

# **MINUTES**

## **Club Development Committee [CDC]**

held on Monday 11 July 2022 at Bowls WA, Osborne Park

**1. OPEN MEETING:** Chair Vince Del Prete opened the meeting at 7.55am.

**2. PRESENT:** Vince Del Prete, Lee Bunney, Hailey Packer, Clive Adams (RBM) and Aaron Delaporte (BWA Staff).

**3. APOLOGIES:** Jeff Bessant, Ray Povey, Simon Alden and Troy Kinnane (RBM)

Chair Vince Del Prete noted Simon had resigned from the CDC after 4 years of service. Simon's contribution was acknowledged.

Chair VDP requested members identify at least one more suitable person to be involved on the CDC noting that Club Development would be a stronger priority in the newly released Strategic Plan and with the development of the Club Development Plan. It would be good to have extra numbers and more importantly good diversity amongst the Committee.

#### **4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The minutes were approved.

Moved: Lee Bunney and Seconded: Clive Adams

#### **5. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** Nil

#### **6. BUSINESS ARISING:**

##### **6.1 Club Development – Winning Drive program**

AD advised the Club Development Plan was in progress with McLaughlin Consultancy having conducted surveys (from clubs) and sought input from key people at BWA. The next step would be a series of one on one with club presidents for more information and then further consultancy meetings before the plan is finalised.

VDP noted the Club Presidents would be a key driver in championing the strategy amongst clubs and their members.

**Action- AD to provide a Winning Drive update at next meeting**

##### **6.2 Bowls Link**

AD advised around 30 upgrades scheduled for June were release based on a prioritised list from the Bowls Link Working Party.

AD advised the Bowls Link Working Party met at Hawthorn BC, Victoria in July with the following key info provided:

- Savage Bull to merge with another company to form a new company called Solution which may provide extra benefits through Bowls Link;
- A review outstanding priorities list which had reduced to 50 after a peak of 130 late last year;

- Diversity & inclusion proposal for Bowls Link;
- Social Members solution for Bowls Link;
- A discussion and recommendation to change the payment gateway (Square to Stripe) which would provide more flexibility to the sport and easier access of funds for clubs;
- Live Scoring and streaming applications;
- Discussions & resolutions around suspensions, finals qualifications, competition ladders, and certifications in Bowls Link;
- Strategies to increase club use of Bowls Link;
- Using Bowls Learn as a training platform for Bowls Link modules; and
- Queensland's involvement and progress with Bowls Link.

**Action- AD to report regularly on further progress.**

### **6.3 Junior Bowls Committee (JBC)**

CA advised the Junior Bowls Committee were progressing with re-working the documentation provided by Bowls Victoria as part of a club guide. Cockburn BC held the first of a series of Junior Academy sessions with the JBC supporting by having key people attend. Wanneroo BC also successfully hosted an Interschool event with 88 participants up from 50 on the previous occasion.

**Actions- CA to provide update at next meeting.**

### **6.4 Regional Men's Health – Working with Warriors**

AD advised that along with CEO Ken Pride they had met with the RMH director confirming a further 12 months funding along with further promotion.

Five bookings had since been taken as follows:

<b>Club</b>	<b>Region</b>	<b>Date</b>
Kalgoorlie	Goldfields	14/09/2022
Port Bouverd	Murray Districts	10/01/2023
Mandurah	Murray Districts	30/03/2023
Northam	Avon Valley	14/12/2022
North Beach	Metro	9/09/2022

**Actions- AD to provide update on progress.**

### **6.5 Club Grants Program**

AD advised several clubs had reached out for applications to the Club Grants Program with CA confirming both himself and TK had received many enquiries from clubs. AD advised the program would have further promotion in July and August before the closing date on 31 August. A sub-committee to assess the applications would also need to be formed at the next CDC meeting.

**Actions- Sub-committee to be appointed at next meeting.**

### **6.6 Club Forum**

AD advised progressed had been made on the Club Forum including a keynote speaker in Jon Haines, noting Brad Sheppard had been outside of budget. Further requests for vendor attendance and sale of tickets would occur shortly.

**Actions- AD to provide update on progress.**

## **7. GENERAL BUSINESS:**

### **7.1 UniSport Nationals**

AD advised this event had been cancelled due to lack of nominations.

**Actions- Updates as required**

### **7.2 CSRFF Update / Club updates**

CA advised Hilton Park had been successful in obtaining funding for a new synthetic green, noting 5 other clubs were unsuccessful in a very light round of funding. CA further noted this was most disappointing for Exmouth who need urgent attention to their greens. CA advised Inglewood had received a 5 year lease extension.

**Actions- CA to advise further**

### **7.3 Commonwealth Games - promotion of bowls**

AD advised that he will follow up with Aidan Davis at BA regarding promotion and more specifically around the playing schedule of Kristina Krstic which should generate high interest for WA.

**Actions - AD to follow up with Bowls Australia and report.**

### **7.4 SEN**

AD advised he had met with the new SEN manager Sam Fisher to discuss promotional opportunities and live streaming requirements for 2022/23. AD noted that SEN had advised an increased of \$2.5k to the live streaming costs.

### **7.5 Bowls Talk**

VDP confirmed the Board had approved \$3,000 for a podcast series.

**Actions – AD to add to Operational Plan and provide progress**

## **8. MEETING CLOSED:**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:15am.

## **9. NEXT MEETINGS:**

Monday, 8 August 8.00am Bowls WA Headquarters.