



21st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday 8th August 2024 6pm @ Hokowhitu Bowling Club

The Acting President, Bernice Tyree welcomed delegates and observers and elected Heather Dilks to chair the meeting.

In Attendance: D Gemmell, H Giblett, B Looker, M Pearson, B Tyree, (Board Members) & V Taylor (Centre Manager)

Present: 19 Delegates:

Ashhurst 1	Jen Brown
Bulls 1	Mo McCombe
Dannevirke 1	Jim Harding
Foxton & Beach 2	Ross Ellery & Rohan Teaz
Himatangi Beach 1	Paul Dunham
Hokowhitu 1	Bruce Dilks
Johnston Park 2	Arron Goldsack, Colin Commerford
Kimbolton & District 1	
North End 3	Iain McGlaster, Dave Newell, Wayne Mouldy
Pahiatua 1	
Palmerston North 3	Tom Meads, Beryl England, Brian Gemmell
Shannon 1	Grant Pratt
Takaro 2	Steve Toms & Sharon Sims
Woodville 1	Erika Goldsworthy
and 18 Observers	

1. Apologies: Stephen Love, Mere & Gary Fryer
2. Obituaries – Bernice Tyree lit a candle and asked members to stand for a minute’s silence in memory of club members who had passed away during the last 12 months.
3. Bruce Dilks/Sharon Sims moved that the minutes of the 20th Annual General Meeting held on 30th July 2023 be taken as read and adopted.

Carried
4. Matters arising – minutes amendment - correction under general business that Mark Cameron talked about the Bowls NZ role, not Steve Toms.

Carried
5. Grant Pratt/Colin Commerford moved that the President’s Annual Report (2023-24) be taken as read and adopted.

Carried
6. Vanessa Taylor/Jim Harding moved that the Centre Managers Annual Report (2023-24) be taken as read and adopted.

Carried
7. Bernice Tyree/Dave Newell moved that the Annual Financial Report (2023-24) be taken as read and adopted.

Carried.

Bruce Dilks discussed the current financial situation of the accounts. Questioning about the loss and how we may avoid becoming an unviable entity in the next three years.

He asked about Administration Costs, the General Manager's contract which is \$48,000, and the centre's role and was informed it was a part-time role but this was a mistake as it is a full-time role. We have 2 sizable grants in the process to hopefully cover this.

There were a couple of glitches with rep tournaments and the timing for us to obtain grants, accommodation is a big expense \$29,000.00 for the season. With the programme set, we are to know the coming expenses for the coming year and to apply for grants.

Bruce Dilks asked about the purchase of the sweeper and this matter was replied to by Matt Pearson (Retiring Board Member), a \$5000 grant was obtained for this. This was purchased to upgrade the greens for the centre. You can't hire/borrow these. Clubs can hire/book this through the centre manager and will be invoiced for use.

A question was asked about green/club fees to clubs - not showing up last year, this is due to a change of accountancy programme. Last year it was put under tournaments.

A recommendation is that the incoming Board need to work on a budget and send it out to delegates.

8. Appointment of President, Vice President & Board Members.

Since the time of the agenda going out, the Board accepted the resignation of Grant Pratt. Matt Pearson, Brian Looker, and Honey Giblett are standing down.

Nominations were called from the floor for the President
Moved Steve Toms/Ericka Goldsworthy nominated Bernice Tyree. **Carried**

Nominations were called from the floor for the Vice President

- Nomination of President: Bernice Tyree
- Nomination of Vice President: - nil

Brian Gemmell/Steve Toms moved that the Vice President be appointed at the next board meeting following the AGM. **Carried**

The meeting shall declare each nominee elected

- Ryan Cooper (Bulls)
- Warwick Frederikson (Himatangi Beach)
- Mere Fryer (BPN)
- Diane Gemmell (BPN)

The President called for nominations from the floor for 2 positions on the Board. Nil.

An undertaking was made by the President to advertise the vacant positions for Board members.

Introduction - Ryan & Warwick

Recommendations/Motions

Notice of Motions from the centre

1. Propose champ of champ Age grade to 60+ from 65+ this will align with other centres.

- All against**
2. Interclub Div 1 only one team per club, Div 2 change to Any Gender - All agreed and 1 against.
Carried
3. Interclub 1-5 years to stay the same on Saturday mornings - 12 votes to stay the same, 3 against and 4 abstained.
Carried
4. Affiliation fees for 2024/25 season: - Bowls Manawatu Inc \$35 Plus GST (Based on club returns of full playing members 31 December 2023)
All clubs have had their AGMs this year so refer till next season and notify clubs early.
Motion withdrawn
5. Green/club fees - proposed to remove these, thanks to those clubs that do not charge the centre. Lots of feedback about supporting the centre and the privilege of hosting centre events. Some clubs disagree and want to cover the cost of tea coffee etc.
Amendment to motion: Venue hire \$50 includes GST per green for a full day's play.
Clubs can choose whether they charge the centre or not.
All in favour: Carried
6. **North End** - Interclub Div 1 to have many teams - Lots of discussion, historically we had more than one team. Bowls NZ COP National Interclub only one team can enter.
Motion withdrawn
7. **North End** - Daul Membership - Lots of discussion
Motion withdrawn
8. **North End** - Div 1 Movement of Players - Lots of discussion. 13 For, 6 against.
Carried
9. **Takaro** - Changing pathways to NZ finals - Lots of discussion. 4 in favor
Motion Lost

The Motions that were carried became recommendations to the incoming board

10. Notices of Motion to Bowls New Zealand AGM - **Motion**
*Motion from Bowls Wanganui Inc. "Bowls Wanganui would like to put forward the following motion:
That the runner-up of any Champ of Champ event be able to participate in the National Club Champs if the winner is unable to attend. Reason - So every Centre has a chance to be represented."*
Not in favour

Nominations for Life Membership awarded to Sharon Sims & Nora Bacon

Appointment of Financial Reviewer/Accountant - Thompson Partners – to review

Fixing the Date of the next AGM – to review with delegates.

The President opened discussion for informal business.

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

Signed as a true and correct record

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President
Bernice Tyree

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Date