

**Minutes of the Delegates Meeting held at  
Wondai Town Hall, on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024.**

President Carmel Blyth welcomed everyone to Wondai for the November Delegates Meeting and opened the meeting at 2.00pm.

Senior Vice President Kyle French, assisted by Diane Knight, presented Certificates and Prizes to the winners of the Restricted Singles.

**LADIES RESTRICTED SINGLES**

<b>OPEN</b>	Winner:	Janet Stockel	Nambour IBA
	Runner-Up:	Carmel Blyth	Caloundra IBA

<b>CONSOLATION</b>	Winner:	Sheree Lynam	Millmerran IBA
	Runner-Up:	Dulcie Casey	Dalby IBA

**GENTS RESTRICTED SINGLES**

<b>OPEN</b>	Winner:	Robin Cruikshank	Callide Valley IBA
	Runner-Up:	Russell Lumb	Ipswich IBA

<b>CONSOLATION</b>	Winner:	Cameron Hancock	Brisbane IBA
	Runner-Up:	David Blyth	Caloundra IBA

Robin Cruikshank thanked all of the players and thanked Kingaroy Association for hosting the Restricted Singles.

A Minute Silence was held for members who had passed away recently.

Senior Vice President Kyle French read the Attendance Book for the Committee of Management and Delegates.

<b>Voting Power</b>	Committee of Management	5
	Delegates	14
	Proxies	<u>3</u>
	Total:	<u>22</u>

There were 6 Proxy Votes submitted in writing for the Notice of Motion.  
Total Voting Power for the Notice of Motion was 28.

**Apologies:** Tony Watson and Jenny Cruikshank

*David Blyth moved that the Committee of Management may remove their Blazers, seconded by  
Cameron Hancock* *Motion Carried*

**Confirmation of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

**Committee of Management Meeting, held at Caloundra, Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2024**

*Diane Knight moved that the minutes from the Committee of Management meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 are a true and correct record. Seconded by Maryanne Pearce.* *Motion Carried.*

**Delegates Meeting, held at Caloundra, Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2024**

*Kyle French moved that the minutes from the Delegates meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 are a true and correct record. Seconded by Graham Myles.* *Motion Carried.*

**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 of the 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 are a true and correct record. Seconded by Robin Cruikshank.* *Motion Carried.*

**Correspondence - Inward:**

**State Team - 3. Withdrawal from 2024 State Team – Margaret Ternanov.**

Margaret Ternanov withdrew from the State Team due to financial difficulties.

## **General Emails - 1. Tony Watson**

Re old and new websites. This matter is to be held over to the AGM where Tony will be in attendance to answer any questions.

## **9. – Tony Watson – Suggestions for Committee of Management**

### **10. – AIBBC COM Member Reports**

### **11. – Expression of Interest – Bus & Accommodation for National Championships in Warrnambool, 2025**

### **12. – October Championships – Suggestions**

### **18. – Rockhampton Hosting Friendlies Weekend**

#### **Emails – 4. Bullying Policy**

Until we have our own Policy we are working under a “General Policy”. The COM has formulated a Policy for Indoor Bowls and it will be finalized and distributed at the AGM

Letter to be sent to the AIBBC asking for Clarification of 2025 Venues and dates. There was no Pamphlet in the bags that were handed out at the Closing Ceremony of the National Championships in Tanunda. There was a lengthy discussion on the proposed New Singles Tournament. Janet Stockel asked that all AIBBC Minutes be sent to the Queensland Secretary.

#### **Correspondence - Outward:**

### **7. Max Evans, Lucas Evans, Riley Kerle- Letter for University re: being in State Team**

*Robin Cruikshank moved the Inward correspondence be received and the Outward endorsed, seconded by Kaylene Weir. Motion Carried.*

#### **Treasurer’s Report**

The Secretary received an email from Philip Lowry on the 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2024 confirming his Resignation as Treasurer due to personal reasons.

Carmel Blyth asked an Accountant to help formulate a Report for this meeting. (There was NO Charge) Annette Dunstan stated that Elise Wright can no longer be the Interim Treasurer as moved in the COM Minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 due to personal circumstances.

After a discussion on who could hold the position, Kyle French suggested Sharon Hancock, Annette Dunstan suggested Anita Brown, Angus Young moved “That we ask Anita Brown and if she accepts make her Interim Treasurer”. Seconded by Kyle French. *Motion Carried*

There was discussion on the New Website Maintenance expenses.

“Souvenir Shirts” – this was a bulk order for the 2024 South Australian Souvenir Shirts.

Scarborough Account – Nelson Thomas asked if there were any Statements or a breakdown of deposits and withdrawals for the account. It was noted that there had been no transfers paid to Juniors in 2023 and 2024.

*Annette Dunstan moved the Treasurer’s Report as presented by Carmel Blyth, seconded Kaylene Weir Motion Carried*

#### **FEES and EXPENSES**

After a lengthy discussion on the financial situation of the Q.I.B.A. Inc, the following fees were set –

**Registration \$25 (Senior & Junior) (\$15 Registration, \$10 Insurance)**

*Moved David Blyth, seconded Janet Stockel*

**CARRIED**

**Association/Club Affiliation \$70**

*Moved David Blyth, seconded Janet Stockel*

**CARRIED**

**Nominations Restricted Events \$15 per player**

**Nominations for State Championships** \$15 per player per event, free for Juniors for Junior events, Juniors in Open events to be subsidized by Scarborough Account

Moved Kaylene Weir, seconded Kyle French

CARRIED

There was a discussion on Prize Money and that it should be based on how many Nominations were received for the event. It was noted that the Nomination Fees and the Sponsorships received in 2024 covered the Prize money that was paid.

### **Honorariums**

Robin Cruikshank moved that the Honorariums remain the same, seconded David Blyth:

Secretary \$800, Assistant Secretary \$200, Treasurer \$300

CARRIED

Honorariums are paid for the year just past, with the amount paid being the amount voted the previous year. The amount moved/accepted above is for the coming year, to be paid next AGM.

### **Travelling Expenses for Committee of Management members only**

Angus Young moved that the Travelling Expenses for COM only (AGM & 2 Delegates meetings) remain the same and COM meetings to be by Zoom, seconded Janet Stockel

CARRIED

Angus Young moved that there be NO Subcommittee Travel Expenses for 2025, seconded Kyle French

CARRIED

### **Hosting of Restricted Events - \$400.00 (\$200.00 per day) for 2 days**

Angus Young moved that the fee remains the same, seconded Janet Stockel

CARRIED

### **AIBBC Minutes**

There were no Minutes received.

### **NOTICE of MOTION - From NAMBOUR INDOOR BOWLING ASSOCIATION**

We move that the Operating Procedures of the Queensland Indoor Bowling Association be changed to following with respect to State Championships:

That the events of the May State Titles be changed to the following played with 4-inch bowls on 30ft carpets under modified Australian Rules:

Saturday – Open 6 – Bowl Pairs (12pm Start)

Sunday – Men's Singles, Ladies' Singles, Open Junior Singles (9am Start)

Monday – Fours (8.30 Start)

That the July State Championships remain the same.

That the events of the October State Championships be changed to the following played with 4 ¾ inch bowls on 24ft carpets under Queensland Rules:

Friday – Open Pairs, Junior Pairs (6.45pm Start)

Saturday – Men's Singles, Ladies' Singles, Boy's Singles, Girl's Singles (9.00am Start)

Sunday – Rinks (8.30am Start)

### **Rationale:**

The nominations for the October State Championships have been declining significantly over the last ten years. Furthermore, majority of associations registered with the QIBA currently use 4-inch bowls over 4¾ inch bowls. The nominations for the July State Championships have continued to be the most competitive and supported by members with largest pool of nominations received.

The proposal addresses these notions by:

1. Installing two State Championship Weekends with 4-inch bowls and one with 4 ¾ inch bowls to reflect the majority of associations who now play with 4-inch bowls and promote more nominations as supported by largest nomination pool coming from the current July State Championships.
2. Moving the current May State Championships to October to maintain the prestige and history of the event while promoting more nominations in the least supported State Championship Weekend.

## **State Title Nominations**

### **MAY**

2024 – 22 pairs, 14 rinks, average of 50 ppl

2023 – 26 pairs, 16 rinks, average of 58 ppl

### **OCT**

2023 – 22 pairs, 15 triples, average of 46 ppl

2022 – 17 pairs, 12 triples, average of 35 ppl

### **JULY**

2024 – 28 pairs, 20 triples, average of 59 ppl

2023 – 30 pairs, 18 triples, average of 57 ppl

2022 – 24 pairs, 16 triples, average of 48 ppl

Max Evans moved the motion, Seconded by Angus Young

Max Evans and Angus Young spoke for the Motion. It was said that there are so few small bowl competition events at state level and less 5 game days and less competition in general.

David Blyth spoke against the Motion stating that the May State Titles are our history. If you change it, it loses prestige.

After a *lengthy* discussion President Carmel asked for 3 scrutineers - they were Robin Cruikshank (Patron-COM member), Joy Sollaye and Dennis Locke.

**Vote:-** Yes – 15; No - 13.

*Motion Carried.*

Robin Cruikshank moved that ballot papers be destroyed, Seconded Angus Young.

*Motion Carried*

## **DISCUSSION POINTS**

### **1. Gala Weekend in 2025.**

Kyle French spoke on the original Gala Weekend. It was suggested that the weekend be played on 30ft mats and be held at the end of May. It was also proposed that it be the same format as the first one in 2018. After more discussions it was decided to leave the decision until a later date.

**2. July 4” State Titles Pairs-** possible change to 6 Bowls Pairs to try to reduce playing time  
Some suggestions were that the number of ends played be reduced. That umpires and referees enforce the 60 second rule to keep the time down. That leads shouldn't be looking at the head. It was also suggested that shot clocks to time bowls could be introduced. It was decided to not make a decision at this time because of the new games schedule that will be in operation due to the notice of motion that was passed previously in this meeting.

*Robin Cruikshank moved Standing Orders be in place at 4.50pm, seconded Max Evans. Motion Carried*

*Robin Cruikshank moved that Standing Orders be rescinded at 5.40pm, seconded Kyle French*

*Motion Carried.*

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **1. Restricted Events Format**

Kyle French asked the delegates what they thought of the format that was used today ie: Bowls starting at 9am with the meeting starting as soon as practicable after play had finished. It was suggested that it was a good idea for the Singles event, but not sure it would work for the Pairs and Rinks. After more discussion, Angus Young moved that as a trial for 2025, bowls to start at 9am and the meeting to start at 1pm, seconded David Blyth

*Motion Carried*

Angus Young moved that the AGM and all Delegates meetings starting time be 1pm or at the completion of bowls, whichever is later, seconded Kyle French

*Motion Carried*

### **2. Treasurer’s Honorarium**

There was a discussion on whether the Treasurer’s Honorarium should be paid due to his Resignation on the 1<sup>st</sup> August. Cameron Hancock suggested that a show cause letter should be sent asking him why he should be paid the Honorarium. Angus Young stated that he should be given the right of reply and given 14 days to reply to the letter. A decision will be made at the AGM.

### 3. **Championship Trophies**

Nelson Thomas asked what is to be done with the old Championship Trophies. It was previously decided to give the yearly plaques to the various winners of the Trophies if they want them. Nelson Thomas suggested a Cabinet at the Toowoomba Hall to put the old Trophies in. Errol Weir stated that this could be done.

Nelson Thomas moved that a Cabinet be made and take the money (for it) out of the Scarborough money, seconded Kyle French *Motion Carried*

Glenn Casey asked about new Trophies for the new events. As we are in the process of getting small Honour Boards with Plaques to replace the existing Trophies, any new Honour Boards needed will be organized as well.

### 4. **QIBA Inc Honour Boards**

Nelson Thomas asked about the updating of the Honour Boards that are in the Toowoomba Indoor Bowls Hall. Errol Weir will get the Boards down and Annette Dunstan will take the Boards to the Ipswich Trophy Shop because she has not been able to contact the previous people who did the updating. Angus Young stated that he thought they were still in business. Annette Dunstan will try to contact them again.

### 5. **State Titles Flyers**

Kaylene Weir asked why Green Fees are being accepted after Nominations close. Previously, Nominations and Fees were to be received by the QIBA Inc Secretary from Association Secretaries on or before the due date. This has not been the case in recent years.

As from 2025, ALL Nominations AND Green Fees are due 21 days prior to the event. No Late entries will be accepted.

It was suggested that the Nominations should be put straight onto the Website and Facebook site so people can check. Angus Young stated that it is in the Constitution that all correspondence has to go through Association Secretaries to the QIBA Inc Secretary.

Angus Young moved that any Nomination can come from the person making the nomination to the QIBA Inc Secretary, After some discussion this Motion was Rescinded.

Kaylene Weir also asked, with so many Rules in the game of Indoor Bowls, why is the Rule about mobile phones still on the flyer?

Kaylene Weir moved that we don't have "At all QIBA run events, all electronic communication devices shall be either switched off or on silent whilst in the playing venue. If on silent, devices should not be used or checked whilst playing a game unless special dispensation is granted by the Controlling Body. These include mobile phone, pagers, Ipad, Ipods/MP3 players, radios etc." on Flyers, seconded Kyle French

*Motion Carried*

### 6. **Start of Play – Grace Period**

Kaylene Weir asked for clarification of when the 10 minutes grace period starts on the day of competition. Teams and players have ten (10) minutes from the **Advertised time** to be ready to play.

### 7. **Singles Draw for October Championships**

Kaylene Weir asked for opinions on the use of the *Random Number App* draw for the October Singles Championship. The Committee of Management thought it went well. Kyle French suggested that maybe change the time of the draw to 10minutes earlier than was used on the day to ensure that all players were in attendance and the Games Director has more time to write up the scorecards and scoresheets. There was a discussion on the feasibility of using the Random Number App for team events as well. It was noted that all of the nominated team would have to be in attendance before the skip could get the team's number. Janet Stockel moved that we trial it with the teams events, the motion was withdrawn.

Angus Young moved that the *Random Number App* be used for all Singles Events, seconded Glenn Casey

*Motion Carried*

Kaylene Weir asked if any of the Modified rules were printed somewhere so people could look them up. They are in Operational Procedures or By-Laws and will be put on the Website as soon as practicable.

### 8. **Sponsorship**

Nelson Thomas asked about any Sponsorships that may have been received. Tony Watson has had a couple of meetings with different groups as per his Fundraising, Finance and Publicity Committee Report.

## **9. July Championship Trophies**

Kaylene Weir asked why the July Trophies were taken back to Caloundra? They were updated.

## **10. QSport**

Kaylene Weir asked about The QSport Liaison Officer. She is the QIBA Inc contact with QSport in regards to helping obtain Sponsorships and Grants etc.

## **11. State Team Uniforms**

Kaylene Weir asked if the COM had talked to West Coast Bowls about changing the State Team Uniform. President Carmel has been in contact with them but hasn't received anything back as yet. She was told previously that the turn around for any orders would be 4 to 6 weeks. The quote will be sent out when it is received. It was noted that it is very hard to get grants for uniforms.

## **12. State Title Badges**

Nelson Thomas asked about what was being done with the State Title Badges and the problem with the resin. Can the resin be removed without affecting the writing on the badges? Secretary Annette stated that she has contacted Ipswich Trophy Shop and they are going to try and remove the resin from one of Annette's badges to see how it goes. Angus Young mentioned the Melbourne Badge Company that does a Gold Badge with Engraving.

*President Carmel called forward the Kingaroy President, Graham Myles, to thank the Kingaroy Association for hosting the Restricted Singles and the Delegates Meeting. He replied that it was a pleasure to host the event and he hoped it was good enough.*

*Patron Robin Cruikshank asked to be excused at 6.55pm and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.*

## **13. Raffle Tickets**

Kaylene Weir mentioned that in the minutes of a previous meeting it was stated that the host Association is to provide raffle ticket sellers at a QIBA Inc run event. There was a problem at the last event held at Toowoomba and they will no longer sell the tickets.

## **14. July State Championships**

Kaylene Weir asked why only the Pairs Final was recorded by Nettie Cooper. She sometimes films Finals games for Russell Lumb's facebook page "Slightly Biased" – a page Russell has set up to promote Indoor Bowls. Kaylene asked if it could be announced in future if filming is to be done.

## **15. Assistant Team Managers at National Championships**

Kaylene Weir asked who appointed the 3 Assistant Team Managers at the National Championships in Tanunda. It was noted that 2 Liaison Officers became Assistant Team Managers. It was suggested that the Team Manager had asked them to help. Kaylene stated that Assistant Team Managers should be appointed at meetings. Kyle French mentioned that the Umpires were discussing the amount of people in the playing area.

## **16. Spotters at State Titles**

After witnessing some poor etiquette by Spotters at the October State Titles, Kaylene Weir moved that people are not to be in the playing area except markers, officials or scoreboard attendants, seconded Kyle French

*Motion Carried*

## **17. Compulsory Practices**

Kaylene Weir asked what could be done to get people more motivated. It was suggested that the concept should be changed to make the Practice more interesting. There was a notice of motion passed that "each section play against each other (singles v singles, pairs v pairs, etc)" She suggested that the Green Fees be increased to cover the cost of 'Lollies' after the success of the lolly competition at the first Compulsory Practice this year.

## **18. Closing Dates for Office Bearer and Sub-Committee Nominations**

Kaylene Weir asked when the Nominations close for the Test Team Selectors. They close 6 weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting that is to be held on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2025. Office Bearers and Sub-Committee nominations close on the 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 and the State Team Nomination form is to be returned by the 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2025.

**19. Thank you**

Kaylene Weir stated that she would like to say THANK YOU to President Carmel for organizing a Bus to the National Championships in Warrnambool to give more people the opportunity to go to the Championships. Also THANK YOU to Secretary Annette for organizing the Team Dinner this year. It was a beautiful venue and meal. Great job! She also said THANK YOU to Kingaroy Association for the fantastic dinner they provided and for hosting the day. She also said THANK YOU to the Photographer who took the Team Photos this year. He was obliging and kind on the day and she thought the photos were quite good quality.

**20. Possibility of an Extra State Championship**

Angus Young asked if events that are currently played in October, but will not be played now due to the Notice of Motion that was passed in this meeting, could be played as an extra State Championship in February or early March. Rationale: We have lost a lot of events and don't play enough State Events. After some discussion he rescinded his suggestion.

**21. Bowls Shoes**

Angus Young commented on people not wearing Bowls Shoes when playing State Championships. He stated that it should be enforced. There is a rule in our current rule book that states – Footwear must be clean, flat, smooth soled shoes without a heal.

**22. Correction to a Motion Carried – COM Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2024**

My Apologies everyone - the Motion should read –

Annette Dunstan moved “That the roll-up for Compulsory Practices be reinstated – 4 bowl roll-up for Singles and 2 bowl roll-up each for Teams– as per National Championships play”, seconded Kyle French  
*Motion Carried*

There being no further business President Carmel thanked everyone for their attendance at the bowls and the meeting today. She reminded everyone that the Annual General Meeting will be on 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2025. She thanked the COM for their work throughout the year and closed the meeting at 7.50 pm.

Diane Knight  
Assistant Secretary QIBA Inc  
26<sup>th</sup> November, 2024

Carmel Blyth  
President QIBA Inc.



**Annual General Meeting and Delegates Meeting**

**Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2025 starting at 1pm or at the completion of  
The Restricted Rinks - whichever is later.**

Delegates names to be advised to QIBA Secretary by 7 days prior.  
To be hosted by Gympie Association in the Gympie Indoor Bowls Hall



**RESTRICTED RINKS – 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2025.**

**Starting at 9.00am**

Nominations close 14 days prior to event (14<sup>th</sup> February, 2025)  
Names of players to be advised to QIBA Secretary 7 days prior to event