

# MINUTES

## **Bowls Wairarapa - Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Time: 5.30pm

Location: Online – Teams Meeting

### **In Attendance**

- Garry Muriwai
- Hayden Frew
- Stacey Smyth
- Geoff Balmain

### **Minutes of Last Meeting:**

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed off as a true and accurate record.

### **Matters Arising**

- **Eketahuna**  
A club member has volunteered to help pick up the remainder of the assets and will do so when they have time.
- **Board – Co-Opt**  
No one has come forward, and those who have been asked have declined. At the next delegates' meeting, we will again stress the importance of getting new members onto the board. We need to start planning for what will be required in the next term and beyond.
- **Board Priorities**  
Sponsorship – ideas for next season include holding a Centre Gala, Lotto raffle, monster raffle, quiz nights, and housie nights.
- **WBS Grant**  
Feedback on the expenditure plan was provided to board members. Amendments were made and board members will be notified when purchases are being made for the Academy.
- **Tournament Reviews**  
This will be put up on the website 2-3 weeks after the end of the season.
- **Player of the Year Ranking Points**  
At the recent delegates meeting, the feedback from clubs was mixed. Some felt the current system should remain to encourage players to compete outside the centre and develop their skills. Others believed it could disadvantage some players due to financial or work constraints. The board is open to alternatives, but a clear case for change needs to be made — this will initially be undertaken by a member of the board.
- **Rep Funding**  
As above – Board Priorities – sponsorship.

### **Correspondence**

## Inwards

- Umpire Association
- Board Meeting Minutes
- Managers' Report – Women's Masters
- NZ Bowls CH of CH entry forms
- Greytown – Player Replacement CH of CH
- Bowls NZ – Aero Community Bowls
- WBS – Advert Material
- WBS – Term Investment
- Masters – Men's Managers Meeting Minutes
- Masters – Women's Managers Minutes
- Trillian Trust – Grant Approved
- Bowls 35 Regional Playoffs
- Trillian Trust – Accountability Report
- Octagonal – Managers Meeting Report

## Outwards

- Bowls 35 Regional Playoffs
- National u26 Expression of Interest
- Bowls NZ – Intercentre Teams

## Finances

Current finances documents were presented by the EO.

## Planned Business:

- **Bowls 35 2025-2026 Season**  
This is the final year Bowls NZ will run the National Bowls 3Five. The question now is whether our Centre should continue the competition or discontinue it as well. We will seek feedback from the delegates at the next meeting.
- **Tournament Controller Mixed 2-4-2 CH of CH**  
GM can do if there are no volunteers.
- **Awards Night**  
Certificates have been ordered, trophy engraving is underway, and gold stars are in place. We'll post the gold star winners on Facebook to give everyone a chance to check and notify us of any errors—this helps avoid a repeat of last year's issue, which has since been identified and resolved. Club Wairarapa will once again host the night

## General Business:

- **Centre Book Printing**  
We need to consider whether we need to continue with printed Centre booklets, and just have them online instead. We would need to consider whether this would affect the sponsors.

- **Carrington Bowling Green**

Carrington has got insurance accepted on the green so that's a great step forward in getting the green fixed.

**Meeting closed 6.58 pm**