

## MINUTES Bowls Northern Territory - AGM Saturday 14th November, 2020 at the Greyhound Pavilion, 15 Hook Road, Winnellie

## MEETING OPENED: 10.05 am

The President Anthony Quinlan welcomed all present and declared the meeting open. Brian Thomas was invited to chair the meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Anthony Quinlan, Mal Trattles, Mark Malogorski, Kim Redshaw, Joan Garner, Jill Tiller (EO)

**CLUB DELEGATES:** Pete deGreenlaw (Darwin) Siobhan Tootell (Darwin), Elice Crisp (Nightcliff), Chris Buchholz (Nightcliff), Lyn Derrick (Humpty Doo), Jan Canningford (Humpty Doo) Doo)

**APOLOGIES:** David Cox (Nightcliff), Chris Parsonson (Humpty Doo), Bronwyn Haggar (Katherine).

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: Previous AGM 9th November 2019

**Resolution:** Moved: Jill Tiller **Seconded:** Joan Garner That the minutes of the AGM held 9th November 2019 as circulated be confirmed **CARRIED** 

2. BUSINESS ARISING: There was no business arising from the previous minutes.

## **3. PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS**

- **3.1** President's Report
- 3.2 Executive Officer's Report
- **3.3** Match Committee Report

3.4 2020 Australian Sides Series Reports N/A

3.5 2020 Under 18 Australian Series Report N/A

3.6 2020 Senior Sides Australian Series Report N/A

**Resolution:** Moved Brain Thomas That the 2019 Annual Reports be accepted **CARRIED** 

## 4. CONSIDERATION OF THE AUDITORS REPORT- YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 2019

**Resolution:** Moved Jill Tiller **Seconded:** Lyn Derrick That the Auditors Report year ending 30th June 2020 be accepted. **CARRIED** 

## 5. GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 There was a discussion on monies held in trust for Palmerston Bowls Club Comment - To be discussed at Board level.

#### 6. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

#### 6.1 - 2 Directors for 2 year term

Jen Sullivan (Darwin) and Kim Redshaw (Darwin) were accepted as Bowls NT Directors for 2 years.

Mal Trattles (Katherine) was accepted as Bowls NT Director for 1 year.

## 7. PUBLIC OFFICER: N/A

## 8. ELECTION PERMANENT COMMITTEES

**8.1 Match:** (4 elected members and Convenor appointed by Board)

8.2 Greens: (4 elected members and Convenor appointed by Board)

8.3 Promotions and Publicity. (4 elected members and Convenor by Board)

8.4 Junior: (4 elected members and Convenor appointed by Board)

8.5 Constitution: (Min of 3 Max of 5 one of which shall be the honorary solicitor).

**8.6 Country Club:** (2 delegates from each club, one of each gender)

**8.7 Coaching:** (*Min 3, Max 5 qualified coaches one of whom will be the convenor*) **8.8 Umpires:** (*Min 3, Max 5 qualified umpires one of whom will be the convenor*) Board to approach people who have attended the umpire's course.

Board to send out expressions of interest to clubs for the set committees. To be actioned at next Board Meeting.

## 9. ELECTION OF ASSOCIATION SELECTORS

9.1 *Ladies Selectors* – (to be appointed by the Board)

9.2 *Mens Selectors* – (to be appointed by the Board)

To be actioned at next Board Meeting.

## **10. ELECTION OF SOLICITOR**

Board to Elect Solicitor

## **11. ELECTION OF AUDITOR**

**Resolution:** The Board to decide if Nexia Edwards Marshall NT be Bowls NT Auditor for the 2020/21 financial year.

#### **12. FIXATION OF CAPITATION FEES SEASON 2020**

Capitation fee to stay the same depending on Bowls Australia structure.

13. NEXT AGM - Saturday 13th November 2021

**14. MEETING CLOSURE:** There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 10.25 am

Anthony Quinlan

President Bowls Northern Territory.







## PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2020 AGM

2020. What a year it has been with COVID-19 shutting down bowls for a few months in the early part of the year. Thank you to all clubs, committees and members for following all the policies put in place to get back to playing bowls sooner than any other states and territories. We have been very lucky in the NT. It has been a pleasure to see everyone conduct themselves in a safe and professional way.

Again our match committee have presented a great events calendar in a difficult season due to COVID-19. All events ran very smoothly with all state events and pennant completed.

Thank you to Barry Orr, Mal Trattles, Trystan Smallacombe and John Lillywhite for all of the work they have put in. Also these events could not have run smoothly without our umpires and markers. A big thank you to Steve Woolston and his team.

It has been great to see new bowlers feature in our Junior, Men's and Women's state and Over 60's championships. There were quite a few new faces winning finals.

Congratulations again to Darwin taking out both divisions in pennants for this year. Well done.

I would like to wish Alice Springs Golf and Bowls Club all the best for 2020-21. Thanks to Bruce Fyfe and his team for all of the hard work you have been putting in for the bowls in the Alice.

In a difficult year for operations, thank you to Jill our Executive Officer for the tireless work you have done getting BNT office back on track and the great relationships you have built with Paul Jackson, Bowls Australia ,all the clubs in BNT and especially the Department of Sport and Recreation. A job well done. Paul Jackson NT RBM must be thanked for all of the extra hard work you and Jill have put in to get us through the year. Also to our Board, Mark Malogorski, Mal Trattles, Kim Redshaw and Joan Garner for all of your input and work you have done over the last 12 months. Special thanks to Mal on all the extra dealings he has actioned for BNT.

Bowls Australia again have been great support though out the year with information moving through COVID-19 and the support they have given Jill and Bowls NT.

Looking towards a new year and season, I wish all clubs, bowlers and families a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Stay safe and take care. Buster

Anthony Quinlan President Bowls Northern Territory

## **Executive Officers Report 2020**

## Jill Tiller

It is with pleasure I present my annual report on the 2019/20 year of operations of the Bowls Northern Territory (BNT).

## 1. Management Staff

In the year under review there have been little changes in the management of the Board. Paul Jackson, RBM for Western Victoria has also been working in the same role for BNT. Paul has offered excellent advice and help to me and the Board over the last 12 months, visiting schools, clubs and councils.

On 13<sup>th</sup> June I advised the Board that I would like to resign from Bowls NT as Executive Officer.

I requested the Board look at employing Paul Jackson as BNT Executive Officer and BA Regional Bowls Manager on a full time employee. Contracts have been drawn up between BNT and BA to share the employment expenses and wages. Paul will commence work in Darwin on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021. I will then hand over to Paul and look forward to retirement. I wish Paul the very best with his move to Darwin and taking on the EO/RBM role.

I would like to thank the Board for the opportunity to represent Bowls NT in the Executive Officer position and the assistance they have given me over the last 2 years.

Barry Orr is the BNT IT Manager.

Barry has done a great job especially with the new BA website's teething problems. Bowls Link is now an up and running program for all States and Clubs. It has proven to be effective and quite user friendly. The initial set up can take some time but once all bowlers are registered on the site it will be a benefit to everyone.

To the Board Members, I thank them for their assistance, dedication and professionalism which has resulted in benefits to Lawn Bowls in the NT.

The Management staff of Council at 31st October 2020 are:

Executive Officer - Jill Tiller

Regional Bowls Manager - Paul Jackson

IT Manager - Barry Orr

## 2. Governance

The Board has continued to improve the Governance management of BNT and have been able to complete the following tasks;

Upgrade of Board & Council Agenda and Minute presentation

□ Strategic Plan reviewed and updated

Operational Plans developed

Business plan and Long term Financial Plans completed

□ BNT has developed a strong working relationship with NT Department of Sport and Recreation and Bowls Australia. To all organisations, Bowls NT is very appreciative of the financial support provided to ensure Bowls in the NT remains a "Sport for Life".

## 3. Finance

The Board's financial position to the 30th June, 2019 ended with a trading profit of \$171.00 The Board still has been able to maintain a sound financial position with a Cash at bank at year end being \$347,529.

The continued financial support of the Northern Territory Government is acknowledged and very much appreciated.

## 4. Board Members

## Board member names and Joining dates

**President**: Anthony Quinlan – Joined: 12/2/18 (Elected President 10/11/18) **Vice President**: Mark Malogorski : Joined 2016 (Elected Vice President 03/11/19) **Board Members:** Kim Redshaw: 11/11/18

# Mal Trattles: 11/11/18

Joan Garner: 10/11/19

The Board has worked very closely with the Council to ensure all Club issues are discussed and resolved.

## **Council Members**

I thank the Council members for their attendance and input at the monthly Council meetings. Your commitment to attend monthly meetings and support their prospective clubs makes you one of the pillars of your club. The Board and Council worked through the issues for the betterment of bowls in the NT.

## 5. State Series Championships

Unfortunately with COVID-19 this year's State Series Championships was cancelled.

## 6. Capital Expenditure

In the year under review BNT undertook no major capital works/purchases:

## 7. Regional Bowls Manager (RBM)

As mentioned before, Paul Jackson has been assisting BNT in the promotion of Bowls in the Territory. BNT would like to acknowledge Bowls Australia for their continued financial support of this position.

#### 8. Match Committee – 2020

The BNT Match Committee Barry Orr, Trystan Smallacombe Mal Trattles and John Lillywhite have run successful Pennant, State Championships and Champion of Champions. Thank you to the Match Committee and all the volunteers for their work this year. Your expertise and commitment has been very much appreciated by myself and the Board.

## 9. Appreciation

This opportunity is taken to thank all Board Members, Club Council members and Secretaries for their assistance. This high level of cohesiveness and cooperation results in consistently good outcomes for the bowling fraternity.

To the President, Board and Council members, President, CEO and staff of Bowls Australia, I thank you and acknowledge your contribution to Bowls in the Northern Territory.

To the Department of Sport and Recreation officer Debbie Halprin and Andrew Thompson, your assistance and cooperation over the last year has been excellent.

Finally to our small band of sponsors we say thank you for your support and look forward to this continuing into 2021.

Regards

Jill Tiller Executive Officer November 2020

## MATCH COMMITTEE REPORT 2020

The 2020 State Championships and Pennant competition was managed using the Bowlslink system for the first time. For the previous four years we were using the SportsTG software. The transition was particularly good from a Match Committees point of view. The Bowlslink software was new to all clubs which at times proved challenging due to the competition being organised with short notice. The changing environment and restrictions caused by the Pandemic left us with a much shorter period to organise events. All club administrator's cooperated well and took on the responsibilities of entering teams and scores and were able to grasp the requirements quickly which was a positive. Next year we will have more time to complete training to bring all club administrators up to speed before the competitions start. Thank you to each club for cooperating and trying their best to use the system with short notice.

The Bowlslink software is in the latter stages of the development phase and some of the learnings from our competition have been passed onto the software developers.

2020 saw good entries for all events with Mixed Pairs, Men's Singles and the NT Pennant competition having strong entries when compared to 2019.

Mixed Pairs has become our most contested event with 28 teams entered compared to 20 teams in 2019. There may be an opportunity to attract a sponsor for this event due to its size (56 players) and growing.

The remaining events either had the same entry numbers or a slight decline in entries.

The pennant competition was keenly contested and had numerous new players entering a pennant competition for the first time. The enthusiasm for Pennant has been the strongest seen for several years. The "Derby Days" seemed to have been received well with positive feedback, and hopefully can continue to be a part of Pennant fixtures in the future.

Four clubs entered teams in the 2020 pennant: Nightcliff (3 teams), Darwin (5 teams), Humpty Doo (1), and Katherine (1). It would be great to see Rum Jungle return to a future competition.

Event	2020 Entries	2019 Entries
Mixed Pairs	28	22
Men's Singles	26	22
Ladies Singles	13	13
Ladies Fours	5	6
Men's Fours	8	8
Ladies Triples	8	8
Men's Triples	10	11
Ladies Pairs	9	10

Men's Pairs	14	16
Pennant	11	5
Indoor Qualifying	Not completed	
Champion of Champions - Men	4	4
Champion of Champions - Ladies	3	3

Pennant had 11 teams in total entering. 6 in division one and 5 for division two. This is compared to five teams in total for 2019.

Thankyou to Mal Trattles, Trystan Smallacombe, and John Lillywhite for being part of the match committee. Your assistance and experience have been invaluable.

Also thank you to the Bowls NT Board and management, our umpires who sat through long days watching us play, and the clubs who provided and set up their venues for each event.

Barry Orr Match Committee