# NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS (INC) MINUTES OF THE 67th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE BRENTWOOD HOTEL, WELLINGTON ON SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER, 2015 COMMENCING AT 10.30AM

**WELCOME:** President, Barry Chapman said it was a pleasure to welcome District delegates to the 67<sup>th</sup> AGM and thanked them for their presence. He added how disappointing it was that some district chose not to attend and missed the opportunity to help plan for the games future.

# **APOLOGIES:**

Ivon Pash, Patron/Life Member (North Harbour); King Country, Thames Valley

The following proxy votes were recorded.

Greymouth and Hokitika - to Marg Milne

Otago, North Otago and Central Otago- to David Edgar

That the apologies are sustained and the proxies approved.

Matthew Ellis/Ross Brayshaw Carried

#### PRESENT:

Barry Chapman, President, Nigel Warnes, Deputy President, David Edgar, Trevor Rayner, Michael Lawson (AS), David Lynn (PB-EC), Graham Low, (Clubs NZ), Executive Members; Ngaire Drake, Executive Officer; John Kidd, Auckland; Mike Bryant, Pani Bryant, Bay of Plenty; Marg Milne, Buller; Marie Schroder, Karl Schroder, Bush Ruahine; David Bullock, Canterbury; Matthew Ellis, Counties; Diane Hardie, Hawkes Bay; Rosie Penn, Ruth Munro, Horowhenua, George Baker, Sandra Henderson, Hutt Valley; Wayne Richards, Greg Veale, Manawatu; Brian Fletcher, Nelson; Val Webster, Elizabeth Morrow, North Taranaki; Gwen Duggan, North Wellington; Ross Brayshaw, Roskill and Districts; Suzanne Mackie, Southland; Barbara Reid, Tick Reid, South Canterbury; Colleen Fenton, South Otago; Bill Schrader, Max Rowland, Taranaki; Fiona Wilson, Tauranga; David Pollard, Jenny Williams; Upper Hutt Valley; Jack Hooper, Jenny Chapman, Waikato; Donald Leighton, Janice Leighton, Wairarapa; Sue Hackett, Brendon Kenny, Wanganui; Phylls Fox, NZ Blind & Visually Impaired IBF. Marg Mackay.

# **OBITUARY:**

President Barry asked the meeting to stand in memory of those bowlers who had passed away during the year and condolences were extended to their families. Special mention was made of Dave Milne from Buller who attended our AGM's from 2003 – 2014, Peter Bowden from Roskill and Districts who attended the AGM's in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2011 and 2012 and former NZIB Executive Member Stewart Chilton from Southland who served on the executive from 2008 – 2012.

#### **MINUTES:**

That the Minutes of the 66th Annual General Meeting dated 6
December 2014, are taken as read and approved.

Ross Brayshaw/Diane Hardie

Carried

**MATTERS ARISING: Nil** 

# **ANNUAL REPORT & BALANCE SHEET:**

That the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Report and Balance Sheet be adopted.

Barry Chapman/Marg Milne Carried

President Barry said as the Annual Report had been circulated he was not going to go through it in detail. However he reiterated his thanks to the Executive and the Executive Officer for their work throughout the year. Delegates were asked for comments on the report and balance sheet but none were forthcoming.

Nigel Warnes acknowledged the pleasing financial result due mainly to the successful funding applications made by the EO.

That the proposed budget for the year ending 30 September 2016 be accepted.

David Bullock/Matthew Ellis

Carried

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

# **PATRON:**

Life Member Ivon Pash, North Harbour was re-elected unopposed.

# **PRESIDENT:**

Barry Chapman, Waikato was re-elected unopposed.

# **DEPUTY PRESIDENT:**

Nigel Warnes, Golden Bay-Motueka was re-elected unopposed.

#### **EXECUTIVE:**

The following Executive Members were re-elected unopposed.

David Edgar South Otago
Michael Lawson Ashburton
Graham Low Southland
David Lynn Poverty Bay-EC
Trevor Rayner North Wellington

President Barry said that the Executive were aware of the many challenges facing the game and it was time for districts to overcome their parochial attitudes and adopt a 'big picture' approach.

All had to accept that changes were necessary if the game was to be sustained.

# **Future Championships:**

# 2016 National Championships in Tauranga

Fiona Wilson said the AIMS Games had been a good opportunity to test the facilities at the ASB Arena and the venue was capable of accommodating 100 mats. Their district would not be involved with accommodation requirements as there were many internet sites such as "Book a Bach" and other holiday home sites available. She added her Committee were meeting every 2 months and making good progress.

2017 National Championships in Taupo – The venue had been confirmed and at \$900 per day was a considered reasonable cost.
2018 National Championships in Ashburton- Michael Lawson said it would be the first time that Ashburton had hosted a National Championships and they were very excited about the prospect.

# 2016 South Island Championships in Balclutha

Colleen Fenton said their preparations were well in hand and even though the venue had not previously been used for indoor bowls it had been tested and played well.

**2017 South Island Championships hosted by GB-Mot/Nelson**Brian Fletcher said that the two districts would work well together and three halls had been booked. The finals would be held at Club Waimea.

# 2018 North Island Championships in Rotorua

Bay of Plenty IBA were confirmed as hosts and Mike Bryant said they would be basing it on the successful North Taranaki event this year by combining it with their normal QB tournament.

# **NOTICES OF MOTION/ REMITS- Nil**

#### Recommendation:

A recommendation was put to the AGM seeking District opinion of whether or not the Kath & S.E.N Smith Trophy should be awarded to the winner of the Masters singles or the Open event.

Even though the Executive firmly believed it should be the Masters event winner the meeting disagreed. In future the trophy will be awarded to the Over 65 bowler who progressed the furthest in the Open Singles. As the trophy had been awarded to the Masters Singles winner this year Lloyd Bellis's name will also be engraved on the trophy as joint winner in 2015.

That districts be invited to register interest in donating trophies for the 4 Master events and also the Mixed Pairs.

Mike Bryant/David Lynn

Carried

Since the meeting Marg Mackay and Marg Milne (in Memory of Dave Milne) had been accepted as donors for the Masters Singles and Pairs.

#### **CAPITATION FEES:**

That the recommendation be put to the 2015 Annual General Meeting that the affiliation fees for the 2016 year be \$15 per member; \$2 for Juniors and \$120 Associate Bodies.-all gst inclusive.

David Edgar /Nigel Warnes

Carried

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# **NZIB'S VOLUNTEER AWARD:**

President Barry announced that Marg McKay, Manawatu was the winner of this award and spoke of her impressive record both as a former NZ player and an administrator. She was the District's Patron, a Life Member and after 20 years Marg was still a junior selector and held together the junior development in the district.

# **UMPIRES REPORT:**

Executive Member in charge of Umpiring Nigel Warnes spoke of the plans to standardise and simplify the Umpires examination whilst still maintaining the necessary standard. This would include a multi answer theory paper and a DVD to assist clarification of mat faults and measuring. Two exam dates each year were also under consideration.

# **COACHING REPORT:**

Michael Lawson led the discussion to revise the coaching structure which had become fragmented over the past few years. The meeting was broken up into groups and districts contributed well in coming up with good feedback on the current situation. There was also good support to the Executives move to invest in a better system.-see separate sheet of the main points that emerged from the discussion.

Val Webster and Elizabeth Morrow reported on the positive effect Michelle Watt was having in her Indoor Bowls Advisor's role with Sport Taranaki. This was followed with Jenny Chapman and Jack Hooper account of the excellent school initiative they have developed with Sport Waikato.

# **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Barry Chapman identified the changes for the betterment of the game that the Executive had been made throughout the year. -separate sheet.

There was a discussion on the content of the Club Kit to be sent to every club at the beginning of the 2016 season and it was agreed the information should be added to the website.

David Bullock updated delegates on the progress of the CIBA Hall rebuild. It was good to hear that after long delays it was now progressing well and should be completed March/April ready for a very busy 2016 season. David thanked districts for the good wishes that had been received.

Barbara Reid said South Canty were disappointed with the change of the Champion of Champion rules reducing the ends played to 12.

Matthew Ellis questioned why those attending the NZ SS singles could not play with another bowler in the pairs and was told it as a NZ Secondary Schools ruling. Bowlers must be from the same school and as it was important to be sanctioned and appear on the NZSS sports calendar this rule must be abided by.

Matthew also floated the idea of a National raffle which could produce a large profit to help keeping bowlers interested by financing more international fixtures.

David Lynn said he was responsible for sponsorship and invited any interested parties to contact him to discuss. The user pays Mixed Pairs event was an obvious target. He added about the current discounts available to members and said 'watch this space' as he continued to pursue more leads.

There was a request that all correspondence sent out from National Office be dated.

Diane Hardie thanked the Executive for their work

The meeting closed at 3.20pm with President Barry again thanking those who had attended and for their positive contribution during the day. He reiterated that changes were necessary and said that he did not believe the game would survive if it stayed the way it was. Again mention was made of the non-attending districts and he concluded the meeting by wishing all a safe journey home and a happy holiday season.