

REGIONAL REPORTS/QUERIES:

Bowls South

- Written report as presented prior to the meeting. Peter updated the meeting that the BTS Board passed the Junior Development Officer job description at their recent meeting. Peter asked that this person be included on the BTAS Junior Development Committee. Bernard agreed with and mentioned that the committee had already discussed that. Bernard asked Peter to send him a copy of the JD for the committee's information.
- Peter asked to clarify if there was any Nationals being conducted in October 2020. It was clarified that this wasn't going ahead and the Australian Championships (State Open Championships winners) was scheduled to go ahead in December 2020 at Dandenong, VIC, at this stage.

Bowls North

- Written report as presented prior to the meeting.

Bowls North West

- BNW AGM was completed the evening before this meeting.
- Phil brought the meeting up to speed that Women's pennant will be reducing to 8 teams per division with a 14 match roster.
- Saturday pennant is also being looked at to reduce to 14 match rosters.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

a) JUNIOR SWC & CALENDAR QUESTIONS

- It was unanimously agreed that the Junior SWC 1st round would move forward to November 2020 and round 2 would be hosted in Hobart with the State Junior Championships. It was also agreed that the regions that were scheduled to host the State Pennant finals last year would be carried forward to this year.

b) AFTERNOON TEAS FOR PENNANT

- Discussion surrounded the issues surrounding Afternoon Teas in the COVID-19 era. Each region gave an update on what plans they have discussed internally.
- Greg mentioned that he would be happier with a statewide agreement on this approach.
- President Graham encouraged the Regions to try and agree on a statewide approach.
- Peter asked if further research can be done around the health regulations and recommendations regarding this issue.
- **ACTION:** Rebecca to do some further research and gather any Government requirements regarding this. Rebecca to present this to the BTAS Board and the Board to put forward a recommendation to regions.

c) STATE BAREFOOT PLAYOFF

- Discussion surrounded the idea of a State Barefoot Playoff.
- It was agreed that it was important to navigate the line of keeping the social and enjoyment side while also giving a taste to the formalised side of things.
- **ACTION:** The BTAS Board will discuss this further and send a paper to each region for consideration.

d) SHARED SERVICES

- The meeting discussed the opportunity for some shared services to help share costs and potentially save costs with bulk buying.
- Rebecca gave some examples of bulk buying around scorecards, medallions etc. and suggested that perhaps this was a meeting on its own with this as the only agenda item.
- Consideration to be given to this idea.

e) SELECTION POLICY – REGIONAL ENDORSEMENTS

- Discussion surrounded the current selection policy format and the requirement for the regions to endorse the successful application.
- Bowls North explained their concerns around this issue and some of the difficulty if the successful application isn't endorsed by the region.
- It was agreed that BTAS would advertise the vacant positions, applicants received are to be sent to the respective region, the regions send through their finalists and the final decision sits with BTAS to appoint the State Selector.

f) SWC CENTRALISATION

- Bowls North presented the idea regarding centralising the SWC events as a cost cutting exercise to assist with the accommodation costs of the NW and South.
- This wasn't well supported by the travelling regions and there are also other logistical issues surrounding this such as the hosting of the second side.
- It was agreed for the current format to remain with each region hosting 1 round each year.

g) STATE-WIDE STATISTICIAN

- Bowls North presented the idea of a state-wide statistician to monitor pennant in all regions and to share costs.
- Bowls South explained that this is part of their Executive Assistants role and therefore this wouldn't be needed by them. Bowls North West explained that they do not have a designated statistician and their Executive Officer fulfills many of these requirements.

h) NUMBER OF ENDS IN PENNANT COMPETITION

- Bowls North asked each region how many ends they currently play for their pennant competitions.
- Bowls South play 21 ends and Bowls North West are moving to 21 ends for the 2020/21 season.
- Bowls North will take this back to their Board for consideration to align their pennant competition.

i) GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE & FIXED FEE

- The capitation model in Tasmania was discussed and it was noted that there has been support by the regions to investigate this option.
- It was proposed that BTAS Treasurer David Back convene a working party of immediate past treasurer Bob Clifton and the 3 regional treasurers to discuss this concept and work on a funding proposal to present to the BTAS Board and Regional Boards for consideration. All agreed.
- **ACTION:** Rebecca to supply David with everyone's contact details, and David to convene the meeting.

j) CLUBS TASMANIA

- Peter discussed the use of Clubs Tasmania and the assistance that they have offered Kingborough Bowls Club as well as other Clubs.
- Graham updated the meeting on BTAS' dealings with Andrew Moore and Clubs Tasmania and explained that Rebecca and Alan are in regular communication with the group.

Meeting closed: 11.35am

Next Meeting:

Date : TBA
Time : TBA
Venue : TBA

Signed by Chairman