

WEST COAST ROLBAL / BOWLS



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1. Call to Order

The 4th (Fourth) Annual General Meeting of West Coast Bowls was held on 24th (Twenty fourth) September 2020 at Velddrif in the Bowling Club Clubhouse. It began at 10h00 and was presided over by Leon Meyer (President), with Rika Mitchell as interim secretary. Covid 19 social distancing and sanitation procedures were followed as well as temperatures taken and recorded.

2. Opening:

Leon Meyer, President of West Coast Bowls District welcomed those present. He thanked those that had travelled a long way to attend the meeting.

He then asked Basie Louw from LCE Bowling Club, to open the meeting in prayer. Basie reminded the meeting of the stressful circumstances under Covid 19 pandemic in South Africa and in West Coast District .

3. Attendees:

Please see attachment (AGM 2020 – Attendance List)

Apologies:

Rika Mitchell had prior to the meeting received apologies from the following persons and clubs:

Vredendal, Piketberg, Lutzville. Roleyn Nortier, Tertius Loubser, Miems Louw and Renette Swart (both playing Boland trips finals) Apologies was offered for three more persons, who were not on the delgates list.

She expressed that a quorum had been met and therefore the 4th AGM of the WC Bowls District meeting could proceed.

4. In Memory:

Rika asked for a moments silence in memory for 'those that had rolled their last bowl', Piketberg: oom Willem Burger, Lagoon: Giel Rossouw, Lutzville: Rita Eigelaar, LCE: Tony Howell and Yzerfontein: Stephany Pereira

5. Acceptance of Minutes from 1st West Coast AGM Meeting:

The minutes from the 3rd WCBD Annual General meeting had been sent out to all clubs prior to the AGM and these were accepted by the meeting. Jannie Roos pointed out that there should have been a proposer and a seconder

6. Matters arising from the Minutes:

Visits to clubs Leon Meyer informed the meeting this will be addressed again this year as the pandemic placed restraints on travel. Rika visited Clanwilliam twice to coach the Rooibos players.

7.President's Report:

Please see attachment (President's Report 2020

Additional items discussed:

Action required: EXCO and Jannie Roos Organise a West Coast final Business League and clubs should register all business league players on Bowls SA website.

Heini Jacobi and Eddie Bremmer accepted the President's Report.

Leon then reported and explained to the meeting on the newly formed Provincial Bowls Boards structure as is required by SASCOC from all sporting federations. The implications for Bowls are that here will be only 9 votes at SA Bowls AGM with the proposed Provincial Bowls Boards, one per province and districts will be given voting rights pro rata to their number of affiliated members. Boland will have no voting rights. A new constitution is being prepared for the Western Cape Province.

Action required: Tom will forward a copy of the organogram to Leon for further distribution to clubs.

Leon asked the meeting to consider social media to be used more frequently in future for meetings.

7. Thanking of President:

Basie Louw (Vice President of LCE) expressed gratitude to Leon Meyer for tirelessly giving his time especially the administration that was required to obtain funding from DCAS and Covid funding and sharing his expertise to improve bowls on the West Coast.

8. Financial Report:

WCB Treasure: Tom Tromp discussed the Financial Report. This report had been sent out prior to the 4th WCBD AGM.

- -Ian Rice queried the absence of the North /South competition income this year compared to R3600 the previous year. **Action: Tom to investigate**
- Action: Budget to be prepared by EXCO and circulate to clubs.
- Tom encouraged Clubs to approach EXCO should they need some funding from DCAS funding for club events which covers development or capacity building.
- Tom reiterated that more pressure will be brought to bear on the sport of Bowls by SACOC to improve representation of all races on committees and club membership. It is clear that funding will not be forthcoming if we do not fulfill their requirements in future.
- -Johan Raats queried the reasoning behind SASCOC not sponsoring amateur players in bowls as they do in other sport. Tom informed the meeting that all players must be affiliated after three months of participating in the sport of bowls and therefore there are no amateur players. The meeting then discussed the problem of players who do not wish to play competitions and there for not become affiliated members and are being classified as social members. Tom pointed out that a social member is just that and do not play bowls or Tabs in. He stressed that all players should be affiliated as this produces the income for Boland to administer the sport as well as for Bowls SA and ensures Government funding, backing and approval.

- Tom noted again that WCBD is heavily dependent on DCAS funding and should adhere to requirements to be granted funding in future. Rika reminded the meeting that the affiliation issue was also addressed in the Boland Constitution.
- Leon stated that if the number of affiliated members dwindles there can be no Inter district competitions.
- Action required:it was decided that EXCO put a motion forward to the Western Province Board to address this issue of social players (mostly older players) in their proposed new constitution and to reduce compulsory affiliation from 90 years to 80 years of age.

Leon informed the meeting that more smaller size bowls would be bought with DCAS money as well as Coaches manuals and a disability bowling arm. Estelle Odendaal enquired if they could also have size 2 and 1 bowls for their schoolchildren development. Action required: Tertius to take over asset register of Schools t bowls from Rika and ensure that Porterville also received new bowls. Dissatisfaction with re sized bowls were noted.

The meeting accepted the financial report, Eddie Bremmer (LCE) proposed and Kyle Stemmet seconded.(LCE)

Ian Rice thanked Boland and Leon Meyer for their efforts to assist Clanwilliam during the pandemic as the club was financially not viable anymore. He reported that it is in a better position now after the recently held Trips competition, but still have a long way to go to restore their finances.

9. Match Secretary Report:

Leon thanked the clubs for the great representation of West Coast district at Boland games.

10. WCBD Technical Official Convener

Leon reported that Roleyn is planning another Tech 1 course in the new year. Willem Odendaal asked if it was possible to organize a Markers/Measure course for scholars. Action required: Roleyn and Tertius to investigate and liaise with Willem

11.Coaching

Action required:Rika will contact Con Dixie at Bowls SA to ascertain when WCBD L1 Coaching course can take place – preferably early in the new year and report back to those player who had registered for the cancelled course.

A refresher course was held for 23 L1 coaches in February at Lagoon Club and Bowls SA Con Dixie ran the course. There were no costs involved.

The Boland Coachs' Standing committee convened at Ceres in February 2020 and Rika attended as member to plan the way forward for coaching.

Ian Rice enquired about the Academy and Rika informed him that from the standing committee meeting in Ceres, it was decided that West Coast, as pioneer of an Academy, would work with Western Cape being Jenny Griffiths and Tazz to gain insight into methodology of TID and ZED Squad to use at the planned Academy. To this end Rika reported that she has been attending workshops with Jenny at Somerset Bowls club.

Action required: Rika and EXCO to determine kick off date for Academy and standing committee for West Coast district coaching.

11.Greens

Leon reported that the cancelled green keepers course would be addressed in the near future. Plumstead and Western Province to assist with green development and training especially how to use equipment. Green keeping course manual have benn bought.

13 . Motions: No motions received

14 Awards: Due to some competitions which could not be completed it was decided not to hand out awards this year.

Special congratulations to: Pam beer and Elasm Louw- Boland ladies Veterans and they won Gold! Dale Gentle for Boland Ladies B team and Pikkie Mangiagalli and Garth Duncan for Men's Veteran team. Leon congratulated these players.

Boland Awards: Gail Lotz and Ian Venter won Silver, Pikkie Gold and Barry O' Connor Silver. Also veterans basie Louw, Leon Meyer, Ian Rice and Garth???? Silver in Veterans competition.

14 WC Selectors:

Leon shared that the nominations for the WC selection committee and congratulated the following members on being selected to serve on this committee:

Men's Selectors:

Garth Duncan- also Boland Pikkie Mangiagalli Ian Rice André Swart

Junior Selector:

Willem Odendaal

Ladies Selectors:

Renette Swart Miems Louw

12. WC Standing Committees:

Coaches Convener: Rika Mitchell

Technical Official Convener: Roleyn Nortier

Greenkeeper Convener: Leon Meyer

13. Election of WC Executive Committee:

Leon shared that the committee for the bowling season 2020/2021 would be as

follows: (All Executive Committee were unopposed)

President: Leon Meyer Vice President: Jannie Roos Secretary: Rika Mitchell Treasurer: Karien Terblanche

Competition Secretary: Annatjie Rademan Members and Marketing: Jannie Roos School Representative: Tertius Loubser

Transformation Representative: no nominations Women Representative: Kiewiet van Rooyen

14. Headquarters:

Leon thanked Velddrif for hosting the 4th AGM and being the WC headquarters for the past year. He asked the President, Johan du Plessis, whether they would be in favour of remaining the headquarters for the forthcoming season. He was in favour of this and a decision was made to keep headquarters at Velddrif.

Leon then thanked Velddrif Bowling Club for making their facilities available. He also expressed a special word of thanks to the Velddrif members who organized the bar facilities and refreshments.

14.General:

- Kiewiet from Moorreesburg asked on behalf of her President if it was possible to pay and collect entry fees on the day. Annatjie Rademan replied that it was not possible as it was a Boland rule that upon acceptance of entry, fees must be paid over. Members asked if it was possible to indicate the names of the player who was selected to play in furure and not a blanket invoice. **Action required: Annatjie to do so in future**
- -Pikkie queried the logic of notdeclaring the Boland winner singles winner also the West Coast Champion. Action required:It was decided to do so in future.

On closing Leon thanked the members of WCBD who had taken time out of their busy schedule to attend the meeting. He emphasized a heartfelt thank you to those that had travelled far i.e. those who had attended from Clanwilliam.

15.Adjournment:

Leon then moved that the meeting be adjourned; this was agreed upon at 12h00.

Secretary	Date of Approval
West Coast Sub District of Roland Rowls	