



**Special Board Meeting**  
**Monday 25 March 2024 at 9.38 am via Zoom.**

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## MINUTES

TOPIC	DISCUSSION & DECISION	ACTION
1) Welcome	The President welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2) Present	Bernard Knight (President), David Back (Treasurer), John Glisson, Lynne McDougall (from 9.45am), Anne Mullavey, Jane Pickett, Leonie Price, Phil Prouse, and Rob McGuire – CEO (Observer).	
3) Apologies	Nil	
4) Declaration of Conflict of Interest	Nil	
5) General Business		
(a) Ratification of State Teams for 2024:	State Selectors have chosen squads for 2024 for the Men's and Women's Open, Senior Men's and Women's and Under 18 events for The Nationals 2024. Moved: David Back Seconded: John Glisson "that the teams as submitted be ratified". Carried	CEO to contact players in accordance with the Selection Policy.  CEO to advertise teams on BTAS website and Facebook page.
(b) Determination of Co-Contributions for 2024:	Bowls Australia has introduced a player levy of \$350 for the 2024 Nationals. This levy is payable to Bowls Australia for all competing players. Coaches and managers of state teams will not be charged this levy.	CEO to advise players of levy when advising them of their selection into the 2024 squads.



<p>(c) Under 18 Travel Policy:</p>	<p>The BTAS policy provides that if the Tasmanian Government Junior Travel Assistance Program (or similar) is in existence – which details that applicants ineligible for assistance includes individuals whose expenses are fully covered by their sport or whose expenses are less than \$250 – then the minimum Junior co-contribution be \$250. Charging Under 18 players \$100 in addition to the BA levy of \$175 = \$275 so they should be able to get the Tasmanian Government Junior Travel Assistance Program grant.</p> <p>It was further agreed that BTAS will provide Para Bowls players with a contribution of \$100 per person into the Para Bowls account. All other expenses must be paid for by Para bowlers themselves. (This should be offset in the main by a Tasmanian Institute of Sport grant if we can get that again in 2024.)</p> <p>The Junior Development Committee has met and has recommended that the following apply to all Under 18 players who attend The Nationals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All players must be accompanied to the championships by a parent or a guardian. (A parent of another player can be the nominated guardian of another player if approval in writing is provided to Bowls Tasmania by that player's parent.)</li> <li>• The ideal is that all players, officials and parents / guardians should travel together to and from The Nationals (with flights arranged by BA). However, if parents want to travel at a different time, they have to organise their own flights and then seek reimbursement from BA (through BTAS) for the flight costs of their player.</li> </ul>	<p>CEO to advise players of levy when advising them of their selection into the 2024 Para Bowls team.</p> <p>CEO and Jane Pickett to build into Players and Officials Travel, Accommodation, Meals and Expenses Policy (Including Co-Contributions).</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents / guardian and players are to arrange their own accommodation. BTAS will let parents / guardians know where BTAS officials are staying.</li> <li>• Bowls Tasmania will pay a daily allowance to players as a contribution towards their accommodation – the allowance will be equal to the daily amount that Bowls Tasmania would have paid had it organised the accommodation for the players.</li> <li>• During the Championships, players will be required to attend all compulsory team times e.g. practice, meetings, dinner, playing times. These will be clearly established and communicated in an itinerary published before the team leaves for the Championships.</li> <li>• Parents/guardians will be responsible for getting players to the Championships punctually each day, for picking them up at the end of each day and will be responsible for looking after their respective player(s) at all other times during the Championships.</li> <li>• This policy applies to any Under 18 players who are selected to play in BTAS Open teams.</li> </ul> <p>Moved: David Back Seconded: Lynne McDougall “that the above Under 18 travel principles be approved Carried</p>	
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	Only limited accommodation may be available close to Club Tweed Heads – so parents / guardians should be advised that the earlier the accommodation is booked the better (perhaps utilising sites such as Booking.com which allow free cancellation of bookings in many cases).	CEO to advise players when advising them of their selection into the 2024 squad.
<b>6) Close and Date of Next Meetings</b>	<p>Meeting closed at 10.12 am.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held at 1pm on Monday 29 April 2024 via Zoom.</p>	