

**EASTERN RANGES BOWLS REGION INC
MINUTES OF THE CLUB DELEGATES MEETING
HELD ELECTRONICALLY ON MONDAY 28 JUNE 2021 AT 7.30 PM**

IN ATTENDANCE

<u>ERBR Board</u>	Paul Dodd, Maria Giramondo, Barbara Keenan, Garry Pickering, Richard Sanzin (Chairman), John Strybosch and Richard Sluggett
<u>Clubs Represented</u>	Bayswater, Bennettswood, Berwick, Blackburn, Blackburn North, Box Hill RSL, Burwood District, Cardinia Waters, Croydon, Eastwood Golf, Ferntree Gully, Glen Waverley, Healesville, Heatherdale, Heathmont, Lilydale, Monbulk, Mooroolbark, Mount Waverley, Mulgrave CC and Vermont South
<u>Guests</u>	Warren Griffin (RBM – Bowls Australia) Doug Whorlow (Laws and Umpires Committee) Liz Bower and Laurie Browell (Junior Development Committee)
<u>Apologies</u>	Gordon Baker Liz Kortum and David Mayson (Ashburton) Pam Arnot and Ray Purdey (Croydon) Inez McCabe (Chirnside Park CC) David Lamble (Mulgrave CC) Warren Bell and Simon Mitchell (Ringwood) and the following Clubs: Ashburton, Balmoral Gardens, Boronia, Chirnside Park, Churchill Waverley Golf, Cockatoo & District, Mitcham, Pakenham, Ringwood, Upwey Tecoma, Warburton, Waterford Valley Lakes, Yarra Glen and Yarra Junction

1. PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Chairman of Meeting

It was NOTED that ERBR President, Gordon Baker, was an apology for this meeting.

In accordance with Clause 14.2 of the ERBR Constitution Richard Sanzin was nominated as Chairman for the purposes of this meeting.

1.2 Quorum

It was NOTED that Clause 14.1 requires half the number of Clubs in Eastern Ranges bowls Region present and entitled to vote will constitute a valid quorum for this meeting.

Richard Sanzin confirmed that the requirements for a quorum had been met.

2. OPERATIONAL UPDATES

2.1 Finance Report

The Finance Report for the period 1 May to 23 June 2021 was received and its contents NOTED.

Total funds on hand at 23 June 2021 was \$32,023.38 comprised of the following:

- Working Account	\$11,403.81
- Savings Account	\$199.88
- Term Deposit	\$15,459.49
- Night Pennant	\$1,365.40
- Inventory (Uniforms)	\$3,594.80

It was NOTED that there were reasonable grounds to believe that the Region has sufficient funds to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

2.2 Region Championships

Committee Chairman, Paul Dodd, provided a verbal update on the State events for season 2020-21.

It was NOTED that James Ridd (Blackburn) won the Men's State Novice Championship.

Dates for the 2022 State events schedule were also NOTED.

Planning for the 2021-22 State championships has commenced and intentions are to complete as many events as possible prior to the Christmas break. Clubs will be advised once further information becomes available.

2.3 Night Pennant

The Committee's Report for season 2020-21 was received and its contents NOTED.

Planning for the 2021-22 season has commenced and it is recommended that the competition be split into Sections that play matches on either a Tuesday or Wednesday evening. The season will revert to a 14-week format commencing after Melbourne Cup.

Clubs are encouraged to consider submitting composite teams.

Carey Rudd (Mooroolbark) agreed to assist the organising committee.

2. OPERATIONAL UPDATES (CONT)

2.4 Junior Development

Richard Sanzin provided a verbal update on the Junior Development programme for season 2020-21.

The juniors performed extremely well throughout the season with some success at Region Championships, Club tournaments and State Championships.

It was NOTED that Olivia Slade (Heathmont) was selected for the Victorian U18 side to play against Tasmania in July.

2.5 Region Competitions

2.5.1 5-a-side Tournament

Richard Sanzin outlined plans to conduct a 5-a-side tournament for Clubs in Eastern Ranges Region.

It is proposed that this tournament will be held in September 2021 and complement the recently announced BV's Pre-Season 9s competition.

The organising committee is still seeking expressions of interest from Clubs to host matches.

Entry forms and Conditions of Play will be circulated to Clubs shortly.

2.5.2 Junior Challenge

Richard Sanzin advised that the Junior Development Committee is planning an U18 triples competition in early October 2021.

Laurie Browell advised that the event was subject to securing a suitable Club to host the event.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1 Grants

It was NOTED that the Region was successful in securing grants from Sports Victoria.

One of the Grants was in relation to improving the Region's Organisational Capability.

In this regard, Clubs are asked to review their requirements for Umpires and Measurers. The Grant can also be used to assist Clubs in updating their Constitutions in line with Eastern Ranges and BVs requirements.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS (CONT)

3.2 Laws and Umpires Courses

Doug Whorlow outlined plans to conduct Umpires courses to meet the needs of Clubs.

Further information will be available shortly.

3.3 Region Subsidy for State Champions Week

On behalf of Vermont South, Keith Horlock asked that the Region consider introducing a subsidy for players representing the Region at State Champions Week.

It was NOTED that prizemoney awarded to winners and finalists of Region Championships already represented a subsidy. If the Region was to subsidise players in full, then this would impact entry fees and Affiliation Fees.

The matter will be considered further by the ERBR Board.

3.4 Annual General Meeting

Richard Sanzin advised that the Annual General Meeting would be held in late September 2021.

Further information will follow closer to the date.

3.5 Board/Committee Vacancies

Richard Sanzin advised of several vacancies for ERBR Board and Committee positions. Clubs are asked to consider nominating suitable representatives for these roles.

3.6 Regional Bowls Manager Update

Warren Griffin (Bowls Australia) provided a brief update following his recent appointment to the Regional Bowls Manager role including specific responsibility for some Clubs within the Region.

4. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the ERBR Club Delegates will be held on a date to be determined in September 2021 coinciding with the Annual General Meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

CONFIRMED THIS

DAY OF

2021

CHAIRMAN