5th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY 6th MAY 2025

MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM
Commenced at 7.07pm

CHAIR: Grace Kenworthy

MINUTES SILENCE: The President requested all present pause for a minute's silence in respect of departed members

BOARD:

Stephen McGregor (Secretary)	Jenny Sutcliffe (Treasurer)	Joe Luci (VP Director)
Archie Ellis (Director)	Maree Formica (Director)	Bruce Giovanetti (Director)
James McLeod (Director)	Tanya Warren (Director)	

OBSERVER: Josh Thornton (Country Manager Northern Victoria),

DELEGATES: (as per registered attendance sheet)

Chrisine Mayfield (Alexandra) Ruth Burnett (Barooga Sports) Kevin McTaggart (Colbinabbin) Graeme McKenzie (Dookie) Kevin Cox, Marilyn Cox (East Shepparton) Paul Smitheram, Ray Holt (Eildon) Doug Maconachie (Euroa) Glenn Clark (Hilltop) Kevin Minogue (Katandra West) Damian Parsons (Merrigum) Darren Kelly (Mooroopna) Ken Maude (Mooroopna Golf) Geoff Higgins (Murchison) Elizaberh Oliver (Nathalia) Ross Henderson, Neil Barnes (Numurkah) Lyn Nicholson, Deb Thompson (Rushworth) Jenny Kreemers (Seymour) Ian Cashill (Seymour VRI) Joy Gardam (Shepparton Park) Tony Rendina (Tallygaroopna) Bec Martino (Tatura) Leanne Russell-Jones (Violet Town) Vivien Cavanagh, Maurie Finn (Yea)

APOLOGIES: (as per registered attendance sheet)

David Furletti (Avenel)	Wayne Goodear (Colbinabbin)	Greg Barr (Katandra West)
Terry Flynn (Seymour VRI)	Graham Crawford (Violet Town)	Maj McDonald (Cobram)
John Baker (Club Tocumwal)	Patsy Baker (Club Tocumwal)	

It was moved Kevin Minogue (Colbinabbin) and seconded Ian Cashill (Seymour VRI) that the apologies as presented be accepted. *Carried*

MINUTES:

Business Arising:

- As per Delegates instructions the Board set the Regional Levy at $12 per member registered on BowlsLink
- As per Delegates instruction the Board conducted 3 delegates meetings in each of the playing areas during the season at Mooroopna BC and Barooga Sports BC
- The idea of holding the AGM viz Zoom has been implemented

It was moved Damian Parsons (Merrigum) and seconded Joy Gardam (Shepparton Park) that the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 5th May 2024 be approved. *Carried*

REPORTS: as read contained in the Annual Report

PRESIDENT Grace Kenworthy – (see page 4 Annual Report)

ADMINISTRATION Stephen McGregor – (see page 6 Annual Report)

FINANCIAL REPORT Jenny Sutcliffe – (see page 9 Annual and detailed Reports

TRADING REPORT For year ended 30 April 2025

2024/2025	Trading	2023/2024
$ 58,542.86	Receipts	$ 57,508.92
$ 62,663.57	Expenditure	$ 59,149.03
($ 4,120.71)	Current Year Profit/Loss	**($ 1,640.11)**
$ 30,511.28	Balance Carried Forward	$ 32,151.39
Nil	Capital In	Nil
$ 26,390.57	**Total Profit/Loss**	**$ 30,511.28**
30/04/2025	Cash Assets as at	30/04/2024
$ 26,390.57	Cash at Bank	$ 30,511.28
$ 26,390.57	**Total Balance**	**$ 30,511.28**

The above statement presents a true and fair view of the financial position, performance, and cash flows of the Goulburn Murray Bowls Region for the year ending 30 April 2025

Donna Rowley
CPA #9165478
28/04/2025

Jenny Sutcliffe
Honorary Treasurer

It was moved Jenny Sutcliffe (Treasurer) and seconded Christine Mayfield Alexandra) that the Treasurers Report as presented be received. *Carried*

MATCH COMMITTEES

Goulburn Valley Playing Area John Stokes – (see page 14 Annual Report)
Murray Playing Area John Dixon – (see page 17 Annual Report)

UMPIRES

Goulburn Valley Playing Area Doug Maconachie – (see page 16 Annual Report)
Murray Playing Area Geoff Westmore – (see page 9 Annual Report)

WELFARE James McLeod – (see page 13 Annual Report)

GMBR DEVILS Naomi Cartwright – (see page 24 Annual Report) &
Tanya Warren – (see page 26 Annual Report)

It was moved Ian Cashill (Seymour VRI) and seconded Ken Maude Mooroopna Golf) that the Annual Reports as presented be received. *Carried*

Election of Board of Directors:

As the was no requirement for an election the GMBR Board President Grace Kenworthy remained in the chair whilst the returning officer declared the results on nominations for the Goulburn Murray Region Board for season 2025-26.

NOTE: all Nominations were certified as received on the correct form and in the correct time frame by the returning office (Stephen McGregor)

Board Nominations and Elections:

As the number of nominations (4) at the closure of nominations, did not exceed the number of vacancies (4), the following were duly elected;

Director (Goulburn Valley)	Grace Kenworthy	Moved James McLeod	2nd Tanya Warren
Director (Murray)	Joe Luci	Moved Jenny Sutcliffe	2nd James McLeod
Director (Goulburn Valley)	James McLeod	Moved Tanya Warren	2nd Grace Kenworthy
Director (Goulburn Valley)	Maree Formica	Moved Jenny Sutcliffe	2nd Joe Luci

Board Executive Appointments:

Office Bearers and Board Portfolios for the coming season will be finalised at a Board meeting following this AGM.

Appointment of Auditor:

It was moved Jenny Sutcliffe (Treasurer) and seconded Ross Henderson (Numurkah) that Donna Rowley (Avenel) be approached to continue as the Goulburn Murray Bowls Region auditor and if in agreement she be appointed *Carried*

Sub-Committees:

To be appointed by the Goulburn Murray Board from suitable Expressions of Interest received and if required, seek further nominations from the general membership – club delegates were requested to seek further expressions of interest from their clubs

Honorariums:

The Board recommended there be no change from last season last season;

$ 2,000.00	*President*
$ 4,000.00	*Secretary*
$ 1,000.00	*Treasurer*
$ 3,000.00	*Board Members ($500 ea. x 6)*
$ 1,000.00	*Match Committee Chairs ($500 ea. x 2)*
$ 500.00	*Deputy Umpires Committee Chairs ($250 ea. x 2)*
$ 500.00	*GM Devils Co-Ordinator/Coach*
$ 250.00	*Coaching Co-Ordinator*
$ 250.00	*Murray Bowlslink Co-Ordinator*
$12,500.00	***TOTAL***

It was moved Elizabeth Oliver (Nathalia) and seconded Christine Mayfield (Alexandra) that the GMBR Honorariums as recommended above be approved. *Carried*

Regional Members Levy/Subscription:

To be set by the members at the AGM, the board recommended no change from previous years and the levy remain at $12.

It was moved Ian Cashill (Seymour VRI) and seconded Graeme McKenzie (Dookie) that the board recommendation of a $12.00 levy per member as registered on Bowlslink be approved. *Carried*

Bowls Program:

The Region Bowls Program was discussed at a meeting of the current board and chairpersons of the respective Playing Area Match Committees and will be released to the clubs, and placed on the Region website ASAP once finalized.

Region Championship Finals:

The Region Championship Finals dates have been set by the Board in conjunction with representatives of the appropriate Playing Area Sub-Committees – Murray will host all Playing Area finals.

2025-26 Conditions of Play

The 2025-26 Conditions of Play, once released by Bowls Vic and discussed by GMBR Playing Area Match Committee's will be released to clubs and placed on the Region website once finalized (pending approval of GMBR Conditions of Play by BV).

Playing Area Club Delegates Meetings:

The delegates were informed that the Board would meet with Playing Area Clubs 3 times during the season to discuss any matters arising.

MURRAY Playing Area – at Boorooga Sports BC - 3.00pm
Wednesday 3rd September / Wednesday 3rd December 2025 and Wednesday 11th February 2026

GOULBURN VALLEY Playing Area – at Mooroopna BC - 10.00am
Thursday 4th September / Thursday 4th December 2025 and Thursday 12th February 2026

Any other business of which due notice is given in accordance with the Constitution:

Nil

CLOSURE:

There being no further business the Chair thanked the Delegates for their attendance and declared the 5th Annual General Meeting closed at 7.14pm.