



SOLANDER LAKE BOWLS CLUB - BOWLS COMMITTEE MEETING

2nd September 2026

MINUTES OF MEETING

ATTENDANCE: Wayne Mitchell, Vicki Mitchell, Judy Pursehouse, Graham Hubbard, Trish Kling, Steve Ross, Jaydene Hughes, Robyn McLean, Steve Jameson & Neil Feazey.

APOLOGIES: Leonie Schmidt

Meeting opened at 8am:

MINUTES of Meeting:

Minutes Accepted: Moved: Trish Kling Seconded: Steve Jameson **CARRIED**

BUSINESS ARISING:

New Scoreboards. The new Club Scoreboards have been ordered, and sponsorship payments have been received.

Wrong Bias Tin. Courageous girls (*who were our last recipients*) gave us a very good review on their Facebook page.

Club Renovations. Our Renos are progressing well. It has been decided to replace the Vertical blinds on the window near the stage, with something that will allow more light into the Club.

Smokers Area. Complaints are coming in regularly about smoke drifting onto the green from the smokers den, especially on south-east wind days. Moreton Bay District is currently looking into smoking regulations when the juniors are playing, including on normal social bowls days. We will await further information from them.

Consistency Competition. The Committee confirmed this competition will now be an Open competition which will include males, and that a penalty will apply for an illegal roll of the Jack.

Ted Fairman. Ted is struggling to complete a full game and it would be good if he could share a game with another bowler. This will completely depend on anyone being prepared to only play half a game.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- Invitation from Kallangur Bowls Club for "Mixed 6-a-side" 14 teams 3rd October \$180.00 per team.
- Invitation from Kilcoy Bowls Club "Pink up Kilcoy" 19th October \$100 per team. Mixed optional 4's.
- Aspley Bowls Club President's Day 25th September 2026. \$100.00 per team, Open 4's.

- Invitation from Club Helensvale for Arm Bowlers Open Pairs Event \$30.00 entry fee 12th October 10am start.
- MBDBA Ladies Singles entry form received.
- Invitation from River City Arm Bowlers. Open Pairs event on Sunday 27th September at Aspley Bowls Club. Entry fee \$15.00 per player.
- Memo received from GR8 clarifying details for the 2027 season.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

- Application Forms for Marker/Measurer/Umpire Course at Kallangur Bowls Club sent to Bowls Queensland. Ron Boddenberg and Wayne Stuart are attending reaccreditation courses and Brad Lawler is attending Umpire Course.
- MBDBA Ladies Singles Nomination form forwarded to District Secretary, Joan Tennent.

MATTERS ARISING:

Nil.

REPORTS:

Board Delegate: Report tabled.

Major Scoreboards. Trish Kling was requested to get a quote from Bribie Island Signs for 4 major scoreboards. If the quotation is around \$800.00 each, then the BOM has given permission to go ahead and order.

BBQ for Representative Players. A Sausage sizzle and get together to celebrate the Representative season is to be organised by Steve Jameson sometime after the finals. The Club will also provide 1 drink for each player who nominated to represent the Club. Date to be decided.

MBDBA Delegate: Report tabled.

New coaching course fees are being brought in by Bowls Australia where the current Club Coach course will rise from \$60 to a Community Coach course for \$200. Alan Thorp, District President, believes they are too expensive and believes that we will lose Coaches. Our BOM is sending a letter to Bowls Australia stating our concerns.

Games Directors: Report tabled.

Visit-In Coordinator: Qld Rail visit has been finalised. Start time is 9.00am for bowls in November, and they will have lunch after their game.

Umpire Coordinator: No issues. Ron Boddenberg has returned from holidays.

Coaches Coordinator: No issues. There are currently only 2 new members under coaching.

Junior Program: Nil.

Welfare Report: No report.

New Membership: Nil.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Representative team nominations. We need to finalise team nominations for GR8 or Taylor Bowls before 30th September. Currently we have a lot more members wishing to play GR8 over Taylor Bowls, therefore we will nominate for GR8 this year instead of Taylor Bowls. GR8 will have 3 Divisions of Men's teams (Alpha, Beta and Gamma), and one Open Division and one Mixed Division (where Ladies can play). We will also nominate 4 teams in Pumicestone Challenge.

Ring of the Bell. Some bowlers are too slow finishing their social bowls game and other players are waiting up to an hour in the Clubhouse for them to finish playing. It was agreed that, if the games have not completed, the bell should be rung at 4.15pm on days with no break, and 4.30pm for those days that players have break at 2.30pm. These times will be announced in the daily notifications.

One Green During Reno's. On 28th September the Stanton Green will be closed for renovations. A discussion was held to decide how to manage games to allow as many bowlers as possible to play during the renovation period.

Tuesday: Fours - Club Select

Wednesday: Triples – Club Select (Paddle pop sticks)

Thursday: Fours - Self Select

Friday: Triples - Self Select

Saturday: Triples – Club Select (stays the same)

Saturday Evening Bowls. Steve Jameson to speak with Bruce Pursehouse to confirm a date to commence Saturday night bowls. Steve suggested Mid-October.

Presentation Night. Jaydene said that the Entertainment is booked for Saturday 5th December. Closer to the date a sub-committee will be formed to assist Jaydene with preparations. We need to encourage as many members as possible to attend.

Vets Bowls. We will not be involved in this interclub Monday competition next year. Unfortunately, Bruce Pursehouse cannot get anyone else to take over the organising of the event. We will however, when the opportunity arises, discuss with Bribie Bowls and Bongaree the possibility of running an event restricted to the three island clubs, which would remove the need for travel.

Next meeting Wednesday 7th October 2026

Meeting Closed at: 9.30am 2026

BOWLS COMMITTEE PRESIDENT'S BOM NOTES – 28th August 2026

The following are my Committee Representative's unofficial notes from the Board meeting held this morning:

Renovations.

The Bar work is well advanced and the hot and cold water systems will be installed shortly for bowls days tea and coffee facilities. The curtains on the window near the stage will be replaced but it is not known at this stage with what, but something that gives more light. Jaydene's office and the Cleaners rooms (near the stage) are progressing well and will be painted soon. The only area left for renovations is the Entrance area but plans have not been finalised for this yet.

Blue Cards.

A sentence will be added to the Board and Bowls Committee positions nomination sheets stating that the person nominated will obtain a Blue Card if they don't already have one. This will mean that all Board members and Bowls Committee members must have a Blue Card.

Pedestrian Crossing.

The Council will install a camera near the pedestrian crossing for 6 to 8 weeks but it will not be monitored. Members will have to inform the Police with details if they witness dangerous driving. The Police will then access the Council for footage of the incident.

Audio System.

The Board approved the purchase of a new music system for music to be played over the PA system.

Financial Processing.

The Board is investigating AI systems to process the financials of the Club and reduce the paperwork, hence reducing the time required by our volunteers in doing same.

Membership Cards.

The new Membership Cards will have a nice photo of the club on them. There is still discussion going on about how the new perpetual Social Membership will work.

Lockers.

The new form for applying for a locker was endorsed which includes agreement to hand the locker key back to the Bar when the locker is no longer required. For this year in September, members who currently have a locker will also be required to fill out a form. An entry will be placed in the Strategic Plan to look at increasing the number of lockers, but given limits on space and costs, this will not happen any time soon.

Major Scoreboards.

The Board approved the acquisition of four new major scoreboards at an estimated cost of \$800 each.

Payment Methods.

The Board is starting enquiries about the possibility of electronic payment of game fees and raffles. This will take quite a bit of time.

Bowls Rinks.

A request to play, where possible, in the same direction on Fridays and Saturdays during the representative season will be passed to the Greenkeeper through the Greens Director. No guarantees.

Rep Season Sausage Sizzle.

The Board approved a sausage sizzle, including one free drink, for members who played in the current representative season. I envisage this could be next Saturday (5/9) after the practice match. Div 10 and Interclub Challenge teams would also have to be notified.

MBDBA – SLBC DELEGATES NOTES – MEETING 10TH AUGUST 2026

District Membership Fees will increase \$2 per member to \$20 for 2027.

Coaching: Alan Thorpe gave an update on future Coaching Courses. Coaching Courses will in most parts eventually be done ONLINE, and the following costs will be incurred:

Host Course, which is an online introductory course that allows you to coach things like Bare Foot Bowls costs \$100.

Community Course required to coach new bowlers (will replace the current Club Coach Course), costs \$200 (up from \$60).

Advanced Course, required to coach at a higher level, costs \$2,500 and a self-funded plane trip to Canberra.

There will also be a Bridging course for reaccreditation.

Umpire Course can now be done online, but it is not recommended by the MBDBA Umpires.

Bowls Wear: Bribie Island put forward a suggestion that jackets worn by players during games should be in the club's colours. No action came out of the discussion.

Bowlslink: The shuffle is now done at 10.00am on a Saturday morning for Pennants, except for Woodford whose games start at 11.00am so the shuffle is done at 9.00am. If your club changes the start time, Karen Perkins must be informed so the shuffle can be done in time.

Pennant Competition: Woodford asked for all Pennant games to start at 11.00am next year. There was quite a bit of opposition to this.

It was stated that, if in agreement by both clubs, teams could start their games when all teams are ready.

Smoking With Juniors: A lengthy discussion was held about smoking areas when a junior is playing in a club game. MBDBA to follow up for clarification.

MBDBA 2027 Calendar Of Events should be available early September.

Bowls Qld are considering reducing the number of Districts from 20 to 16.

Ladies Consistency

11 ladies contested the consistency this year, with Debbie Hill having to play at her very best against Dianne Nock to come out the champion, after a very good final.

The Consistency for 2027 will be an open competition.

Junior Senior Day

We had 18 teams competing in perfect weather conditions.

Feedback on the day was excellent, there was some very good performances by the local teams but unfortunately none of them were able to finish in the top four.

Pennant

Our Saturday pennant sides have done very well this year with Div 1, Div 5 and Div 7 all making the finals. Div 3 and & Div 10 unfortunately didn't make the finals.

Our mid-week Div 4 side also missed out on finals.

Mixed Pairs

Mixed pairs championship competition is now on the noticeboard.

Closes 18th September starts 26th September.