

VERMONT SOUTH BOWLING CLUB (A Member of Vermont South Club Inc. ABN 60-896-828-957)

Minutes of Committee Meeting Monday 7th August 2023

Venue	Bowls Section Clubroom	Meeting Opened at 7.36 pm
Present	Di Agius (Chair), John Strybosch, John Ispanovic, Mike Petty, Anne Staley, Jann Laurence, Pam Barnhill, Rhona Bastiani, Sharon Hedrick	Visitor
MINUTES:	Di welcomed everyone	
1)	Apologies: Debbie Strybosch	ACTION
2)	Confirm Minutes: Moved: Sharon Hedrick Seconded: Mike Petty Circulated minutes of meeting held 3 rd July 2023, be taken as presented and adopted as a true record of proceedings – Carried	
3)	Business arising from Previous Meeting and Current Matters	ACTION
а)	Pennant - John S	 (i) Pennant teams have been lodged with Bowls Victoria should be notified of fixtures in about two weeks. (ii) Coaches meeting held earlier today with the following outcomes. • Monday practice to commence at 10.15 am and not 10.00 am to allow green keepers time to complete their routines. Laminated drill cards will be available for each rink and its drill. • Monday training and Monday social bowls to co-exist until social bowls finish at the end of August. • Individual coaching training will be available for those who want it at Monday morning training. • Winter social program will finish at the end of August. • Training on Thursdays between 3.00 pm - 5.00 pm will include separate practice sessions for Leads, Seconds, Thirds and Skips and match play in preparation for Saturday pennant. Discussions will then take place in the clubroom. All players are encouraged to attend Thursday training. It is important if they want to improve and progress their game. Players who have reasons for not attending must discuss with John Strybosch who will put an alternate strategy in place with practice cards and meetings with him. • Top teams to play on the bottom green and the lower teams to play on the top green this season. Rinks to be set up each Monday for how they will be played on Tues/Sat/Thurs. • Rinks to run north south for training sessions and from the end of August.

		 See if more practice matches on Friday, 29th September can be played at Mulgrave Country Club rather than at Vermont South. New and younger players showing potential will be given the opportunity to be promoted to higher grades. Sessions will be run on the mental and tactical aspects of the game. The tick system being reintroduced this pennant season will involve the skips and the thirds who are to communicate with each other. At the opening of the green on 16th September, the President followed by club champions to bowl the first bowls. There will also be an afternoon tea. When pennant commences afternoon tea breaks are to be staggered to allow the tennis club room to manage. Green Director has raised concerns re the damage caused to the green from incorrect deliveries. Coaches will be monitoring this aspect with players and taking action if required. Information sessions to be held in September and October. An eNews article this week will provide all of the details for practice games and arrangements for the lead up to the start of the season.
b)	Social Bowls - Jann/Rhona	 (i) Di has lodged a submission to Council about more visible signage for the club – still waiting for outcome – Di to follow up. (ii) Social bowls has been very well attended through winter. Acknowledgement to the convenors for a job well done and a special thank you to Rhona for her extra effort with kitchen duty. (iii) The summer program will commence from September with Rob Graham and Peter Ballam the convenors for Wednesday and Ray Spelman convenor for Thursday. Conditions of play to be finalised for the summer program and approved by VSC – Di to action.
c)	Tournament – Mike	 (i) Club Championships to start later this year (see attached schedule). Commence on 26th November with the Mens and Ladies Singles followed by the Mens and Ladies Pairs, 100 Up, Mixed Pairs and the Novice section being the last event. Also looking at holding a club selected Mixed Fours Club Championship similar to the Balmoral format. TBA (ii) All Pairs competitions to now be 3 bowls pairs x 18 ends. (iii) First round and final to be completed by the set date commencing at 1.00 pm. If not played by the set date the game is to be forfeited. (iv) Graeme Durrant to do the draw for the club championships and enter results in Bowlslink. (v) Balmoral Cup to commence on April 10th for 10 weeks subject to the weather. Event to be advertised outside the club and on Facebook. (vi) KCL Tournament – to be held on Saturday, 20th April 2023. (vii) Ladies Day will be held next year on Sunday, 19th May. (viii) Look at the possibility of holding an extra tournament (will depend on building works).
d)	Corporate – Di/Pam	 (i) Two groups of Year 10 students (a total of 41) from Emmaus College will be at the club on Tuesday, 5th September at 9.30 am and 2.30 pm. Mike Petty will run the sessions with Elaine Kendler and Pam Barnhill helping. (ii) Team Building session (John S and Di) to be rescheduled due to the weather – date will now be after winter.

e)	Facilities/Greens – John I	 (i) Concern has been raised regarding the steepness of the new stairs to the bottom green. We have been advised they are within the code. (ii) John I advised that maintenance of the pop-up sprinklers will be required when the water pump is reconnected at the completion of the renovations. Cost unknown at this point.
f)	Membership	Transfer from Lilydale has been completed for Pearl Barratt.
g)	Catering	Sandwiches and slices will be provided for the Opening of the Green day. Pam to set up a roster for afternoon tea duty during pennant.
h)	Social Club	(i) 18 people enjoyed Christmas in July at the Knox Club. (ii) Movie night to be organised - "Some Like it Hot" at the end of August. Date TBA.
i)	Finance	The committee acknowledged Ray's report.
j)	Housekeeping	(i) Rhona is still covering for Loretta while she is away. (ii) Sharon has received Campbells Member Card. Phil to organise Bendigo Bank savings card. (iii) New kettle has been purchased.
k)	Wellbeing	 Alex Blundell has had a short stay in hospital. He is receiving some extra assistance in the bar at this stage. Alex is back bowling and enjoying his games. Derek Hale has had a short hospital stay in hospital and is back enjoying his bowls. He is in fine form with his new arm. John Henwood is now home and recovering after an unexpected trip to hospital. John and Liz thank members for their assistance in offering and taking Liz to visit John in hospital. John Ispanovic has had a short stay in hospital and is now on the mend. Ian Bennett has also had a stay in hospital after an operation on his leg. Graeme Buntrock is progressing okay and will soon be leaving for a holiday in Queensland but will not be taking the caravan.
I)	Chairperson/VSC Report	 (i) The Tennis Club may have a new secretary. (ii) We have lost Rymans as a sponsor (\$5,000). (iii) Grant submission to the Bendigo Bank has been rejected. (iv) Doing well financially per the VSC Finance Report.
m)	ERBR Delegates Report	ERBR have reported on councils becoming interested in the amalgamation of clubs. John is to compare ERBR schedule of championship events to see if we can offer our greens for some of their events – John S to action

n)	Correspondence In/Out	Correspondence received from Department of Families, Fairness and Housing re nominating volunteers over 60 for The Victorian Senior of the Year Awards. No action to be taken.		
4)	General Business	ACTION		
a)	VSC Website Update	Landing page imagery has been sent to the developer. Word press software is being used to create the webpage. When front page established work to be done on content for the site. Separate levels to be created for Bowls, Tennis and Darts to then scroll down. Our sponsors are to be included along with a secure members only site.		
b)	Uniforms	Debbie Strybosch has spoken to a local manufacturer in Dandenong. Debbie to speak to Debbie Banner before their meeting with Di on Thursday.		
c)	Upwey Tecoma Bowls Club	Upwey Tecoma are holding a fund raising tournament on Friday, 29 th September to assist with the scam situation they experienced As we are already committed to a practice match with Mulgrave Country Club, it was decided to donate money from the Wrong Bias Jar along with fund raising being done with a bucket for donations being placed on the social convenors table over the next 2 weeks.		
d)	Furniture/Fittings – Fund Raiser	Hold off until a later meeting when we have a better idea of what will be needed. Look at the possibility of purchasing a plaque to raise funds.		
e)	Fund Raising Raffle	Nothing decided at this stage.		
f)	Philippines Trip	Warren Strybosch to provide details on possible club trip to the Philippines.		
5) In closing the meeting, Chair Di thanked everyone. Next VSBC Meeting will be Monday, 4 th September at 7.30 pm Meeting Closed – 9.26 pm				
Approved by Di Agius (Chairperson) Date:		Date:		