

**NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS INC
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT MIRAMAR GOLF CLUB,
WELLINGTON, 10 JULY 2010 COMMENCING AT 9.30AM**

PRESENT: Trevor Rayner, David Edgar, Delwyn Hughes, Viv Hudson, Martin Nordqvist, Barry Chapman and Ngaire Drake.

APOLOGIES:

Stewart Chilton – the Executives' best wishes for a speedy recovery were extended to Stewart who is currently in hospital.

MINUTES:

That the minutes of the executive meeting held on 8 May 2010 as circulated were taken as read and approved.

Hughes/Nordqvist Carried

MATTERS ARISING:

Deaf Indoor Bowls NZ was welcomed back as an Associate Member. This is the result of an approach made to them to do so after their Championships in Christchurch.

David Edgar reported he had not contacted the Northland clubs re not affiliating but still intended to do so.

FINANCE:

That the Statement of Accounts as at 9 July 2010 is accepted and cheques numbered 5178-5228 plus automatic payments are passed.

Chapman/Hudson Carried

A grant of \$7,500 had been received from Pub Charity for national events air travel and accommodation.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following information was sent to District Secretaries.

1. Minutes of Executive Meeting 8 May 2010 with Financial Position
2. Membership forms to be returned by 31 July with payment
3. Entry form and information for NZ Junior Singles
4. Entry form and information for NZ Secondary Schools event- to be re sent.
5. Henselite Champion of Champions entry form and information
6. Information regarding NZ Mixed Fours event.
7. Paterson Hosts –requesting draw requirements and advising to let other districts know full details of event

To District Umpires Secretaries

Minutes of Executive Meeting as detailed above, Umpires newsletter, Membership Return. Letters had been sent to various districts requesting umpire's names for National events. Nomination forms were dispatched for the umpire's representative on the Executive. Revised By-Laws for National Examination

A session was held discussing "If you were building the sport now how would you structure it". In summary Trevor Rayner said it was obvious some changes were necessary if the sport was to survive in the future. Even though NZIB was in a sound financial position and events were run well more had to be done. A paper will be prepared identifying issues for discussion at the AGM and the proposed road shows in March/April 2011. An invitation to attend these road shows will be extended to all interested bowlers, potential administrators and coaches. Districts will be asked to host and the proposed dates and locations are as follows:

12 or 13 March	North Harbour
19 or 20 March	Rotorua
26 or 27 March	Hawera
2 or 3 April	Masterton
9 April	Nelson
10 April	Christchurch
16 or 17 April	Dunedin

LION FOUNDATION NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

David Edgar said he had enjoyed his job as Tournament controller and was pleased how well the event had gone. The support from the locals and Waikato had been very good. The excellent pre planning by Geoff Tindall and Barry Chapman and their teams was evident throughout the event with no major problems encountered. Disappointment and concern was expressed however at the lack of umpires who were prepared to help even though they attended the event. Those umpires who were forced to officiate at many sessions are thanked for their efforts.

The assistance provided by Graham Low in producing the post section draw electronically was most helpful and very much appreciated and has been acknowledged accordingly.

Favourable comments had been received from the first viewing on Television and the repeats will be on Cue Television as follows.

Saturday 31 July-5.30pm Singles Semi Finals & Finals- Repeated Sunday 1 August Noon and 9pm

Saturday 7 August-5.30pm Pairs Semi Finals & Finals repeated Sunday 8 August Noon and 9pm

DVD's are available for \$15 from National Office.

Ruth Baxter had agreed to continue with the processing of the entries next year and she was still working on a manual outlining the process.

David said it would be possible to shorten the National playing days but the necessary longer days created by early starts and late finishes would not be appreciated by either bowlers or those helping to run the event.

The success of the Academy/Masters event was noted with the sizable crowd and the excellent atmosphere that was created. It was disappointing that many of the players involved said they had not been advised of details but in many cases they had not opened the attachments sent with the email. However, it was agreed that email if addresses were known would be the preferred method of communication again next year.

That the entry fee for the 2011 National Championships remains \$15 per person per event.

Edgar/Nordqvist

Carried

INTERNATIONAL:

Nomination forms for the NZ team to play Australia in Balclutha next May will be circulated with Meeting Minutes.

The closing date for nominations will be 31 August with a squad of 10 men and 10 ladies being announced following the Henselite Champion of Champions event 11 September. A trial will be held for these players in Wellington 20 November with the NZ team being announced at the AGM 4 December.

That the levy for the NZ team be \$500.

Hughes/Hudson

Carried

Quotes are to be requested from Cue TV for this event and the 2011 Nationals in Porirua. It is hoped some sponsorship will be obtained to cover some of the costs.

Sparc:

Jo Cheatley, NZIB's Contact Advisor had been invited to the NZ Junior Singles event and it was hoped she would attend to gain a better understanding of the game.

ISLAND TOUR:

For the first time no supporters will be accompanying the South Island touring party apart from Executive representatives. All arrangements were in the finalising process.

UMPIRES REPORT:

Twelve candidates sat all or part of the examinations with 6 gaining full passes and 2 partial passes. This is a disappointing number and some districts are not providing the necessary training to ensure there is a supply of new umpires joining the ranks.

Umpire's representative Viv Hudson said there were plans to provide specific training before the examination next year and also a pre-examination paper will be circulated identifying common faults in particular the mat faults area.

Greg Veale had produced an excellent resource covering Measuring and this will be made available to all districts

Those districts who had returned their Umpires Membership forms are thanked and others are asked to do so.

Disappointment was expressed that in Hawkes Bay they have no National Umpire available to officiate at the NZ Mixed Fours National Final.

Districts and Umpire Associations are reminded that nominations for the Umpires representative on the Executive close on 25 July.

CONSTITUTION:

NZIB's Honorary Solicitor Matthew Gilkinson confirmed that only one notice of motion approving the amendments to the constitution copy was required.

The following will be put to the 2010 Annual General Meeting.

That the amended Constitution as circulated by approved.
Edgar/Chapman Carried

That the amended By-Laws for National Umpires Examinations be approved.

Edgar/Chapman Carried

COACHING REPORT:

The practical session conducted by Michael Lawson and David Edgar held at Otago University in May had been very successful with 30 registrations.

PUBLICITY:

Delwyn Hughes said this was the busiest time of the year for publicity and she had been working non stop to keep up to date with everything. It was difficult getting newspaper and radio coverage during the Nationals due to the Football World Cup. However the same amount of work had to be done regardless of how much was published. The main source of keeping the public up to date had to be the website and overall the nationals attracted about 13,000 visitors during the event. Delwyn said that Betty Clough was a great help at the Nationals as she was well experienced in this role and knew what needed to be done.

Districts are urged to send National event results and teams when named to Delwyn as soon as possible.

The website is becoming increasingly popular as it is kept up to date with Delwyn's reports by Webmaster Jock Jamieson.

That a letter of thanks be written to Jock Jamieson with a suitable donation for his contribution.

Hughes/Nordqvist Carried

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

It was decided to continue with having the AGM in the morning and districts would be invited to provide agenda items for the afternoon session following the completion of the formal meeting. There will also be discussion items arising from Trevor Rayner's "Looking into the Future" paper as mentioned earlier.

DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT FUND:

Two applications from Southland IBA were declined as they did not meet the criteria.

That a grant through North Wellington IBA of up to \$1,000 be approved to go towards NZ Secondary Schools Championships.

Edgar/Hudson Carried

That a grant of \$250 be approved to Ashburton IBA to assist with their junior indoor bowling programme.

Edgar/Hughes Carried

That a grant of \$300 be approved to cover costs for the playing of the Triangular between the NZ Maori, Cook Island and Seaside's Teams.

Chapman/Hughes Carried

It was noted that \$700 had been approved to Otago IBA to assist with advertising for their School holiday programme.

Districts are reminded that once grants have been approved they must submit gst invoices and a report of the event before receiving payment.

2011 NATIONAL PROGRAMME:

The draft programme was discussed fully due to necessary changes to dates of events due to the rugby world cup. Most significant is the Henselite Champion of Champions now being held on the last Saturday of August with the Junior Singles the week before. **This will mean that districts must play their qualifying events earlier as well.** All agreed it would be difficult to arrange travel and accommodation once the World Cup starts on 9 September. The following districts will be asked to host National events.

30 July	NZ Mixed Fours	WR-Masterton
20 August	NZ Junior Singles	North Wellington
21-22 August	NZ Secondary Schools Championships	North Wellington
27 August	Champion of Champions	Canterbury
2-4 September	Welch Trophy	Waikato

That the NZ Mixed Fours Final be held on the last Saturday of July.
Hughes/Edgar Carried

That the remit passed at the February Executive Meeting be amended so that the North Island will tour in 2011 prior to the approved rotation commencing.

Edgar/Nordqvist Carried

The following Tour by the North Island team was approved and districts will be asked to host matches.

Friday, 5 August	Fly to Christchurch		
	v Canterbury	at	Christchurch
Saturday 6 August	v GB/NN/MR	at	Nelson
Sunday 7 August	v West Coast	at	Greymouth
Monday 8 August	v Ashburton	at	Ashburton
Tuesday 9 August	v North Otago/South Cnty	at	Timaru
Wed 10 August	v Otago/ CO	at	Alexandra
Thurs 11 August	v Southland/South Otago	at	Balclutha
Friday 12 August	Free day	travel to Dunedin	
Saturday 13 August			
	North Island plays South Island for the Kevin Eddy Memorial Trophy at Dunedin		
Sunday 15 August	Return from Christchurch Airport.		

Air Bookings for National events:

As air fares increase it becomes more and more difficult pleasing individuals and teams on how they should travel to a national event. It was agreed that for teams events travel should be by car up to 600km unless the air fares were cheaper. For other events if a bowler flies, kms up to 100km to the airport would not be reimbursed. ***Also please remind your bowlers that they will be paid the cheaper of the appropriate air fare/ or the kms travelled.***

NZ JUNIORS/SECONDARY SCHOOLS EVENT:

Entries for the Junior Singles were coming in slowly and all Districts should be encouraging their representative and other juniors to attend the Secondary Schools event which follows on. It is unfortunate that those not attending Secondary Schools can not play but the rules set by NZ SS Sports Council need to be adhered to. It was disappointing that the Secondary Schools event scheduled in Tauranga did not eventuate due to lack of planning and it is hoped to get it sanctioned and on the NZSS Sports calendar next year.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' CONTRACT:

That the Executive Officer's contract be ratified for a further 12 months.

Rayner/Hughes

Carried

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

Most items had been discussed during the Meeting. Yellow bowls continued to be popular and it was noted that over \$30,000 worth of new bowls had been sold during May. This is surprising for a sport whose membership is on the decline. It is obvious that clubs and districts are taking advantage of grants from poker machine to update their equipment.

That the Executive Officers report be ratified.

Hudson/Nordqvist

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

The application to host National or Island Championships will be circulated with Meeting Minutes. Districts wishing to bid for 2013 events are asked to do so by 31 July.

Meeting closed at 4.30pm.