



## Bowls NT Committee Meeting

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**Held in the office of Bowls NT 15 Hook Road Winnellie on 21 Aug, 2017. Commencing at 6.05pm**

1. **Attendance:** Jan Palazzi, Stan Smolski, Chris Parsonson, Avon Collis, Mark Malogorski (via phone), Joan Garner, Lyn Derreck
2. **Apologies:** Humpty Doo

### Committee meeting

3. **Meeting Opened 6:48pm**
4. **Confirmation of minutes meeting minutes**

Acceptance of previous minutes moved by Joan Garner seconded by Jan Palazzi.

5. **No meeting in the last month**

There was no quorum so no minutes were taken

6. **Financial support requested for colleen and Mark Diamond to attend Indoor Champs**

The year before last a subsidy was paid for NT representative to represent the NT. Input is requested from the committee to assist in the board decision. John asked if other states layers were subsidised. Stan does not believe this is the case. Joan asked if Marimbula was the same, Stan mentioned that BA would subsidise people that had travelled the furthest.

BA will supply approximately \$4000 to be divided amongst player expenses. Stan suggests that there is room in the budget and that it would support the NT players. Di asked if other players had been subsidised from other states. Stan is supportive of it.

## **7. State Championships**

Doing the championships on the weekend and changes to the plan on the day. Stan mentioned that there was a difficult decision because different groups benefit from events being held on a weekend as opposed to weekdays. Stan mentioned that he would check attendance figures to see if there was a benefit to holding it on the weekend or weekday. Joan was concerned with time changes for the day. Di asked why there was no subcommittee for running of events. Stan mentioned that there were no volunteers for running events committees. Jan asked about dress code for the green, Stan mentioned that it was a uniform with bowls logo and in date bowls. Stan mentioned that the Umpires were responsible for checking the players on the green. Bowls NT will place a responsibility clause on the COP so that it is clear.

## **8. Getting information for events**

Conditions for events and draws need to be entered in as soon as possible. Avon suggested that all players registered online. Di suggested that one person in each club assist with data entry. Stan said that we all need to work together to assist in getting the info online so that the game formulation occurs quicker.

## **9. Over 60s Team**

Joan asked for the expressions of interest for team managers. Stan said that it would come from the existing player base so as not to increase costs. Joan asked if the manager was external to the team and was willing to pay their own way, would that be accepted. Stan said yes and that a Nomination Form would be promulgated on that basis. Stan mentioned that BA is trying to select locations for 5 years to build and grow tourism and sponsorship from the local council and gain other funding and benefits. John asked who the selectors were, Stan mentioned that Carolyn resigned as a selector. Di suggested that a subcommittee be formed for selectors. Stan mentioned that last year we had 2 independent selectors and that currently we do not have selectors. Buster requested a note to the clubs as a call for selectors. John does not believe that the independent selector was appropriate for the territory. Jan suggested that the over 60s need to do their training during the week to enable effective training time. Di said that state training sessions should be set and fixed rather than trying to adjust to everyone's schedules.

## **10. Travel Subsidy for Alice Springs/Darwin**

The travel payment is only paid in advance where money has been spent, such as on a flight. Bowls NT will not pay money in advance, this ensures that bowls NT does not pay money out and then chase it back when a player pulls out or does not travel. David said that he has only ever received the subsidy after the event. Stan mentioned that other states do not pay travel subsidies for their players.

## **11. Sponsorship**

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Graham is approaching 25 companies for sponsorship. The intention is that he is asking companies to sponsor for 5 years.

**12. Letter to bowls clubs**

Letter to Darwin bowls club about use of greens. The Letter was about another incident in the past on the ladies champion of champions. Stan mentioned that it was approved because it was a 2 rink spacing away and it was approved in advance at the request of the club. Item 8 of previous meeting minutes reflected the issue but if approval is sought prior, reasonable precautions are taken to not interrupt championships and all parties agree then future issues and be mitigated.

**13. No quorum**

There was no meeting in the previous month for either the committee meeting or the board meeting as there was no quorum and so no minutes were taken

**14. Calendar of events**

Events for next year need to be addressed so that any anomalies will be raised in advance. David night said that state champs were played mid week then it would be less in travel but would have to be arranged enough in advance to enable booking leave etc. Over the weekend is easier on work time but more costly. Stan mentioned that BNT would review it.

**15. Advertising and promotion of events through media**

There have been some changes to points of contact at the NT news, BNT are looking to develop relationships with them again.

**16. Open agenda items**

Need more information to clubs, in a timelier manner.

**Bowls NT remembers Robin Scaife – Rest in peace**

**7.27 p.m.** Meeting Closed