

## **Minutes of the Delegates Meeting held at Gympie Indoor Bowls Assn Hall, on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2025.**

President Carmel Blyth welcomed everyone to the March Delegates Meeting and opened the meeting at 7pm.

President Carmel called forward the Gympie Association members to thank them on behalf of the Committee and everyone at the meeting for hosting today, for the meals provided and for their hospitality. Phyllis Kerr responded by saying it is a pleasure and you are all very welcome.

President Carmel asked Patron Kyle French to read the Revised Roll Call for the Committee of Management and Delegates for the Delegates Meeting.

<b>Revised Voting Power</b>	Committee of Management	5
	Delegates	15
	Proxies assigned to Delegates	<u>3</u>
	Total:	<u>23</u>

### **Confirmation of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

#### **Committee Of Management Meeting, held at Caloundra, Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2024**

*Kyle French moved that the minutes from the Committee of Management meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 are a true and correct record. Seconded by Maryanne Pearce.*

*Motion Carried.*

#### **Committee of Management Meeting, held at Caloundra, Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2024**

*Diane Knight moved that the minutes from the Committee of Management meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 are a true and correct record. Seconded by Kyle French.*

*Motion Carried.*

#### **Delegates Meeting, held at Wondai, Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024**

*Janet Stockel moved that the minutes from the Delegates meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024 are a true and correct record. Seconded by Graham Myers.*

*Motion Carried.*

#### **Committee of Management Meeting, held at Toogoolawah, Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2025**

*Anita Brown moved that the minutes from the Committee of Management meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2025 are a true and correct record. Seconded by Kyle French.*

*Motion Carried.*

### **AIBBC MINUTES**

#### **Committee Meeting, Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2024**

David Blyth asked if Western Australia was joining the AIBBC. There has been no further contact since John Norton passed away.

#### **Annual General Meeting, Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2024**

There were no questions asked.

Kyle French as the AIBBC Secretary gave a summary of the latest COM Minutes that he had received on the morning of the 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2025. Qld AIBBC COM Member Angus Young was unable to attend this meeting. There was a discussion on the Open Singles Competition in Warrnambool and how it is to be played. It was stated that this Competition is a TRIAL for this year only. The AIBBC will have a meeting after the presentations at the National Championships to discuss all aspects of the Singles Competition and the National Championships.

Kyle French stated that a copy of these minutes would be sent out with the Queensland AGM Minutes.

Glenn Casey inquired what would happen if the host State don't or can't hold this Singles event.

## **Correspondence - Inward:**

### **State Team**

- 1 – 9.** State Team Nominations for Warrnambool, Victoria. There were nominations received from 21 Ladies, 22 Men and 2 Junior Boys. The 2025 Selectors have re-opened nominations, with a closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2025.

### **General Emails**

- 1.** Warrnambool Discovery Park – Accommodation Costs and Conditions, August, 2025. President Carmel and Secretary Annette gave an explanation on what the Park required to hold a bulk booking for August, 2025. With low interest and these conditions, it was decided that hiring a bus and having a bulk booking was not feasible for Warrnambool.
- 3 & 4.** Expression of Interest for Warrnambool. There were 16 Expressions of Interest for the Bus travel and accommodation.
- 12.** Elizabeth Watson-Brown MP – Seeking advice on Mat Rollers
- 27.** Ann Gilson – Sherwood IBC – Request for Mat Roller information

### **Website & Facebook**

- 3 & 4.** Web Central – Accounts. Notification of payments due for the Website Domain.

### **Invoices & Receipts**

- 3.** Scorched Media – Invoice – for the New Website.

### **GOVERNMENT ETC.**

- 11-14.** Australian Sports Foundation – Fundraising Project. President Carmel set up a Fundraising Account with the ASF to raise funds for new Uniforms and Coaching. Donations are a tax deduction.

## **Correspondence - Outward:**

- 17.** Philip Lowry – Re: 2024 Treasurer's Honorarium. A show cause letter was sent, asking him why he should be paid the Honorarium. He was given 14 days to reply to the letter. He did not reply.
- 20.** Arrienne Wynen – Asking if interested in being our 2025 State Team Manager. She said in her Report that she would be interested in being our Team Manager.
- 23.** All email contacts – Rockhampton Friendlies Weekend Flyer. It was noted that the "bowl size" was not stated on the flyer.
- 28.** Peter Denyer – Re: 2025 State Team Photos. This was a confirmation email.

*Maryanne Pearce moved the Inward correspondence be received and the Outward endorsed, seconded by Janet Stockel.* *Motion Carried.*

## **Treasurer's Report**

President Carmel presented a Financial Statement as at 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.

Anita Brown moved that the Financial Statement as presented by President Carmel be accepted, seconded by Maryanne Pearce.

*Motion Carried.*

- Angus Young commented that there wasn't any one area that sticks out. We are operating generally beyond our means. It was stated that the increase in fees as passed at the November Delegates meeting should help.

Errol Weir questioned the Nominations Restricted amount of \$50. This will be checked and rectified.

- There was a discussion on the accounting program – QuickBooks – which is currently being used through a third party. There have been issues getting into the current program. Anita Brown suggested that, to keep costs down, the QIBA buy their own Quickbooks subscription. Angus Young moved that we purchase our own program, seconded by Maryanne Pearce.  
*Motion Carried.*

### **President's Gavel.**

Angus Young moved that we update the President's Gavel engraving, seconded by Janet Stockel.  
*Motion carried.*

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **Discussion Points:**

- **Queensland State Team Dinner**
  - QIBA to subsidize State Players (suggested \$10)
  - Interstate Players playing for Queensland paid by QIBA
  - Extras / non-State players at own expense

After a *lengthy* discussion, a suggestion was made that we have our Team Dinner on the Saturday night of the second Compulsory Practice.

Caloundra Association advised that they were unable to host the second Compulsory Practice on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> August due to a long-standing booking. Dalby Association and Kingaroy Association are to look into suitable venues. Gympie Association hall is another possible venue. Kyle French moved that we start Compulsory Practice's Saturday's play at 10am, with the Team Photos at 9am, play at 10am for the first Compulsory Practice, seconded by Angus Young

*Motion Carried.*

Angus Young moved that the Team Dinner be held at the second Compulsory Practice on the Saturday Night, seconded by Kyle French.  
*Motion Carried.*

Errol Weir moved that there be no subsidy at all for the Team Dinner, seconded by Graham Myers.  
*Motion Carried.*

Nelson Thomas asked if the Team Dinner would be compulsory. It is stated in the Directive for Team Members that "Team members will be required to attend Team Dinner, Team meetings, Opening and Closing Ceremonies".

- **Team Manager & Assistant Team Managers**
  - Arrienne Wynen to be asked
  - 4 Assistant Team Managers to be nominated: 2 from each session (early/late start)

Arrienne Wynen has been asked and has indicated she is willing to be our Team Manager again.

There was a *lengthy* discussion on the requirements for the positions of Assistant Team Manager and Liaison Officer. It was also noted that Assistant Team Managers should not be players, if at all possible.

Anita Brown moved that we discuss this further at the first Compulsory Practice after the team is selected, seconded by Angus Young  
*Motion Carried.*

Angus Young moved that we do away with Liaison Officers and have Ladies and Gents Team Captains chosen by Selectors, seconded by Glenn Casey.  
*Motion Carried.*

### **1. Compulsory Practices Prize Money**

Kyle French moved that there be no prize money at the Compulsory Practices, seconded by Deanne Amarant.  
*Motion Carried.*

### **2. Restricted Events Nominations**

If we are to continue holding the Restricted Events and Delegates Meetings on the same day, to save time, Kyle French moved that for Restricted Events, if there are 4 nominations or under, the event will be a Round Robin, otherwise it will be a knockout, seconded by David Blyth.

*Motion Carried.*

### **3. Notice of Motion to the July Delegates Meeting**

Kaylene Weir moved that we change the Restricted Rinks to Restricted Triples to enable other Associations to enter, seconded by Kyle French. *Motion Carried.*

*Notice of Motion to be put on agenda for July Delegates Meeting*

### **4. May State Championships Flyer**

Glenn Casey asked about the changes that were made to the Flyer. The Flyer has been emailed out.

### **5. State Championship Badges**

The format of the Badges could be changed to see if we could get them cheaper than what they are now. It was suggested that they be a Bar with the Queensland Emblem. Secretary Annette will contact the Ipswich Trophy Centre to get quotes and samples of two options for the next Delegates meeting.

Nelson Thomas asked about a Melbourne Badge Company that was mentioned previously. It is to be contacted to get a quote.

### **6. State Championship Trophy Boards**

Examples of the proposed State Championship Trophy Boards were shown to the meeting.

President Carmel explained what the layout would be. They are to replace all the current Trophies which are all damaged in some way and most cannot be repaired.

It was moved at the November Delegates Meeting that a Trophy Cabinet be made to go into the Toowoomba Hall for the Trophies to go into.

Errol Weir stated that the Cabinet is in the process of being made, at no cost to the Association. The maker wishes to remain anonymous. The QIBA says thank you for your generosity.

### **7. State Team Uniform**

Kaylene Weir asked if there was anymore information about the new State Team Uniforms.

A quote has previously been received from West Coast Bowls which is helping to work out the details required for the fundraising site. If anyone knows of other Companies that we can contact, please let us know. The design of the Uniforms will be decided on when we have the funds.

### **8.a. May State Championships – Modified Rules for new format**

There was a *lengthy* discussion on what Modified Rules the May State Championships are to be played under.

David Blyth asked for clarification on the modified rules. He said that the Queensland Modified rules in the current Operational Procedures are for Restricted Pairs, 4" Pairs and 4" Triples.

The motion that was passed at the November Delegates Meeting suggested that the Championships be played under *modified Australian Rules*. He asked why then are we not playing 21 ends for the Singles and 16 ends for the Pairs and the Rinks.

Kyle French explained that the Committee of Management at their February meeting decided to make all games 12 ends each to make it easier on the players and also there is the time factor to be considered. The Flyer has been sent out, outlining the Rules that the Championships are being played under.

It was suggested that all changes to the Rules of Play must accompany any Notice of Motion that changes the format of the State Championships or Restricted Events.

Angus Young made a suggestion for the State Titles saying there is a precedence for the fours being played under modified rules with 12 ends but the singles should be 21 ends and we should make corrections to the Flyer. David Blyth commented the COM has the power to make changes and manage the Championships the best way they can. The Flyer is to be left as is.

The State Titles will be held as advertised.

**8.b.** The By Laws and Operational Procedures will be updated at the next Committee of Management meeting at the end of March.

Nelson Thomas asked if the COM was going to just put in the changes that have already been made or is the COM going to put in any extras that they feel should be there. The changes will be from Notices of Motion that have been passed at meetings. When they are finalized, they will

be sent out before being presented at a meeting to be passed, or rejected, *as is*. It was stated that a document cannot be presented with corrections highlighted or lines ruled through it. (This information was obtained from Sport and Recreation)

Delegates are urged to compare the old and new documents themselves before they attend the meeting where the documents are to be presented.

#### **9. Round Robin conditions**

David Blyth stated that he was asked to question the wording on the State Championships Flyer – “Depending on nominations, these may be played as either knock-out or Round Robin”.

There is a Notice of Motion that was passed at the AGM in February, 2018 that states – “When there are less than 8 nominations for an event in State Championships then a Round Robin will be played for that event”.

Nelson Thomas questioned the way the Restricted Rinks were played today. Because there were 5 Teams, they were played as a Round Robin. (As per a Notice of Motion passed at the July, 2022 Delegates Meeting)

#### **10. Treasurer’s Honorarium**

Kaylene Weir asked what was to be done now that Philip Lowry had not replied to the letter. Carmel Blyth and Annette Dunstan have handled the Treasurer’s work, with a lot of help from an accountant (Denise Stewart) who does work for non-for-profit organizations *at no charge*. Carmel gave a brief summary of the work that the accountant was able to help with.

Janet Stockel moved that we split the Treasurer’s Honorarium between Carmel and Denise Stewart, seconded by Maude Telfer.

Angus Young questioned the giving of half the Honorarium to a professional person.

Kaylene Weir commented that she thought Carmel and Annette should share the Honorarium.

After more discussion, the motion was put to the vote -

*Motion Carried.*

It was noted that as Philip did not do any of the Treasurer’s duties or respond to the letter, he will not receive any Honorarium.

#### **11. 2028 National Championships**

Kaylene Weir asked if a quote had been received for the venue. President Carmel will go and see the Caloundra Stadium to see if we are still interested in it or whether we go back to the University. It was stated that the University was very expensive.

Kaylene Weir also asked about Souvenirs, saying that for something different maybe we have a beach towel instead of the shirts. The Finance, Fundraising and Publicity Committee was asked to look into the possibility.

#### **12. Grants**

Glenn Casey asked if any grants had been obtained for events. President Carmel explained that grant funding is very limited to what you can apply for. They are mainly for equipment, not uniforms or events. She has not found any for State Championships because most of the grants are not to be used for prize money. She has received a list of the current grants available and will look into what can be obtained. There are a lot of grants “available” but the fine print has to be looked at as well, to see what can be applied for.

#### **13. Championship Badges**

Nelson Thomas asked what was being done with the badges that have the sticky resin.

Secretary Annette has spoken with the Ipswich Trophy Centre, they are going to try and take the resin off completely. The problem with the resin has been happening over a number of years. Annette will follow up with the Trophy Centre in the next few weeks.

#### **14. 2025 Team Manager**

There was a short discussion on the timing of appointing the Team Manager.

Angus Young moved that we accept Arrienne Wynen’s offer to be our Team Manager, seconded by Errol Weir.

*Motion Carried.*

A letter is to be sent advising her of our acceptance of her offer to be the 2025 Team Manager.

**15. Russell Lumb's Facebook page**

Nelson Thomas asked about Russell Lumb's facebook page. Russell and Nettie Cooper livestream some games and post them on facebook to help promote our game of indoor bowls. His page is called "Slightly Biased".

**16. Compulsory Practices**

Kaylene Weir asked what could be done to make compulsory practices more interesting. Shane Cashill was asked to outline some ideas similar to what was done when he was in the Victoria team during the Annual General Meeting. It was agreed that the lolly competition held at the first compulsory practice last year was a good motivator.

There was a *lengthy* discussion on what could, or should, be done to motivate our State Team Members. Senior players and Coaches to help with advice for newer State Team players.

Angus Young suggested that there would be real value in having the team talk to a sports psychologist.

Glenn Casey said that the Selectors have the power to change a team if the team is not performing well together.

President Carmel suggested that we have coaching sessions at the compulsory practices again.

There being no further business President Carmel reminded the delegates of the next meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> July, thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.40 pm.

Diane Knight  
Assistant Secretary QIBA Inc  
26<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.

Carmel Blyth  
President QIBA Inc.

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**Next Delegates Meeting**

To be hosted by Toowoomba Association

**Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 starting at 1pm or at the completion of  
The Restricted Pairs – whichever is later**

Delegates names to be advised to QIBA Secretary by 7 days prior.

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**RESTRICTED PAIRS – 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2025.**

**Players to sign in by 9am followed by draw & start of play**

Nominations close 14 days prior to event (20<sup>th</sup> June, 2025)

Names of players to be advised to QIBA Secretary 7 days prior to event

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