



**VERMONT SOUTH BOWLING CLUB**

**A section of Vermont South Club Inc**

ABN 60 896 828 957

**Livingstone Road, Vermont South**

**MINUTES OF 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**OF THE**

**VERMONT SOUTH BOWLING CLUB**

**Held at the clubrooms – Livingstone Road Vermont South**

**ON**

**Monday 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2012**

# MINUTES OF 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF VERMONT SOUTH BOWLING CLUB Held at the clubrooms – Livingston Road Vermont South on 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2012

## OPENING OF MEETING

Chairman John Comte called the meeting to order and reminds members to sign the Attendance Book and declared the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Vermont South Bowling Club open for business at 7:30pm and thanked 53 financial members (Ref Appendix 1) for their attendance.

## 1. APOLOGIES

Chairman asked Secretary Geoff Bryant to read the list of recorded Apologies – there being 34 recorded and 19 received from the floor – Total Apologies 53 (Ref Appendix 2 - “Apologies”)

## 2. NOTICE OF MEETING:

Chairman John asked Secretary Geoff if every financial member of the Club been informed of the AGM, in accordance with Club Rule 32(a)?

Secretary Geoff advised that: a Notice had been posted to the address of all financial members without email, transmitted by email to all members with an email address, placed on the clubroom noticeboard and the club website. There were no responding Notices of Motion received.

Before moving on to Item 3 on the Agenda, Chairman John advised there were 4 sets of Minutes to be confirmed, each to be dealt with separately.

## 3. BOWLS SECTION 2011 AGM:

Chairman John advised that Minutes of the 2011 Bowls Section AGM; held 16<sup>th</sup> May 2011, had been posted on the noticeboard and website and circulated in hardcopy form and asked for a motion that they be taken as read and adopted as a correct record of the last AGM (16/5/2011)

The motion moved by *Gary Simmons* and seconded by *Tony Bennett*; was carried.

## 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM BOWLS SECTION 2011 AGM:

Chairman John asked Secretary Geoff if there was any business arising from the Bowls Section 2011 AGM; Minutes. There being none, the meeting moved on to Agenda item 5

## 5. MEN’S SECTION 2011 AGM:

Chairman John advised that Minutes of the 2011 Men’s Section AGM, held 16<sup>th</sup> May 2011, had been posted on the noticeboard and website and circulated in hardcopy form and asked for a motion that they be taken as read and accepted without amendment.

The motion moved by *Clive Wilson* and seconded by *Paul Dunn*; was carried.

## 6. FROM MEN’S SECTION 2011 AGM:

Chairman John asked Secretary Geoff if there was any business arising from the Men’s Section 2011 AGM; Minutes.

Secretary Geoff advised members voted that the Committee write to Bowls Victoria querying the decisions made in regard to the 2011/12 pennant format. Bowls Victoria’s response to our queries, and those of other clubs, was published in a circular, a copy of which was posted on club noticeboards.

There was no other business arising from the Men’s Section 2011 AGM.

## **7. WOMEN'S SECTION 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2011 AGM:**

Chairman John advised that Minutes of the 2011 Women's Section AGM, held 16<sup>th</sup> May 2011, had been posted on the noticeboard and website and circulated in hardcopy form and asked for a motion that they be taken as read and accepted without amendment.

The motion moved by *Lizzie Boucher* and seconded by *Carole Simmons*; was carried.

## **8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM: WOMEN'S SECTION AGM**

Chairman John asked Secretary Geoff if there was any business arising from the Women's Section 2011 AGM; Minutes.

There was no business arising from the Women's Section 2011 AGM.

## **9. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING -16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2011**

Chairman John advised that Minutes of the Special General Meeting, held 16<sup>th</sup> May 2011, had been posted on the noticeboard and website and circulated in hardcopy form and asked for a motion that they be taken as read and accepted without amendment.

The motion moved by *Jim Baker* and seconded by *Alan Flaherty*; was carried.

## **10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM: SPECIAL MEETING**

Chairman John asked Secretary Geoff if there was any business arising from the Special Meeting

There was no business arising from the Special Section Meeting

## **11. PRESENTATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF ANNUAL REPORTS**

Chairman John asked that the Annual Reports, previously circulated and available on the Club website be tabled and taken as read. Reports received:

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|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Chairman's report:     | John Comte                          |
| b) Secretary's "          | Geoff Bryant                        |
| c) Treasurer "            | Ian Oxley                           |
| d) Social Committee       | Norm Weight (Chair)                 |
| e) Bowls 1 (Tournaments)  | Barrie Brown (Bowls 1 Coordinator)  |
| f) Sat. Pennant Committee | Mike McFarlane (Chair)              |
| g) Bowls 2 (Social)       | Barbara Brown (Bowls 2 Coordinator) |
| h) Membership             | David Russell (Coordinator)         |
| i) Marketing & PR         | Lizzie Boucher (Coordinator)        |
| j) Facilities             | Christine Holland – Coordinator:    |
|                           | • Greens Director - Andrew Ross     |
|                           | • Gardens & Surrounds Brian Sampson |
|                           | • Maintenance – John Molloy         |
|                           | • Housekeeping – Margaret Sampson   |

Chairman John asked that the Annual Reports (10) as published in the 2012 Annual Report, be taken as received, read and accepted.

Moved: Neil Cameron

Seconded *Brian Clancy* - Carried

## 12. ELECTION OF SECRETARY AND 4 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The election of Secretary and 4 Committee members to serve on the Bowls Section Committee was required but, In accordance with the Club Rules - *John Comte* (Chairman), *Christine Holland* (Deputy Chair) and committee members: *Ian Oxley and David Russell*, having 1 year, of their 2 year tenure; to serve on Committee.

- **Secretary:** *Secretary Geoff* advised that *Keith Horlock* had been the only nomination for the position of Secretary; for next 2 years and Chairman John therefore declare *Keith* as the incoming Secretary, and thank him for nominating for the position
- **Committee (4 positions):** *Secretary Geoff* advised that five formal Nominations had been received: *Peter Ballam, Barbara Brown, Barrie Brown, Neil Cameron and Gail Pearson*.

A ballot vote was conducted to enable members to vote for four of the 5 Nominee's, listed. Chairman John announced arrangements for the ballot and advised *Clive Wilson* and *Noel Bennett* had agreed to hand out ballot papers, scrutinise votes and inform the Chair re the outcome of the vote.

Chairman John announced: *Barbara Brown, Barrie Brown, Neil Cameron* and *Gail Pearson* as the elected as members of the Committee and congratulates the successful candidates and thanking *Peter Ballam* for offering to serve on the Committee, and also thanked retiring Committee members: *Ronda* and *Ed Benetti Lizzie Boucher* (elected for 1 year term in 2011) and *Robin Growse* (Coopted 2011) for their support and constructive input to Committee business.

## 13. APPOINTMENT OF SUB-COMMITTEES:

- **Saturday Pennant Team Selectors (5):** Three selectors: *Michael McFarlane, Allan Lamb* and *Barrie Brown* agreed to serve the second year of their 2 year elected terms (2011 AGM).

Two Nominations; to fill the 2 vacant positions; were received from: *Ed Benetti* and *Paul Dunn* and as the number of nominees equalled the number of vacant positions Chairman John declared *Ed and Paul* elected for the next 2 years and thank them for offering to serve on the Saturday Selection committee. Chairperson of this committee will be decided, by the Saturday Selectors at their first meeting.

- **Tuesday Pennant Team Selectors (5):** Two selectors: *Ronda Benetti* and *Lizzie Boucher* agreed to serve the second year of their 2 year elected terms (2011 AGM).

Three Nominations; to fill the 3 vacant positions; were received from: *Barbara Brown, Christine Holland* and *Florence Parker* and as the number of nominees equalled the number of vacant positions Chairman John declared *Barbara, Christine* and *Florence* elected for the next 2 years and thank them for offering to serve on the Tuesday Selection committee. Chairperson of this committee will be decided, by the Tuesday Selectors at their first meeting.

- **Tournament committee.** Chairman John advised that due to the amount of work involved in putting together and running the Club's bowling fixtures, the Committee had resolved not to set a maximum number of people for the Tournament committee.

John thanked Nominees (11): *Ken Barnhill, Judy Bartle, Barbara Brown, Barrie Brown, Christine Burfitt, Pauline Cullen, Robin Growse, Florence Parker, Michael Summers, Val Weight* and *Mal Walker* who were then appointed to the Tournament committee for 12 months. The position of **Tournament Director** will be decided at the new committee's first meeting.

- **Social committee.** Chairman John advised that, as with the Tournament committee, it had been decided not to set a maximum number of members to serve on the Social committee.

John thanked the 6 nominees: *Anne Marchment, Ian Oxley, Joan Oxley, David Russell, Pat Russell and Norman Weight* and they were appointed to the Social committee for 12 months. The Chairperson will be decided by the members of this committee; at its first meeting.

- **Greens Committee** - Chairman John advised that, as with the Tournament and Social committees, the number of members serving on the Greens committee, would not be limited.

Two nominations were received: *Anthony Bennett and Keith Horlock* and both were appointed to assist the ongoing Greens committee members: *Andrew Ross, Ron Vogele and Noel Bennett*, with preparation and maintenance of the greens. John thanked the committee members for taking-on / continuing with this vitally important job and commended *Andrew, Ron, Noel* and *Stewart Andrew* for many their years of tireless work on the greens.

John announced that *Stewart Andrew*, after 8 years of dedication and commitment to the greens committee had resolved to retire from the job. John thanked Andrew again for his dependable commitment to the club and mentioned the need for more volunteers to join the Greens committee and help spread the workload of this extremely important group.

#### 14. APPOINTMENT OF CONVENERS & COORDINATORS:

Chairman John informed the meeting that:

- *Andrew Ross* had offered to continue as **Greens Director** – Chairman John thanked Andrew for his offer and advised that new Committee would deliberate on the Position and appoint the Greens Director, at their next meeting
- *John Molloy* had offered to continue as **Maintenance Manager** - Chairman John thanked John for all the skilled work he had completed since assuming this role.
- *Val Weight* had offered to continue in the role of **Wellbeing Person** (previously “Almoner”) and John thanked *Val* for her caring dedication in this role and also thanked *Derek Mullett* for offering to assist *Val*; by keeping in touch with male members.
- *Brian Sampson* had offered to continue-on as **Gardens Coordinator** and John welcomed Brian back after a lengthy period away from the club due to health problems and thanked him for his continuing commitment to the club, the gardens and the gardening team.

Chairman John acknowledged and thanked all members who have contributed their time, skills and energy over the 2011-2012 club-year, highlighting key activities carried out by:

- Bar Manager - *Jock Halley* and his authorised assistants
- Gardens & Surrounds - *Brian Sampson and Barrie Brown* et al
- Handbook Coordinator - *Barb Brown, Judith Hester and Laurice Webb* et al
- Monday Pairs Convenor - *Brian Sampson*
- Wednesday Night Social Bowls Convenor - *Ian Oxley*
- Thursday Social Bowls Convenors - *Ray Spelman and Allan Lamb*
- Night Pennant Convenor - *David Russell*
- Membership Coordinator - *David Russell*
- Catering - *Judy Bartle, Gwen Baker, Lizzie Boucher, Liz Henwood, Margaret Sampson and Sue Van West* and their respective teams.
- Junior Bowls - *Lloyd Iaccarino, Barrie and Barbara Brown*, et al
- Housekeeping - *Margaret Sampson*
- Corporate & Social Bowls - *Clive Wilson* and team

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- Coaches – *Margaret Borden, Pat Andrew, Barrie Brown, Ian Heatley and David Perry*
- Wednesday morning Special Needs Group - *Bernadette Moore* and helpers
- Sponsorship - *Gary Simmons*.

Chairman John commended *Gary Simmons* for his perseverance and enthusiasm and congratulated him on his achievements in attracting a high-level of sponsorship and financial benefits for the Club and advised that; after many successful years, Gary had decided to step-down from Sponsorship and invited members to speak with Gary if they were interested in taking on the position.

Before moving to the next item on the agenda, John expressed his heartfelt thanks to the many members who regularly turn up to assist at working bees and the many day-to day jobs that contribute to the successful operation of the club

#### **15. RECORDING NAMES OF COACHES:**

Chairman John informed the meeting that, for insurance purposes it was necessary to record in the names of our qualified/experienced coaches and accordingly announced that Coaches for the 2012-2013 club year to be: *Margaret Borden, Pat Andrew, Barrie Brown, Ian Heatley and David Perry*.

John thanked *Margaret, Pat, Barrie, Ian and David* for their the many hours they put into coaching members, especially new and potential members and commended them for their dedication and demonstrated desire to develop skills/bowls know-how, throughout the club

#### **16. GENERAL BUSINESS:**

There being no prior notice of general business matters Chairman John invited general questions or statements from the floor noting that such business could not result in the meeting making any formal decision. The meeting discussed issues including:

- I. *Brian Clancy* expressed the view that, for away games, players should contact the skip of their rink to make transport arrangements. New Committee to consider and respond to Brian.
- II. *Noel Bennett* enquired re progress on replacement of the East green and was advised that VSC would be inviting 3 recognised companies, to submit for a sand-filled synthetic green.
- III. *Ian Heatley* asked the Committee to consider holding the AGM's in April, rather than May, enabling members; who routinely head north during autumn, to attend the Meeting. Chairman John said the Committee would consider the suggestion at their next meeting.
- IV. *Gary Simmons* – asked if the Club had made any progress with ERBR or Bowls Victoria, re changing pennant games, from 21 ends, back to 25 ends – Chairman John advised that Bowls Victoria remain firmly against any such change and Conditions of Play, for the season ahead, will provide for 21 ends to be played for the Saturday and Midweek competitions.

**17. NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** – Chairman John advised the next AGM will be held 13th May 2013

**18. COMMITTEE MEETING** – Chairman John advised the next meeting of the Committee will be held Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2012 at 7:00 pm

**19. MEETING CLOSURE:** There being no further business, Chairman John thanked members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8:20 pm

**APPENDICES (4 PAGES):** “A” – **Attendance** Record (2 pages) and “B” – **Apologies** (2 pages); follow.

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Attendance Record

Please print name next to signature so that signature is recognisable

Print Name	Signature	Print Name	Signature
TREVOR HOLLAND		CHRISTINE HOLLAND	
ALAN FLAHERTY		TREVOR BARTLE	
ES BENNETT		JUDY BARTLE	
RONDA BENETTI		ALAN HAYHORN	
2 Noel & Vw Bennett		BRIAN CHANCY	
VAL WEGH		MAL WALKER	
2 Pat + DAVID RUSSELL		GEOFF BRYANT	
Florence Parker		NANCY EVANS	
2 Pat - Row Doyle		COLIN EVANS	
N WRIGHT		AUDREY MULLETT	
G. PEARSON		DEREK MULLETT	
N BENNETT		CLIVE SMITH	
P. DUNN		Bob Sutherland	
P.A. WILSON		M. SUTHERLAND	
C. WILSON		TONY BENNETT	
PAT OSBORN		Joy Smith	
PAT GOW		SUE VANWEST	
JIM BAKER		IAN HEATLEY	
JOHN COMTE		NEIL CAMERON	
Anne Marchmont		CHRIS SIMMONS	
JOAN HEATLEY		GARY SIMMONS	
		KEITH HULLOCK	

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Allen G. FARY	<i>A G Fary</i>		
IAN O'CONNOR	<i>I O'Connell</i>		
Michael Keel	<i>M Keel</i>		
Margaret Sampson	<i>MS</i>		
PHIL STARKY	<i>PS</i>		
MARGARET BORDEN	<i>M Borden</i>		
Lizzie Boucher	<i>L Boucher</i>		
<i>J Malloy</i>	<i>JOHN MALLOY</i> (S)		
Joe Iaccarino	<i>J. Iaccarino</i>		
Hoyd Iaccarino	<i>H Iaccarino</i>		
PAM BARNHILL	<i>P Barnhill</i> (S)		
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APOLOGIES

Print Name Clearly	Print Name Clearly
ALLEN MAHER.	JULIE TEMPLE.
FAY HILL	CYTHIA TASHBARD
PAT ANDREW	COLIN JEFFREY.
G. VAYOHITIS	VIV O'BRIEN.
JEAN COMPTON	JEAN WALTER
M. MCFARLANE.	HELLIE SUTHERLAND.
BARRIE - BROWN.	JOHN - VAN - WEST
BARBARA BROWN.	ANDREW ROSS
BEV CLARKSON.	BERHADETE. <del>MOORE.</del>
BETTY WATSON	JOAN OXLEY.
RAY WATSON	BRIAN JAMPSON.
JOCK HAWLEY	ALEN LAMB
ALICE HAWLEY.	ANN STALEY.
IKEN BARNHILL	FAY MOLLOY. (34)
GAVAN GOW.	MARGARE HEHREL
GWEN BAKER	KAREN BRYANT
GRAHAM MARCHICHT	LYN BRYANT
MIKE ENERY	CYRIL EVANS
MARG EMIRAY	PAULINE EVANS
JOHN TEMPLE (20)	BRIAN BIBBY

