MINUTES of the MEETING OF THE BOARD
of the
TOKOROA BOWLING CLUB Inc
held at the Tokoroa Bowling Club Pavilion
on 3 June 2025 @ 5.30 pm

PRESENT Russell Murphy, Lynley Murphy, Kath Nepe, Ann Manthey, Alana Nicholas, Larry Sullivan, Jon Welch (IPP)

APOLOGIES Maia Wilson

Moved that the apologies be accepted – A Nicholas / K Nepe (Carried)

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING – Taken as read

Moved that the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted
A Nicholas / J Welch (Carried)

MATTERS ARISING

Tirau Earthmovers – have since received an account rendered – this has also been passed on to the Main Club
Trophies – there was a hiccup with the engraving which has since been resolved
Computer – it was decided to stay with MS 365 and One Drive cloud storage despite the cost increase rather than migrate all our cloud storage to another server as MS and One Drive are the platforms that the majority of people use.

CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards	Bowls NZ	Invitation to include our major tournaments in the Summer of Bowls Programme
	Bowls Waikato	Calls for expressions of interest for coaching / selectors positions
		Invitation to Prog Review & Planning Mtg – 6.30pm Jun 11 – Claudelands
		BW Constitution – review and make submissions – deadline 13 July
		AGM Notice – 27 July – submissions & nominations – deadline 13 July
		Calls for Nomination for Bowls Waikato Board
		Reminder to advise any Change of Executive following Club AGM
	Ringi Te Mete	AGM Apology
	NZTA	Calls for feedback on proposed SH1 – Tirau to Waiouru improvements
	Manly Bowling Club	updated contact details
	Tirau Earthmovers	Account rendered – forwarded to Main Club
Outwards	General Membership	AGM Reminder
	Board	13 May Minutes
	Bowls Waikato	Advising change of executive

Moved that the Inwards be accepted and the Outwards approved – L Murphy / L Sullivan (Carried)

MATTERS ARISING

Programme Review & Planning Meeting: RM and AN have indicated they would like to attend. RM will approach MW to see if she also wishes to attend

FINANCE

Closing Balance as at 3 June	Working Acc	16344.24	
	Savings Acc	5.90	
Outstanding Accounts	D Marsh	55.00	Travel Exp
	J Welch	125.00	Travel Exp
	T Jakes	90.00	Travel Exp

Moved that the Financial Report be adopted & the accounts be passed for payment – K Nepe / A Nicholas (Carried)

Signatories of Bank Account Resolution:

That Jon Welch be removed as signatory on the banking account and President Russell Murphy be appointed to replace him.

Moved L Sullivan Seconded A Nicholas - Carried

Matters Arising

Vinco Received an account on 3 June for the purchase of chalk in Feb of this year. KN to investigate as according to her records this account was paid back in March

Westpac Bank MW has taken appropriate ID and authorization to remove Michele Albutt as signatory

Travel Allowance Rates for 2025/2026 – to remain the same as the previous season

Moved – K Nepe / A Nicholas (Carried)

GENERAL BUSINESS

R & M Ditch Board on the No1 Green is rotten and needs to be replaced. RM & LS to seek quotes
Greenkeeper to be invited to attend the start of each meeting to give a report on the greens. Also to be asked specifically about the state of the concrete

Welfare Michele Albutt has been in Rotorua Hospital for the past 2 weeks – fell backwards and hit her head on concrete causing a large hematoma. Will be transferring to Tokoroa shortly – Card etc to be sent.
RM to ask Norm Edwards if he wishes to take up the mantle as ex-offico Welfare Officer. He has previously done this in the past. He would report to RM prior to each meeting.

Moved that Norm Edwards be asked to be our Welfare Officer – R Murphy / K Nepe (Carried)

Housekeeping Final Night Business House the prizes were New World Gift Vouchers. A lot of the recipients donated them back to the Bowling Club for our use. So far they have been used for Closing Day, AGM etc.

Match Committee – 2025/26 – Maia Wilson, Kath Nepe and Larry Sullivan to make up this years committee.

Club Days Suggest that as well as the Wednesday Club Days we also run Sunday Club days to cater for the working members. To make it more interesting perhaps take $1 of the entry fee and put it into a pool and after a pre-determined time (4 weeks – 9 weeks) the top three players get the prize. Another idea floated was a haggle jar – all those who want to participate put in $2 and at the end of the day the prizes are distributed.

Another idea is that at the start of Club Days we do a quick 10minute run down on the Etiquette of bowling and the duties of the markers.

Programme RM expressed disappointment that the Masters were not played. He has suggested that we go back to the old way of playing Masters on Fridays. Yes unfortunately those over the age of 60 who do work could miss out but given how tight our programme is on space – something has to give.

Another idea was floated about reinstating the St Patrick's Day competition – it will be held on Mar 17 – regardless of what day of the week it is – and every participant is expected to wear green.

Singles Championships were discussed – in particular the difficulty of getting markers. Perhaps we hold the Men's and Women's on two separate days and the men mark the women and the women mark the men. This of course will depend on what Waikato have planned around that time. More discussion to be held after the June 11 meeting in Claudelands.

Prize Giving RM expressed disappointment at the number of award recipients that did not bother to attend the prize giving. It was wondered if this is because they are too worried that they might be lumbered with a job at the preceding AGM. A suggestion that we move Prize giving to Closing Day was made. (**Moved RM/JW - Carried**) or perhaps an awards dinner. More thought on that later

InterClub RM expressed concern at our performance at InterClub. He feels we have the talent to do well but cannot seem to get players to make themselves available. Perhaps rather that "write your name down if you want" we should solidly promote it internally and select a team – get them together and practice.

Funding for New Roller LS suggested that we start the ball rolling to apply for funding for a new roller. Liaise with GK to find the roller that he would prefer and then ask for quotes.

Communication with members LS felt that communication with the members needs to be improved. Use the Facebook – the Main Club's weekly newsletter – ensure that our newsletter goes out at the beginning of each month and revamp the website. Another idea was short informative videos to be available – probably thru Facebook – with lessons on etiquette and marking etc. Also set up a messenger group etc.

Another idea put forward was a "White Board Session" with members to find out what they want rather than hearing about it in bitches and moans throughout the season. It was felt that perhaps it might be a better idea to put in a Suggestion Box where people can anonymously put forward ideas – this was thought a good idea and will be acted on.

Club Cellphone LM suggested that as we no longer have a landline – perhaps we should get a dedicated cellphone where all the members numbers can be stored, and mass texts can be sent out – have a decent camera so club pictures can be taken and it is the go to number for all matter Bowling. LM was instructed to purchase the phone.

Meeting Closed – 6.45pm
Next meeting to be held : Wednesday – 9 July – 5.30pm