

General Managers Report 29/6/20

Calendar

Liaised with clubs, Bowls NZ and other stakeholders around scheduling to create draft calendar for 20/21.

Review

Undertook a substantial review of Bowls Wellington competitions and events in consultation with clubs and community. Recommendations taken to Delegate's for further discussion and for board ratification.

Awards and presentations

Called for and collated nominations, submitted to board. Organised trophies, badges and engraving for prizegivings with Dayle and Gerry. 5-6 clubs have requested a board member present at awards so far.

Funding

Successful with grant to Four Winds Foundation (\$5000 - salaries) prior to lockdown. Unsuccessful Infinity Foundation & Hutt Mana.

Successful application with Pelorus Trust (\$6000 – Printing). Salary Application to Infinity Pending.

Received Covid-19 wage + extension subsidy from MSD (\$11,500 total) and Sport Wellington Resilience Grant (\$5000)

Currently meeting sponsors to touch base, thank them and sound them out for next season. Early indications that it will be much tougher to secure sponsorship.

Meetings

Ongoing meetings with clubs and key stakeholders. Weekly forums with Sport Wellington and meetings with Bowls New Zealand, Auckland and Canterbury. Regional Centre meeting via zoom. Sounding out new accountant with Ken stepping away.

Relationships

Working on MOU with Greenkeepers Association and defining use of Naenae for coming season.

High performance

Working with Mike, Rod, Dayle and Wendy around a high-performance programme, including 20-person training squads. Amendments to the Rep fixture calendar with dissolution of Junior Quad and Hutt Valley vs Kapiti 1-5 match, replaced by men joining the WKWM and shifting to May.

Schools

Restarted conversations with Taranaki and Wellington schools around a Wellington Schools rep game over the winter.

Comms

Regular email and phone conversations with clubs and executive members throughout Covid-19 providing interpretation of guidelines and general support. Continue to regularly update club executives with matters concerning them and Bowls Wellington. Regular Facebook posts to wider community.

General

Regular comms to clubs and the community, general admin and accounting and banking duties as required.