

Minutes of Delegates Meeting held at Pittsworth, Saturday 2nd July 2022

President Kyle French opened the meeting at 2.15pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Kyle called for a minute of silence for members who have passed recently.

VALE:

Since the last meeting the following members have passed:

Gladys Williams (Maryborough & Nambour) April 2022

Donald Lack (Dalby) June 2022

Kyle then handed over to Senior Vice President Angus Young for the roll call.

Senior Vice President Angus Young read the attendance book for the Committee of Management, Delegates and proxies.

Voting Power

Callide Valley (Jenny Cruikshank + 2 proxies), Caloundra (David Stoker, David Blyth, Carmel Blyth), Dalby (Glenn Casey, Dulcie Casey + 1 proxy), Ipswich (Diane Knight, Annette Dunstan + 1 proxy), Millmerran (Bev Brown, Sheree Lynam + 1 proxy), Toowoomba (Kaylene & Errol Weir, Marilyn Long)

Committee of Management	5
Delegates	13
Proxies	5
Total:	23

APOLOGIES:

Apologies from Junior Vice President Max Evans.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Previous Minutes (Delegates 26/3/22)

Janet Stockel moved the minutes from the General Delegates Meeting on 26/3/22 be taken as read. Seconded by Glenn Casey. Motion Carried.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Janet Stockel moved the correspondence be taken as read. Seconded by Jenny Cruikshank.

Motion Carried

Inward Items:

#88. Bob Simpson – query on rules and mobile phone app for measuring. The app was designed for outdoor bowls, and probably should not be taken as entirely accurate.

#92 + 127. Tayna Garland – working on quote for team photos, plus actual quote.

#139. Tayna Garland – complaint regarding May Championships, excessive delays during games, as well as between games with most teams waiting for one team to finish before everyone can start the next round. The entire email was read to meeting.

Angus Young responded – some delays during games were partly due to Iris Bryce, as she cannot move quickly to the other end of the mat, we cannot discriminate against those with mobility issues. There were also some tight heads where people took time to work out what to do. There are currently no time limits in the Queensland rules.

Regarding noises, we have a rule and people should turn their phones off unless there is a pressing need to have it on. Finals in particular are usually very quiet, and any noise stands out.

Jenny Cruikshank moved that the letter had been heard, Angus had his right of reply, and we need to move on. Seconded Diane Knight. Motion Carried

#105. Port Curtis IBA – the association is no longer registering with QIBA due to a decline in membership.

#158. Fassifern IBA – the association is closing end of June.

They have offered their mats and bowls to Queensland.

Robin Cruikshank moved we accept their offer, seconded Glenn Casey.

Motion Carried

We will have to work out how to collect them and where to store them.

#132. Trophies – some trophies running out of room. We could add another block underneath the existing one or move the plaques closer together. Different trophies may require different solutions.

#170. Tasmania IBA – response to our request for Nationals players, will be having a meeting and will get back to us. Have not has a further response at this time.

#180. Larni Stretton – her house was robbed and championship badges were stolen along with her jewelry. Larni has asked if she can pay to get the badges replaced. Secretary Janet checked with AJ Parkes and cost will be approx. \$85.

#94. Sport & Rec – extension of existing funding agreement

#169. Sport & Rec – they want us to put a policy in place regarding how we are moving towards gender equality on our COM. While we can encourage gender equality, in the end it depends on who is willing to volunteer for positions.

Outward:

Secretary Janet apologies and advised that she had run out of time to type the outward list.

Janet Stockel moved the Inward correspondence be received, seconded by Jenny Cruikshank.

Motion Carried.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

Sharon Hancock moved the Treasurers Report, seconded by Jenny Cruikshank.

- Sharon renamed term deposit account names to make it clear where funds came from.
- Sharon transfers money from EBA to nationals account (\$3 per registration).
- Debit card fraud – the card was replaced, and funds refunded.
- Registrations continue to drop.

Treasurer Sharon Hancock moved that the is a true and correct record of our bank statements.

Seconded by Jenny Cruikshank

Motion Carried

4. NATIONALS

Tasmania has sent some information regarding the Farewell Function. They are not going to have an actual dinner but have arranged to hire a market space and a band and have food trucks and mobile bars from several local distilleries and breweries.

The Tasmanian reasoning was that dinners are becoming too expensive, something Queensland has already discovered.

It was also queried if there would be some tables and seating, as some people will not be able to stand for a long period of time.

The format was queried, as the AIBBC had previously ruled that the farewell dinner must be a sit-down dinner with an alternate plate drop. It has not been through any meeting we are aware of.

Our delegates will query the format at the AIBBC AGM and request the relaxed format be formally accepted. Hopefully it will be approved at the AGM and we will have no issues with a similar format.

5. OCTOBER CHAMPIONSHIPS

At the AGM there was also a discussion about making the October event a drawn event, with individual nominations rather than team nominations as it is at present. Teams would be drawn on the day of competition, all players would be required to sign-in prior to the drawn being done. For pairs and triples players could nominate a preferred position although players must understand that

positions might need to be evened up, so not everyone will get their preferred position. Nominations would still go through Association Secretaries. If odd numbers of nominations are received, the usual is for QIBA to contact the host association and then other associations for additional players. While nominations are entered in advance of the event, if someone does not turn up on the day, we have no time to find replacements, and it could potentially mean someone missing out on playing if the numbers don't work.

We also need to keep in mind that players are playing for a championship badge. Having no control over who is in their team could be a problem for some people.

Kyle asked the question – Who decides who misses out if we have an uneven number? Say we need extra players, but after contacting associations nobody was able to fill vacancies. For example, in triples we could need 1 or two players, but what if we can't find any extra players? Who makes the call and on what basis?

Jenny commented that in years past, if anyone had to sit out, it was usually a member of the COM.

Dulcie Casey and Janet Stockel, as the original mover and seconder, moved to rescind the motion.

Motion Carried.

Carmel commented, leave the Championships alone and update up the Gala Weekend instead. We need for more people to want to be there. Better players have to remember that to foster the game sometimes they have to play with players they might not normally do so, to encourage them, and pass on knowledge to enable them to learn to be better.

It will be put on the agenda for the November meeting.

It would be helpful if people could send in ideas prior to the meeting.

6. MOTION FROM MARCH MEETING – format of second team practice

The motion was not seconded and therefore lapsed at the previous meeting.

At this time both practices will proceed as usual. Any player not attending any practice day must send a letter to the QIBA Secretary and to the Selectors.

Nelson commented that Gayle Sutton did not nominate for the team as she could not fully commit to the practices as they clashed with dates for outdoor pennants events. Other players in similar positions chose to not play the outdoor pennants in favour of playing indoor. Is the team weaker because of people choosing to not nominate because they cannot commit to practices?

STANDING ORDERS

Standing order moved by Jenny Cruikshank, seconded Carmel Blyth.

Motion Carried

Standing orders rescinded, moved Carmel Blyth, seconded Robin Cruikshank.

Motion Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

7. OCTOBER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Millmerran Association advised that they are unable to have the hall on Saturday 15th October and asked if the date could be moved to the following weekend, 21/22/23 October.

It was moved by Sheree Lynam seconded Carmel Blyth that the October Championships be moved to 21/22/23 October for this year.

Motion Carried

8. WINNER TAKES ALL COMPETITION

Haydn Weir proposed a competition. Cost \$5 per player. Kitty goes on the dot.

Two players, each player gets one bowl, closest to kitty wins and goes on to next round.

Rounds continue until only one player is left, that player wins the entire prize pool.

It was moved by Marilyn Long, seconded Angus Young that this be played at the second team practice, Saturday 10am.

Motion Carried

8.2 LIVE STREAMING, NATIONALS

Haydn has spoken to the company that does the live streaming of the outdoor bowls at Gold Coast/Tweed. We might be able to get them to come for the Nationals to do streaming on one carpet. Haydn will look into it further.

9. RAFFLE PRIZES FOR NATIONALS

It was suggested that we set a value for raffle prizes so that associations, clubs and individuals can donate if they wish to. It was also suggested that different associations might choose to do all the daily raffles for one day. Depending on what we get, QIBA might also purchase gift cards as some of the raffles. Suggested values could be \$50, \$40, \$30, \$20, \$10. Associations could also choose to donate money to QIBA and specify it is for daily raffles.

If anyone can get sponsorship from companies they deal with are welcome to ask. They will want to know what is in it for them. No-one has volunteered to go out and source sponsors in the local area.

10. DELEGATES FOR 2022 AIBBC AGM

At our AGM our delegates were decided as Angus Young, Kyle French, Janet Stockel and Jenny Cruikshank. Now neither Janet or Jenny will be traveling to Tasmania so we need 2 people to replace them. After a brief discussion *it was moved by Marilyn Long, seconded by Glenn Casey that Sharon Hancock and Cameron Hancock (subject to approval) attend the meeting.* *Motion Carried.*

11. TEAM MANAGER

Barry Hankins has sent a nomination for Team Manager as well as a nomination for 2023 Games Master. *It was moved by Annette Dunstan, seconded Carmel Blyth the nominations from Barry Hankins for 2022 Team Manager and 2023 Games Master be accepted.* *Motion Carried.*

12. RESTRICTED EVENTS

It was queried that if nominations fall too low, do we go to a round robin instead of knock-out? Do we open to events to affiliated clubs? There is no guarantee that any of them will be interested. *It was moved by Errol Weir seconded Robin Cruikshank that if there are 5 or less teams then a round robin be played.* *Motion Carried.*

13. MAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

There was a typo on the draw sheet, indicating that the Junior Boys would be played after the Junior Pairs. This should have read Open Junior Singles, as the Junior Boys singles had been scheduled to be played on Sunday, not on Saturday.

The reason for this was that Lucas Evans nominated to play in the senior pairs instead of the junior pairs. As his nominations were valid the committee was required to structure the draw to facilitate all nominations.

Secretary Janet apologised for the typo, however David Blyth was adamant the boys singles should have been played on Saturday following the pairs as it said on the draw, even though the event was listed on the Sunday sheet. He was also adamant that Lucas should have been disqualified from one of the events, and that the Junior Singles trophy that he won should be taken away from him.

Secretary Janet did some research after the meeting and found that a motion had been passed at a meeting in November 1987 that states:

"Juniors be allowed to nominate in both sections. Juniors to pay for Senior events".

This motion was moved by Clive Williams, seconded by Neville Scholl, and was carried.

No motions superceding this have been found.

If anyone wants to draft a motion regarding what is played on what day, or whether the COM/Games Committee has flexibility to accommodate whatever nominations are received.

14. TIMING

One of our biggest problems is the 60 second rule. Are we going to enforce it at practices and July championships? It may not be easy, but players should be aware of time and self-regulate, otherwise players risk going over time at Nationals and losing bowls.

13. MAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

It has been commented that there seems to be a lot of time wasted between games as people wait are having to wait for a round to finish before going on to their next game. Why can't people go on as soon as their mat and opposition are available? The games tend to even out by the end of the day, and the day can potentially finish earlier.

One issue is that players are putting their cards down on the games desk and walking away, so the Games Control is doing a bulk lot of cards and then having to hand them out. People used to stand in line to hand in their cards and wait to get it back. This made it possible to go on to your next game if mat and opposition were available.

It was also commented that the Ladies and Gents singles could have been run better. The first round had only a few teams playing, when we could have had more on and still had spotters.

Response from COM is that we cannot guarantee that spotters will be available, and that is what we are supposed to have, even though we rarely have enough.

Research after the meeting:

MOTION July 2011 (Rockhampton)

8. State Titles

Jason felt that the recent state title singles ran very well with the trial running of the ladies and gents on separate initial calls, as it made sure there were plenty of markers, and did not add much time to the day.

It was moved by Carmel Blyth, seconded Michael Anderson that this be the format from now on. Carried.

Singles rounds are allocated in order to comply with this motion. If someone wants to move another motion to allow more flexibility in the draw, please do so.

14. SELECTION PANEL

It was asked if we should look at the Selection Panel, and only allowing one nomination per association.

Should we change the number of selectors to either 4 or 6 selectors? Potential for a stalemate.

Would there be too much bias, or even perceived bias, if there were 2 selectors from the same association? This may not matter as now as it did in the past when there were many more nominations.

13. SHOES

The current rule book says "clean, flat smooth soled shoes without a heel", but nearly no shoe fits that description. Are we going to enforce the rule, or just scrap it?

The ultimate aim of this rule is for the protection of the mats.

1999 RULE BOOK

Players must wear smooth flat soled shoes not less than 4cm in width while playing, colour to be players own choice, or play with shoes removed, with the discretion of the Games Director.

2006 RULE BOOK

Footwear must be clean, flat, smooth soled shoes without a heel, or approved bowling shoes.

2012 RULE BOOK

Footwear must be clean, flat, smooth soled shoes without a heel.

2019 NOVEMBER, the following motion was passed:

The by-laws and team directive will be amended to say "Clean flat soled bowls shoes without a heel, and references to colour will be removed to bring them into line with the rule book.

The only other motions moved were specifically about footwear for the team.

It was asked if this could be referred back to the Referees Panel for consideration.

President Kyle thanked Millmerran Association for hosting today.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 6.37pm

Janet Stockel
Secretary QIBA Inc
14th August 2022

Kyle French
President QIBA Inc

**RESULTS OF 2022 RESTRICTED PAIRS
PLAYED AT PITTSWORTH TOWN HALL
Hosted by Millmerran Association**

OPEN	Winners:	Toowoomba IBA	Angus Young, Cathy Young
	Runners-Up:	Dalby IBA	Glenn Casey, Dulcie Casey
CONSOLATION	Winners:	Caloundra IBA	Carmel Blyth, David Blyth
	Runners-Up:	Ipswich IBA	Diane Knight, Annette Dunstan