

MINUTES

Bowls Wairarapa - Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 4th December 2023

Time: 5:30pm

Location: South Wairarapa Workingman's Club

In Attendance

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

Apologies:

- Nil

Minutes of Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read.

Matters Arising:

- **Sponsorship**
 - Darren Meyrick will continue to work on securing Tremains as a potential shirt sponsor. The contact has been away.
 - Garry Muriwai confirmed CBK will offer support of \$1000 and a discount to Bowls Wairarapa members.
- **Board Candidates**

Chats continuing with potential candidates.
- **Selectors Job Description and Code of Conduct**

Documents have been shared with the selectors. The code of conduct will be put on the website and players will be expected to sign.
- **Selectors Meeting**

A meeting has been arranged for the 26th of September. The meeting is open to all board members to attend.
- **WBS Signing Rights**

Gavin Hamlyn and Hayden Frew have been added as signatories. However, as part of the process, Geoff Balmain was removed in error. Geoff needs to be added again. The board are happy to set up online banking with WBS, using one signatory (Gavin Hamlyn), as long as access is limited to a small amount of funds.
- **Tournament Controllers**

We have had 3 people show and interest (although 2 are unable to help until 2024). We will secure tournament controllers for the upcoming events over the coming days, with help potentially coming from the board.
- **Mixed Open Pathway Event**

Dates confirmed 11&12 May. Email to be sent by EO to clubs to advise of new event.

- **Junior U18 Event**
Date confirmed for 12 December and for it to be a singles event.
- **Masters Triples**
Date confirmed for 15&16 April.
- **Bowls Shop**
Work in progress.
- **Coaching opportunities**
A Bowls Wairarapa player has offered to run training sessions which the board are happy to support. The board are keen to develop a Wairarapa Bowling Academy but will plan for a 2024-2025 season start. The type of training days offered by Robyn will help us test the water for player interest.
- **Indoor Pre-Season Rep Fixture**
Park this item until the next meeting.
- **No Byes/Losers**
Park this item until the next meeting.

Correspondence:

Inwards

- Bowls Wellington Kittyhawks
- Bowls NZ Sevens COP
- Bowls Kapiti – November Rep Fixture
- Masterton Bowling Club – Sevens COP

Outwards

- Bowls Kapiti – November Rep Fixture
- Secretaries – Centre Open Competition
- Secretaries – Rep Player Interest

Planned Business:

- **Interclub 7's COP**
Document - Conditions of Play (COP) with supporting examples was tabled. The COP as outlined below for the 2023-2024 were agreed.

Definitions

Round: A round is defined as a head-to-head Club versus Club in singles, pairs, and fours. Example: Carrington versus Masterton in singles, pairs, and fours.

Session: As interclub is using a split round format each day is divided into 3 sessions. Example: Carrington V Masterton singles, pairs and fours may be split between different sessions.

Format: All clubs in the Interclub 7s competition will play each other twice. Within a round, a player may only play in 1 discipline. Each club can determine who they wish to select to play in each discipline, position, and round. I.e., a club can bring in new players, change disciplines, and/or positions between rounds.

- Fours to play 15 completed ends. No time limit.

Pairs to play 18 completed ends. No time limit.

Singles to play first to 25 shots. No time limit.

- In all games – 7 points for a win, 4 points for a draw. 0 for a loss.
A bonus of 1 point is awarded to a team or singles player gaining a game differential of 11 shots or more in any discipline. A bonus of 1 point is awarded to a team or singles player losing a game by 1 or 2 shots in any discipline.
- All games must be played right out unless a player or players cannot continue due to illness or other exceptional circumstances. In the case of teams defaulting, all points scored will be revoked. Each team played or to be played will receive seven (7) points.
- Entry fee. A mat fee of \$1.00 per player per game collected by
- the Club and paid to the Executive Officer each year by the End of October.
- Clubs must participate in all rounds, irrespective of positional standing. Any club in breach of this rule may be ineligible for the following season's competition.
- This event will be run as a single Division.
- The winning Club will be deemed Champion Club and will progress further to the National finals.

Note: A player can play up to 3 games in an interclub 7s team and remain eligible for a Hannam Knowles team.

For clarity, the Centre Booklet will change the wording next year to read 'Each club may enter one side of Seven (7) players to play Singles, Pairs and Fours in each round'.

- **Tablets for Tournament Controllers**
It was decided they were not required for use with the new Bowls Hub system. Tournament controllers could use printed scoring sheets and then text/call them through to the EO.
- **Kapiti Rep Fixture**
Agreed to proposed change of format. EO to inform selectors of change of format.
- **Green allocation for Fours and Interclub.**
Best natural green as a starting point of priority. End of week should have a decision for both events.
- **Masterton Letter Sevens COP**
EO to send boards response.
- **Junior Bowls 3-Five**
Change the event to 1-8 years from next season to encourage participation and encourage player development.
- **Centre Event Prize Money**
\$100 to the winner/s, and \$50 to the runner-up/s. Prize money for Open events only.
- **Hannam Knowles Player Swap – Di Haswell**
Garry Muriwai is to speak with Di.

General Business:

- **Team Selection**
EO will confirm players that been selected for rep selection are available, before the team is announced.

Next Meeting:

5:30pm, 27th November 2023.

Meeting closed 7.03 pm