

Bowls Manawatu Board Meeting



Minutes of the Manawatu Board Meeting 4th June 2024

Location		Palmerston North Bowling Club in the Bowls Manawatu Office	
Date		Tuesday 4 th June 2024	
Attendees		Grant Pratt (President) Vanessa Taylor (Centre Manager), Bernice Tyree (Vice President), Honey Giblett, Mere Fryer, Brian Looker, (Board Members)	
Apologies		Di Gemmell, Matt Pearson	
Start		5.30pm	
Any other Agenda Items			
1.	Welcome Minutes & Actions from previous	Grant	<p>Grant thanked everyone for all their kind messages with the passing of his dad.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes of the meeting 7th May 2024 be accepted <p>Moved H Giblett, Second M Fryer: that the minutes are true and accurate: Unanimous</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Actions from previous meet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Prize Giving – venue booked, Craig Loader booked. ➤ Most of the Inventory done. ➤ John looking at Board Insurance as discussed by Mark Cameron at the BNZ Meeting.
2.	Inwards Correspondence	Vanessa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bowls NZ AGM notice Registrar of Incorporated Societies Stoke Bowling Club 75th Jubilee Bowls NZ update meeting and Constitutions Balance is Better Sport sector panui - May 2024 2024 Champion of Champions Tournaments Bowls NZ Centre video conference meeting – Vanessa attended NZ PBA Season and New Plymouth Scottish Singles preview Integrity Sport and Recreation Commission – I have signed up NE – AGM , are happy to host Affiliation to Bowls New Zealand letter (updated) Census return numbers from Bowls NZ Clubs New Zealand 2025 National Men's Outdoor Bowls Tournament Bowls NZ Summerset National Awards - nomination forms Bowls NZ Domestic Regulation 16 updated as (attached) Bowls NZ – Martin – photo's of furniture we can have, just need to organise getting it down here.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nominations tabled. Send to delegates for them to discuss/get support from their club members and bring their clubs position to the AGM (quote clause from constitution) Last minute email I missed – BPN Covered Green - Council contribution, I will email board.
3.	Outwards	Vanessa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replying to many emails Re: Affiliation to Bowls New Zealand – New Bowls Manawatu Inc letter. WKWM - Thank You letter sent to Levin Bowling club, Anne Burrage & Janet Bowls Kapiti Thank You letter to Sharon Sims Prize Giving Invites, I have delivered half. North End – to confirm AGM Sponsorship letters after I visited them, Subway, Ray White, Chemist, etc. Sent my minutes and agenda to Martin at Bowls NZ to see what he thought – he said wonderful. Email to M Noble about badges
4.	Centre Manager	Vanessa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where do I order Gold Stars from – need “10” titles - Honey mentioned to ask Dean Gilshnan about the Gold Stars. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talked about gold bars badges for 1-8 Juniors Singles & Pairs, have gold bars for open events but not COC events. It was agreed to be consistent and to order Gold bars for 1-8 Junior CoCs starting this year. TAB Grant \$8000 – need to pay back \$5500 as I got 2 grants for the seeder come through. Still have \$2500 for uniforms. Regional Meeting 10 June 2024 – Sharon Sims will join me. To find out about the 1-8 Tararua Quad – why isn’t there 14 in a team now? Also to find out about what other centres pay for using clubs & Pricing etc. Draft programme presented, email to Board members. Maybe look at changing the Juniors to start of season. To have 2 programmes – 1 for Bowls Manawatu events and 1 for Club Gala’s. On July 1, 2024, Google Analytics 4 properties will have fully replaced Universal Analytics properties need help – may have to get geeks in.
5.	Finance	Vanessa	<p>Accounts payable: Approval for payment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BPN Coc 1-8 Singles invoice \$200 Board agreed to pay \$100 Flower Shop \$80 <p>Moved H Giblett, Second M Fryer, All agreed. Carried.</p> <p>Profit & Loss & Balance sheet attached</p>
6.	Greens/ Allocation Team	Matt & Mere	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> COC 1-8 year Pairs 8th & 9th June – BPN – Convenor Mere Fryer, Eric also offered to conven.
7.	What’s Coming Up		<p>June/July/August</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AGM July 21st Prize Giving August 24th

8.	Any Other Business	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM – Recommendations from the Board – Propose COC Age Grade 65+ to be inline with all other centres to 60+ • Recommendation for Interclub – Div 1 – only 1 team per club Div 2 – Any Gender, as many teams as you like, teams put into sections. • Affiliation fees haven't changed in years, recommended these go up to \$35 for the season 24/25 and then each year by the CPI as suggested by Bowls NZ. • Green/Club fees that Bowls Manawatu pay & Entry Fees – recommended if we don't have to pay these fees to clubs then don't need to increase entry fees. Vanessa to check out what other centres pay. • Player Points – send out to Board for comments • Player of the Year, Admin of the Year, Coach of the Year – need a sub committee to look at these and decide. • Who is staying on the Board – Mere is staying on for a second year • Talked about Reps/Selection Panel – need to work on this. • Resolution to apply for a grant for the Manawatu Book programme Pelourus \$3000 and salary for Centre Manager Lions Foundation \$35000. G Pratt & B Looker for orthurisation on the salary. <p>Moved H Giblett, Second M Fryer, All agreed. Carried.</p>
9.	To Do List		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Membership – send to delegates • Find out how many pallets for furniture to move. • Apply for grants • Recommendations sent to clubs
10.	Meeting closed		7pm
11.	Next meeting		Tuesday 2nd July 2024 at 5.30pm

Signed as a true and correct record of meeting

President

Grant Pratt _____

Bowls Manawatu												
Year	Full Playing Members			Limited Playing Members		Non Playing Members		Casual Participants (non members)			First Year Members (stat only)	Twilight / Business House
	Male	Female	Student	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Student		
2010	641	323	16	0	0	201	205	343	321	35	49	0
2011	577	285	15	0	0	163	233	290	238	0	47	0
2012	542	271	9	0	0	204	182	968	243	25	35	0
2013	515	250	8	0	0	112	111	254	138	39	32	0
2014	489	239	7	0	0	177	145	364	254	1	27	0
2015	428	223	3	0	0	262	196	554	395	0	30	0
2016	438	211	5	0	0	280	225	321	152	8	45	0
2017	440	208	3	0	0	543	262	366	222	0	30	0
2018	436	199	0	0	0	263	132	634	177	24	0	0
2019	412	202	4	29	21	274	206	761	341	29	51	0
2020	431	194	0	49	39	181	181	985	591	31	35	156
2021	384	180	3	41	20	172	143	874	484	50	23	397
2022	380	174	1	42	36	275	164	823	437	40	39	363
2023	424	201	0	54	41	202	179	896	622	45	50	662

Domestic Regulation 16 states the following:

16. Use of Technology

- 16.1 The use of electronic devices (for example, mobile phones, tablets, and other devices) is permitted on the green under the following conditions:
- a. If they are used by a player to either record or monitor the outcomes of their game
 - b. They are not used for communication purposes, and
 - c. The use of the device does not interrupt or interfere with any other players or disrupts the flow of the game.
- 16.2 If the use of electronic devices does not meet these conditions, the Controlling Body or Umpire may ask the player to immediately stop using the device.
- 16.3 The Controlling Body for any tournament retains the right under A.1.4.5 to make specific arrangements for the use of electronic devices in their Conditions of Play.

n.b. A.1.4.5 refers to the Laws of the Sport Appendix A (Use of Communication Devices)

It is therefore permissible (16.3) for electronic devices to be used for interaction between players, but only providing the use of such items is specifically included within the Conditions of Play for any event.

It is worth noting that the inquiry made by the player sought to save time (through removing the need for a skip to either repeat himself / herself or walk closer to their players in order to be heard), rather than being a complaint about the use of such devices. The event which inspired the inquiry was a festival type occasion that the player and all others present were enjoying, but the music that was playing during the event was creating difficulties for players to hear directions from across the green.

For National events, Bowls New Zealand will continue to operate without a change to our Conditions of Play with regard to this area (apart from Para competitions which are covered in our CoP), but are very happy for clubs and centres to make adjustments to their CoP for any event where they believe there would be an advantage for the event by doing so. Clearly the use of such devices (where the CoP permits them) would not be compulsory and must only be used for communication between the players on the green, rather than any external persons. We would therefore suggest that only walkie-talkie / two-way radio type devices should be permitted, rather than permitting the use of a cellular phone for this purpose.