



**Regional Consultative Council Minutes  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020**

11.05am  
LONGFORD BC

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**PRESENT:**

Graham Hay	–	Bowls Tasmania	Peter Kirby	–	Bowls South
Phil Prouse	–	Bowls North West	Greg Smith	–	Bowls North

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

David Back	–	BT Board / Treasurer	Bernard Knight	–	BT
Board					
Les Harrison	–	BT Board	Liz Rickards	–	BT Board
Mark Strochnetter	–	BT Board	Sue Ross	–	BT Board
David Jeffrey	–	Bowls North West	Vicki Bassett	–	Bowls North
Alan Eadie	–	RBM			

Rebecca Van Asch – BT CEO (Minute Taker)

**APOLOGIES:**

Pat Zapatocky – Bowls South

Meeting opened at 11.05am

**WELCOME:**

President Graham welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced RBM Alan Eadie to the meeting.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The previous minutes from the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020 were accepted as tabled.  
Proposed Bernard Knight, Seconded Phil Prouse.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:**

- The meeting discussed how the few minor changes to pennant competitions in their regions this year such as no afternoon teas has been received. The general feeling was that this has been well received and Clubs were actually seeing this as a new revenue stream by having more food for sale.

## **REGIONAL REPORTS/QUERIES:**

### Bowls South

- Written report as presented prior to the meeting.
- In Additions; COVID Policy updated as restrictions have eased. Have gone inline with BA, BTAS, State Government etc. Had a lot of “we recommend” as opposed to a directive.
- Entries available online.
- New sponsor: Derwent Eye specialist.

### Bowls North

- Written report as presented prior to the meeting.

### Bowls North West

- Written report as presented prior to the meeting.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

### **a) SWC PRIZE MONEY BREAKDOWN**

- It was unanimously agreed that the \$6,000 allocated to the overall prize money (1<sup>st</sup> \$3,000, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$2,000, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$1,000) now be used as a \$2,000 subsidy per region to assist with offsetting some of the costs incurred by each region.

### **b) COVID SHUTDOWN CONTINGENCY PLAN**

- The potential of a shutdown during the pennant season was discussed and the need for a contingency plan if this occurred. The example of what had recently occurred with South Australia was discussed.
- It was agreed that if this occurred, the 3 regional Presidents along with the Bowls Tasmania President and CEO would meet electronically to develop a statewide plan. It was agreed that if any extension to the regional pennant competitions occurred then the State Finals would be cancelled to ensure the regions could finish their season.

### **c) FIXED FEE CAPITATION MODEL**

- The new capitation model that has been presented to each region was discussed. A working party comprising the 3 regional treasurers, BTAS Treasurer David Back, immediate past BTAS Treasurer Bob Cifton and CEO Rebecca Van Asch have worked together to formulate the proposal put to the meeting today.
- A motion to support the proposal from the working party was Moved by Peter Kirby, Seconded Phil Prouse. Carried by unanimous consensus.

### **d) ONE CONDITIONS OF PLAY FOR TASMANIA**

- President Graham Hay discussed with the meeting the continued feedback being received from individual Tasmanian bowlers that they would like to see

one conditions of play adopted state wide. RBM Alan Eadie also confirmed that he had received a lot of these comments on his Club visits.

- President Graham asked the meeting if there was any interest in trying to investigate one conditions of play once again. The regions unanimously agreed that they did not believe this was necessary and enough time had been spent on this previously.

**e) SOCIAL / BAREFOOT BOWLS**

- Sue asked the meeting what desire there was for a regional and state barefoot bowls competition playoff and therefore onto a potential National Barefoot competition.
- Each region has working parties working on these barefoot/social bowls areas. Sue asked that the regions please keep her informed and pass on any updates to BTAS for our information.

**f) SCHOOL PROGRAM & JUNIOR BOWLS**

- Alan gave an update to the meeting on what is happening in this sphere, including Rookie Rollers.
- Bowls is currently working with the education department and School Sport Australia to get a High School Program up and running.

**g) WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE CARDS**

- Bowls South asked about clarification around the Working with Vulnerable People Cards. The current policy states that all Club, Regional and State Board Members must possess a WWVP Check.
- It was agreed that Bowls Tasmania would investigate options to assist Clubs with cover the cost of these WWVP Check's if it helped encourage clubs to comply.

**h) ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY**

- President Graham explained to the meeting that Bowls Australia recently released a report regarding their Environmental Sustainability Strategy for the future. This included such things as minimising paper such as results sheets, score cards etc. BA will be working with the BowlsLink team to develop a digital scored card to be used on smart phones.

Meeting closed: 2.20pm

Next Meeting:

Date : TBA  
Time : TBA  
Venue : TBA

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Signed by Chairman