

Bowls Victoria



Victoria Region Representative

Report 09/09/2019

Welcome to season 20-19-2020 and we hope that you have all had a nice break
The New B.V. Rules state that: The Region President and Secretary are to be the new BVRR,
and as John and I are the President and Secretary nothing has changed,
Jeff Amos of North Gippsland is our BVRR substitute
As John and I were away we could not attend the BVRR Meeting, and Jeff Amos (Sub) was in hospital.
I have taken extracts from the said meeting

- **The Male & Female State Final Events** are being held together at Bendigo 14th to 25th April 2020
We need to see more Clubs encouraging their members to participate in all of the above Events as it will give them experience and a better understanding of the game
- **Action:** BVRR's to find out how many Clubs organize a Corporate Bowls Competition and advise Bowls Victoria who would be interested in organizing a State playoff Competition.

BOUNDARY REVIEW

Ian Guymer presented on the Region Boundary Review that Bowls Victoria is about to embark on, highlighting the following reasons:

- Streamline administration and reduce duplication
 - Good corporate governance
 - Falling number of volunteers
- Review inequalities and new demographics
 - Stronger competitions – Playing Areas
 - Support smaller Clubs
 - Long term survival of bowls

***When will the review take place:**

- Going back to affected Clubs, Divisions & Regions by February 2020
 - Release findings and recommendations by March 2020
- Commence 2020-2021 season with two BVRR meetings scheduled for 2020
- Following the BV Constitution and Regulations review and update the Region, Division & Club pro forma
Constitutions are now in review,
 - Director removal, conflicts of interest and the power of the Board vs. Members while managing the expectations of members complaints were covered
 - Guidelines for BV Disciplinary Committee and guidelines for suitable penalties for a range of offences approved by the Board and to be announced soon

Guidelines for clubs (based on Club pro forma Constitution), flowchart of step by step process and template notices as a reference for Clubs to use when managing a disciplinary process currently being developed

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General Business

Ovens & Murray requested that the Volunteer of the Year Award details are released earlier in March.

Most regions commented that they know it is coming and therefore prepare well before the date BV advertises

No Volunteer of the Year has come from either East or North Gippsland Divisions

All Clubs have been requested they self-assess the quality of greens
(80% have responded to date)

Purpose is to get consistent playing surfaces for all bowlers
Bowls Victoria needs more greens inspectors
(especially more female)

BowlsLink being used for Vic Open registrations

Shortly (estimating Wednesday 11 September),
Your Club Administrator will receive login details for BowlsLink and able to proceed with entering
your member information in readiness for the new season.

The most crucial information that needs to be addressed immediately is registering your
members as financial.

Online video training will be provided
Aiming for membership database access by 31st August. Bowls Victoria
has informed Clubs that it will be available it's available.
Those who have seen the system believe it will be far better than the
current system.

NEXT MEETING

The next BVRR meeting will be scheduled in April 2020 in Bendigo – details TBA

Cheers

BVRR: *Fay Lewis*