2025 AGM Minutes

Bowls New South Wales Ltd
10:00am 7 November 2025
Online

1. **Opening**

President Dilys Kindleysides opened the 2025 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Bowls NSW at 10:04am and confirmed that a quorum was present.

An Acknowledgment of Country was delivered, recognising the traditional custodians of the Gadigal land in Sydney.

President Kindleysides welcomed all member clubs and individual members attending online and reiterated the purpose of holding a fully online AGM—namely, to increase accessibility for regional clubs and continue the success of online delivery first implemented in 2024. This format also ensures transparency and accessibility through YouTube livestreaming and recording.

Housekeeping procedures were outlined, including:

- microphones remaining muted to ensure orderly conduct;
- the use of the online voting system for motions;
- the option for members to ask questions via chat if related to the business of the AGM; and
- confirmation that the meeting was being livestreamed to YouTube and recorded.

President Kindleysides acknowledged and thanked:

- Regional Officers for their leadership throughout the first full year of unification;
- Bowls NSW staff and committees for contributing to Bowls NSW being named *Sport NSW 2024 Organisation of the Year*, and being shortlisted across six Sport NSW Award categories for 2025;
- all volunteers across NSW;
- the Bowls NSW Board, with special acknowledgement of retiring Directors:
  - Owen Walker, stepping down after not nominating for re-election; and
  - John Ellison, stepping down following the AGM, after significant service and financial oversight.

The following attendees were noted:

- Bowls NSW Board of Directors: Vice President John Ellison, Directors Sandra Jowett, Naxin McTeigue, Roderick Roper, and Lesley Swales;
- Directors Michael Howard and Owen Walker (online);
- Auditors: Wessels Chartered Accountants, represented by Wayne Wessels;
- Legal Counsel: Ian Fullagar (Lex Sportiva);
- CEO: Tim Rowe.

It was noted that no questions had been submitted in advance relating to the official business of the AGM.

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Staff confirmed that 34 clubs were represented at the meeting.

1.1 Registration and Quorum

A quorum was declared with 34 member clubs represented.

1.2 Apologies

Apologies were received from:

- Lawson
- Cabarita Beach
- Mosman

2. Minutes from the Previous AGM

Motion: *That the minutes of the Bowls NSW AGM held on 8 November 2024 be confirmed.*

Moved: Dilys Kindleysides
Seconded: John Ellison

Voting was conducted via the online poll.

Result: Motion carried via online vote.

3. Financial Statements

Motion: *That the financial statements for Bowls NSW Limited for the year ending 30 June 2025, together with the Directors' Report and Auditors' Report, be received.*

Moved: Dilys Kindleysides
Seconded: John Ellison

Voting was conducted via the online poll. One delegate unable to access the poll submitted their vote through the chat and it was accepted.

Result: Motion carried via online vote.

4. Declaration of Auditors

President Kindleysides acknowledged the thoroughness of Wessels Chartered Accountants in conducting the 2024–25 audit.

Motion: *That the auditors for the financial year 2025–26 be Wessels Chartered Accountants.*

Moved: Dilys Kindleysides
Seconded: John Ellison

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Voting was conducted via the online poll.

Result: Motion carried via online vote.

5. Declaration of the Board

5.1 Director Nominations

In line with rule 15 in the Bowls NSW Constitution, it was noted that:

- One male Director position was open, and one nomination was received: David Dilworth
- Two female Director positions were open, and two nominations were received: Sandra Jowett and Lesley Swales

Because the number of nominees matched the available positions, no elections were required.

Motion: *That David Dilworth, Sandra Jowett and Lesley Swales be received and approved as Directors of Bowls NSW.*

Moved: Dilys Kindleysides
Seconded: John Ellison

Voting was conducted via the online poll.

Result: Motion carried via online vote.

Outcome:

- **Sandra Jowett** – reappointed
- **Lesley Swales** – reappointed
- **David Dilworth** – appointed to the Board

6. Date of the Next AGM

The next AGM will be held on Friday, 6 November 2026.

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7. Close

President Kindleysides declared the 2025 AGM closed at 10:22am.

Signed: _____

President Name: _____

Date: _____

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