



**VANCOUVER & DISTRICT BOWLS ASSOCIATION**  
**BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES**  
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 2016**

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**Directors present:** Bonnie Smith, David Arnott, George Cubiss, Ken Sherlock, John Aveline, John Speers, Kion Wong, Myrle Lawrence, Peter Lee, Sharon Cowie, Sydney Hope

**Absent:** Laura Low, Mary Hargreaves, Pat Skinner, Sam Siu

A quorum being present President David Arnott called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

**Motion to approve Oct. 24, 2015 meeting minutes:** Sydney Hope moved, seconded by John Aveline and all approved.

**Organization chart:** David Arnott to forward PDF of V&D Board org chart to George Cubiss and Ken Sherlock.

**Nomination of Director to Bowls BC:** Unanimous approval to re-appoint John Aveline as Director and George Cubiss as Alternate. David Arnott to advise Harry Carruthers, President of BBC.

**Directors Reports - Updates / Recommendations:**

- **Handbook Preparation:** Chair Kion Wong advised handbook preparation is starting with Sam Siu, Vanessa Siu, Ken Sherlock and David Arnott (ex-officia) on committee.
- **Standardization of newer bowler competitions:** Myrle Lawrence moved that both Men's and Women's competitions for newer bowlers be standardized by creating common Novice, 2<sup>nd</sup> year and 3<sup>rd</sup> year qualifying definitions (terms 'Colt' and 'Sophomore' will disappear). After discussion motion passed unanimously. Myrle to explore definition names for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year, change definitions on p.14 of the handbook and advise clubs by e-mail.
- **V&D Events:** Sydney Hope reported good progress in completing the events schedule for 2016 in preparation for the Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> meeting with Club reps. George Cubiss confirmed and all agreed that +/- 10 points up will be used for scoring V&D events rather than all points up and wins will be worth 3 points, ties 1 point. Wording will be added to the handbook rules of V&D play to confirm that dead ends will be replayed (i.e. no burnt ends).

- Presidents Cup: David Arnott will confirm the June 22<sup>nd</sup> availability of Granville Park to again host this Fours tournament for club executives. Team entry fee will be \$40 per team which includes lunch.
- Awards Day: Peter Lee will formalize recommendations to establish clearer guidelines for qualification and priorities for Awards Day entries. These will be forwarded to Laura Low and Sharon Cowie. All V&D events except the Top 10 League and BC Week will qualify for Awards Day. Points will be awarded for positions 1, 2, 3 and 4 in single division events and to A1, A2, B1 and B2 in divisional events. In the event of unplayable conditions and no games are played prize monies will be distributed evenly to all teams. In the event only 1 or 2 games are played the prize money will be donated to charity. The host club convenor or greens keeper will make the determination of unplayable conditions.
- Player Development: John Speers advised there maybe a few less Player Development sessions in 2016 due to the heavy competition schedule at North Vancouver.
- Rules Committee & Umpires: George Cubiss reported that his Feb. 6 Umpires clinic has 6 registered and expecting a total of 10. He also has Umpires courses scheduled for Kamloops and Penticton April 30/31. Two Marker's clinics are scheduled for Tsawwassen and one at NVLBC in advance of the Juniors Tournaments.
- Website: Bonnie Smith has taken over management of our website with the support of outgoing webmaster Robert Ascroft. Updates are underway to some of the links on the site for posting on the web.
- Bowls BC and BCB: John Aveline advised that the Bowls insurance provider will have a representative at the BBC AGM in March to present information on our coverage and answer questions about same. Sydney Hope has learned that Bowls Canada is still looking for a venue to host the National Singles. If a location cannot be found soon this event may be cancelled in 2016.

**V&D Nomination for BBC Volunteer of the Year**: Chair Kion Wong reported that 4 nominations have been received and the committee will complete its review well before the March 19th BBC AGM.

There being no further Business John Aveline moved the meeting be adjourned at approximately 11:20 a.m. All in favour.