

# Minutes of the 2024 AGM held on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm.

**Open: 2:02pm**

**Members present:** Barry Stonehouse (president), John Gherashe (secretary), Graham Arkinstall, Maureen Bond, Ray Bond, Graeme Downie, Geoff Elford, Jean Fidge, Jack Fowler, Jenny Fowler, Jamie Heffernan, Terry Heffernan, Darren Henriksen, Des Hilton, Helen Kenna, Kevin Lee, Anthony Malady, Dianne Meade, John Milroy, Frank Moloney, Dan Morrison, Clare Pearson, Pat Reid, Ros Ross, Noel Ubergang, Jim Whitehead.

**Apologies:** Ron Mills, Erle Dakin, Dulcie Jervies, Peter Templeton, Peter Thompson, Glenn Newton, Brian Kenna, Christine Kenna, Maureen Kenna, Susan Keane, John Keane, Dianne Heffernan, Dawn Hilton.

**Minutes of 2023 AGM:** Moved Noel Ubergang 2<sup>nd</sup> John Milroy CARRIED.

## Presidents report:

The past year has seen many positives for the club which ultimately ended with both weekend teams making the grand final in division 3 and 2 with division 2 winning the grand final and earning promotion back to division 1 which for a small club is fantastic. Division 3 were very gallant in defeat and certainly did the club proud as did all the other teams that represented the club on weekend and midweek pennant. Although the results didn't go our way were very highly competitive. Thank you to the selectors who did a wonderful job throughout the year.

The corporate cup was an outstanding success and thank you to Arky, Filumena and John for the professional way this event was run: especially Arky for the countless hours he spent making this year the best ever.

Then we get to our wonderful women splendidly led by Jean and her wonderful crew. Thank you very much. Some members might not now the work that goes on behind the scenes but I certainly do. We have the best women in the whole association.

The greens committee, lead by Hendo, Noel and their volunteers, do a fantastic job. Thank you so much.

Erles professional way he does the books and finances. A fantastic job with a lot of support from Susan. Thank you.

Secretary John and Helen for the outstanding work done behind the scenes, which is a huge job so thank you.

Graeme, probably my go to man, who does a lot of things behind the scenes that a lot of people wouldn't realise with memberships, grants, social media, photos, promotion of our club and all the difficult paperwork that has to be done. Thank you very much Graeme you certainly made my job so much easier.

Dianne took on the vice president job very reluctantly and as far as I am concerned she has done a fantastic job and with a bit more belief in herself could anything she wants at our club. So Di, thanks so much for your support: very much appreciated.

To Jamie our match chair, thank you for your efforts during the year.

Arky took on the sponsorship portfolio and absolutely took it to another level and created a very professional approach which in turn picked up more sponsors and created a system that is so good and professional that we can turn to it in future years: so thank you very much.

Dan with the triples on Wednesday, fantastic with the numbers, and the Kevin Lee Australia day was an outstanding success so thank you to you and your helpers.

I would like to congratulate Ron and Helen on being our championship winners as well as all our other winners in our events.

We have lost a lot of great people this past year who have contributed greatly to our club over many years, so my deepest condolences to their families.

As I am finishing up this year I would like to recall some of the items from the past four years that I have overseen and I would like to thank everyone who had the confidence in me to take over the presidents role. I feel the changing of our uniform to align us with the community has given us an identity. A lot of other clubs have commented on this which is great feedback for our club. So thanks you to the members who made this happen.

Our barbecue building is outstanding with many favourable comments from members and visitors, so thank you to Kennedy and his men for installing this outstanding building. We have a Margaret Sumner display cabinet, thanks Jean and the Terang Mens Shed. With the installing of our new greens a lot of work has gone into it with the grant from the shire which Graeme did a heap of work behind the scenes to make this happen. To our greens committee, lead by Hendo and Noel, for their work on this project and to Erle who did the budget and made us believe we could actually afford to put 2 new greens in without having a debt.

To all our members over the years who have raised money. These improvements are all because of you.

Thank you to all our sponsors who without you we wouldn't be able to survive, so thank you very much.

Finally I can't thank everyone enough who had the confidence in me to take on this job, which at times I realise I made mistakes but only in the best interests of the club. Now is the time for a different voice and ideas and there is not many small clubs around that could afford 2 new greens and still have money in the bank.

So in ending, the club is in a very financially viable position which in turn points to an exciting future. Thanks again for every ones support: I have loved everything about this club .

Cheers, Barry.            Moved John Milroy    2<sup>nd</sup> Dianne Meade.    CARRIED.

### **Treasurers Annual Report of The Terang Bowling Club for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2024.**

It is with much pleasure I submit to members of the club the report of the financial activity within the club for the past twelve months. During this time the club has turned over in excess of four hundred thousand dollars and at the close of the trading year still has a Net Worth of \$63,000.00.

RECEIPTS:- Although the membership is a little lower than previous years it has been constant. The continued support of our sponsors, uniforms - the Terang Co-op and Crawleys Hotel, along with other sponsorships amounting to \$13,150.00 not to mention the enormous support by the Corangamite Shire initially providing \$70,000.00 toward the re-establishment of the replacement greens. On the greens completion, it is their intention to provide a further \$20,000.00 to the club. The other outstanding result was the Corporate Cup, a huge success both physically and financially having the maximum number of

participants and the support of the Terang Club resulting in an income of \$18,000:00 for all of the effort. The bye product of the event is further exemplified by the amount of funds generated by the sale of bottles and cans netting a further \$679.00 for the club, thanks to Jean Fidge (*the Steptoe of the Club*). The installation of the Barbeque Operation saw it move to a profit situation justifying the expense of the 'upgrade' of last year and at the same time providing a much improved facility for the membership and those who visit our club. The other outstanding result on the credit side has been the recovery of the GST from the Australian Tax Office some \$21,232.00.

PAYMENTS:- Naturally the largest expenses to date has been the cost of the replacement greens \$300,457.27 and there is still some further payments to be made in the new financial year to complete the project. Increases in the cost of Insurance provided for the club saw a rise of \$1450.00 however this was better than the previous insurer could have provided which would have been in the order of a \$2250 increase to provide the same cover. Affiliations with Bowls Victoria saw \$200.00 increase and the other increase in expenses for Office and Secretary was brought about by the large amounts of Float Money provided to stage the various events. Otherwise the expenses were all in the range of previous years.

BOWLS BUDGET: Just like all budgets, they are only an indication of what may occur, however I am delighted to report that when initially created it was envisaged we may end with a cash balance of \$23,879.00 but the actual figure at the end of this financial year is \$27,380.00.

In closing it has been a pleasure to commit and provide the financial service for the club and I am indebted to the great and honest assistance of Susan Keane & Ron Mills. I wish the club every success into the future.

## **BALANCE SHEET for Year Ending 30/4/2024.**

### **Terang Bowls Club** Incorporated. ABN. 81 994 315 830

<u>RECEIPTS....</u>		<u>PAYMENTS....</u>	
Balance Carried Forward 30/4/23	\$5,082.67		
Investment Bank A/c	\$254,604.43		\$65,000.00
Bank Interest	\$995.65		
Affiliations Refund Bowls Victoria		Affiliations Bowls Victoria	\$5,226.00
		Affiliations Division Bowls	\$456.00
Club Memberships	\$8,985.00	Affiliations Terang Club	\$2,120.00
Uniform Sponsors	\$4,000.00	Terang Public Park Reserve	\$200.00
Bowls Uniforms	\$240.00	Bowls Clothing Uniforms	
Bowls Equipment	\$558.00	Bowls Equipment	\$482.00
Opening Day	105.05	Trophies	\$749.10
Pennant	\$4,385.00	Domina General Insurance	\$4,495.97
Pennant Over 60's	\$323.00		
Club Social Friday Events	\$1,705.00	Club Social Friday Events	\$1,170.00
Monthly Triples			
Tournaments	\$4,289.50	Monthly Triples Tournaments	\$2,688.25
Australia DayTournament	\$2,300.00	Australia DayTournament	\$1,630.43
Colours Day	\$720.00	Colours Day	\$639.15
Corporate Cup	\$18,110.00	Corporate Cup	\$5,157.18
Margaret Sumner Tournament	\$2,200.00	Margaret Sumner Tournament	\$1,365.64

Raffles	\$8,484.60	Raffles	\$954.55
Catering	\$479.90	Catering	\$731.98
Water	\$208.94	Water	\$1,032.90
		BBQ Construction	\$1,789.53
BBQ Operation	\$7,356.74	BBQ Operation	\$1,824.95
Replacement Greens Surfaces	\$70,480.00	Replacement Greens Surfaces	\$300,457.27
Green Fees	\$95.00	Greens & Grounds Maintenance	\$607.81
Office	\$2,793.37	Office Equip & Secretary Exps	\$3,326.37
Sponsorships	\$9,150.00	Sponsorships	\$165.00
Donations & Grants	\$186.95	Donation CJD Appeal	\$100.00
Tomra Bottles & Cans	\$679.40		
Australian Tax Office GST	\$21,232.00	<b>CREDIT BALANCE 30/4/24</b>	<b>\$27,380.12</b>
	<u>\$429,750.20</u>		<u>\$429,750.20</u>
Term Deposit 72-32839573	Balance 6/3/24	Interest 29/11/2023 \$879.65	\$35,000.00
STOCK on Hand	30-April-2024		\$350.61
CASH on Hand	30-April-2024		\$433.35
		NET WORTH 30/4/2023 >	<u><b>\$63,164.08</b></u>

*Accounts checked and found correct  
in alignment with Bank Statements.*

*Erle D. Dakin ~ Club Treasurer*

**Audited by Silvan Ridge 10/5/2024**

Moved: Barry Stonehouse 2<sup>nd</sup> Jenny Fowler. CARRIED.

### **Committee members written reports (optional):**

#### **Catering.**

A very busy time catering so it was all finished to prepare for the new greens to be put down by end of February.

Corporate cup 6 weeks with pulled pork and hamburger's on the menu every second week.

Triples on the First Wednesday of the month with 60 hamburger buns ordered each month made with salad ingredients, still the best in the district.

Australia Day-Kevin Lee tournament a busy day but most successful for the club.

Margaret Sumner Memorial Tournament on 16th February 2024 was also well patronised.

Hendo and I have collected all cans, bottles etc with \$696.40 raised so far. Thanks Hendo for your help.

None of these tournaments would be possible without the wonderful members who turn up each week making coleslaw, cooking sausages/hamburgers etc. making it such a wonderful club of volunteers.

We are a small club thank you to all of you who help, you know who you are so be proud of the Terang Bowls Club and continue to support it.

Jean Fidge Catering Committee.

Moved: Jean Fidge 2<sup>nd</sup> Maureen Bond. CARRIED.

## Items from committee affecting the Filling of Positions: (*Nil.*)

**Filling of Positions:** (Note: Members named are appointed as per formal nomination procedures.)

(Note: Vacant positions need agreement from floor to call for nominations. 75% Pass/Fail.) P

(Note: All subsequent vacant positions will be filled by Co-Opting & committee ratification.)

## **General Committee.**

- President: Graeme Downie.
- Senior VP: Dianne Meade. (Note: Pres & SVP are gender equity preferred.)
- Junior VP: ***Not filled.***
- Secretary: John Gherashe.
- Treasurer: ***Not filled.*** (Jim Whitehead agreed to consider.)
- Assistant Secretary: Helen Kenna.
- Assistant Treasurer: Susan Keane.
- Past President: Barry Stonehouse.
- Greens Director: Noel Ubergang.
- Match Chair: ***Not filled.***
- Catering Chair: Jean Fidge.
- Selectors Chair: Pat Reid.
- Terang Club Rep: ***Not filled.***
- 2 x District Delegates from committee: Barry Stonehouse & Ros Ross.
- Others to make up a committee of up to 15 persons. – Ron Mills.  
- Ros Ross.

## **Constitutional sub-committees:**

- Greens – Noel Ubergang & power to Co-Opt.
- Match – ***Not filled.***
- 5 Pennant selectors - Pat Reid, Hendo, Dianne Meade, Ros Ross, Jenny Fowler.
- Press: Susan Keane. (& maybe Peter Templeton.)

## **Other sub-committees:**

- Open Social Pennant (formally Over 60's): Arky, Noel & Norm.
- Social: Pat Reid. (& maybe Dawn Hilton.)
- Corporate Cup: Graham Arkinstall.
- Sponsorship: Graham Arkinstall.

## **General Business:**

- Inperpetuum items. (Committee recommendations in brackets.)
  - Auditor: (Nigel Bruckner) AGREED
  - Cheque signing: (2 of President, Secretary, Treasurer.) AGREED
  - Verifying on-line payments: (Both Treasurer & Ron Mills.) AGREED
  - Club Fees – Membership. (\$155) AGREED
  - Travelling donation (\$5) AGREED

- Club games (Recommend \$5 from \$0) [due to us paying honour board updates.] DEFEATED. Dan moved & Noel 2<sup>nd</sup> \$0 CARRIED.
- Business arising from 2023 AGM minutes. Nil.
- Items from previous committee for members vote.
  - Portland BC into WDPA 2025/6. Motion of “NO.” Moved Dan 2<sup>nd</sup> Jack Fowler. CARRIED
  - Pursue 4<sup>th</sup> WDPA. YES. CARRIED.
- Items for members to be aware of:
  - Both new greens are now open. Graeme Downie added no dumping, no throwing bowls onto green, use all of the green by following signs and witch’s hats. These requirements are part of the warranty. A book is in the office to inform committee of any items needing attention for Berry’s to fix/repair. Eg: straightening of bowl, etc.
    - We are considering 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> rounds of club games to be played on same day or prior. No front = forfeit!
    - We now have a David Forrester Memorial Encouragement award.
    - We have closed our PO Box and have introduced an email address.
- Items from the floor:
  - Dan spoke of Hendo’s 16 years of running Friday bowls and filling Harry Elford’s shoes as Greens director. A wonderful and much appreciated effort. ALL AGREED.
  - With Graeme’s absence from meetings over the next 2 months, Graeme & Arky will work on sponsorships over the next 2 weeks.
    - Memberships will go out ASAP.
    - Social membership entitlements and cost will be reviewed by the incoming committee.

Meeting closed: 3:05pm.

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The incoming committee then met. (Graeme, John, Tony, Pat, Noel, Ros, Dianne, Jean, Helen.)

- Graeme spoke of Pennant team numbers, recruiting, social bowls: in particular pre-season, use of greens with regard to warranty, the need for a new roller (Cost AGREED to), policy and procedure documentation & application, constitutional review with update needed.

- As President Graeme will be away for most of the next 2 months, we will postpone the next GM to Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. In the mean time, any pressing needs can be done by emails etc or a meeting can be called.

Meeting closed: 4:10pm.

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