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MACKAY MEN'S DISTRICT BOWLS ASSOCIATION INC.

BY-LAWS

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SECTION A.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

1. SCRUTINEERS

Two (2) Scrutineers shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the Council each year to control the issuing of the ballot papers, their collection and counting.

The Scrutineers shall advise the Chairman of the Meeting the result of the scrutineers count and the Chairman shall announce the result to the meeting.

The ballot material shall be destroyed with the authority of the meeting and the scrutineers shall carry out such destruction.

2. ELECTION AND BALLOT PROCEDURES

Nominations shall be made in accordance with Clause D.4 of the Constitution.

The method of voting shall be to delete the name or names of the candidate or candidates not required by the voter.

The results of each ballot shall be determined on 'first past the post' principle. If there be an equal number of votes for two or more candidates for the last remaining position in a ballot a further ballot shall be conducted between the candidates who tied

As soon as possible after the opening of the ballot the Chairman of the meeting shall introduce to the meeting any candidate for election who is not well known to the Councillors such candidate be present at the meeting.

Ballot papers may be issued to those entitled to vote prior to the meeting being opened but the votes shall not be collected by the scrutineers until the Chairman of the Meeting announces the closing of the ballots. All votes will be deemed to have been made after the opening of the meeting and before the closures of the ballots.

SECTION B.

COUNCIL MEMBERS, FUNCTIONS & PROCEDURES

1. PATRON

The Patron need not be a member of an affiliated club, and shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting on the recommendation of the outgoing Council

2. DELEGATE TO THE B.Q.

The Delegate to B.Q. shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting, in accordance with Clause D4 of the Constitution. He shall attend a meeting of B.Q., and vote thereat as instructed by the Association Council. He shall report fully to the Council at each meeting on the proceedings of B.Q.

3. LIAISON OFFICER (Junior Bowlers)

A Liaison Officer shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting to organise and control Junior Bowlers within the District at District level, in accordance with Clause D4 of the Constitution.

Junior bowlers shall be entitled to play bowls in any Club or District competition according to the conditions laid down for the playing of the event.

4. MANAGER, DISTRICT SIDES

A Manager for the district representative sides shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting to organise travel and accommodation and general management of sides representing the District. The manager will accompany the representative sides playing away.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Committees shall be established in accordance with Clause D.11. of the Constitution for such purposes as the Council may determine from time to time.

a. The Committees

The following Committees shall be established and members of each Committee shall appoint a Chairman and notify the Secretary within seven (7) days of the election of the Committee.

Other committees shall be appointed from time to time to deal with specifics outside the scope of the Match Committee. In such cases the Chairman shall be appointed by the Council and the Council may decide to make the Chairman responsible to form that particular Committee.

The President and the Secretary shall be ex-officio members of all committees except the Selection Committee.

The Chairman of each committee shall tender a report to each Council Meeting and as required by the Executive Committee.

b. Public Relations, Promotion and Sponsorship

The Committee shall develop programs for the Association and Clubs to develop, encourage and improve the participation of people in Bowls, promotion of the sport and financial assistance for the sport.

c. Selection

- i. The Committee shall consist of (1) ONE to (3) THREE members and shall be responsible for the selection of Teams, Sides, and Captains, as called for by the Council.
- ii. If more than one selector all shall be from different clubs.
- iii. In the case of an Association team or side playing outside the boundaries of the Association the Committee shall appoint a member or members of the team or side in whom may be vested the power to alter the elected players and to fill any vacancy in team or side.
- iv. Selectors shall be elected for a term of TWO (2) years (Amended 21/10/2006)

d. Match

- i. The Match Director shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting and act as Chairman of the Match Committee. His membership does not come into consideration for Clause (ii)
- ii. Four other members shall be elected to the Match Committee and all shall be from different clubs.
- iii. Three (3) members shall form a quorum.
- iv. The Match Committee shall organise and control all Association events except when the Council decides to set up a special committee to organise and control a specific event.
- v. The Match Committee shall be responsible for the allocation of District events to clubs after due consideration of green conditions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Council or Executive, duly authorised by the Council, may decide the allocation/s associated with a particular event

e. Coaching

The Coaching Panel shall be established to comply with the current provisions of the Constitution of Bowls Queensland Limited.

The Coaching Panel shall consist 3 to 5 members, with THREE (3) members to be part of a mixed gender Umpires panel if such panel is formed. Umpires Panel, if formed.

f. Umpires

The mixed gender Umpires Panel has been established and shall comply with the current provisions of the Constitution of Bowls Queensland Limited

g. District Coach/Tactician

Qualifications/Duties to be decided. (amended 21/10/2006)

6. ELECTION OF COMMITTEES

Committees shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

Any person shall not be elected to a Member of more than TWO (2) Committees.

All candidates for election as a Committee Member shall be Financial Members of an affiliated club, and shall be nominated in writing, signed by TWO (2) financial members of an affiliated club. and the nomination paper in every case shall bear the signature of the nominee showing his consent of such nomination.

All nominations shall be in the hands of the Secretary not later than TWENTY-ONE (21) days prior to the date on which the election is declared.

If insufficient nominations are received for the position of committeemen, the candidates so nominated shall be declared elected and the meeting shall proceed to fill any remaining vacancies, and, if necessary conduct a ballot but with nominations from the floor of the meeting.

7. MEETINGS AND REPORTS

Each Committee shall meet as regularly appropriate for its work and shall provide a written report to each meeting of the Council.

The Chairman or any other Member of each Committee shall personally present that Committee's report to the Council and participate in discussion or any matters relating to that Committee's activities but shall not be permitted to participate in any vote if he is not otherwise a Councillor of the Association.

A quorum shall be fifty per centum of the total membership of the Committee. Should a quorum not be present within thirty(30) minutes of the appointed time for the meeting then such meeting shall lapse.

8. DISMISSAL OF COMMITTEE

If the Council resolves that a Committee is not properly discharging its functions. it may dismiss the elected Committee and reconstitute it with new Members until the next elections.

SECTION C.

REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

No Person working for the Association is expected to be out-of-pocket for works directed by or approved by the Council. Reimbursement shall be as scheduled from time to time by the Council

SECTION D.

ATTIRE

Subject to any changes from time to time required by any amendment of the B.A. Laws of the Game, the Controlling Body shall be responsible for ensuring that all players, markers, and umpires participating in games on an affiliated green shall wear the correct attire as set out in the B.Q. By-laws.

SECTION E.

UNIFORM

The Uniform of the Association shall be that of an Ordinary Member of B. Q. The Patron, President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer of the association may have the words "PATRON" "PRESIDENT" "VICE-PRESIDENT" "SECRETARY", "TREASURER" as appropriate embroidered above the words MACKAY M. D. B. A in turn embroidered above the B.Q. insignia on their Blazer pocket with the year of senior office added.

All embroidery shall conform to that determined from time to time for B.Q. Official Pockets.

SECTION F.

ASSOCIATION BADGES

1. The Patron;
2. The Executive Members;
3. Past Presidents.

Badges with bar shall be provided for the committeemen.

SECTION G.

REPORTS FROM CLUBS

Clubs are required by the B.Q. to submit to it the following reports and each Club at the same time shall forward a copy of each of these reports to the Secretary of this Association.

1. A copy of each Annual Report, Financial Report and Balance Sheet;
2. An annual statistical report as at 31 December each year;

SECTION H.

MEMBERS OF TWO OR MORE CLUBS OR DISTRICTS

The matter of a Members' Club Membership is the responsibility of the Club.

However, no member shall play for more than one Club in any competitions conducted by this Association in any calendar year without a written permit from the District Executive Committee. In the event of any member so doing he may be disqualified and the Club for which he was not qualified may also be disqualified from such competitions. For the purpose of this By-law a member shall be deemed in any calendar year to belong to the Club for which he first plays in that same year in any Association competition.

No member, who has played in any State or District Association match or competition (excluding Carnivals) arranged by a State or District Association outside of this State or District Association shall, in the same calendar year, play in any match or competition (excluding Carnivals) arranged by this Association, unless he has obtained written permission from the District Committee.

If permission has not been granted, he shall be disqualified from such match or competition arranged by this Association (Explanation: Exemption includes such carnivals as Easter Carnivals, Christmas Carnivals, Gold Coast Carnival, etc).

No person who has played in any other State or District Representative team other than this District Association shall in that same calendar year be eligible for selection in any of this District Association's Representative Teams without first obtaining written permission from the District Management Committee.

SECTION I.

COMPETITIONS

All competitions, and other matches played or held under the patronage and auspices of this Association shall be played in accordance with the B.A. Laws of the Game and conditions from time to time in force.

This Association shall frame the conditions of its competitions provided such conditions shall not conflict with these By-laws or the B.A. Laws of the Game.

This Association is empowered to impose and collect penalties in respect of any breaches of any Conditions of any competitions conducted by the association, provided that such penalty is not in conflict with any penalty provided by the B.A. Laws of the Game.

SECTION J.

OPEN EVENTS

All Clubs must apply to the Association for permission to conduct open events to be held in accordance with conditions as determined by the Association from time to time.

SECTION K.

SPONSORSHIP:

This Association may accept sponsorship of any event.