electronic Membership Status:** The successful tenderer would be announced shortly. Subsequently, on June 3 it was announced that Bowls Australia and all nine state and territory associations were partnering with IMG Sports Technology Group to provide a complete 'whole of sport IT system'. IMG STG will provide innovative technical solutions, incorporating websites, online competition management system, membership database and e-commerce platforms to all of the sport's national, state and regional bodies and clubs.

**Membership Cards:** A CashBack City Member Rewards program with EFTPOS capabilities is to be implemented in partnership with Bowls NSW membership cards. Full details will become available when membership cards are circulated.

#### **Secretary – Doug Rose**

**State Councillor** – nominations closed for State Councillor on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2013. The only nomination received was that of Kevin Dring.

**Time Banking** The State Government is piloting a Time Banking project in Newcastle and the Central Coast. From my research Time Banking would appear to be a cost free way for Clubs and this Association to reward their Volunteers as well as enjoy some other benefits. I have invited a Government representative to attend the Management Meeting to talk to us about Time Banking.

**Our AGM** will be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August and notices have been issued calling for nominations (closing 25<sup>th</sup> July 2013) for the Executive, Match and Selection Committees.

**Sponsorship.** Three important items of Sponsorship have happened recently:

1. Ettalong Memorial has agreed to become BCC's major sponsor. As part of the agreement, they will be hosting every 2<sup>nd</sup> BCC pennant final.
2. Canterbury League provided \$3,000 sponsorship for the 2013 Pennant Competition and have indicated that they will consider further sponsorship in the future.
3. Ourimbah/Lisarow has agreed to provide meeting rooms for our Management and Executive Meetings at no cost, saving BCC around \$1,500 p.a. Accordingly from the next Management Meeting in September we will be meeting at Ourimbah/Lisarow. Thank you to Secretary Tony Pierce for setting this up for us.

#### **Web Site – Doug Rose**

**BCC now has a new web site.** It is accessed in the same way as the old site using [www.zone15.org.au](http://www.zone15.org.au), [www.bowlscentralcoast.org.au](http://www.bowlscentralcoast.org.au) or [www.ccdba.org.au](http://www.ccdba.org.au). The site is basically the same, you should only notice slight differences. Frequent visitors to our web site are asked to refresh their bookmarks of our site to ensure that it uses the [www.bowlscentralcoast.org.au](http://www.bowlscentralcoast.org.au) address and not a SportingPulse address.

**This change was forced on us by Bowls Australia** signing a new agreement with IMG and terminating its agreement with SportingPulse as at 30th June 2013. Bowls Australia announced this decision on 3rd June 2013 giving us 27 days to rebuild our 92 page web site using IMG's system.

**Thanks go to Jim Phillips** the Secretary of Umina Beach without whom this transfer would not have been possible in the ridiculous time frame given to us by BA. Jim has also agreed to help us maintain the web site until we know the situation with Geoff Graham.

#### **Publicity Officer – Bob Bourke**

Since my last Publicity Report I have attended and reported on the following;

**Volunteers Day** at The Entrance Bowling Club Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

**BCC/Zone 15 Pennants.** For this year I promoted the Pennants to the media (radio, newspapers and TV) probably more aggressively than in the past. During the Sectional Rounds, Play-offs and the Finals I visited many clubs to write articles and take photos for our website and the media. The result was quite pleasing, with articles and photos appearing in The Express/Advocate Newspaper, Grandstand, Peninsular News, Wyong Chronicle and a segment aired on NBN 3 News featuring Round 1 of Grade 1 of Pennants at Ettalong and an interview with Aron Sherriff. NBN News returned for the Pennant Finals at Bateau Bay and filmed footage of the Grade 1 Pennant Final which included another interview with Aron Sherriff.

**I will not be standing again at the AGM** for any position on the Zone Committee. My wife and I will be travelling extensively in 2014. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those bowlers, club officials and everyone for your co-operation and support for the past three and a half years that I have been Zone Publicity Officer.

#### **Finance Report – Albert Heath**

As is normal no Financial Report is presented to the July Management Meeting. An audited Financial Report for the 2012/2013 Financial Year will be presented in the Annual Report for the AGM on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2013.

### ***Umpires Report – Leo Finn***

**Mechanical Arms** - I wish to remind all Clubs that if a player is using a mechanical arm to assist in their delivery of bowls they are required to get a certificate from Bowls New South Wales. They are required to get a medical certificate and complete a application form which is available from the Bowls NSW web site and forward to the Secretary of the Umpires Panel who will arrange for the certificate.

Further to this a player using a mechanical arm is not required to play the whole game with the arm, he may at various time if he wishes revert to play normal bowls without the mechanical arm.

5 bowlers have been reaccredited as umpires since the last meeting.

### ***Match Report – Reg. Richardson***

**2013 Pennants** - Congratulations to all of our Zone 15 Winners Grade 1: ETTALONG MEMORIAL Grade 2: THE ENTRANCE Grade 3: ETTALONG MEMORIAL Grade 4: THE ENTRANCE Grade 5: UMINA BEACH Grade 6: WOY WOY Grade 7: ETTALONG MEMORIAL we the Match Committee wish them all good bowling and good luck at the State Pennant Finals.

**Zone 15 State Singles Championship** - Entries for Major Singles 89, Senior Singles 53 and Presidents Reserve Singles 90 - with an increase in all. Regrettably rain has delayed this competition and the final will not be played until the 27<sup>th</sup> June. Finalist are Major: Lee Trethowan and Bruce Jewell Senior: Miro Perovic and Gary Murphy Presidents Reserve: David Weige and Mathew Watts. Good Luck and good bowling to all.

**Zone 15 State Pairs Championship** - Entries are Major 64, Senior 39 and Presidents Reserve 39 in 2012 they were Major 60, Senior 39 and Presidents Reserve 64, The draw has been emailed to all Zone Clubs first round Scheduled for 13<sup>th</sup> July 2013.

**Zone 15 Veterans Singles and Pairs Championship** - Singles: First Round 8<sup>th</sup> July 2013. Pairs: First round scheduled for 10.00am 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2013

**Mid Week Triples** - Entry Forms have been emailed to all Clubs with entries closing on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2013 First Round Scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> August 2013.

**Champion of Club Champions Singles** - Entries close on 6<sup>th</sup> August with first round scheduled for Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2013

### ***Selector Report - Richard Love***

It is pleasing to report that the Selector's policy of blending emerging players into selected teams is bearing fruit.

**On Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June** we fielded 6 rinks against a very strong Zone 6 team including Australian bowls legend Rex Johnston. We won the game and on 4 of 6 rinks. All our players represented the Zone with credit.

We have selected 4 x A and 4 x B rinks to play against Zone at Asquith on Sunday 28 July. We have rested a few players for this event and we will shortly select the 6 rinks for the Pat Geary shield which we host at Halekulani in August.

**Emerging squad** have an excellent training day on Sunday 7 July at Avoca and thanks go to David Cameron, NSW Coaching Director for his involvement in these sessions.

**Quadrangular Series** Our Zone has been invited to participate in this 4 team series in January 2014. The team will include Open Seniors, U25 and Women and the Zones involved will be Newcastle (Zone 2), Central Coast (Zone 15), Illawarra (Zone 16) and the ACT. More details to follow with next report.

### ***Under 18's Report – Garry Macfadyen***

**Our U18s travelled to Warilla for the NSW Junior State Championships** beginning Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> July and concluding Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> July. In the singles we were represented by Mitchell McDonnell from Halekulani, in the pairs, Luke McBeatty and Jacob Casswell from Ettalong, and in the fours, Zach Henley, Mitch McDonnell from Halekulani, Jayden Moody from Terrigal and Maddison Fennell from Munmorah. A report on this event will have to be given at the Management meeting. A warm-up game of pairs was played at Avoca Beach on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July in preparation for the challenge at Warilla the following week..

**On Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> June, the Everglades Country Club** hosted a promotional event presented by Bowls Australia on the topical subject of "A Clean Air Future". Some of our U18s attended and enjoyed meeting Kelsey Cottrell who paired up against attendees in a friendly game of bowls. Despite her tender age of 23 years, Kelsey has represented Australia more than 200 times and she did a great job as ambassador for Bowls Aust. and presenter of the seminar.

**Maddison Fennell (Munmorah) was part of the NSW squad** for the U18s clash against Qld. At Taren Point on Mon. 1<sup>st</sup> and Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> July. As a reserve, Maddison did not get to play but no doubt the experience was invaluable and her name remains before the selectors eyes.