

2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Berwick Bowling Club Inc.

ABN 12 988 947 083

TUESDAY 6th MAY, 2014 AT 7.00pm in the Clubrooms

MINUTES

The meeting opened at 7.00pm

Welcome; Chairman Karl Lapinskas welcomed everyone and confirmed the agenda for the meeting.

Board Members Present; Chairman Karl Lapinskas, Vice Chairman Graham Rushton, Admin Officer Anne Robinson, Treasurer Barry Fisher, Bowls Section Vice Chairman, Peter Kirby

Apologies; Vaughn Smith, Pat Steere, Helen Di Stella

Members Attending – 81 signed in the Register of Attendees

Members Apologies – 33 apologies received in the Register of Attendees

1 Reading of the notice convening the meeting

2 Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and the Special General Meetings were approved and taken as read

Moved K Crook

Seconded Betty Brown

3 Matters arising from the Minutes:

None

4 Annual Report as circulated;

The report was taken as read and approved

Moved Karl Lapinskas

Meeting then handed over to Chairman Karl Lapinskas;

Chairman called for one minutes silence in memory of David Jorgenson and Netta Adams

5 Treasurers Report and Presentation of the Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts

6 Consideration and adoption of the Balance Sheets and Statement of Accounts

Barry took questions on;

1 The item relating to Bar Salaries – these are paid to bar staff when they attend functions booked and paid for by outside bodies

2 The amount of cash in hand which was confirmed at \$100,000

Moved B Fisher

Seconded Tony Wynen

Amendments and additions to the Constitution;

7 Chairman advised that any suggestions and/or questions on proposed amendments or additions the Constitution should be forwarded to the Board in writing.

8 Annual subscriptions;

Chairman advised that Annual Subscriptions will remain at their current level for this season but will definitely be revised for season 2015/16.

9 Nomination of the Auditors for Season 2014/15 to be Colleen Hennequin

Moved Tony Wynen

Seconded Kay Crook

10 Chairman's Report;

Karl thanked everyone for their support over the previous season particularly the Office Bearers and all the volunteers.

He then identified the major issues managed this season;

- The introduction of the revised constitution to comply with State Regulations, the constitution will take a while to settle in but the work to iron out the wrinkles will continue with the membership.
- The BOM has approved some major purchases and successfully initiated various projects with more in the pipeline. The viewing platform is likely to be completed by the end of June 2014.
- The Bistro nights have been successful and Mazda sponsorship is back on board.
- We have suffered three break-ins with very little damage, only one was successful.

Reports of Bowls Section, Ladies Section and Men's Section

These reports are included in the AGM Booklet and taken as read.

11 Transact any other business for which due notice has been given;

None received

12 Any other General Business;

A question referring to this Agenda Item was raised but discussion was deferred to General Question Time at the end of the meeting.

13 Consideration of Life Memberships;

Doug Fisher and Albert Bertoncello were nominated with accompanying information and approved by the BOM at its April meeting

Chairman congratulated both candidates and awarded Albert his Life Membership badge.

Doug Fisher was not at the meeting and will be awarded his Life Membership badge at an appropriate time.

14 Election of Office Bearers for Season 2104/15

The Chairman confirmed the continuation of his role as Chairman and continuation of G Rushton's role as Vice Chairman.

At this point, a point of order was called from the floor regarding the election/reinstatement of the Vice Chairman. After hearing the explanation of this objection the current Vice Chairman tendered his resignation.

The Chairman then called for nominations from the floor for the position of Vice Chairman for Season 2014/15.

Graham Rushton accepted a nomination from Tony Wynen which was seconded by Maxine Jorgenson, Andrew Johnson accepted a nomination for Vice Chairman from John Lillie which was seconded by Bill Inskip.

The nominees left the room and a vote (show of hands) determined the outcome of the election.

The Chairman declared Andrew Johnson Vice Chairman of the BOM for the season.

The Administration Officer position declared vacant with no nominees so nominations were called for;

Maxine Jorgenson accepted a nomination from Kay Crook which was seconded by Peter Cairncross and Maxine was declared elected.

Vaughn Smith was nominated to continue in the role of Assistant Administration Officer and as no other nomination was received he was elected to continue in that role.

Barry Fisher retained the Treasurer's position with no opposition.

The Chairman called for nominations for the position of Assistant Treasurer, John Lillie accepted a nomination from Andrew Johnson, seconded by Betty Brown and John was declared elected.

The Bowls Section elected Pat Steere as their Chairman at their AGM held on 15th April 2014

Helen Di Stella and David Bond were appointed by the BOM as Chair for the Membership and Promotions and Services Sections for the Season 2014/5 with those positions to be elected for the Season 2015/16.

The positions were offered for other nominations but none were forthcoming so David and Helen will Chair those sections for the 2014 -15 Season.

Chairman Karl asked for members to consider the following positions while not strictly AGM business these sub committees form a vital function in the efficient running of the club.

- The Championship Committee has three female members and could do with some male volunteers to join them. Learners are welcome.
- The Functions coordinator or coordinators – Ian and Alana Ford are willing to talk through the roles with one or more people who are interested. Hiring of the venue is a revenue raiser and needs to be continued.

General Business

Q Kay Crook queried why she had not been asked for a report.

A Membership and Promotion Section had not had an AGM as their Chairperson was away. All subcommittee reports go to the Section Head who then takes the information to the BOM at its next meeting.

Q Rod Beevors reported broken slabs around the synthetic (?) green.

A The matter will be addressed at the next BOM meeting.

Q Maurie Boyd questioned the need for so much furniture.

A An opportunity arose to buy second hand furniture very reasonably so the purchase was made with the viewing deck in mind.

Q Robert Licqurish asked whether there was a fund established to repair/replace the synthetic green when the occasion arose.

A Barry Fisher confirmed that a fund is in place and is included in the Strategic Plan which is available from Karl Lapinskas if required.

Q Mary Hosie questioned the Board's intention regarding the future of Indoor Bowls at the club.

A Indoor Bowls is considered to be an integral component of the clubs activities and is not under any threat.

Q John Horwood questioned the possibility of the Honour Boards being removed to make space for others. He expressed opposition to the suggestion.

A The issue has been raised but no decision or action is proposed to date.

John Lillie congratulated the BOM on its decision to accept and confirm the nominations for Life Membership.

Meeting Closed at: 8.10pm

Next Annual General Meeting is May 12th 2015 at 7pm in the Club Rooms.