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MINUTES OF 95th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT CLINTON STREET, DARFIELD 14 JUNE 2026 STARTING 1.00PM

Present: R Hunt, S Glassey, L Matchett, L Hamilton, M Cummins, H Littlejohn, J Anderson, R Ireland, B Hamilton, A Paul, M Lockett, J Will, M Will, C Stevenson, R Green, G Lalor, G Lea, J Quigley, M Campbell, L Ashby, W Hamilton, E Woodward, F Posthumus, D Johnstone, J Stokes
Apologies: T Kilday, L Rowe, G Rowe, C Powell, J Powell, D Currie, B Currie
Moved / Seconded: L Ashby / A Paul

3. **In Memoriam** - a moment's silence was held to honour players who had passed, with special mention of our own Bill Brook; and Snow Reardon who was a big supporter of Bowls Darfield over the years.
4. **Quorum** - a quorum was confirmed.
Moved / Seconded: L Hamilton / L Matchett
5. **Conflict of Interest Declaration** - it was declared that L Hamilton held roles as Secretary of Bowls Darfield and Treasurer of the Malvern Bowls Sub-Centre.
6. **Minutes** - the 94th Annual General Meeting minutes, as circulated, were confirmed as correct.
Moved / Seconded: G Lea / J Will
Matters Arising - Nil
7. **Presidents Report** - the President's Report, as circulated, was confirmed.
Moved / Seconded: R Hunt / S Glassey
8. **Treasurer's Report** - the Treasurer's Report, as circulated, was confirmed.
It was confirmed that both Coalgate and Kirwee clubs will be reimbursed for their support with greens last season. Special thanks was given to M Cummins for his review and support with the auditing process.
Moved / Seconded: L Matchett / B Hamilton
9. **Correspondence** - was accepted as read.

There was correspondence from:

- Inland Revenue Department - IRD number / application for amateur sports promoter income tax exemption. It was unanimous that members would forgo the constituted 14 day notice of resolution to changes to the Bowls Darfield Constitution in order to expedite this matter which arose two days prior. The constitutional changes were read, explained and passed unanimously.

10. Subscriptions for 2025/26 season

Full Player	\$190
First Year Bowler	\$95
Limited Player	\$70, or \$35 (from 01jan26 onwards)
Social Member	\$40, or \$20 (from 01jan26 onwards)
Green Fees	\$5
Carpooling Contribution	\$10

Moved / Seconded: R Hunt / S Glassey

11. **Election of Officers** - it was noted that sincere thanks were extended to L Matchett for his outstanding management of the club's tournament programme throughout a particularly challenging season; that he had been nominated for Bowls Canterbury Volunteer of the Year Award.

Patron	R Green	Patroness	O McRae
President	R Hunt	Bar	B Hamilton
Vice President	S Glassey	Building Maintenance/Cleaning	W Hamilton
Treasurer	L Matchett	Green Supervisor	G Lea
Secretary	L Hamilton	Ground Convenor	J Will
Club Captain	T Kilday	Health & Safety	H Littlejohn
Junior Development Officer	B Currie	Publicity	<i>vacant</i>
Club Representative - Men	S Glassey	Sponsorship	J Quigley
Club Representative - Women	J Will	Catering	B Hamilton
		Uniform Coordinator	D Currie

TOURNAMENT/MATCH OFFICERS

Bowl Canterbury Delegate	R Hunt
Malvern Bowls Delegate	S Glassey
Malvern Match Convenor	L Ashby
Malvern Selectors - Men	<i>vacant</i>
Malvern Selectors - Women	<i>vacant</i>
Club Selectors	S Glassey / L Ashby / D Currie
Club Tournament Convenor	L Matchett
Club Match Convenor	R Hunt / D Currie
Club Match Committee	R Hunt

COACHES

A Paul
L Ashby
H Littlejohn
R Hunt

OTHER

Treasurer Assist	R Ireland
Website	L Hamilton
Auditor	M Cummins

Moved / Seconded: R Hunt / A Paul

12. Recommendations & Remits

- **Malvern Events** - the following recommendations will be bored on at the Malvern AGM
 - Mixed Open Singles - it was agreed that this was a positive move, maximising participation opportunities and reducing the risk of the women's competition being cancelled due to insufficient entries.

- Any Combination Pairs - it was agreed that this was a positive move, maximising participation opportunities and reducing the risk of the women's competition being cancelled due to insufficient entries.
- Malvern 5s - there were various options discussed including supporting Bowls Darfield membership growth in lieu of this competition, supporting Bowls Darfield membership growth by limiting the number of teams entered to this competition, and the time of year that this competition was held; it was agreed that we would recommend for two games per Saturday afternoon, played Feb/Mar 2027.

13. General Business

- **Constitution - Clause 31.3 - Funds Distribution** - it was agreed that the Darfield Residents Association would remain the nominated organisation for funds distribution should the club dissolve or liquidate. This nomination passed unanimously. Carried.
- **Life Member Nominations** - R Hunt spoke to the Executive nomination for G Lea to receive Life Membership. This nomination passed unanimously. Carried.
- **Uniform Sponsorship** - J Quigley spoke to sponsorship that has been secured for uniform sponsorship for a 3-year period showing mockups of possible design options; it was noted that sincere thanks were extended to J Quigley for his exceptional work in the sponsorship role.
- **Continuity Plan** - S Glassey presented an overview of the work the Executive had done to date to identify, lead and grow the club over the next five years, leading the club into its centenary year in 2032; it was noted that sincere thanks were extended to B Currie for his lead in this project.
- **Member Feedback** - members spoke to the floor as follows:
 - J Anderson expressed his clear disappointment and frustration that Bowls Darfield was not supported during the teams attempt to claim the Malvern Triples title, held at Oxford Club Bowls; also highlighting concerns regarding the limited support demonstrated towards the sponsors of the event, noting the importance of acknowledging and supporting those whose contributions help make such tournaments possible.

The meeting finished at 2.22pm.

Chairman _____

Date _____