

# MOUNT BARKER BOWLING CLUB INC. MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING Tuesday 11 Aug 20

**Opening:** The President opened the meeting at 7.30 pm

**Present** Terry Hughes President

Leon Rodda Vice President
Christine McInnes Treasurer
Brenton Smith Board Member

David Thompson
Beth Young
Margaret Turner
Wayne Lee
Board Member
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## **Apologies**

#### **Absent**

## **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Moved David Thompson seconded Leon Rodda that the Minutes from the previous meeting of 21 Jul 20 be accepted. *Carried* 

# **Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

Correction from the AGM President's Report – The President's Report correction in acknowledging the Selectors for the Thursday Competition. Lyn McGlenn was one of the Selectors for the Thursday White Side.

The Club Information Sign – has been placed on the outside notice board facing the club car park for the information of visitors when the Club is not open.

# Correspondence

#### In

Bowls SA change of date for the AGM to Friday 30 Oct.

Bowls SA – Advice of a score card scam

Bowls SA Bowls Link Training Program dates (Oakbank Tues 25 Aug 10.00am)

Additional Lobethal Notice of Motion for HBA AGM (expected to be deferred by HBA)

#### Out

Nil

## **Treasurer Report**

Christine provided the Treasurer Report. The Club is financially in a good position. The next significant expenditure will be the half of the Club affiliation fee to be paid to Bowls SA, with the timing deferred due to the COVID impact on clubs.

Members Subscriptions are due by 1 Sep 20 so players are fully registered prior to the start of the Pennant season and to cover the Club affiliation fees with both Bowls SA and the HBA. Wayne and Chris to look at rolling over \$25.000 from the Business Saver Account into the Term Deposit Account.

Moved Christine, seconded Wayne that the Treasurer Report be accepted. Carried

## **Portfolio Reports**

#### **Tournaments**

Beth provided draft dates for the Club Tournaments and Club Championships, with the Association and Region events included with some dates still to be confirmed. Club Championship entries will close during the week after the first Saturday Pennant round. The Club Men's and Ladies Championship Singles Finals to be played on the same day. Due to the COVID issues and food handling requirements impacting on catering, Club tournaments will be half day events 12.30 for 1.00pm with a high tea at the conclusion. The Club Gala Day will be \$15.00 per player, club support will be required. The Club Sponsor Day is proposed for Sunday 11 October The events will be posted on the Event Section of the Club Web site and on face book.

## **HBA**

The HBA AGM will be held at Lobethal Bowling Club 7.30 pm Monday 31 Aug 20. There are nominations for all of the Executive positions except one Committee Member, for which nominations will be called at the AGM.

The HBA Executive position is to postpone Notices of Motion for the AGM in the interest of getting the season programmed and ready to play by Saturday 17 October. Mount Barker supports the Executive position, with a view to having the Notices presented for consideration at a later date, possibly at a forum of clubs in January 2021.

Team Nominations are required by 17 Aug to allow program planning to begin.

Mount Barker are nominating:

Saturday 1 x div 1, 1 x div 2, 2 x div 3 (a 1<sup>st</sup> side and 2<sup>nd</sup> side) and 1 x div 4 Wednesday 1 x div 1, 2 x div 2 (a 1<sup>st</sup> side and 2nd side) Thursday 2 sides (equally balanced)

# **Greens and Grounds**

Looking for some fine weather to spray the back green Sight end boundary markers for each rink considered likely to be illegal to use Visibility of the rink boundary pegs is an issue Sportcrete are still confined to Victoria with COVID issues.

Play Pennants on the white colour only, still need to rotate rinks for other occasions to manage usage

Liaise with the Tournament Director regarding rinks for Tournament use

Grounds and Greens co-ordinator to authorise rink allocations

Progress with the acquisition of the wine barrels for use under the Dome

Quote of \$350 for plants to establish the new garden bed.

Liaise with the Tranmere club re possible use of their scarafire on the back green

## Membership and Recruiting

## **Review of Club fees:**

Brenton has provided a comprehensive report on comparative Club Fees:

After reviewing fees from other Clubs, the Mount Barker full membership fee is well placed in comparison.

Recommend a move to implement a first year/new bowler fee of \$130.00, reverting to a full fee in subsequent years.

Review the Social Fee, the current \$50.00 is considerably higher than most Clubs. Consider what does the Social Fee provide for the member.

Note: Looking at establishing a new category with a fee to be determined to register the night bowlers on the Club Membership data base.

## **Bookings and Face Book**

Booking enquiries are slow at this stage

Face Book has a growing audience and responses to posts

Hills Radio is also following the Face Book page and providing some coverage The Club has had an enquiry from the Mount Barker Lions re a meeting venue for their organisation, following up with representative from Mount Barker Lions.

Margaret has completed her MPIO (Member Protection) training online and will undertake the Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) course, also online. The Club will pay the RSA course fee.

#### Bar

The bar is operating effectively, members helping behind the bar require EFPOS usage training.

## **Sponsorship**

No report

## **General Business:**

Selectors for Divisions/Sides: Nominations will close midnight Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> of August, there has been some interest however positions are still available.

Chairman of Selectors: Wayne Lee has been appointed by the Board to the role of Chairman of Selectors for the coming season.

Club Coaching: Brian Penny is the appointed Club Coach working with the Saturday and Wednesday divisions/sides and working with the school's program with club assistance. Brian will also work with the Chairman of Selectors and have input into the selection process, assessing and advising on player performance and making recommendations regarding selection outcomes.

Beth Young will coach the Thursday competition.

Thursday Competition: The Board has accepted the recommendation that the four members nominated from the Thursday Competition work to nominate two equally balanced sides to represent the Club in that competition.

Once the sides have been determined, then two selectors from each side will be nominated to the Board for ratification.

The selectors from this competition will need to work with the Chairman of Selectors to ensure that the club selection policies are being complied with, particularly in regard to games played per week.

Umpire Training: An Umpire re accreditation program will be held at the club with reaccreditations to be held Sunday 13 September 1.00pm until 4.00pm and for new umpires on Sunday 20 September.

A Coffee Machine: Christine McInnes asked about obtaining a coffee dispensing machine for the Club with the COVID restrictions eliminating the use of communal tea and coffee. Christine to investigate and advise.

Smoking Area: The Club has designated smoking areas and these need to be effectively managed and complied with.

Disinfectant Dispensers: Leon raised the prospect of obtaining large disinfectant dispensers to make compliance with the COVID rules a simpler process. To investigate and advise

Use of the Blinds: For the Saturday and Tuesday bowls, only put the blinds down that are necessary, lowering and raising the blinds is a slow process.

Travelling to Pennants: Query the travelling together to Pennants in teams under the COVID rules prior to the season starting.

The Club Newsletter: The Club News Letter will be out this week please advise Andrew of anything to be included.

The Club Strategic Plan: There will be some consideration of the Strategic Plan at the next meeting.

**Closure:** There being no further business the President closed the meeting at 9.20 pm.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm.