



# NEWCASTLE DISTRICT BOWLING ASSOCIATION (ZONE 2) INC

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**Minutes of the meeting of the Management Committee of the Newcastle District Bowling Association held at Association Headquarters, "Wal Young House", on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2010 commencing at 6.30pm.**

**PRESENT:** **President:** J.T. Smith (who occupied the Chair); **Vice-Presidents:** K. Aspery; M. Conway; L.S. Coulton; A. Hextell; K. Rearden; **Sub-Committee Chairman – Coaching:** S.A. Starrett; **Junior:** W.Boyd; **Membership:** B. Cooke; **Selection:** T. Blow. In attendance D.J. Broad OAM, Secretary.

**APOLOGIES:** C. Burns, Vice-President; N. Berry, Cardiff; E. Lind, Dora Creek Workers; B. Jenkins, Heaton-Birmingham Gardens; J. Jordan, Kahibah; R. Henry, Mayfield West; T. Antram, Nelson Bay; J. Simpson, New Lambton; C. Ramage, Soldiers Point; S. Pritchard, Teralba; B. Gannon & F. Haley, Toronto Workers; K. Simpson (C. Mullen Proxy), Valentine; P. Stamford, Water Board.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:** B. Carling, Vice-President; A. Wright, Treasurer; D. Gilday, Match Committee Chairman.

**CLUBS NOT REPRESENTED:** Alder Park; Bar Beach; Boolaroo; Carrington; Catherine Hill Bay; Fingal Bay; Heaton-Birmingham Gardens; Mayfield West; Merewether; Morisset Hospital; Nelson Bay; Raymond Terrace; Teralba; Toronto Workers; Water Board.

**OBITUARIES:** The President referred to the death of the following and a motion expressing sympathy with the relatives was carried in silence: Graham Peate (Heaton-Birmingham Gardens); Garry Simolin (Belmont); Bill Smith (Charlestown); Henry Hales (Teralba); Edward Cockburn (Alder Park); Edward "Teddy" Cullen (Carrington); Bill Hickey (Valentine); John Caelli (Rathmines Memorial); Trevor "Sarg" Walker (Cardiff); John Miller (Swansea Workers).

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 having been circulated to all members, were taken as read and confirmed.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:** J.T. Smith read out the response from Bowls Australia in regards to Dora Creek Workers concerns in regards to a level playing field not being used for Saturday Post Sectional play-offs. They advised that it had been unable to find any ruling on this or any similar matter from the Australian Sports Commission. He also advised that the Royal could provide no additional information on this matter.

## **EXECUTIVE REPORT:**

The following recommendations were approved:

1. Approval be granted to Boolaroo BC to register coloured clothing of white main colour, royal blue yoke, sleeves & collar.
2. Approval be granted to Toronto Workers BC to register coloured clothing of black shirt with red piping and red triangles on the collar, sleeves and pocket plus sponsors and Bowls Australia logos. Black trousers or black shorts.
3. Approval be granted to Bar Beach BC to register coloured clothing of blue/gold and white main colour, with white yoke, sleeves and blue collar, with Bar Beach Breakers on back. Royal blue long and short pants.
4. Leave of Absence be granted to K. Aspery, Vice-President, from 28<sup>th</sup> March to 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2010.
5. The 2009/10 Charity Donations be Helicopter Rescue \$400; Cystic Fibrosis \$400; Newcastle Legacy \$300; Weeroona Association \$300; Hunter Melanoma Foundation \$300; Newcastle Mater Palliative Care Unit \$250; Autistic Association of NSW \$250; The Salvation Army \$200 and Newcastle City Mission \$200. A total of \$2,600.

It was advised that Kevin Casserly (St Johns Park) and Ken Anderson (Marrickville) have launched a new Bowls Website mainly aimed at Club Tournaments. It is free for clubs to register and full details are available on [www.mybowlsclubs.com.au](http://www.mybowlsclubs.com.au).

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

A very pleasant night was had by all participants and their ladies at our annual Newcastle DBA & Hunter DBA Executive and Sub-Committees Fixture held at Cardiff B.C. President Bob Murdoch and Games Co-Ordinator David Millard proved to be great hosts for the evening and the thanks of the NDBA is expressed to them for their work on our behalf. Members of both groups enjoyed the camaraderie of the evening and the opportunity to share many topics of interest in the bowling world. A special word of thanks to the 6 members of Cardiff B.C. who made themselves available for the evening to ensure our teams were evenly balanced.

Coming up over Easter, we have our bi-annual Goodwill Visit from the Southern Tablelands DBA. They will be playing at Belmont on Saturday afternoon, Raymond Terrace on Sunday afternoon and Marks Point on Monday morning. We thank these three clubs for accepting the invitation to host our visitors and look forward to our usual great weekend of

bowls and socializing. Any bowler who has previously travelled to the Southern Tablelands on our trips are welcome to contact any of the three clubs to nominate to play against our visitors.

Together with Treasurer Alec and our wives we attended the 2009 Newcastle Sports Awards Presentation. Unfortunately we had no bowlers or bowling clubs nominated in any of the categories, but a special award was made to Secretary Denis Broad for outstanding services to sport. This award was in recognition of the work Denis has done in the Cricket, Lawn Bowls and Newcastle City Council over a long period of time. We congratulate Denis for the recognition he has been given.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Secretary on behalf of the Treasurer submitted a statement of receipts and expenditure for the month ending, 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 which showed a balance at bank \$ 24,514.04.

#### **REPORTS:**

##### **Coaching Committee:**

A Zone 2 Coaching Committee Information Sharing Forum was conducted on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2010 and was open to all men and women coaches. Attendance at this meeting provided an opportunity to find out the latest information and directions for coaching. It was pleasing to see so many in attendance.

Proposed coaching Courses to be conducted by the RNSWBA are:

<b>Course</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Introductory	12 <sup>th</sup> April 2010	Ashfield BC
Introductory	18 <sup>th</sup> April 2010	Beresfield BC
Club Coach	6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2010	Taree West
Club Coach	25 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup> May & 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2010	Raymond Terrace
Club Coach	15 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	Warilla BC

Expressions of interest to run a course during 2010 have been received from:

**Rydalmere, Dubbo, Grafton, St Georges Basin and Albury**

The Introductory Course at Beresfield has been filled and there are some vacancies still available for Raymond Terrace. It is essential to complete application forms as quickly as possible as all courses are open to attendance Australia wide.

Recommended criteria for the Zone 2 Coach of the Year Award has been agreed upon by the Coaching Committee. Details of submitting a nomination will be forwarded to clubs in the not too distant future.

The Coaching Committee is planning to conduct a number of Development & Support Seminars during 2010.

The proposals are:

- (a) A Coaching Skills session be held at Belmont BC on Monday, 3rd May, 2010 from 4.00pm to 6.30pm, and
- (b) Coaching Equipment & Aids Display to be organised for September at a west lakes Club.

##### **Junior Committee:**

Two results of our completed Junior Championships to report

The Pairs final played at Mayfield West Bowling Club two weeks ago resulted in Mathew Dow (Redhead) and Adrian Solomons (Lemon Tree Passage) defeating Joshua Terras and Tom Taylor (Redhead) 25 – 13 . This final was played in constant rainy conditions .... However, the players never shirked their task even at the end when each bowl gave off a water spray. Congratulations to Matt and Adrian as they will represent our Zone at the State Championships in July at Warilla BC..... I know their respective Clubs, in Redhead and Lemon Tree Passage were very proud of their boys in winning their first Junior Championship.

Also, proud was Raymond Terrace BC last Sunday when two of their juniors played the Final of the Singles. The two Shauns .... in Shaun Richards and Sean Cairns played a very tense final with Shaun Richards winning 31 to 24 over Sean Cairns. Congratulations to both boys and the Clubs of Raymond Terrace and Mayfield West for host our Junior Championships.

Tomorrow night we will witness the Final of the Junior Fours to be held at Kotara BC commencing at 6:00pm. If you haven't seen our juniors in action this year .... this is an open invitation to you all to attend.

The team are:

Casey Parsons (Stockton), Ryan Kooyman (Toronto Workers), Nick Redcliffe (Beresfield), Tom Taylor (Redhead) ..... will play ..... Josh Terras (Redhead), Shaun Richards (Raymond Terrace), Matt Dow (Redhead), Adrian Solomons (Lemon Tree Passage)

Just one change to our season calendar just notified yesterday. The scheduled U/25 and U/18 fixture against Zone 15 (Central Coast) on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April has been cancelled this year. All players will be notified of this at our next training session to be held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April at Raymond Terrace.

**Match Committee:**

The final of the 2010 District Triples Championship has been scheduled to be played next Sunday, 21st March, 2010. This year's final will be a replay of last years final with Brian Bateman, Terry Antram and Richard Girvan of Nelson Bay to play Ross Gardner Jason Stokes and Lennon Scott from Raymond Terrace Bowling Club. To be held at the sponsors club Soldiers Point Bowling Club commencing at 10.00am.

The Saturday Pennant competition is progressing well, with only two washed-out Round 2 matches to be completed next Sunday morning for the competition to be back on schedule. Round 2 of our Mid-Week Pennant Competition was played yesterday. The washed-out Round 1 Mid-Week Pennant Competition Matches that have a bearing on determining the section winners will be played after the completion of Round 10.

Another reminder Delegates, I would request that you advise your bowlers Over 70 years of age, that the Annual Veterans' & Super Veterans' Day will be held at Burwood Colliery B.C. on Thursday, 25th March, 2010 commencing at 12.45pm. This Day is being sponsored for the first time by David Lloyd Funerals & we would like a good attendance. Circular No.011/2010 contains full details of the day

Swansea Bowling Club have been approached to consider if they would like to host the Zone 2 versus Zone 13 Representative Fixture on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2010.

Beresfield Bowling Club will host the NSW Wheelchair Singles Championship from Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> inclusive. This prestigious event will require 14 rinks on the Sunday & Monday and at least 35 volunteers to support the players. To ensure the success of the Championship the Executive Committee have agreed to a request from Beresfield B.C. that if they have any washed out Pennant Matches on Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> that they be played on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2010.

**Selection Committee:**

On Monday 1<sup>ST</sup> March the annual Seniors (Over 60's) matches between Zones 2, 15 & 6 were played at East Cessnock Bowling Club.

As Zone 6 being the host zone, they selected 2 sides of 6 teams & Zones 2 & 15 selected 1 side of 6 teams each.

The morning game, Zone 2 won 129 to 82 with 5-1 rink wins & a plus margin of 47.  
The afternoon game Zone 2 won 118 to 77 with 4-2 rink wins & a plus margin of 41.

Zone 2 won the annual challenge & were the only Zone to be undefeated.

The next representative game for the seniors will be at played Wagga in the Senior Inter-Zone Sides Championship commencing on Tuesday 20<sup>TH</sup> July.

Prior to this, the annual match between Zones 2 & 13 will be played with 4 rinks & 4 rinks of emerging players, as well as 2 rinks of Juniors at Swansea B.C. on Sunday 4 July, 2010.

**Umpires Committee:**

Delegates in your mail tonight is Circular No. 34/2010 which provides details of a review of the Domestic Regulations. Your club is requested through your National Umpires Liaison Officer to have a meeting of your National Umpires and submit any recommended changes to Domestic Regulations on the enclosed form. As with the proposals to change the Laws of the Sport of Bowls this is your opportunity to have your say and submit your ideas. N.B.:- All submissions are required to be submitted to the NDBA Office by Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2010.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 commencing at 6.30pm.

**CLOSED:** The meeting closed at 7.10pm

**CONFIRMED**.....(PRESIDENT)  
15.04.2010