

**TSAWWASSEN LAWN BOWLING CLUB**  
**Minutes Semi - Annual General Meeting – April 16 , 2024**

1. Call to order in the clubhouse at 7:00 by President, Ralph Walker.  
37 members were in attendance.
2. A minute of silence was held in remembrance of former club members Laura Davidson and Cecile W
3. Approval of Agenda:  
Agenda as circulated prior to the meeting was approved.  
Proposed by Lynn Hope and seconded by John Chatterton.
4. Approval of Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of October 25, 2022:  
Proposed by Reg Russell and seconded by John Chatterton.
5. **President's Report - Ralph Walker** - see attached report

The President's Report is attached and becomes part of these minutes.

Welcome everyone to our 2024 season.

I would draw your attention to the outstanding mural Gary Nay has painted on the end wall adding much to this room.

Our club is dependent on volunteers as you make this club great. Adding to this we are running a Buddy program again. This pairs experienced bowlers with new comers to assist them in gaining confidence in finding their way around the club, the draws and our events. Please sign up on the sheet found on the bulletin board. Late May or June you will be assigned a new bowler to welcome.

6. **Vice-President's Report - Marion Con** - see attached report

The Vice-President's Report is attached and becomes part of these minutes.

The Injury Report Book has been brought up to date and will be located above the kitchen fridge along with the First Aid Box.

Samples of our new Club Shirt are available to try on for size. I will be taking orders and payment can be by cheque or e-transfer to tlbcbanking@gmail.com.

7. **Treasurer's Report - Laurie Fredricksen** - see attached report

The Treasurer's Report is attached and becomes part of these minutes.

The Cleaning Lady is again hired for 3 hours a week from April to November.

Seven sets of new bowls and sixteen coloured jacks have been purchased.

The money from the New Horizon's grant will be put towards new sun shades for the south end of the green.

8. **Secretary's Report - Catherine Hastings**

All correspondence with the BC Societies Act and BC Bowls has and will be completed in compliance with their statistics requests. A Certificate of Good Standing has been ordered and will be sent to the City of Delta as requested.

9. **Standing Committee Reports:**

**Games - Jack Moores** - see attached report

The Games Committee Report is attached and forms part of these minutes. The Calendar has been e-mailed to members and a copy is posted in the Locker Room. Jack emphasized that the first two pages of the Calendar explain each activity, cost and dress code. The May calendar will be changed to include the evening bowling coaching sessions.

Vancouver & District handbooks are available in the office.

Clinics are being held to refresh bowling skills and credit and new rankings.

Drop in Aggregates will be held in place of leagues.

We host 6 events this year and will visit 4 other clubs.

**Grounds - Al Samis** - see attached report

The Greens Keeping Report is attached and becomes part of these minutes.

Al thanked the dedicated members who turn up each Monday morning to clean the green and ditches. All members are invited to show up and help.

**Coaching – George McCarter** - see attached report

The Coaching Report is attached and becomes part of these minutes.

Coaching for new members will commence on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 Monday, Wednesday and Friday. There will also be coaching available in the evenings. Because these coaching lessons only cover the basics, the Clinics put on by the Fredricksens have been very useful.

After lessons are completed we hope to pair each new member with an experienced member as their Bowling Buddy to help integrate them into playing.

**Events – Lynne Frost** - see attached report

The Events & Entertainment Committee Report is attached and forms part of these minutes. The Report lists all of the upcoming events for this season.

**Publicity & Membership – Karen Walker** - see attached report

The Publicity Committee Report is attached and forms part of these minutes. An article about our Open House days was submitted to the Optimist but we have no control whether it will appear in the paper or on-line.

All members are requested to update their Emergency Contact Person. This list will be available with the Accident Report Book located above the fridge.

Informational pamphlets are located in a holder beside the locker room door to be readily available to hand out to people inquiring about our club.

**Fundraising – Adriana Resnick**

**- see attached report**

The Fundraising Committee Report is attached and forms part of these minutes. We will again be selling plaques for the benches at a cost of \$150.00 each.

**House - Diane Samis - see attached report**

The House Committee Report is attached and forms part of these minutes. House Committee will meet the first week in May. Please inform Diane if you can attend. We would like to see different people assisting each month. Tea-Between will start on May 6<sup>th</sup> this season.

The President called for questions from the floor.

David Braim wondered if we were accomodating the Richmond players while they are without a green. They are welcome to join in as visitors this year.

Olive Sansom asked about our Junior Program citing the past success of members such as Emma Boyd, now married and living in Australia but representing Canada and our club at the International Level. Olive will contact Mary Hargreaves who was instrumental in forming the Junior Program to get details as to what was done to promote it.

David Fredricksen mentioned the Open Houses can be written up in the Optimist under Community Events at no cost.

The President called for a motion to accept all reports. Motion to receive and approve all reports was made by David Braim and seconded by Kathy Keyworth. Motion carried.

**10. New Business**

BC Bowls is encouraging all members to take the SAFE SPORT program which is available on-line. It takes 90 minutes and can be done in increments. When completed, please report your number to the Secretary, Cathy Hastings.

- 11. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm proposed by Chris Walker and seconded by Margaret Harvey. Motion carried.**