



Some of the members who attended the AGM

Annual General Meeting

The 2020 AGM was held by video conference using the Zoom App. Forty members joined in (and another 10 by proxy) – a strong showing – to elect a new Board, Green Director and two Match Committees.

The new office bearers are:

President – Simon Strickland

Vice President – Graeme McDonald

Treasurer – Barry Toll

Executive Officer – Wayne Gill

Board Members – Lindsay Chaloner, Margot Keenan, Gerry Smith

Immediate Past President – Ross Oakley

Green Director – Malcolm Stevenson

Weekend Match Committee – Lambis Englezos, Sue Gill, Ross Oakley

Midweek Match Committee – Bryan Kenneally, Carole Rafferty, Tim Smith

The Board will be looking to fill the vacancy of the fourth Board Member in the next few weeks.

The Special Resolution on updating the Club's Constitution was put to the meeting and approved unanimously.

The new document will now be submitted to Consumer Affairs Victoria for formal acceptance.

Coronavirus Update

From Monday 1 June, restrictions on casual bowling are being relaxed another step. We will be able to have up to 20 players on the green at one time, still only a maximum of 4 to a rink. To accommodate this number, the green reservation and record sheets have been changed to a 9 rink configuration (we still need an empty rink between active rinks). Use is still restricted to club members only and social distancing and hand hygiene protocols remain imperative.

It will now also be possible for up to 20 people to gather inside the clubhouse, subject to maintaining social distancing. Our main room is just big enough to accommodate all twenty (80m²). Five tables will be set up, with four chairs at each. Please stick to the number limits and physical arrangements and remember to wash hands and use sanitiser as has become usual.

- **Bowls Vic communications:**
Update on restrictions and club contacts - details provided
- Survey on state-wide Strategic Facilities Plan – completed
- Player profiles to be accessible on Bowlslink - more info coming soon
- **City of Port Phillip:** request to provide Return to Play document (for Council permission to re-open) - completed
- **Portfolio Allocations:** Club Events – Barry, with Malcolm’s assistance; Social Events & Fundraisers – Ross, with Lindsay, Margot & Gerry’s assistance; Sponsorships – Ross & Lindsay; Functions – Simon; Bar Management – Gerry & Graeme; Administration – Wayne; Clubhouse Management - Graeme
- **Finance:** Bank account signatories to be updated – President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Executive Officer
- **Bowling:** the club is investigating becoming an Under 18s *Roll Up Hub* under a new BV development program. This would build on our successful schools program and hopefully attract a number of junior bowlers, and possibly their parents and friends. BV would provide support and marketing.
- **Coaching Solution:** work continues on securing new coach
- **Sponsorships:** Ross & Lindsay
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– so great to be back on the green at last, . . . getting closer . . . lockdown almost over.

Although confirmation and detailed arrangements are yet to come from Bowls Vic, we are hopeful that the coming pennant season will be going ahead in some form at least. This begins with clubs submitting the number of teams they plan to enter in the Weekend and Midweek competitions – traditionally by the end of June. This give us around four weeks to finalise our playing lists. So please make sure you put your name on the sign-up sheets on the notice board as soon as you can.