

## SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MARCH 21, 2015. 11:00 A.M.  
NORTH VAN LAWN BOWLS CLUB

### Board Members Present:

Harry Carruthers	Ellen van Dusen
Jim Aitken	Morley Brown
Diane Fulton	Derek Kaufman
Lynn Chwartacki	John Aveline
Nita Clark	Steve Santana
George Cubiss	Bob Steven
John Speers	

### Guest:

Ian Tyzzer - Bowls Canada

Club Representatives present: 28 (some with proxies)

1. Call to Order: Harry Carruthers called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. and welcomed everyone, thanked everyone for coming and let everyone know what is in their envelope: expense form, posters, brochures and scorecards available later.
  - Quorum confirmed
2. Memorial moment: Harry asked everyone to stand for a moment's silence to remember those bowlers who have passed.
3. Volunteer Awards: Harry introduced each recipient and asked them to come forward and receive their award for 2013.
  - Sam Siu and Kion Wong - nominated by V&D
  - Edith Holmes (absent)- nominated by North Island
  - Flo Steel and Harvey Rogalsky (absent) - nominated by Bowls South Island
  - Clubs of the Year: Sidney LBC accepted by Wayne Hatt
  - Parksville LBC
  - Kelowna
  - Cowichan for 2013

4. Agenda - changes to:

MOTION: Diane moved the acceptance of the amended agenda, Nita seconded.  
Passed.

5. Approval of minutes of AGM held on November 29, 2014.
  - errors or omissions:

MOTION: Moved by Vern A., seconded by Nita. Passed.

6. Correspondence: Diane Fulton
  - none

7. President's Report - Harry Carruthers
  - Strategic Plan, we are currently reviewing all job descriptions
  - Financials - Derek will discuss in his report
  - registered the previous by-law changes
  - \$13,000 deficit in the budget last year

- Executive Meetings will now be held online
- Google Drive has been instigated, a place to store all documents for ease of access
- a lot of documents needed by the Clubs will now be on the website
- currently working on a Book of Motions
- most of our work is done in the winter to prepare for the new season
- Thanks to all the Board Members

#### 7. (B) TREASURER'S REPORT - DEREK KAUFMAN

- Derek announced that Jackie West's contract was not renewed and a new bookkeeper was hired to work for \$25 hr which ultimately will save us money
- the financials are up to Jan. 18/15 with an updated statement up to April, 2015
- he also told everyone that we are now having our executive meetings on the Web which we have already tried and found to be very successful, changing the cost from \$4500 a year to just over \$600
- Derek explained that ViaSport needs certain information in order for us to get our grant money from them: they need to know what is going on with your Club, how many events were held, how many people participated, how many recreational events you hold, charity events, guests as well as the regular numbers of members, age groups, etc. They are our main contributor for funding.
- Remember: we need to have updated information to get in touch with you. Let us know when your executive changes or if you have changed your email addresses
- Also, all forms are on the Bowls BC website under RESOURCES
- we are also using Google Drive to keep our documents on so that it will be easy to transition when we change executives and that our documents will be accessible

- copy of the income statement and budget presented:

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## Balance Sheet As at Jan 18, 2015

### ASSET

#### Current Assets

TD Canada Trust - 8497 - 5205621	44,664.93
GIC #8626382/36	31,427.41
GIC #8626382/37	47,581.42
Accounts Receivable	1,133.60
Inventory	8,951.56
Prepaid Expense	3,072.00
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>136,830.92</b>

#### Capital Assets

Equipment	1,124.71
Property, at nominal value	1.00
Capital Assets - Acc. Amortization	-973.88
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>	<b>151.83</b>

### TOTAL ASSET

136,982.75

### LIABILITY

#### Current Liabilities

Accrued Liabilities	825.00
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>825.00</b>

#### Restricted Funds

Canadian Championship	40,209.69
Reserve - On Kow Book	879.57
<b>Total Reserve Fund</b>	<b>41,089.26</b>

### TOTAL LIABILITY

41,914.26

### EQUITY

#### Surplus

Current Earnings	85,646.12
Investment in Equipment	104.70
Current Earnings	9,317.67
<b>Total Surplus</b>	<b>95,068.49</b>

### TOTAL EQUITY

95,068.49

### LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

136,982.75

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### Comparative Income Statement

Actual Oct 01, 2014 to Jan 18, 2015

Budget Oct 01, 2014 to Sep 30, 2015

#### REVENUE

##### AFFILIATION FEES

Affiliation fees, B.C. Clubs	0.00	132,000.00
Affiliation Fees re Bowls Canada	0.00	-59,400.00
<b>Affiliation Fees Net Revenue (Loss)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>72,600.00</b>

##### GRANTS

Via Sport - Base Funding	15,186.68	30,060.00
<b>Total Grant Revenues</b>	<b>15,186.68</b>	<b>30,060.00</b>

##### Other Income

Interest	0.00	1,200.00
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>

#### TOTAL REVENUE

15,186.68 103,860.00

#### EXPENSE

##### Operations

BC Championship Entry Fees	0.00	-22,000.00
BC championship Awards	0.00	2,000.00
BC Championship Green Fees	0.00	5,500.00
BC Chmapionship Umpire Fees	0.00	3,500.00
BC Championship Travel Expenses	0.00	4,500.00
BC Team Uniforms	10.50	3,500.00
Junior Entry Fees	0.00	-400.00
Junior Provincial Expenses	1,286.36	2,000.00
Indoor Entry Fees	0.00	-2,400.00
Indoor Green Fees	0.00	650.00
Indoor Umpire Fees	0.00	250.00
Indoor Travel & Other Expense	0.00	350.00
<b>Net Provincial Championships</b>	<b>1,296.86</b>	<b>-2,550.00</b>
Via Sport - Performing Athlete Supp	0.00	-5,500.00
Canadian Championships	-2,577.00	45,000.00
Junior Canadian Expenses	0.00	3,500.00
International Competitions	1,000.00	1,500.00
<b>Net Performance Championships</b>	<b>-1,577.00</b>	<b>43,500.00</b>
Operations Administration	0.00	200.00
<b>Net Operations</b>	<b>280.14</b>	<b>41,150.00</b>

##### Education & Sport Development

Via Sport - Performance Support	-5,000.00	-5,000.00
Junior Program	0.00	4,000.00
Under 25	0.00	2,000.00
<b>Net Junior Program</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,000.00</b>
Personal Development Program	0.00	-2,400.00
Personal Development Expenses	0.00	3,500.00
<b>Net Personal Development</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,100.00</b>
Officiating Expense	0.00	2,500.00
<b>Net Officiating</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>
Coaching Revenues	0.00	-2,000.00
Coaching Expenses	0.00	1,500.00
<b>Net Coaching</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-500.00</b>
Member Program Administration	0.00	200.00
<b>Net Member Programs</b>	<b>-5,000.00</b>	<b>4,300.00</b>

##### Administration



Supplies	0.00		500.00	
Travel	0.00		500.00	
Meetings	0.00		500.00	
Total Governance Expenses		0.00		1,500.00
Via Sport Grant	0.00		-4,000.00	
Newsletter	0.00		900.00	
Score Cards	0.00		800.00	
Club Roster Costs	0.00		2,000.00	
Membership Cards	0.00		400.00	
Web Page	900.00		1,800.00	
Greens C& Artificial Turf	0.00		250.00	
Total Member Services		900.00		2,150.00
Supplies	0.00		300.00	
Travel	0.00		300.00	
Total Risk Management		0.00		600.00
Bowls B.C. - AGM/SAGM	2,868.49		8,000.00	
Bowls B.C. - Executive Meeting	537.26		8,500.00	
Travel - Committee Meetings	0.00		1,000.00	
Total Meeting Expense		3,405.75		17,500.00
Via Sport "I Lawn Bowl" Grant	0.00		10,000.00	
"I Lawn Bowl" Program Expenses	0.00		10,000.00	
Sponsorship	0.00		-10,000.00	
Advertising	700.00		10,000.00	
Travel	0.00		2,500.00	
Sanctioned Tournaments	0.00		4,000.00	
Total Marketing & Advancement		700.00		6,500.00
Storage Unit Rental	1,247.00		1,500.00	
Stationery/Printing	13.90		1,500.00	
Amortization of Capital Assets	0.00		50.00	
Postage	0.00		450.00	
Office Supplies	0.00		2,000.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	75.00		100.00	
Bank Charges & Interest	7.50		200.00	
Club Grants/Subsidies	0.00		5,100.00	
Bad Debts	0.00		200.00	
Year End Review	0.00		4,500.00	
Total General Administration		1,343.40		15,600.00
Financial Administrator		4,800.00		14,000.00
Sports Manager		0.00		10,000.00
Insurance Revenue		0.00		-22,500.00
Insurance Expense		0.00		22,500.00
Volunteer Awards		0.00		400.00
Sport B.C. Fees		0.00		1,000.00
Other		0.00		250.00
Miscellaneous		0.00		500.00
President's Expenses		0.00		1,000.00
Inventory Adjustments		0.00		500.00
Total Other Expenses		11,149.15		71,500.00
TOTAL EXPENSE		5,869.01		116,950.00
NET INCOME		9,317.67		13,000.00

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## 7.(C) ADMINISTRATION - LYNN CHWARTACKI

-Policies and Procedures Manual was last updated in 1995 and she is working to make the necessary changes, a huge job

-Communication starts at the Club level, please look at the website, fill out forms, let us know of any changes in the person to whom we email

-Forms A-D in the Strategic Plan have been reworked to make them easier to understand and they will up on the website

## **Director of Administration Report, March 21, 2015**

The Policy and Procedure manual is currently under review and the new document will incorporate the Strategic Plan. The manual will be reviewed annually and appropriate changes will be made. The manual will be posted online on our website.

The Constitution and By Laws have also been reviewed and written to incorporate the Strategic Plan and current standards of stakeholders i.e.: Via Sport, other government agencies, and all members current and potential.

Communication is an integral part of successful governance. All Bowls BC forms and documents shall be posted on our website for your perusal. Forms may be printed, scanned and forwarded to the appropriate Board member as indicated on the bottom of the form. We have enclosed Forms A-E in your packages, please complete and forward to me. The collection of this data will allow Bowls BC to provide leadership and development of programs based on need.

We encourage all clubs to utilize their Gmail accounts so as to receive correspondence and updates in an efficient manner. As we are in an age of computer technology we must embrace this and utilize it to the maximum.

The Strategic Plan is also an integral part of our ability to move forward. We have made good strides to ensure that goals are met and that the Plan is fluid and updated regularly while implementing, evaluating and setting new goals.

Respectfully submitted

Lynn Chwartacki

Director of Administration

### **7. (D) DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS - STEVE SANTANA**

- thanks to all the Clubs for use of their greens

- we need to get more people involved in the Provincials, from playing to volunteering to watching

- Conditions of Play and Entry forms for all Provincials will be on the website

- Hosting guidelines for Clubs who are hosting a provincial is being put together and will include: how to maintain the greens, how to organize food and beverage and how to schedule the games

- he is also drafting a guide for the coach for the Majors, the Mathies will conduct 2 seminars for anyone interested in being the coach

- we are constantly trying to upgrade and help the Clubs

- Steve has been to the BSI and V&D meetings in order to learn more about their situations

-we are going to try out a new relationship tool called CIVI CRM, this is a database for gathering more information in an easier way, thanks to Alex Bell for helping with this

-Steve has also drafted up a membership form for the Clubs to use which will also be on the website

-there will also be forms for Umpire and Green Fees collection

7.(E)

### **OFFICIATING REPORT - BC BOWLS SAGM - MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2015**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> April, the Crystal Mark Laws of the game will be played throughout Canada. The rule changes have been sent by me to every district secretary to distribute to every club within the Province. Hopefully this has been done.

In August 2014 World Bowls officially approved the most recent version of the Laws of the Sport and they are required to implement the new laws by April 1, 2015.

The following is a summary of the most important changes:

#### **A brief Overview of the changes are as follows:**

In the Forward Section the word "Should" was replaced by "Must". No confusion now hopefully.

The Laws in the book have been placed in a much easier readable order and they have been re-numbered, and a lot easier to find any particular law.

## **Basic Changes:**

### **Trial Bowls:**

There is now a penalty - if a player uses more than the permitted number of bowls during trial ends – That player loses the right to play any remaining bowls in the trial ends.

### **Groundsheets:**

It will not be necessary to fasten groundsheets to the green.

### **The Mat:**

A player may turn over the mat during adverse weather conditions.

## **& Foot Faults**

Before delivery a player must be standing on the mat with all or part of at least one foot on the mat. At the moment they deliver the jack or a bowl, the player must have all or part of one foot on or above the mat

### **Dead Ends:**

When bowls need to be transferred to the opposite end to replay a dead end, this should occur in a way that avoids distracting players on adjacent rinks. In other words, carry or Rake the bowls back to the correct end.

### **Deciding the number of shots:**

There is now a penalty for measuring before the end is - the defaulting team cannot play any more bowls – and measuring is defined.

### **A drawn game in a knockout (eliminating) competition:**

The extra end must be played from where the previous end was completed. However, if that if that extra end has not been started from the correct end and each team has played a bowl, play in that end will continue.



### **Game Stoppages:**

If a substitute is required in a game that is restarting after a stoppage, that substitute cannot be a member of another team. In other words any player who has played in the competition, that player can not be a substitute for another team.

### **Bowl displacement by a disabled players equipment or assistant:**

The provisions regarding displacement of a bowl or jack by a disabled player's wheelchair now include all of their equipment or their assistant

### **In a side game:**

In a side game, regulations can be adopted for dealing with an absent player (Condition of Play)

## **Duties of players and officials**

### **Score Card:**

The skip's duties regarding the score card may be transferable, but only if BCB adopts a new Domestic Regulation – **A Decision will be made by Bowls Canada at the end of March**

**Player Disability:** A player with a physical disability is allowed to kneel on the green, and may kneel in front of the mat or on the mat.

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A player with a physical disability can use an electronic communication device, if permitted in the Conditions of Play.

### **Markers:**

A marker does not need to tell the players the running score if a scoreboard is being used.

### **Manager:**

The role of '**manager**' is no longer recognized in the laws – only the coach can give advice to a player.

### **A Coach giving Advice in an improper manner.**

If, in the umpire's opinion, this law has been broken, the umpire must ask the coach or delegated deputy concerned to stay within the law. If they do not stay within the law, the umpire must ask the Controlling Body to take immediate action to make sure that the offender stops breaking the law.

The umpire has more authority to enforce this law - the same as for dealing with spectators

### **Field of play and equipment:**

A liner siter - similar to a mirror - is now a recognized item of equipment

### **Administration:**

Time limits are now formally accepted for domestic events

### **Game Points:**

Three game points (not 2) are awarded for games won

## **Jack Re-Spot**

Where provisions are made for re-spotting of the jack, tournament organizers may choose either 3 re-spot locations or one re-spot location

## **Players:**

When players' visits to the head are restricted in the conditions of play, it is permissible for a player who is standing in the head to stay there until it is time to deliver their own first bowl

## **Slow Play:**

There are suggested regulations for dealing with slow play, The Conditions of Play me include putting the offending team 'on the stopwatch'. Once the offending team has been put on the stopwatch, they will be required to deliver all their bowls in each of the remaining ends within a four-minute period (timed by an official specifically allocated for that purpose).

## **Crystal Mark 3 Rule Book**

The book is now available and can be ordered now by Clubs or players. The cost per copy is \$8.00 plus postage. An order for 50 or more copies will be \$7.50 plus postage.

The Pilot Course for Umpires has been accepted by Bowls Canada and as the Provincial Officiating Chair for Bowls BC; Part of my duties now are to offer training and assessment for the Umpires within the Province, which I look forward too.

At the present time I am half way into a course for six members from the North Island wishing to become umpires. The course is being held at Parksville LBC, which I thank them I do thank the club for.

There is a form on the BC Bowls Web Site for assessing umpires who have officiated for you and I really would like the conveners of competitions to complete the form and let me or your district POC have a copy to assist with our Umpire Training Program.

Last year a number of clinics for Rules, Measuring and Markers were held within the province and were well attended. The same clinics are again on offer this year together with the Level 1 Umpire Course to all clubs and their members.

All the Provincial Tournaments were covered by our umpires and the feedback I had was very good. I would like, on behalf of all the officials to thank all the clubs for their hospitality and help. It was very much appreciated.

I would like to give a special thanks to our president Harry Carruthers who was last year's Director of Games. Harry put a great deal of time and effort into the arranging of venues and it was very much appreciated. My best wishes to Steve Santana who has taken over Harry's role and with the knowledge and expertise he has in the game I am sure he will do an excellent job for us all.

I would finally like to thank the Board of BC Bowls who a group of unpaid volunteers who work extremely hard for our enjoyment. We all know they can please some of the people some of the time but not all of the people all of the time.

George Cubiss. (BC Bowls Officiating Chair)

7.(F)

## **BOWLS BC COACHING COACHING REPORT SAGM 2015**

We have two club coach courses planned. One to be held in Ladner on Mar. 29th and one in Parkville on Mar 31st. Both courses depend on the availability of Manuals. At the moment the club coach Manuals are being revised. The revisions should be finished By the end of March. If so the courses will go ahead with the new manuals, if not we will have to make do with what we have left of the old ones. I have only six set for the Ladner course. Ron Leslie, Ron Davies, and Jeff Dixon are organizing the island course. Ron Leslie says he still has some old manuals. If he has enough the course can go ahead as scheduled, if not it will have to wait for the revisions to be completed.

Several Months back Alan Stirling in Kelowna expressed an interest in becoming a Learning Facilitator(LF) and be able to train coaches in the interior. I have found a LF core training course being put on in Kelowna in April 2015. I asked Alan to sign up for the course and Bowls BC would cover the fee of \$50.00. After he completes that part of the course I will go to the interior and co- Facilitate a club coach course with him, and that will complete his training . We will then have a LF in the interior.



George Cubiss and myself had a conference call with Eric Sinker from Via Sport. We spent approx an hour discussing how our sport is dealing with training coaches and officials and how Via Sport can help with the training. As a result of this phone session we were informed about an upcoming Coaching admin conference on Mar 11/12 in Richmond. I attended this conference and gained a lot of information about how Via Sport, CAC (Coaching association of Canada) and the NCCP can help with the training, evaluation and Certification of Coaches and Learning Facilitators (LFs).

The question I am most often asked is about coaches who were trained under the old NCCP system. Do their qualifications transfer over to the new system. I emailed Bowls Canada about this and got this reply from Katie Gardiner. "It my understanding that Bowls has been transferred into the new context. Any coach who has **certifications** in the Old NCCP Program will automatically be transferred into the new context. The old certifications will still show on their online transcript, but so will the new equivalent". To further update the previous statement this has not happened as yet. It will be done when bowls Canada completes the coaching development program, which should be done by the end of March. It may take until September for all the approvals to take place.

I have received an email from Katie Gardiner at Bowls Canada with the following information:

A new Coaching level(Performance Coach) has been developed and should be approved by Mar 31st 2015.

Performance Coach (NCCP Competition - Development) is for:

- ☒ Coaches of athletes who are of intermediate and advanced skill levels and who want to compete successfully at the national level
- ☒ Coaches of athletes in Provincial and National tournament competitions.
- ☒ Coaches of athletes wishing to compete internationally.

Looking forward to the new season.

Respectfully Submitted

John Speers

## 7. (G) EQUIPMENT - NITA CLARK

March 21/15

Bowls BC SAGM

Custodian Report

The uniforms have been ordered & should arrive by the end of March.  
Method of Payment will be changed. Derek and I have discussed it briefly.

The plaques have been engraved with last year's winners.

The Medals for this year have been engraved.

Submitted by Nita

Clark

## 8. DISTRICT ASSOCIATION REPORTS

### 8.(A) INTERIOR - MORLEY BROWN

#### KAMLOOPS-RIVERSIDE

asking to be covered by Bowls BC Liability Insurance as Kamloops City no longer will cover them

Open House July 11, 2015

#### KAMLOOPS-MAC PARK

their club is heavy into recruitment of new bowlers  
have printed and distributed a brochure outlining the joys of lawn bowling

our "old bowls lawn art project" is going well with many creative ideas and wonderful lawn art being produced

had a Valentine tea & get together to clean lawn bowls

Open House May 23, 2015

#### PENTICTON

Bonny's Cup is on again this year. The date has been changed to July 18-19 because the "Champ of Champs" has taken their date in September 2015. They would like that date back for 2016.

Open House Sept. 12

OSOYOOS

They have applied for funding for youth bowling. Bowls BC back them

Open House May 30

SALMON ARM

Bowls BC is trying hard to keep them in the group, should find out at ILBA Meeting April 11 in Vernon at 10:00 a.m.

Open House July 18

VERNON

is ready for another great season of bowling. Vernon Fantastic will be held on June 27-29

Open House June 6

#### 8.(B) SOUTH ISLAND-ELLEN VAN DUSEN

ALL ELEVEN CLUBS OF BOWLS SOUTH ISLAND ARE BUSY PREPARING FOR THE UPCOMING BOWLING SEASON. SIDNEY, OAK BAY, AND LAKEHILL ARE FINISHING UP A BUSY SEASON OF SHORT MAT BOWLING WHICH INCLUDED LEAGUE PLAY AND TOURNAMENTS, BOTH IN HOUSE, AND INTERCLUB. CENTRAL SAANICH HAD AN EXTREMELY BUSY CARPET BOWLING SEASON. OPEN HOUSE EVENTS ARE PLANNED, ALONG WITH GARAGE SALES AT WHICH THE PUBLIC WILL BE INVITED TO TRY OUT LAWN BOWLING. THE BSI SCHEDULE THIS YEAR LISTS OVER 55 TOURNAMENTS WHICH WILL BE HELD IN OUR DISTRICT. A GREAT SEASON TO BE ENJOYED BY MANY.

#### 8. (C) NORTH ISLAND - BOB STEVEN

#### North Island & Powell River Report to SAGM March 21st, 2015

North Island & Powell River are looking forward to a busy year in 2015. We will be hosting the Provincial 4's in two of our clubs in July. Men's in Qualicum and Ladies in Port Alberni.

All clubs are preparing their greens and facilities for the year.

Courtenay is building an addition to their club house, which will double its size. Along with the usual tournaments they will once again hold a Carnival fundraiser. This is always well attended and enjoyed by all.

Port Alberni is currently replacing all the back boards around the green. After all the weeks of spring sunshine the work finally began when it started to rain!

The Qualicum indoor season is winding up soon after another busy winter season.

Membership continues to be a major problem with all the district club's.



Qualicum is planning a major membership drive and Port Alberni is hosting a weekly Friday night drop in for all the members of the public. Nanaimo, Courtenay & Parksville have on-going events to bring in new members.

This season the Cash BC Triples will be hosted by Parksville in August.

All of the district's open tournament are now listed on the Bowls BC website

Bob Steven, District Rep

8. (D) V&D - JOHN AVELINE

- 17 Board Members on the V&D Board
- 22 Clubs in V&D
- Granville Park and Kerrisdale have 100th Anniversaries this year
- 24 events run by V&D for Metro Vancouver
- 100 events total to schedule
- John is trying to simplify the calendar

8. (E) TIM MASON - ilawnbowl

- applied for a \$10,000 grant for junior bowls program with NEW AGE bowls
- need to find more school districts in order to get more grant money
- important to create a brand, our logo should be on everything we send out and should have the Bowls Canada logo on it also

VIASPORT - established in 2011

- provincial organization spun off the Olympics
- idea is to get everyone involved in sport
- Tim's program received \$10,000
- we should have a website updated and current
- we should invest in marketing materials
- he goes to schools and introduces the NEW AGE bowls, have 2 regions participating but need more
- we should all know what is happening in each district and how they function
- 6 schools are waiting for the program
- Tim is going to Interior this year, met 95% of deliverables last year

Comment - Mann Park

- they had students come to their Club during gym class time
- offered money for prizes and pizza coupons

Comment - David Mitchell

- have you looked in government agencies willing to give money for junior programs?

A- that's why we need to know the numbers of juniors at each Club



-we need to structure the way we go about getting the money

8. (E) BOWLS CANADA - IAN TYZZER

- Bowls Canada's Strategic Plan on website
- Strategic Plan started a year ago with a planning summit meeting in Ottawa
- hard copy will be given to each Club
- Ian is happy to come out to each Club to introduce the Plan
- Bowls Canada does embrace the technology and has had several meeting on the Internet
- President's Council meeting done by conference call which saves a lot of money
- looking hard at our budget and trying to prioritize and make cuts as they still have a deficit budget
- Sport Canada did give them 60% of their funding but because numbers of bowlers are falling, it is now 40%
- fees haven't been put up for years, still \$13.50 per member
- having a meeting in Ottawa this week to discuss revenue generating measures, they've done a lot of pruning, need to look at new ideas
- Ian is always available to come to the Clubs
- we are behind the ilawnbowl program

MOTION TO ACCEPT ALL REPORTS: Moved by Alice, seconded by Jim. Passed.
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9. Special Resolutions #1, #2, #3, #4 as identified on Notice of Meeting:

Special Resolution #1:

Be it resolved by a seventy-five percent (75%) resolution of the members of Bowls BC, that Section 16.1 of the Bowls BC By-laws be amended as detailed below.

Existing By-Law 16.1 The Fiscal Year of the Association shall begin on the first day of October and end on the last day of the succeeding September in each year.	Recommended by-law 16.1 The Fiscal Year of the Association shall begin on the first day of April and end on the last day of the succeeding March in each year.
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Moved by Nita Clark, seconded by Alice D. Passed

### Special Resolution #2:

Be it resolved by a seventy-five percent (75%) resolution of the members of Bowls BC, that Section 17.1 of the Bowls BC by-laws be amended as detailed below:

Existing by-law 17.1 The Annual General meeting of the Association shall be held in the fall, on a date set by the Board of Management at a time and place specified in the Notice of Meeting which shall be forwarded to all Board of Management Members, all District Associations and Affiliated Clubs at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting.	Recommended by-law 17.1 The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held in the Spring, on a date set by the Board of Management at a time and place specified in the Notice of Meeting which shall be forwarded to all Board of Management Members, all District Associations and Affiliated Clubs at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting.
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Moved by Jim A, seconded by Vern A. Passed.

### Special Resolution #3:

Be it resolved by a seventy-five percent (75%) resolution of the members of Bowls BC, that Section 17.2 of the Bowls BC by-laws be amended as detailed below:

Existing by-law 17.2 The Semi-Annual Meeting shall be held at the discretion of the Board of Management at a time and place to be specified. Notification shall be forwarded to all Board of Management Members and all District Associations and Affiliated Clubs at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting.	Recommended by-law 17.2 A Semi-Annual Meeting may be held at the discretion of the Board of Management at a time and place to be specified. Notification shall be forwarded to all Board of Management members and all District Associations and Affiliated Clubs at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting.
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Moved by Wayne H., seconded by Heather E. Passed.

### Special Resolution #4:

Be it resolved by a seventy-five percent (75%) resolution of the members of Bowls BC, the Section 19.1 of the Bowls BC by-laws be amended as detailed below:

<p>Existing by-law</p> <p>19.1 A Nominating Committee consisting of five (5) members, one from each district, who appointed by their district representative and one (1) member of the Board of Management appointed by the Board of Management shall be appointed not later than the first day of August of each year. The Committee shall recommend a slate of nominations for the Board of Management.</p>	<p>Recommended by-law</p> <p>19.1 A Nominating Committee consisting of five (5) members, one from each district, who appointed by their district representative and one (1) member of the Board of Management appointed by the Board of Management shall be appointed not later than the first day of January of each year. The Committee shall recommend a slate of nominations for the Board of Management.</p>
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Moved by David M., seconded by Lynn C. Passed.

## 10. NEW BUSINESS

David Mitchell - Blind Bowlers

-\$20,000 was raised for the Blind Bowls to travel. Thanks to all who supported them.

Harry C. - thanks to all for coming to the meeting. We rely on you to take all the information back to your members. See you in March!

Motion to adjourn-Jim. A. Seconded by all. passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by:

Diane Fulton, Secretary

Harry Carruthers, President