VERMONT SOUTH BOWLING CLUB

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

Minutes of Committee Meeting - Monday, 5th August 2024

Venue	**Bowls Section Clubroom**	**Meeting Opened at 7.05 pm**
Present	Di Agius (Chair), Anne Staley, John Strybosch, Mike Petty, Rhona Bastiani, Sharon Hedrick **Succession Recruits** - Rick Nelson	**Visitors:**
MINUTES:	Di welcomed everyone.	
1)	**Apologies**: Jann Laurence, Pam Barnhill, Peter Morgan, Dean Stubley, Leanne Bourke, Sue Mogan, Tony McArdle	**ACTION**
2)	**Confirm Minutes:** **Moved:** Rhona Bastiani **Seconded:** John Strybosch Circulated minutes of meeting held on 1st July 2024, be taken as presented and adopted as a true record of proceedings. – Carried	
3)	**Business arising from Previous Meeting and Current Matters**	
a)	**Pennant** - John	(i) The opening of the season will be held on Saturday, 7th September. John Mullahy, Raelene Carr and Michael Sukkar have indicated they will be attending. Richard Welsh (MP for Blackburn) also hopes to attend. Di spoke to Richard at a function she attended and suggested a Poli Challenge which he and another attending MP were keen to pursue. If it goes ahead, will be held later in the year. (ii) The format for Opening Day is - welcoming of dignitaries, presentation of medals to the top team, presentation of Over 80's veteran badges and shirts and caps to our new pennant players. (iii) First bowl of the season to be bowled by attending dignitaries, Club President, Men's and Ladies club champion and is to be spider format. (iv) John S to decide on the number of ends to be played on Opening Day. On 14th September there is another short game of bowls to be followed by an indoor session. On 21st September an external practice game will be held. On 27th September (Friday before Grand Final) an internal practice game will be held. On 5th October the top two sides will have an external game with the remaining sides having an internal game. On 12th October all sides will have a final internal practice. On 19th October pennant begins. (v) Tuesday Pennant will have external practice games on 1st and 8th October with an internal game to be held on 15th October. (vi) New Duty Rink Tasks to now be emailed to other committee members for approval.

		(vii) Jann has volunteered to be on duty for afternoon tea on Saturday and to also get lunches out of the fridge on Saturdays and Tuesdays. (viii) Rick N has placed an authorised personal only sign on the kitchen storeroom door. (ix) Di has been trying to make contact with Gary Lasky re a coaching opportunity at the club but he has not been responding in a timely manner to emails. Di has had a positive response from Danny Simmons via Coach Force. Danny is an advanced bowls coach and it is proposed he will give a talk with a number of selected players on Saturday, 31st August from 2.00-4.00 pm. He will then hold a session with the coaches on the green on Thursday, 5th September. He will attend a number of Thursday training sessions and will hold a session with the 3rd and 4th sides from 2.00-3.00 pm and then a session with the 1st and 2nd sides from 4.00-5.30 pm on a date to be advised. (x) Warren Strybosch, Marlene Storer and Di have all completed their coaching accreditation. Rick Carver will complete this week. Ron Short still to complete. (xi) Look at holding another training session, maybe on a Friday, for those who cannot make it on Thursday. (xii) John S wants more exposure on facebook and other media platforms. Need to find people who are skilled at facebook posting.
b)	**Social Bowls -** Jann/Rhona	(i) **James from VSC** hasn't got back yet re researching neon signage as a possible option to go on the street.
c)	**Tournament** – John/Mike	(i) **Mike to speak to Graeme D** re KCL tournament next year to make sure it doesn't clash with any events being held by Eastern Ranges or Mitcham. **Tournament date (on a Saturday) to be locked in with KCL by next meeting.**
d)	**Club Championships** - Graeme/Mal/David	(i) No update.
e)	**Corporate** – Di/Pam/Mike	(i) Mike provided a draft of the corporate brochure which only needs to have minor changes made. (ii) Bunnings Vermont South are holding a function in the clubroom on Sunday, 8th September between 7.00-11.00 pm. (iii) Emmaus had booked three sessions for Tuesday, 20th August. The first session between 9.15-10.15 am will go ahead but the other two sessions in the afternoon have been postponed. (iv) St James Primary have booked Friday, 13th September between 4.00-5.00 pm for teachers only. Bowls to be supervised by Rick N and John S will man the bar. (v) Highvale Secondary has booked two sessions on Thursday, 5th and Friday, 6th September between 10.00-11.30 am. Mal and Rick C to supervise. (vi) Teachers from Highvale Primary temporarily booked 19th December for approximately 100 people for Barefoot Bowls and dinner. Now not likely to go ahead as we have not had confirmation. (vii) Need to have a briefing/training session with the RSAs. (viii) More volunteers are required for corporate sessions. (ix) Faye and Alex Blundell have tentatively booked the clubroom for a private function on Sunday, 6th October.
f)	**Facilities/Greens**	(i) The council is not taking responsibility for the damage done to the green during the clubroom renovation. Report from KCL did not detail the damage was caused by blocked drainage. (ii) Play on the green from 1st September to be North-South.

		(iii) As a result of the greenhouse break in it has been established a laser measurer, a telescope and Sue Blanchard's bowls have been stolen along with significant damage done to the cupboards. A police report has been submitted and an insurance claim will be lodged. Umpire pieces will need to be replaced. (iv) Convenors to appoint bar people on their day of play. (v) Meetings to be held re bar duty. (vi) A decision is close to being made on bench seating for the concourse.
g)	**Membership** - Di	(i) No further members have signed up since last month (currently 200 members). (ii) New Member's Night went well with positive feedback from those who attended. (iii) The club has been invited to join an Inclusive Clubs Project run by the council. An assessment meeting is to be held at the club on Monday night and workshops to be held on 14th and 28th August (Mike, Spiro and Anne have been nominated to attend these meetings).
h)	**Catering** - Pam	(i) Jan is running Opening Day on 7th September. Afternoon Tea to be provided. (ii) Marlene Storer is joining the catering team and Elka Nowka has volunteered to provide food when required for functions.
i)	**Social Club**	(i) International Food Day has been postponed to later in the year. (ii) Justin O'Meara is running the Trivia Night on Friday, 11th October at 6.30-8.30 pm. Cost is $10.00 and bring a plate. Tables of 6-8 people to be organised amongst members. (iii) Movie Night planned for Sunday, 27th October may have to be postponed as we need to get a screen to show the movie. Look at purchasing a screen from Bunnings via Rick N.
j)	**Finance/VSC**	(i) Cash Report received from Jann prior to the meeting.
k)	**Housekeeping**	(i) Nothing to report.
l)	**Wellbeing**	(i) Geoff Parry is home and slowly recovering. He is hopeful of attending the Arm Bowler session on 13th October. (ii) Jan Daphne is recovering well after her bout in hospital. (iii) John and Faye Molloy are still trying to overcome recent health issues. (iv) John Henwood is in hospital. (v) Elane Kendler has had an operation on her eye but has to wait 5 weeks to know if it has been successful. (vi) Alan Flaherty is in intensive care in Mulgrave Private Hospital. (vii) While up north Graeme Buntrock had to be flown to Toowoomba Hospital. Doctors are still trying to work out what is going on. (viii) Trevor Holland to have surgery when he returns from Queensland.
m)	**Chairperson's Report**	**(i) The Annual General Meeting of VSC has been changed to Monday, 30th September but this is still to be confirmed.**

		(ii) After discussions with Carol Protopapas from Heathmont, Ladies Development Day is to be opened up to all female players as finding players for the 5 weeks has proved difficult. Each club is to provide supper for one week. We are to provide a bar person each night. As we are not providing supper now the cost has been reduced to $5.00 per game.
n)	**ERBR Delegates Report**	(i) Proposed changes to night pennant are 9 players per team and ends reduced to 18. (ii) Annual General Meeting of ERBR to be held on Monday, 14th October.
o)	**Correspondence In/Out**	(i) Email received from Trevor Holland congratulating the committee on the New Members' Meeting.
	GENERAL BUSINESS	**ACTION**
a)	**Goals and Strategies Summary**	(i) Made available to members via eNews.
b)	**Action Plan**	(i) Made available to members via eNews.
c)	**Smoking Area**	(i) Notice to go near the front door advising the club is a smoke free environment. (ii) Six designated smoking area signs have been ordered. We are unable to stop people smoking in the car park as this is designated as a 'public' place by the council.
d)	**Mega Bowl Competition**	(i) Mega Bowl competition to be held on Melbourne Cup Day (5th November). $20 entry fee will cover play, drink, sausage and horse in a cup sweep. Four rinks to be used, random draw, 1 bowl - closest to the pin continues to play on. A maximum of 64 entries.
e)	**Victoria Grange**	(i) Has requested to hold a competition at our club. To be held on a Monday for 10 weeks commencing in February 2025, with a starting time of 10.00 am. There will be no interference to our Monday social games as only 4 rinks are required with 5 matches to be played.
f)	**Working Bee**	(i) To be held on Sunday, 8th September commencing at 10.00 am and will include a sausage lunch. Di to put a list together of jobs needing to be done. (ii) Scoreboards from the bottom rink to be moved around so the best quality ones are at the North/South ends. Numbers need to be replaced.

5) In closing the meeting, Chair Di thanked everyone.

Next VSBC Meeting will be Monday, 2nd September 2024 at 7.00 pm

Meeting Closed – 9.00 pm

Approved by Di Agius (Chairperson) _____ Date: _____