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President: Leigh McAdam

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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Bowls Tasmania South, held at Glenorchy City Bowls Club commencing at 2.00pm on Sunday 31 May 2015.

Welcome: The President, Leigh McAdam, welcomed members to the meeting, especially Life Members Tony Fulton, Joan Middleton and Cath Smith, and advised that a quorum was present.

Attendance and Apologies: There were 31 delegates from 19 clubs and 32 others in attendance. Apologies were received from Dover RSL, Geeveston, St John's Park, Life Member Hedley Beechey, Life Member Neil Clark, Board Members Grant Allford, Shirley Hay and Tony Kerrison, BTS Statistician Paul Hoddy and Trevor Quilliam (Rosny Park) and Brian Rumley (Beltana).

Recognition of deceased members: All members stood for a short period of silence in recognition of those members who had passed away during the preceding year.

Minutes of last preceding AGM: Moved Robert Davies Seconded Ailsa Milburn that the minutes of the AGM held on 25 May 2014, as circulated, be accepted as read and confirmed. Carried.

Annual Report and Financial Report:

The President, Leigh McAdam, read parts of his report, as published within the Annual Report, and expanded on some points. He particularly thanked Grant Allford for his work on the Board over a number of years. The Treasurer, Tony Fulton, presented his report and the audited financial statements. Moved Doug Lowe Seconded Robert Davies that the annual report and audited financial statements be adopted. Carried.

Recommendations from the Board:

Appointment of Patron: Moved Paula Hadley Seconded Phil Manning that Michael Johns be appointed as Patron. Carried

Appointment of Auditor: Moved Tony Fulton Seconded Charon Foster that Rendell Ridge of Max Peck & Associates be appointed as auditor. Carried.

Affiliation Fees: Moved Tony Fulton Seconded Ross Howard that affiliation fees for adult members be increased by \$2.00 to \$67.00, that the affiliation fee for juniors remain unchanged at \$33.00, that the registration fee of \$50.00 per team remain unchanged and that no changes be made to entry fees for BTS Championships (\$8.00). Carried.

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Honorariums: Moved Tony Fulton Seconded Doug Lowe that Honorariums and Allowances for 2015-16 be as follows:

President Expense Allowance	\$600	
Deputy President Expense Allowance	\$300	
Secretary	\$10,000	
Executive Assistant	\$1,000	
Treasurer	\$3,000	
Statistician	\$5,000	
Assistant Statistician (Results)	\$500	
Men's Match Committee (Chair +3)	\$1,000	
Women's Match Committee (Chair + 3)	\$1,000	
Green's Advisor	\$200	
Publicity Officer	\$250	
Coaching Panel Expenses (Chair + 2)	\$200	
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Special Resolutions:

Moved Rob McGuire Seconded Ross Bannister that Section 19 of BTS Constitution as follows:

Delete from 19.1 the following words "*Where a Club has both male and female Club Members, one delegate must be male and the other female.*" and replace with "*The voting delegates shall be each Member Club's President and Secretary or their nominees.*"

This special resolution was carried by a majority of at least three quarters of the delegates present at the meeting.

Moved Rob McGuire Seconded Doug Lowe that the BTS Constitution be amended to add Section 43 as follows:

43. COMPLIANCE WITH BOWLS TASMANIA

The Association acknowledges and agrees that it shall:

- (a) be or remain incorporated in Tasmania;*
- (b) provide Bowls Tasmania with copies of the Association's audited accounts, annual financial reports and other associated documents as soon as practicable, following the Association's annual general meeting;*
- (c) recognise Bowls Tasmania as the authority for Bowls in Tasmania and Bowls Australia as the national authority for Bowls;*
- (d) adopt and implement such communications and Intellectual Property policies as may be developed by Bowls Tasmania from time to time;*
- (e) have regard to the objects in any matter of the Association or Club pertaining to Bowls; and*
- (f) nominate a Delegate annually to attend Bowls Tasmania General Meetings (if entitled to do so), and shall inform Bowls Tasmania of the details of that person accordingly.*



This special resolution was carried by a majority of at least three quarters of the delegates present at the meeting.

Appointment of Office Bearers:

President: 1 nomination – Peter Kirby
Deputy President: 1 nomination – Shirley Hay
Secretary: 1 nomination – Rob McGuire
Treasurer: 1 nomination – Tony Fulton
Executive Assistant: 1 nomination – Paul Hoddy
Board members: 3 nominations – Paula Hadley, Nicholas Lee and Ailsa Milburn.
All the above nominations were elected unopposed.

Nominations were called from the floor for the remaining vacant ordinary Board member – which if possible should be a male. No nominations were forthcoming so the incoming Board will appoint a person to fill the vacancy.

Non-Gender Specific Pennant 2015-16:

President Leigh McAdam advised that the BTS Board is still reviewing the results of the survey on non-gender specific pennant. Full survey results have been sent to Clubs – which shows that almost 48% of BTS members answered the survey with responses from 26 of 28 clubs. Overall 60% of Clubs who responded and 52% of members support non-gender specific pennant. The BTS Board can announce that:

- Non-gender specific pennant will continue on Saturdays but the BTS Board is still looking at what conditions might apply;
- There will be minimal changes to Men’s Midweek or Women’s Thursday Pennant but the BTS Board has some issues to take to a future Delegates Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting was then closed at 2.35pm and President Leigh McAdam invited members to participate in the post meeting discussion with incoming President Peter Kirby.

Confirmed President: // 2016



Matters discussed at post meeting discussion chaired by new President Peter Kirby:

Thank You: Peter Kirby moved a vote of thanks to Past President Leigh McAdam for his contribution and efforts over the past twelve months.

Results in “The Mercury”: A question was raised about the lack of results in “The Mercury” in the past season. Rob McGuire advised that the BTS Statistician did not have time to update results to the IMG Results Portal and prepare separate results for “The Mercury” as well. The BTS Board has provided a separate honorarium in 2015-16 to enable “The Mercury” results to happen again..

Non-Gender Specific Pennant: Robert Davies (Cygnet) asked what limitations there will be on A Grade Thursday Women playing Saturday Pennant in 2015-16. Leigh McAdam advised that this was still being considered by the BTS Board.

Pam Cooper (Claremont) asked what impact the Saturday Pennant Action Group’s Saturday men’s only social bowls will have on Saturday Pennant. Rob McGuire advised that Clubs are submitting similar team numbers to last season which suggests that it will have minimum impact, however, this will not be really known until final team numbers are confirmed a week before pennant starts.

Alan Rider (Cremorne) asked if the Challenger League will be renamed next season. Leigh McAdam confirmed that the Challenger League will be renamed to Division 7 next season but will remain as 12 players only. Alan Rider also asked if Pennant starting times can be changed. Rob McGuire confirmed that they can with the consent of both Clubs and the relevant BTS Match Committee.

Rod Purcell (Sorell) asked if Clubs were able to quantify the number of new members they had obtained as a result of the move to non-gender specific pennant last season. Rob McGuire advised that Clubs have never been asked for this information by BTS.

Pennant Starting Times: Charon Foster (Howrah) suggested that Thursday Women’s Pennant should start at the same time as Wednesday Midweek and Saturday Pennant. Rob McGuire advised that this had recently been considered by the BTS Board when it was agreed that the starting time would remain unchanged.

Doug Lowe (Glenorchy City) suggested that consideration should be given to starting all Pennant earlier than is currently the case to avoid the afternoon heat.

Peter Kirby thanked Glenorchy City for the use of their Club for the meeting. He also thanked everyone for attending and wished them all the best for the coming season.

Meeting closed at 2.55pm.

