

**The Hills District Bowling Club
Umpires AGM Meeting Minutes
11am Friday 12th July 2019**

Meeting opened at 11:00am.

Present Bill Norris, Graeme Drabsch, Peter Eagle, Ron Donaldson (*Chair*), Vin Hoa, Uwe Bendt, Gordon Lark, Ron Moye.

Apologies. Stephen Miller, Eamon McElduff, Ken Carroll.

1) Confirmation/acceptance of Minutes of March 12th 2019

Moved G Drabsch , seconded Peter Eagle; minutes accepted.

2) Positions of Chairperson of Umpires and Secretary declared open.

Uwe Bendt was called upon to conduct the election and called for nominations for the vacant positions.

With no nominations for either the Chairman of Umpires or the Secretary being raised, Ron Donaldson agreed to continue in these roles subject to approval of meeting participants. Approval was received.

3) Zone items

- i) The new umpire re-accreditation process was discussed; Summary details are that it is competency based; open book; a test of Marking, Measuring and the Rules of Lawn Bowls. Examples of test questions and answers may be found by a google search using the following - *Victoria Umpiring 75 Q&As*.
- ii) Interruption of play – inclement weather; Discussed. **Action:** Club CoU to provide details of the associated circular to the Club CoB for the placement of a notice on the notice board. It was also suggested that this be announced before the start of play should the weather be threatening.
- iii) Conditions of Play – restricting the movement of players; Discussed.
- iv) Crystal Marks Laws of the sport of Bowls Edition 3.1 is now in use. Purchase from NSW bowls \$9 + postage.
Action: Club CoU to determine the number of books required by the Club and arrange for the placement of an order.

4) Outstanding Items

Nil

5) General Business –

- i) Gordon Lark expressed a concern as to the proficiency of Markers and for the assignment of proficient Markers for the latter stages of singles championships. Acknowledged; and it was noted that although score card back-boards have been updated with instructions for Markers, the Markers need to be made more cognizant as to the requirements of the role. Re-enforcement of Marker duties when a person is assigned the role of Marker would assist.
- ii) Ron Moye – Questioned the requirement for bowls stickers for mid-week pennant matches. **Answer** – Yes, stickers are required on all bowls.
- iii) Ron Moye – Questioned the disparity in the size and weight of jacks used at the club. **Action:** The club CoB to investigate.

6) **Next Zone Meeting**-- Thursday November 14th 2019

7) **Next Hills Meeting**-- Friday November 15th 2019

Meeting Closed at –11:35am