

Bowls Canterbury

Bowls Canterbury Inc.
Annual General Meeting Sunday 14 July 2024
10.00 am at Burnside Bowling Club

Chair: N Katae
Life Members: Warwick Graham

Club Representative in attendance were:

Allenton – Rodney Greaney Avon Park – David MacPherson Ashburton – Neil Stuthridge Barrington United – John Gordon Beckenham – Beverley Davies Belfast – Ross Groves Bowls Hornby – Ian Warren Burnside – Rodney Kearney Canterbury – John Hampton Cashmere – Mike Christmas Christchurch – Shane Brokenshire	Club Redcliffs – Nina Rae Darfield – Ray Hunt Elmwood Park – Neil Johnstone Fendalton – Alastair Stokes Halswell – Martin de Jong Hampstead – Wendy Suttie Hamner Springs – David Conroy Kaiapoi Club – John Bullen Kaiapoi Riverside – Warren McFelin Kirwee – Marian Galloway Lincoln – Dave Foskett Mandeville – Ray Harper Methven – Rob Fenson	Morrison Ave – Margaret Shields New Brighton – Margaret Stacey Oxford WMC – Barbara Thompson Papanui – Trevor Sutherland Parklands – Steve Lilley Rakaia – John Cromie Rangiora – Roger Webb Riccarton Racecourse – Peter Speedy Tai Tapu – Marty Braithwaite Waiau – Wilson Bell West Melton – Gretta Leigh Woodend – Phil Harris Woolston Park – Gavin Hooper
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In attendance:

Burnside – Michael Murphy, Mike Small. Kaiapoi Club - Allan Gill. Kaiapoi Riverside – Bryan Mustchin and Warren Stanbury. Methven – Lyn Fensom. New Brighton - Pauline Penrose. Papanui Club - Lisa Mitchell, Judy Herkess.	Lincoln - Maurice Phiskie Riccarton RC - Joyce Speedy. West Melton – Michael Leigh, Alastair Wilson. BNZ – Kevin Smith. Board & Staff - Sharon Wilson, Julie Wood, Dean Roulston, Norman Hewett, Craig Carter, Erica Ayres, Lorraine McLeod.
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WELCOME

President, Na Katae opened the meeting at 10:01am and thanked club representatives and observers on behalf of Bowls Canterbury for making the time and effort to attend the meeting. Emergency procedures were outlined.

Apologies

Na read the apologies.

Ashburton - Kevin Walker Belfast – Greg Clapp Bowls Hornby – Graeme Weeds Burnside – Hamish Wilson, Liz Rossiter Cust – Robert Schuyt Morrison Ave – Trish Hubble	Sumner – Gary Marshall Bowls NZ - Ann Wright Board member. Life Member - Warwick Graham. Greenkeepers Assn - Stu Jenkins. Umpires Assn – President Rose Murray. Selection Panel - Bill Fowlie.
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It was moved that the Apologies be accepted

Moved: Rob Fenson (Methven)

Seconded: John Hampton (Canterbury)

Carried

Bereavements

The following names were recorded, and one minute of silence was observed:

Avon Park - Jim O’Neil Barrington United – Jamey Bell, Rex Bryant, David Cattermole, Ken Lipscomb, Margaret Bruhns Bowls Papanui – Andy Wilson Cheviot - June Dickson Cust – Roger Gillespie Elmwood Park - Ron Phair, Hugh Horn, Allan Reid, Barry Milner Fendalton – Gordon Fairlie, John Musgrove, Penny Leighs, Bill Todd, Donald Purser, Kaye Hodge, Dick Ellis, Bryan Mulholland, Peter Tucker, Roger Shepard, Ken Anderson, June Black, Methuen Mabin Halswell – Ron James, Shirley Newton, Albert McKeown	Kirwee – Peggie (Margaret) Jenkins, John Pilbrow, Jim Brooker, Lindsay Westaway Methven – Eric Maw Morrison Ave – Bruce Simpson, Yvonne Millar, Mike Furness, Nancy Walls, Dorrie Crooke, Ian Smith, Elaine Jones Oxford – Win Ryde Papanui Club – Trevor Glue, Bruce Williams Parklands – Graham Stanley Rakaia – Jane Cromie, Max Cromie Rangiora – Maureen Marchant Sumner – Ron Burgess, Keith Harvey Sydenham – Wi Jones, Kevin Lynskey Tai Tapu – Donald Potts, Alan Richards Woolston Park – Rex Nelson
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CONFIRMATION OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES HELD 9 July 2023

It was moved that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 9 July 2023 be taken as read

Moved: Marian Galloway (Kirwee)

Seconded: Martin De Jong (Halswell)

Carried

Trevor Sutherland (Papanui Outdoor Bowls) asked that the spelling of Colin Ferris’ name be corrected.

It was moved that with the amended changes, the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 9 July 2023 be true and accurate

Moved: Peter Speedy (Riccarton Racecourse)

Seconded: Marian Galloway (Kirwee)

Carried

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters raised.

APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS

Na Katae called for volunteers to be scrutineers should the need arise.

Appointed scrutineers: Joyce Speedy (Riccarton Racecourse), Lisa Mitchell (Papanui Club), Pauline Penrose (New Brighton)

Moved: Rodney Greaney (Allenton)

Seconded: Margaret Stacey (New Brighton)

Carried

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

Na reiterated what he wrote in his report, expressing his deep gratitude to the board and the Canterbury bowls community for their support during his tenure as president. He reflected on the honour and privilege it has been to serve in this role, highlighting the collaborative achievements of the community. Na extended his heartfelt thanks to the clubs for their unwavering support of him, the centre, and each other, emphasizing the collective effort that has strengthened and united Bowls Canterbury.

It was moved that the Presidents report as circulated be taken as read and as accepted:

Moved: Na Katae (Bowls Canterbury)

Seconded: Craig Carter (Methven)

Carried

GENERAL MANAGER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Lorraine presented her Annual Report, thanking the clubs for their continued support. She highlighted that the clubs' efforts and dedication are key reasons why Bowls Canterbury is one of the most successful centres. Lorraine elaborated on new initiatives, emphasising the impact of coaching and umpires' courses, as well as measuring and greenkeepers workshops. These initiatives, she noted, have significantly contributed to creating a supportive and thriving bowls community.

It was moved that the General Manager's Annual Report be accepted

Moved: Margaret Stacey (New Brighton)

Seconded: Wilson Bell (Waiau)

Carried

Na presented Sandra Keith's Bowls NZ certificate and star and apologised the late acknowledgement. Rodney Greaney (Allenton) accepted the certificate on behalf of Sandra.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 APRIL 2024

Julie presented the financial statements.

It was moved that the Bowls Canterbury Financial Accounts for the year ending 30 April 2024 be approved

Moved: Julie Wood (Bowls Canterbury)

Seconded: Craig Carter (Methven)

Carried

President's Out-of-Pocket Expenses

It was moved that the President's Out-of-Pocket expenses remain at \$2300

Moved: Ross Groves (Belfast)

Seconded: Peter Speedy (Riccarton Racecourse)

Carried

Notices Of Motion

Membership Fees – that as the recommendation that the Bowls Canterbury Levies for 2024/25 season be \$47+GST per full playing member.

Moved: Peter Speedy (Riccarton Racecourse)

Seconded: Rodney Kearney (Burnside)

Carried

Clearance Certificates - that Clause 9.4 Clearance Certificates be removed from the Bowls Canterbury Constitution as recommended by Tai Tapu Bowling Club.

A discussion was held:

- **Martin de Jong (Halswell):** Believes that when members change clubs, they should return all club property before moving on.
- **Marty Braithwaite (Tai Tapu):** Stated that the Tai Tapu rationale was that Bowls New Zealand has removed the requirement from their constitution, and for the sake of consistency, and the fact that clearance certificates are used inconsistently this clause should be removed.
- **Marian Galloway (Kirwee):** Suggested that if members are not clearing their obligations, they are not fulfilling their responsibilities properly. Suggested a bond might be an alternative solution.
- **Neil Johnstone (Elmwood Park):** Mentioned that the new Bowls New Zealand constitution does not allow for clearance certificates and believes the practice should be consistent.

The motion as it stood was put to the vote.

Moved: Marty Braithwaite (Tai Tapu)

Seconded: Alastair Stokes (Fendalton)

Carried

Motion from Kaiapoi Club Outdoor Bowls was removed, to be discussed in General Business.

BOARD POSITIONS AS PER THE BOWLS CANTERBURY CONSTITUTION

Board Positions as per the Bowls Canterbury Constitution 18.

- a. **President** – one nomination received for this position.
Sharon Wilson (Papanui Club Outdoor Bowls) - appointed unopposed.
- b. **Vice President** – one nomination received for this position.
Craig Carter (Methven Bowling Club) - appointed unopposed.

c. Board Members as per the Bowls Canterbury Constitution 19.

Two nominations have been received for two vacant positions – Liz Rossiter (Burnside Bowling Club), and Maurice Phiskie (Lincoln Bowling Club). The Selection Panel recommend that the above be confirmed as Bowls Canterbury Board members for 2024/25

Motion – **Selection Panel** - that one person be elected at the Annual General Meeting to the Selection Panel. One nomination was received, therefore Bill Fowlie (Burnside Bowling Club) – was appointed unopposed.

Moved: Mike Small (Burnside)

Seconded: Peter Speedy (Riccarton RC)

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Kaiapoi Club Outdoor Club recommended that when Bowls Canterbury modifies or adjusts the playing conditions for any event, as listed in the Bowls Canterbury Handbook, all affected clubs should be notified within 24 hours of the change. Additionally, clubs should be given the right to reply, object, or withdraw without penalty.

Lorraine apologised to the club for any inconvenience caused and mentioned that guidelines will be put in place, and the Conditions of Play in the next Handbook.

John Gordon (Barrington United): Inquired why the Over 60s competition was changed from Tuesdays to Monday afternoon. It was noted that this change was a recommendation from the club submissions and the Club survey.

Nina Rae (Club Redcliffs): Raised a concern about the CoP (Conditions of Play) for pulling out of teams. Sharon Wilson responded that the adjustment was made to avoid byes or sections of 10 teams, which was deemed more efficient.

John Hampton (Canterbury): On behalf of bowlers in Canterbury, extended thanks to Na for his outstanding service as President over the past few bowls seasons. His leadership, dedication, and unwavering commitment have significantly benefited our bowls community. Na has been an invaluable asset, and his efforts have greatly contributed to the growth and success of bowls in Canterbury.

In recognition of Na’s achievements and service, everyone stood and applauded.

The date of the next Annual General Meeting will be determined by the constitution.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10:50 am.

President: _____

Ratified: _____