

**Minutes of Committee Meeting - Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025**

<b>Venue</b>	<b>Bowls Section Clubroom</b>	<b>Meeting Opened at 7.09 pm</b>
<b>Present</b>	Di Agius (Chair), Anne Staley, Jann Laurence, John Strybosch, Mike Petty, Pam Barnhill, Peter Morgan, Rhona Bastiani <b>Succession Recruits</b> – Dean Stubley, Sue Morgan, Tony McArdle	<b>Visitors:</b>
<b>MINUTES:</b>	Di welcomed everyone.	
<b>1)</b>	<b>Apologies:</b> Rick Nelson, Sharon Hedrick	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>2)</b>	<b>Confirm Minutes:</b> <b>Moved:</b> Rhona Bastiani <b>Seconded:</b> John Strybosch Circulated minutes of meeting held on 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2025, be taken as presented and adopted as a true record of proceedings. – Carried	
<b>3)</b>	<b>Business arising from Previous Meeting and Current Matters</b>	
<b>a)</b>	<b>Pennant - John</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Saturday Side 3 were beaten in the elimination final by Bennetswood who were the better side on the day.</li> <li>(ii) On Tuesday 2 sides had good wins – Side 2 beat Croydon at Croydon by 35 shots and Side 3 beat Mooroolbark at Mooroolbark also by 35 shots.</li> <li>(iii) Tuesday Side 3 to play Blackburn at Blackburn tomorrow. Side 2 to play in the Grand Final next week.</li> <li>(iv) Completed pennant forms to be back by 13<sup>th</sup> April.</li> <li>(v) Tuesday night teams had a practice this afternoon at Mitcham which was well attended. VSC1 versus VSC2 to be played at Mitcham tomorrow night commencing at 7.00 pm.</li> <li><b>(vi) Bowls committee report to be completed by Di along with a thank you to the summer convenors.</b></li> </ul>
<b>b)</b>	<b>Social Bowls - Jann/Rhona</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The neon sign on the street organised by James cost \$700 per week. Electronic signage would cost around \$30,000 which is out of the question. Look at making our own signage – to be taken down if council object. <b>Di to follow up with VSC.</b></li> <li>(ii) Kieser Monday 2/4/2 competition to commence on 17th March.</li> <li>(iii) 2 bowl triples to commence on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April.</li> <li>(iv) Saturday social bowls to commence on 5<sup>th</sup> April.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(v) Balmoral Cup commences on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April and will run for 10 weeks if we have 20 entries.</li> <li>(vi) Barefoot bowls to start on 14<sup>th</sup> March from 6.00-8.00 pm (\$5 green fee) and has been moved to Friday night instead of Wednesday. Move is a result of many enquiries asking if we had bowls on a Friday night. Will monitor how the change in night goes. To be made a more social night and open up to club members and family. Will break for winter when weather gets too cold. Inside bowls maybe an alternative.</li> </ul>
c)	<b>Tournament</b> – John/Mike	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ladies Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> March. We have now received 23 entries with 28 being the maximum. Graeme will give out flyers at the ERBR tournament at the club on Wednesday. Jim Baker will be umpire on the day and Graeme will update Bowlslink.</li> <li>(ii) John to manage the day and will request a group of men volunteers including Mike and Dean. Raffle tickets and donation of prizes are to be organised. Meeting to be held prior to the event with Di, John and Pam.</li> <li>(iii) Super 4's tournament has received 14 entries so far.</li> </ul>
d)	<b>Club Championships</b> - Graeme/Mal/David	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Finals to be played this weekend. Novice – Steve Gatt against Frank DiMauro, 100 Up Handicap – Warren Strybosch against John Benson, Mixed Pairs - Ken Barnhill and Sue Morgan against Di and David Fisher. Pam Janssen is away and will not be able to play in the final. The Championship Committee have had to make some rulings on issues raised and the bowls committee support their decisions. The Championship Committee has done an excellent job this year.</li> <li>(ii) Graeme, Mal and David are happy to run the club championships again next year but they will review how this year has gone and will make appropriate changes.</li> </ul>
e)	<b>Corporate</b> – Di/Pam/Mike	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) <b>Phil to send an email to all RSA's detailing requirements when manning in the bar.</b></li> <li>(ii) Barefoot Bowls event being held this Thursday. Peter M, Ken G and Alan R helping out.</li> <li>(iii) Another corporate event is being held on Friday between 1.30-3.00. Craig A, Dean S and Spiro to assist.</li> <li>(iv) Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> March has been booked by Vermont South Special School for an end of term event. John and two other helpers required.</li> <li>(v) Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> March booked for Barefoot Bowls between 12.00-2.00 pm. John S, Tony Mc and Rick N to help out.</li> <li>(vi) A 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday being held on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> April which is being self catered for. Ken G, Paul B, Jeremy O and Trevor H to work the bar.</li> </ul>
f)	<b>Facilities/Greens</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) John Hasting head of KCL to inspect the bottom green and provide a detailed report for VSC to go back to the council. If the council will not take responsibility an insurance claim will be considered.</li> <li>(ii) <b>Di to go back to VSC</b> with a budget for the kitchen back wall to be fixed and two ovens to be purchased.</li> <li>(iii) Freezer has been purchased and installed.</li> <li>(iv) The clubroom roof has leaks which need to be fixed.</li> <li>(v) Sponsor boards need to be reviewed and removed where no longer a sponsor.</li> <li>(vi) Wrap around cold packs need to be on hand for both the top and bottom rinks.</li> <li>(vii) Problem with the shade and bottom drink fountain to be fixed.</li> </ul>

<b>g)</b>	<b>Membership - Di</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Adam Wild who came via Jack Attacked signed up in February.</li> <li>(ii) Currently we have 187 members.</li> <li>(iii) Di and Spiro met with Lincoln Emsley from Keyton, the developers for the old Road Authority property. They have plans for 300 independent living homes to be built but this is a long way off. Lincoln was happy to consider sponsoring a tournament in the future.</li> </ul>
<b>h)</b>	<b>Catering - Pam</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) A meeting to be held Wednesday morning at 9.30 to discuss catering for pending tournaments.</li> <li>(ii) Mike to organise printing of the place mats per example provided.</li> <li>(iii) Kieser have contacted Di regarding their 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday celebration. Requested 4<sup>th</sup> April but will suggest the 11<sup>th</sup> instead.</li> <li>(iv) We are to provide a quote for a GP to run seminars for 100-130 people. Supper to be provided – need to follow up.</li> <li>(v) Pam to follow up with Gourmet Guru Catering Group as to how we can best use their services.</li> </ul>
<b>i)</b>	<b>Social Club</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Need to check with Leanne but due to lack of interest Come Dressed as a Song will probably be postponed. It was thought people were not interested because of having to dress up.</li> <li>(ii) Footy Afternoon to be held on Anzac Day at 3.00 pm (Collingwood v Essendon). Collingwood print in meeting room to be auctioned on the day.</li> <li>(iii) Other events coming up – Cancer Council biggest morning tea will be held in May along with a function for Christmas in July.</li> <li>(iv) A drop down screen and projector need to be purchased. <b>Di to take to VSC.</b></li> </ul>
<b>j)</b>	<b>Finance/VSC</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Latest reports provided by Jann.</li> </ul>
<b>k)</b>	<b>Housekeeping</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Darts people are using our paper cups instead of the glass mugs. Seems they were not the culprits of putting the glass mugs back in the drawer unwashed.</li> <li>(ii) Rhona approached the darts group to sell tickets for the reverse raffle. She was asked to come back in a few weeks.</li> </ul>
<b>l)</b>	<b>Wellbeing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) No report was received.</li> </ul>
<b>m)</b>	<b>Chairperson's Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Discussed previously (see Facilities).</li> </ul>
<b>n)</b>	<b>ERBR Delegates Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Zoom meeting to be held this Wednesday night.</li> </ul>
<b>o)</b>	<b>Correspondence In/Out</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Nothing received</li> </ul>

4) GENERAL BUSINESS		ACTION
a)	Annual General Meeting	<sup>p</sup> (i) The following position needs to be filled at the AGM – Chair Person along with some vacancies in the following areas Saturday and Tuesday Selectors, Committee Positions, ERBR Delegates (2 positions), Wellbeing, Greens Team, Social Committee and Barefoot Bowls. Friday Ladies comp will not go ahead due to lack of interest.
b)	Cleaning of Kitchen Oven	(i) A quote for \$170 was received to clean the oven but it was decided to get the kitchen upgraded as soon as possible instead.
c)	Social Media	(i) An email has been sent to Simone and Davin at Holmesglen requesting a meeting to discuss getting our social media updated.
d)	Umbrellas	(i) Dean provided a comprehensive summary regarding the purchase of umbrellas. Dean also had an example to show the committee. It was decided to advise these were available to players on very hot days but not to be used if it was raining. Need to find a way to have our logo placed onto the umbrellas so they don't get knocked off. It was suggested these be trialed on a Thursday to get feedback for the committee.
e)	Zooper Doopers	(i) Now that we have the bigger freezer, we will revisit this next season – icy poles may be a better option.
f)	Centrelink Volunteer	(i) Have had two more responses. Advised Centrelink we needed people to help in general maintenance/handyman area.
g)	Victoria Grange	(i) Started their competition today. They should be able to co-exist with Monday 2/4/2.
h)	Action Plan	(ii) Was reviewed. Di to update and circulate to the committee for approval.
i)	Livingston Primary School Bowls Competition	(i) The school is wanting to hold a round robin competition at the club on two Fridays between 10.00-3.00. Bowls, mats and jacks to be provided by the club. Mike to contact Glen Edwards at the school to provide a proper proposal on what is required. The committee voiced their concerns about holding this event.
j)	Top Green Shade Ropes	(i) The ropes on the top green shades are deteriorating and have become very fibrous. Can they be replaced with canvas blinds? <b>Di to take to VSC.</b>
k)	Reverse Raffle	(i) A member suggested some changes to the format of the reverse raffle. It was decided to keep the raffle the same as if we were to make any changes they should have been advised before any tickets were sold.
l)	BPL Competition	(i) Will be using our greens in July which will not cause any issues.

<b>m)</b>	<b>Deakin Cup</b>	(i) To start on 17 <sup>th</sup> March instead of commencing in February. Ringwood is the host club this year. John to formalise our team.
<b>n)</b>	<b>Limited Viewing/Vision Strips</b>	(i) <b>Di to take to VSC</b> how we can overcome the limited viewing when sitting inside the club room because of the wide vision strip across the windows.
<p><b>5)</b> In closing the meeting, Chair Di thanked everyone.</p> <p><b>Next VSBC Meeting will be Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 7.00 pm</b></p> <p><b>Meeting Closed – 10.13 pm</b></p> <p>Approved by Di Agius (Chairperson) _____ Date: _____</p>		