



Bowls Wellington

Board Meeting Minutes

7 June 2021 at 6.00 p.m.

At Pelorus Trust Sports House, Seaview

Present

Members	Sue Way (Chair), Gerry Macgregor, Dayle Jackson (President), Rod Leitch, and Sharman Buckle.
In Attendance	Nigel Dixon (General Manager) and Angela Sheehan (Minutes).
Apologies	Jason Puddick.

1. Welcome / Queen's Birthday Honours / Agenda

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. She acknowledged the following recipients from the bowls community of a Queen's Birthday honour: Peter Horne (Naenae) made a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to bowls and paralympic sport, and Vanessa Taylor (Stokes Valley) awarded the Queen's Service Medal for services to bowls and the community. The Board asked the General Manager to write letters of congratulation, on behalf of the Board, to Peter and Vanessa.

Action: General Manager

The agenda was confirmed.

2. Interests Register and Conflicts of Interest

No changes to the Interests Register were advised, or conflicts with today's agenda.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Board meeting held on 5 April 2021 had been circulated, and were taken as read.

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 5 April 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Sharman Buckle / Dayle Jackson

4. General Manager's Report and Financial Report

The General Manager spoke to his report. He noted that all tournaments and competitions for the 2020/21 season had been completed, and pleasingly there had been an increase in participation across tournaments and competitions. The Board noted a document of participation trends from 2011 to 2021, which showed a decline in participation numbers over the past 30 or 40 years but that that trend has been arrested somewhat, likely because of the innovative, incremental changes to the game.

The General Manager advised the Board of the detail regarding an approach to the Karori Bowling Club by a developer. He had been part of the discussions about the opportunities that that could represent, and he will keep the Board informed of developments.

The finances were in a satisfactory state, with an increase in equity of about \$38,000. The Annual Financial Statements need to be reviewed.

It was resolved that the General Manager's Report and Finance Report be accepted.

Dayle Jackson / Rod Leitch

5. Season Review Endorsements

The Board endorsed the decisions made, which were as follows:

Subject	Voting Result by Delegates	Outcome
Bowls3Five 1-day tournament	For 31; Against 8	A 1-day Bowls3Five tournament will be introduced for the 2021-22 season.
Changes to the Twilight competition	For 36; Against 3	Bowls Wellington will run a tweaked twilight Bowls3Five competition for 2021-22 season.
No time limit to apply from the quarter-final stage of Bowls Wgn tournaments	For 35; Against 6	From 2021-22, quarterfinals of Bowls Wellington tournaments will have no time limit.
Men's Premier Interclub to be increased to 12 teams	For 2; Against 39	Men's Premier Interclub to remain at 10 teams.
Veterans start time to change to 9 am and 2-hour time limits introduced	Introduction of Time limit: For 40; Against 0 Changing start time to 9 am: For 3; Against 35	The 2021/22 Veterans will start at 10 am and games will have a 2-hour time limit.
Champion of Champions to no longer qualify as a Gold Star event	For 2; Against 39	Both Open events and Champion of Champion events are Gold Star eligible events.
Champion of Champions day 1 to be on Saturdays only	For 1; Against 40	Day 1 of Champ of Champ qualifying will remain on Saturdays and Sundays.
Multiple teams to be permitted in the same grade of Men's Pennants	For 19; Against 19	Men's Pennants to remain as one club team per division (except the lowest division) for season 2021- 22.
Development Pairs to revert to 1-8 years	For 19; Against 22	The 2021/22 Development Pairs remain as a 1-10 tournament.
Open tournament draws to be full randomised	For 3; Against 38	Section draws of open tournaments be randomised to the extent that not more than one person from a single club be drawn in a section.

Bowls3Five to be played over a single weekend (Hutt) and Bowls3Five 1-day tournament	This was covered earlier in the meeting with a 1-day tournament having been supported by clubs.	See above
Hutt Valley exclusive tournaments to be run by Hutt Valley clubs	For 0; Against 13	Bowls Wgn will continue to organise entries, create draws, and set conditions of play, with host clubs to take responsibility on the day.

The General Manager will now incorporate the outcomes into the schedule.

Action: General Manager

6. Regional Meeting Outcomes

The Board discussed the following issues arising out of the Regional meeting on 31 May.

Request from Hawke's Bay to enter the Masters competition from season 2021-22: The Board agreed that the Masters competition should stay the same for this year but that the General Manager will write a paper on options for the following season, for consultation with the clubs.

Action: General Manager

Woven Artificial Greens: The Board noted that the majority at the meeting were in favour of a proposal permitting the use of woven artificial greens for representative fixtures provided they were of suitable quality. The Board maintained the stance of Bowls Wellington as being to support players' wishes to play on natural greens.

7. Strategic Plan

The Chair gave a presentation on the proposed final version of the Strategic Plan, and made small editing changes.

It was resolved that the Board adopt the Bowls Wellington Strategic Plan for 2021-2031.

Sue Way / Rod Leitch

8. Performance Reviews

It was resolved that the Board go into committee to discuss the staff performance reviews.

Dayle Jackson / Rod Leitch

9. Other Business

9.1 Winter Tournaments

The General Manager confirmed that the winter tournament concept will be tweaked and offered again.

The meeting concluded at 8.20 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on [insert] 2021.

Minutes confirmed as a true and correct record:

Chair

Date