



BOWLS
VICTORIA



ANNUAL REPORT **2019-20**

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Bowler Mark Atkinson,
Caulfield Park Alma Bowls Club.

President & Chief Executive Officer

Barbara Gilbert & Tony Sherwill

If ever there has been a season of extremes this is it. From drought and bushfires to COVID-19.

This has really stressed the importance of the need for strong and viable clubs and the reliance of many for social networking and sense of community that our clubs provide. We have all had to be versatile and have in place plans that can be implemented as changes occur.

If we can take a positive out of isolation there are many that have now taken on board the effectiveness of online communication for meetings and the importance of the social benefits each bowls club provides.

Online meetings have proven to be very effective and should now continue into the future with a mixture of face to face and online meetings. Embracing technology can have tremendous benefit to Clubs, Regions and the broader membership. We've seen the introduction of the fantastic BowlsLink system and the benefits it can have with regard to checking results and much more.

Unfortunately many planned events could not be held and this seasons, State Championship finals of all Region winners are still to be played. However, they will be played as soon as it is safe to do so.

Region Visits

Much good work was undertaken by BV personnel. Education for our clubs was provided with sessions on how to apply for grants and funding. The sessions, delivered at 14 Regional locations across the State were very successful and will assist our clubs in putting their best foot forward for funding applications for years to come.

The Boundary Review Committee, met with most Regions about improving the governance of the sport, chiefly by reducing the duplication of volunteer Boards and committees in Regional Victoria. The new support package for assistance was put together by the Committee in tandem with the Governance Committee. BV is here to support and assist Regions in moving ahead with the changes. 16 direct contacts around the state will greatly improve the communication and our sport.

Victorian Open

The Victorian Open continues to grow each year and 2019 was no exception with 1,941 entries! This is a real showcase of our sport not only in bowling but networking and making new friends. Bowlers come from all over Victoria and beyond. This year we had many players coming from all parts of the world including New Zealand and Hong Kong. Congratulations to Jay Bye-Norris who was awarded the Vic Medal for accumulating the most amount of points and was the most consistent across the event's four disciplines.

Sponsorship is a crucial part of the event and we thank The Greater Shepparton City Council for their continued support and Karingal BC for sponsoring the Vic Medal. A special thankyou to the 20 Venues including the host venue Shepparton Park Bowls Club and the countless number of volunteers at each club including Umpires, Markers and Technical Officials for supporting the event.

World Champion of Champions Singles Title

It is not often that a State can boast that they have two World Champions – but in Victoria, we do it better! We're proud to have Kylie Whitehead and Lee Schraner who were both crowned winners of the World Champion of Champions in Adelaide in late 2019.

Finances

The 2019-2020 year saw a surplus of funds given the postponement of key events such as the State Championships, Awards Night and the cancellation of Interstate Series. We also had some government support to assist which was received prior to June 30, but to be expended in the 2020-21 year.

Unfortunately we have budgeted for a significant deficit in the coming year due to COVID-19.

Government Partners

Our thanks go to our Government Partners, in particular VicHealth and Sport and Recreation Victoria. Both organisations have had a strong and successful partnership with Bowls Victoria and we thank them for their support of bowls.

Major Partners and Sponsors

Bowls Victoria are proud of our association with several major partners and sponsors.

AM Sportswear provide the latest in technology and fashion for licensed bowls clothing. We are proud to have AM Sportswear as the official supplier of our representative and corporate uniforms. If your club is in need of any uniforms, we know you won't be disappointed with the quality.

City of Greater Shepparton continue their support of the Victorian Open and the City of Greater Bendigo with their support for Champions Week. We thank both Local Government Areas for their support. We also extend our thanks for Moama Bowls Club who have been long-time supporters of Bowls Victoria and one of the premier clubs Australia-wide.

We are also thankful for all our other partners, Taylor Bowls and Aussie Gutter Protection.

World Champion of Champions
Lee Schraner & Kylie Whitehead.
World Singles Champion of Champions,
December 2019.



Your Board

The Board of Bowls Victoria under President Barbara Gilbert's leadership continues to focus its drive towards making Bowls Victoria function effectively as a State Sporting Association.

We personally thank the Board of Directors who have collectively provided great support to each other and the staff by offering terrific vision for bowls in Victoria. We would like to recognise and thank retiring directors Marilla Rootsey and John Inglese for their service and we welcomed Liam Fleming and Katie Sherlock to the team.

The number of Directors Meetings held and the number of meetings attended by each of the Directors during the financial year was as follows:

Directors Attendances at Board Meetings

President	Barbara Gilbert	7/7
Deputy President	Peter Inglis	6/7
Director	Pat Schram	6/7
Director	Lyn Baker	7/7
Director	Ian Guymmer	6/7
Director	Katie Sherlock	5/5
Director	Liam Fleming	5/5
Director	Marilla Rootsey	1/2
Director	John Inglese	1/2
Finance Director	Ken Warburton	7/7

Volunteers

Where would this sport be without our volunteers?

Bowls Victoria relies so heavily on our volunteers who create our many committees which are an integral component of the Bowls Victoria, Regions, Divisions and Member Club operations. Put simply, volunteers make this sport viable, so from the bottom of our hearts and from every bowler out there, we thank you and appreciate your commitment and dedication to ensuring the sport is there for all to play.

Our Volunteer of the Year Award was won by Jennifer Ellis (Carrum Bowls Club) for her tireless work. The Award, which is usually presented at the AGM, will be moved to the Annual Awards Night in future.

Staff

This year we welcomed our new CEO to the role. In what has been a tough year to commence as CEO, Tony has hit the ground running with several key changes in the way BV operates. We are very pleased to have him on board. The staff have all contributed fabulously well to the years' activities and we are very proud of what they have achieved.

The outstanding contribution of all staff has resulted in the delivery of the various competitions, events, programs and services during 2019-20 as outlined above and through this annual report, certainly needs to be acknowledged. The team in the office work incredibly hard to provide all our playing members and participants of our sport with different opportunities to develop and enjoy their bowls.

This has been an unusual time with staff working from home due to COVID-19, but the disruption has been managed well by both the staff in the office and the four Regional Bowls Managers who work remotely.

We are in good hands with a strong group of staff and volunteers and we sincerely hope restrictions will be eased and all our clubs and bowlers can get back to bowls in the coming season of 2020/21. More than ever, we need to work together and support each other. GO VICS!

Member Services & Events

Sean O'Kane

To say it's been a challenging 12 months for events and competitions on the bowling green is a huge understatement. Early in the bowls season, there were an enormous number of positive steps taken, especially with the running of our pennant competitions and the success of the 2019 Victorian Open. But later in the bowls season, we found other methods of holding our events (and found some events which needed to be postponed or cancelled) due to the pandemic.

Some highlights throughout the season included:

- Back in early July 2019, Victoria hosted Tasmania in the annual Under-18 Test Match. A comprehensive win for the Victorian Under-18 boys and girls which showcased Dandenong Club BC and the impressive undercover facility.
- The introduction of Junior League, Victoria's first under-18 club competition, and a Berwick BC side who came from 4th position to defeat Elwood in the grand final. A positive step taken toward junior bowls in Victoria.
- In October, a newly built undercover facility at Sunbury BC played host to the Over 60s and Open Victorian State Trials.
- The 2019 Victorian Open in Shepparton, having close to 2,000 entries for the 8-day event which involved a great performance by our Victorian bowlers, including Jay Bye-Norris who took home the 2019 Vic Medal and a Singles win.
- Additionally, the development of our relationship with Charity Partner, Pancare. The foundation means so much to people in our Bowls Community, and to support Pancare by introducing the Megabowl at the Victorian Open was a significant moment for all who attended the event.
- The Novice Singles, a fantastic event for our first and second year bowlers who played at Mulgrave in February. The final of the Novice Singles is still yet to be completed.
- The season from Bundoora RSL in Metropolitan Pennant Premier Division, winning 17 out of a possible 18 matches and being awarded the Premiership.

- Ultimate Bowls Championship introducing a brand-new format in bowls, and Bowls Victoria Clubs hosting two of the three events (Deer Park and Moama).
- The great State Test performance from all four teams (Under 18 Boys, Under-18 Girls, Open Women and Open Men) in defeating South Australia at McLaren Vale in January.
- Our five Victorian debutants getting their first chance at representing the State: Ethan Freund (Wangaratta), James Pearce (Deer Park), Ryan Tainton (Essendon), Koby Cromie (Yarrawonga), Vicki Smith (Lilydale)
- A mother and son representing Victoria at the South Australia test series in January: Bailey Leask & Stacey Collier (East Shepparton)

We also had some fantastic results from the Bowls Australia National Championships at Club Sapphire (Merimbula) in December, 2019:

- Jo Martin, Judy Beesley and Val Hardy (Gippsland & Paynesville BC) won the Silver Medal in the Women's Triples.
- Tiffany Brodie, Courtney Gabb, Kelly McKerihen and Lisa Phillips (Sandbelt Region) won the Silver Medal in the Women's Fours.
- Kylie Whitehead (Ovens & Murray Region) won the Bronze Medal in the Women's Singles.
- Jan Bye-Norris (Northern Gateway Region) won the Bronze Medal in the Men's Singles.
- Jess Wallace and Josh Sanders (Lilydale BC) won the Bronze Medal in the Mixed Pairs.

Victoria also had tremendous success at the World Champion of Champions Singles event held in Adelaide in early November. Kylie Whitehead (Wodonga) & Lee Schraner (Bendigo East) won the World Championship further illustrating the talent that we have in Victorian Bowls.

Unfortunately, a large of our events were cut short or unable to continue due to COVID-19. This included our new Bowls Victoria Awards Night, Vic Metro vs Vic Country Test Series (the new State Trials), Men's & Women's Region Sides, Champion of State Pennant, Indoor Singles Qualifying, State Disabilities Championships & Bowlers Arm State Championships.

However, bowls will find a way as we still plan to play our Over 60s Championships, State Championships, Novice Singles Finals and Under-18 Championships matches in January. We also look to implement new ways of playing the game including triples and 7-a-side competitions for the upcoming 12 months, assisting clubs to fill their greens more often.

Thank you to all of our Committees who have assisted myself and the Events team throughout the last 12 months. In particular the State Selection Committee, Disciplinary Committee, Greens Committee, Officiating and Laws Committee and Metropolitan Pennant Executive.

Thanks to all of our sponsors and partners, including Pancare, Moama and the Victorian Government, who continue to assist us to navigate through this once in a century pandemic.

Thanks to Amanda James, Membership and Events Coordinator, who has been instrumental in assisting our Events, Competitions and Membership enquiries throughout the past 12 months and to President Barb Gilbert for your incredible assistance and guidance throughout the 2019-20 season.

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Kangaroo Flat Bowling Club's Geoff Boyd represented Victoria at the Australian Senior Sides Championship in October, 2019.

Participation

Clare Hockey & Darci Tierney

Barefoot Bowls State Championships

2020 saw the introduction of our latest event, the Barefoot Bowls State Championships. This event gave social bowlers the opportunity to compete for a State title. Unfortunately the Championships had to be cut short due to COVID-19.

School Bowls

We continued to work with school sporting associations to bring bowls to schools all across Victoria. Some of these events and championships were lucky to finish with a winner, while others were cancelled due to the pandemic.

The Australian Schools Super Series continued for the second year in 2019, hosted by Tweed Heads BC. The event grew this year with Queensland joining the competition for the first time. Victoria took home two Silvers and a Bronze with NSWCHS Red coming out on top as the sides champions. This year we introduced the Australian Schools Merit Side and the Emerging Australian Schools Side, with some exciting young Victorian talent included in both sides.

The 2019 Victorian Schools Super Series had a last minute change of location due to the weather. This event is a highlight of the school bowls calendar, giving the winning teams of bowls events and championships across Victoria the opportunity to compete for the title of best school bowls team in Victoria.

Teacher Ambassador Program

This year we also introduced the Teacher Ambassador Program. The program has been developed to recruit passionate teachers to promote and grow the sport of bowls in their school and local community. With program registrations well exceeding our expectations, we are excited to develop this program further in the future.

Disabilities Bowls

After receiving funding from VicHealth, we are very proud of our Victorian Physical Disability State Side who were nominated for Team of the Year at the 2019 Victorian Sport Awards. Unfortunately they did not win the award, but it is an honour to have been nominated alongside great teams of people with and without disabilities.

We celebrated International Day of People with a Disability in December with the Integrated Triples event at Colac BC. One of our most loved events, the Integrated Pairs, was held at Berwick BC in January and the greens were full once again. The annual Multi Disability Open Day at Deer Park BC was another successful day. We saw many new faces who valued learning a new sport with the help of our state coaches.

Unfortunately due to COVID-19, many of our events were cancelled. This included the 2020 State Disabilities Championships, formerly Multi Disabilities Championships, as well as the National Championships and the ID Vic Country v Vic Metro events.

Blind Bowls Victoria struggled this year with declining numbers. We are looking forward to working closely with Blind Sports Victoria to promote bowls to people with a vision impairment.

Bowling with Babies

Bowling with Babies has continued to see great success across the state. 1,391 participants have been involved across 50 clubs. It is great to see the community engagement that continues to generate around this program. More and more clubs are putting their hands up to run programs and we are seeing interest from other community groups and organisations to become involved. The program was nominated again for a Victorian Sport Award, this time focusing on the successful program hosted at Port Melbourne Bowls Club.

Roll Up

Roll Up has moved into its second year of funding due to VicHealth's Growing Participation in Sport Initiative. Programs ran throughout September to February. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 programs scheduled for March - April 2020 were cut short or did not commence at all.

To date, Roll Up has engaged with 127 participants across 14 Victorian clubs. We are starting to see interest increase from clubs build, wanting to increase junior participation, especially using the program as a follow on from the work they are already doing with schools. Post program surveys are assisting us collect valuable feedback from both participants and their parents. Feedback shows that 97% of parents would recommend the program, participants' skill levels doubled and their overall confidence in playing bowls increased by 78%.

We continue to receive great support from the Regional Bowls Managers in recruiting and delivering programs. Together, we are working hard to expand the program even further in 2020/21.

Under-18s

It was Tasmania's turn this year to fly to the main land and take on Victoria in the annual U18 Test series. The series was held over 3 days in July 2019 at the Dandenong Club, where the juniors participated in seven tests. We teamed up with Crazy Sports Streaming and live streamed the Boy's singles online. Both the Victorian girls and boys had secured victory early, taking out the overall win on day 2. Victoria headed to South Australia in January of 2020, alongside the Lightning and Thunder teams to take on SA in the annual Test Series. 5 tests were played over 3 days with Victoria taking home the shields comfortably.

The 2019 U18 National Championship was held on home soil at Bendigo Bowls Club. This year we sent five Victorian girls and boys to Bendigo as well as an additional seven girls, making up an emerging Victorian team, WA/Victorian team and Composite (NT) team. Vic walked away with the following achievements; Silver in the girls singles, silver in the girls pairs, Bronze in the girls triples and silver in the boys pairs. Overall Victoria placed third behind NSW and QLD.

In 2020 the annual Doug Kneebone Tournament was held at Darebin City Bowls Club on Sunday February 23rd. This year BV introduced a new playing format to allow for increased participation from less experienced, junior development squads. 48 Juniors, in teams of two, played Singles and Pairs for accumulated points.

The 2020 U18 State Championships scheduled at Narre Warren Bowls Club from March 30th – April 2nd was unfortunately postponed due to COVID-19.

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Junior League

In October 2019 Fitzroy Victoria Bowling and Sports Club played host to the inaugural Junior League competition. Held across 5 Sunday mornings, 10 teams, representing 7 metro clubs (Fitzroy Victoria, Richmond Union, Elwood, Moonee Valley, Berwick, Mulgrave and Hawthorn), fought for the title of Junior League Champions. Berwick took on Elwood in a lively grand final with Berwick Bowls Club taking out the title for the very first time.

A new mum juggling motherhood & a bowl at one of our award winning Bowling with Babies sessions.



Communications & Marketing

Joshua Rourke

A year ago it would have been impossible to predict the challenges clubs would face during an unprecedented season. Looking back at the past 12 months, marketing and especially communications were split into two distinct eras, pre-COVID-19 and COVID-19.

Pre-COVID-19, it was exciting to welcome onboard AM Sportswear as a new major sponsor and with it a new look for our state teams, and staff in the near future. October saw Bowls Victoria Marketing and Communications Manager Bronwyn Slatter's move to Triathlon Victoria, we wish her the best in her future endeavours and thank Bronwyn for her efforts. Mid-November was about one thing; the Victorian Open. An amazing event and I thank everyone for tuning into our livestreaming and daily video wraps in record numbers. This uptake by bowlers is reflective of global trends on how people consume internet content in 2020, 80% of which is now through video.

We have seen a significant increase in digital engagement and communication between clubs and members, embracing all forms of e-communication platforms from the now vital club website, to social media channels and email. At the time unknowingly preparing themselves for the COVID-19 era. All clubs should be commended for their impressive efforts to adapt. We continue to encourage clubs and members to visit BV's website and Facebook page daily for the very latest news. Bowls Victoria is always seeking news stories from all our clubs, if you fancy yourself a writer, we'd love to hear from you. It's a terrific way to shine a light on your members.

During the 2018-19 season Bowls Victoria undertook a club survey where we listened to a range of club concerns, one common observation was a lack of direct email communication to club administrators. This is something the Communications and Marketing team took on board and we hope you have noticed a significant increase in eDMs (electronic direct mail) in your inboxes this past year.

Our "grassroots" eDM Heads Up continues to evolve into a truly multimedia platform, giving members access to written articles, video content and more. Our number of subscribers continues to grow however we have had many clubs enquiring why they are finding themselves unsubscribed from our email lists. We learned it has become common practice for clubs to forward Bowls Victoria's eDMs to their members' email, unknowingly giving their members the ability to unsubscribe their club's email address from our contact list. We kindly ask clubs to cease this habit and to encourage your members to sign up to Heads Up directly through our website's homepage.

COVID-19 struck hard and fast for us all. We navigated our way through events unseen before, even by our older, wiser clubmates. Early in the pandemic we communicated to all Regions, Divisions and our 500+ member clubs almost every day. Advising clubs to shut their doors was heartbreaking, being the exact opposite of what we all aspire to achieve at BV. Each day things changed unpredictably, and it was a high pressure challenge to quickly dissect the information we were given by state government and apply it to our sport. Thank you to all clubs for your patience.

As the reality of the situation set in, it became a priority to assist clubs on the use of contactless communication and commerce. Not just for club administrators, but also to keep in contact with their members, all of whom are doing it tough. Our mental health is so important and we encourage all members to keep in touch. It was outstanding how well clubs seized further forms of digital communications such as video conferencing and livestreaming when face-to-face interaction was impossible. Dare I say this efficient and cost-effective form of communicating will become common practice now and in the future at all levels of governance.

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Despite the challenges we face right now it is a tremendous time for the Communications and Marketing team at BV. We welcome our new manager Melanie Allen, an exciting addition to staff, as we strive to engage all our valued members with digital bowls content, from video, livestreaming, webinars, podcasts and more. Watch this space.



Tournament Director Sean O'Kane reported daily from the 2019 Victorian Open in November.



Clubs are adapting rapidly by adopting new forms of digital communications during COVID-19.

Greens Committee

Andrew Ross

This was a season of high activity by the Greens Committee, until the end of February when the COVID-19 lockdown restricted meetings, travel and inspections of greens. Regardless it created opportunities for us to complete the report of all greens used for pennant games, further developing a data base of club greens including type of surface, suitability for finals and Bowls Victoria events.

Communication to member clubs and the wider bowls community via the Bowls Victoria website regarding greens maintenance during the COVID-19 lockdown was well received. We also submitted a report to the Board of Bowls Victoria, highlighting the objectives of the Committee, covering areas such as:

- Advice to the Board regarding greens in Victoria and Southern New South Wales.
- Establishing a course of instruction for new Greens Inspectors, providing support to clubs regarding contractors.
- Working with the Victorian Greenkeepers Association as well as providing updated information to clubs via the Bowls Victoria web site regarding current laws relating to greens, banks and ditches.

We continue to invite the Chair of the Metropolitan Region Greens Committees to attend the Bowls Victoria Greens Committee meetings. This close relationship has developed a consistent standard of inspection and reporting throughout the metropolitan regions and divisions. This initiative has been expanded to meet with the local Chair of country regions when conducting Greens Inspectors Courses in their Regions. The Bowls Victoria Board supported our request that all Greens Committee Chairs at region and division level must be accredited as greens inspectors, first having undertaking the required course to become a greens inspector.

This season we held 12 greens inspector courses, 7 were in regional areas and 5 in the metro area. Each of were well attended. A further 5 courses were planned but have been postponed to a later date due to COVID-19 restrictions. Other metro and country courses will be undertaken during the 2020/21 season. A most pleasing aspect was that three major firms of bowling green contractors attended the courses in order to become more aware of what greens inspectors are looking for when assessing a green and gaining further insight.

It is again interesting to note that the suspension of timing the greens has not led an increase in the number of complaints regarding greens being outside the preferred 13 to 17 seconds, or the number of defective greens. The year saw us inspecting numerous new or reconstructed greens, two highlights were inspecting the new covered greens at Warnambool City Memorial Club and receiving notification the new the undercover greens at Pakenham and Narre Warren clubs. This does seem to be the way of the future in our sport. A disappointing aspect this year has been the performance of one particular contractor delaying rectification of defects of a green in the Gippsland area, leaving the club with limited opportunity to play pennant this coming season.

To the clubs that were awarded Bowls Victoria events, thank you for preparing your greens and facilities to such high standards.

Thank you to all members of the bowls community, contractors and members of local councils that I have had the pleasure to meet and in particular the members of the Greens Committee for their hard work and dedication in inspecting greens in an unbiased manner. Peter Bowman as Secretary deserves special mention as the man with many hats, who keeps on giving to this great sport, thank you Peter. Amanda James who has been the guiding light behind this committee, ever supportive with an enormous knowledge of bowls procedures and protocols she too keeps giving, thank you Amanda. Warren Maynard (Secretary Victorian Green Keepers Association) thank you and to all the staff at Bowls Victoria, your assistance and support has been much appreciated.

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Disability Support Committee

Tony Scott

First up was our opening day at Deer Park which featured individual training in the morning, followed by Mixed Pairs in the afternoon. Our day introduced us to quite a few new bowlers who eventually joined the groups. A big thanks to coach Carol, Trevor, Mark and Lyn for assisting on the day.

One thing we as a committee have done is try to and support clubs who support disabled bowlers.

January saw our annual Integrated Pairs tournament at Berwick Bowls Club. Word is spreading so much that we had the biggest field ever, such is the popularity.

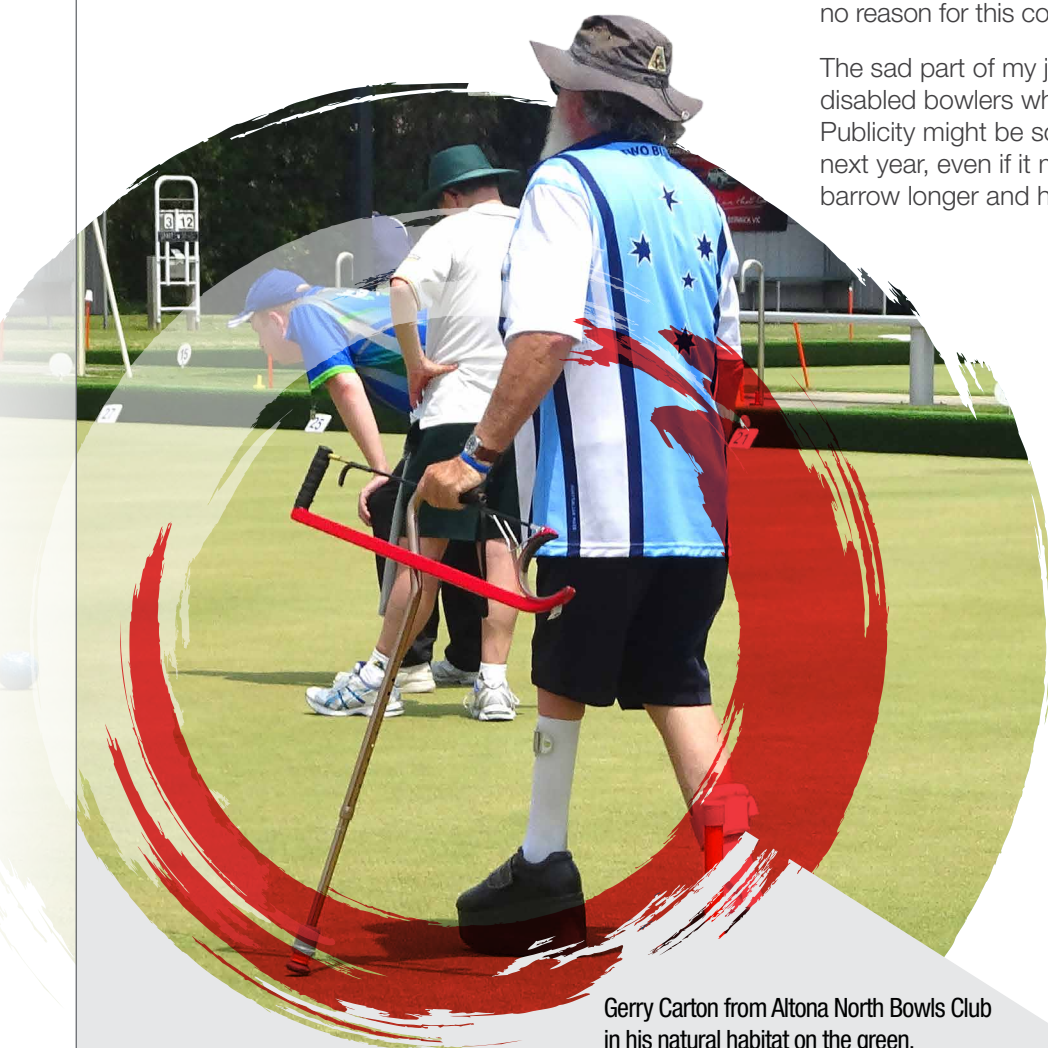
We managed to get a few squad days in at Shepparton and Ringwood and for the first time this year, a triples tournament at Colac was added to our schedule. Thanks to everybody involved in getting this up and running. Hopefully the first of many more to come.

COVID-19 hit the rest of our season which meant the cancellation of the State Multi-disabilities Championships, which was disappointing as the Deaf group had asked to be part of the championships for the first time. We hope to expand our involvement with them further in the upcoming year.

At the time of writing, we are still unsure as to whether the National Disability Championships will be held. Hopefully they will go ahead and we can successfully defend our title.

As this is my fifth term as Chairman, I would love to thank everybody who I have been directly involved with. Firstly, Tony Sherwill, Barb Gilbert and the Board of Bowls Victoria for their continued support during the year. To Sean O'Kane and Darci Tierney from Bowls Victoria for their tireless efforts and smiling even when I annoy them night and day over the phone. The Committee Lyn Baker, Len O'Brien, Mark Walker, Trevor Nelson and Carol Protopapus, tireless workers who receive little thanks, but are willing to go above and beyond what was expected of them. Finally, our bowlers without whom there would be no reason for this committee.

The sad part of my job is travelling to clubs and finding disabled bowlers who know nothing of what we do. Publicity might be something we need to consider for next year, even if it means we have to push our own barrow longer and harder.



Gerry Carton from Altona North Bowls Club in his natural habitat on the green.

Officiating & Laws Committee

John Roberts

This last season has seen the combination of the State Umpiring Committee and the Laws and Rules Committee combined as one committee.

The unification has worked well as officiating, laws and rules are so closely interconnected and in some ways co-dependent.

We have met on seven occasions in monthly meetings usually held at Bowls Victoria and attendance is consistently high. Minutes are kept and provided to the Board of Bowls Victoria.

The many tasks involved include overseeing the National Officiating Accreditation Scheme (NOAS), presenter and assessor training, providing support and advice to the BV Board and Metropolitan Pennant Executive Committee, organising umpire seminars statewide and responding to queries regarding to the Laws of the Sport.

The Committee also maintains contact with the Bowls Australia National Official Advisory Group (NOAG) who oversee National Officiating Accreditation Scheme (NOAS) and National Officiating. Two members of our committee are part of NOAG.

This committee also assists Bowls Victoria in providing officials for Bowls Victoria events and advice regarding conditions of play for Pennant (metropolitan and rural), State Championships and disciplinary matters.

Last season has been another successful term of this hard working and successful team. We also acknowledge the work of all officials across Victoria, our Division and Regional Umpire Chairs and presenter and assessors whose volunteer efforts maintain high standards of work and training statewide. Thank you.



Legendary ITO Robert "Bob" Carlson umpiring the 2019 Victorian Open Finals, November 2019.

Disciplinary Committee

Stuart Kollmorgen OAM

In 2019-20, the Bowls Victoria Board has presented a wider range of matters to the Committee, resulting in a greater number of hearings. This has stretched volunteer committee and Bowls Victoria resources and energy.

Most commonly, a complaint (including a complaint made by Bowls Victoria or an officer of Bowls Victoria) may also relate to a respondent allegedly acting in a manner prejudicial to the objectives and interests of Bowls Victoria or Bowls, or which brings Bowls Victoria or the respondent themselves regarding the sport of bowls into disrepute.

The Disciplinary Committee may also hear allegations of Club decisions contrary to natural justice and Club rules.

Complaints may be made about a Club's conduct regarding umpiring and its environment, particularly caused by the behaviour of spectators on the green during pennant play and in the clubhouse.

2019-20 Season

2019-20 saw a significant increase in complaints than previous years reaching the Committee. Many issues were handled effectively before they became complaints at the skip, umpire, team manager, Pennant Competition, Management or CEO level, for which the Committee is particularly grateful to Sean and Tony.

Bowls Victoria's Board and CEO presented several matters to the Committee for resolution.

The Committee (comprising 3 members) heard 5 matters with multiple parties. Determinations were made against 9 individuals following these hearings. The average number of witnesses per hearing is 6.

Two of these hearings were conducted via an online platform with satisfactory procedural fairness accorded to the parties. This forum permitted more availability and efficiency, with little loss of capacity to assess the demeanour of witnesses and veracity of evidence.

All of the complaints which reached this point were upheld. In each case, a penalty was handed down, and in the case of bowlers, typically suspension of affiliation with Bowls Victoria during a period of rounds of midweek and weekend pennant play.

For this period of suspension of a player, the bowler is not permitted to play bowls in any organised event including BV competition, competition of Bowls Australia (BA) or any other member organisation of BA, any Club championship match or any Club-based tournament. However, they can play social bowls and practice bowls.

In one case, a 2-year suspension period was handed down. In another case, a specific penalty was awarded as a result of inaccurate evidence being presented to the committee.

Coaches, managers, committee members, umpires and Clubs can be respondents.

There were 6 suspensions from representing Bowls Victoria.

Procedures

Revised Disciplinary Guidelines were prepared in 2019. These cover a range of matters including:

- Ceased claims where the applicant is unavailable
- Difference between suspension and ban
- Consideration of what is in the purview of the Committee, and what is a Club matter.
- Evidence - the Committee has been concerned about the accuracy of evidence and now prefers to have written evidence in the form of statutory declarations where serious facts are contested.

General Comments

The Committee takes the opportunity to encourage that Complainants and their skippers and team managers bring matters to the attention of an Umpire at the relevant time, so that the available powers of an Umpire can be used.

Team Managers who are also an accredited Umpire must not undertake both roles in the same match (other than measuring where called upon), in order to ensure that their partisan role of Team Manager does not interfere with the officiating of the game.

In relation to disciplinary hearings conducted by Clubs, matters should be heard and determined in a fair and just manner and conducted as per Club constitutions. Failing to give an alleged offender natural justice, including by not following correct procedures, may see an appeal allowed and possibly a Club penalty dismissed.

The Committee thanks Tony and Sean, effectively managing many complaints issued, as resolved by initial response or informal conciliation prior to reaching the Committee.

“2019-20 saw a significant increase in complaints than previous years reaching the Committee.”



Men's State Selection Committee

Anthony Flapper

It was a short year, but another successful year for Victorian Bowls.

We began our bowls season with our Over 60s trials, held across two days at the brand-new facility at Sunbury. It was impressive to see how talented the group of Over 60s were that trialled, and another 4 to 5 different personnel could have been selected without reducing the quality of the team.

Following the trials, our team to represent Victoria in October at Ettalong Memorial BC was selected:

Graeme Spencer (Caulfield Park Alma), Mario Cipola (Bundoora RSL), Stephen Sullivan (Queenscliff), David Donaldson (Flemington Kensington), Barry Brennan (Moama), Ian Ross (Bendigo), Mark Cowan (Sunbury), Ray Emerson (Barooga Sports), Geoff Boyd (Kangaroo Flat), Craig Elliott (City of Geelong), Phill Godkin (Eaglehawk) and Ray Jansen (MCC).

The Over 60s played a great series, only being narrowly defeated by NSW (58-51) and SA (60-54) to finish second overall. This team over the last few years has performed exceptionally well and highlights considerable talent still existing in the Over 60 ranks.

Sunbury also hosted our Open Side Trials, some impressive bowls being played across two days at the new facility. The surface was good, the standard of play exceptional and hence the selection process harder.

There were a few changes since the previous Victorian Test Series. One being Barrie Lester transferred to Queensland. We thank Barrie for the service that he gave Victoria, a player that represented the Big V with pride and we were disappointed to lose him to Queensland.

A couple of players also returned to the Victorian lineup - Lee Schraner returned from Tasmania and Brett Spurr returned from retirement. Ben Loughlin was also re-included after some impressive pennant results and tournament victories. This series also saw two debutants in Ryan Tainton and James Pearce.

The new look side in its first outing showed great camaraderie and spirit, and the selectors looked forward to future series as this team developed. South Australia was a formidable side but the Vics lifted when needed and delivered the results.

It was a great series for the Victorian Men, who returned with the Loy Carroll Trophy back from South Australia by winning the series, three tests to two. The player of the Series was Brett Mahoney (Deer Park) who played very well in his return to the side.

The state program intended to take a new turn in 2020, under the guidance of Bowls Victoria's State Selection Committee, to run a Vic Country v Vic Metro Series (replacing the State Trials) in April. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 situation, this is postponed until the following year, but a great step in the right direction for future team selection in Victoria. Unfortunately, the situation has also put an end to the Nationals for 2020, but this just makes us more motivated for Victoria to represent well in 2021.

Thank you to my team of selectors this season; Ian Ewing, Matt Robertson and Nick McIntyre.

Also a special thank you to outgoing Team Manager, Pat Clark. Congratulations on what Pat achieved over 13 years as the Victorian Team Manager, I know all the boys (and the State Selection Committee) will miss his presence on our trips and the amount of respect he has amongst the team shows how well he filled the role for over a decade.

It has been a pleasure being part of the State Selection Committee this year and seeing the talent from across the State, we look forward to the future and being back out on the green ready for the Nationals in 2021.

After 13 years, Victorian Team Manager Pat Clark (right) retires on a win with Player of the Series Brett Mahoney. Victoria v South Australia, January 2020.

Women's State Selection Committee

Judy Davey

It looks as though the current representative season has come to an early conclusion due to current restrictions, with all events on the current calendar being either cancelled or postponed.

Even though it has been a short season it has also been a successful one. It all started back in early September 2019 with State Trials for both the Over 60s Side and the State Side at Sunbury and Ringwood Bowls Clubs.

From these trials a Over 60s Side was selected to play in the Australian Senior Sides Championships held in NSW at Ettalong Bowling Club in October 2019. The team did extremely well, coming away from the championships with a silver medal. Well done Ladies. There was some great performances through the week but the most consistent player was Jan Morton who was named our player of the series. I would just like to also mention Anne Miles who at the conclusion of presentations was named in the Bowls Australia Senior Jackaroo team, congratulations from us all, Anne.

Our next venture was in January when the selected State Team travelled over to McLaren Vale in South Australia. We welcomed debutant Vicki Smith and returning players Stacey Collier, Triss Doolan and Claire Sanders and congratulate everyone selected for this series. The series was won by Victoria and as this was the only outing for this season that's 100% strike rate, we'll done girls!

A special Congratulations to both Lisa Phillips and Anne Miles who both played their 100th game for Victoria through the week and congratulations to Anita Jenkins (AJ) who was named player of the series.

A big thank you to Member Services & Events Manager Sean O'Kane, President Barbara Gilbert and the team at Bowls Victoria. A special thanks to Pat Clark for all his help and to fellow selectors Patty Whorlow and Edith Grinham.



Our Women's Fours Team came home with Silver from the Australian National Championships, December 2019. Clockwise: Courtney Gabb, Tiffany Brodie, Kelly McKerihen & Lisa Phillips.

Finance Director's Report

Ken Warburton

Year under review

What a year! Droughts, floods, bushfires and then the outbreak of the century, a global pandemic, COVID-19. Unprecedented!

The activities of Bowls Victoria have resulted in a Total Comprehensive Income of \$398,791 comprising:-

2019		2020
45,194	Gain/(loss) on bowling activities	394,678
	Net gain on investing activities	
198,939	Income and realised gains	263,780
106,668	Fair value gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets	(259,667)
305,607		4,113
\$350,801	Total Comprehensive Income	\$398,791

Income

In 2020 we adopted AASB 15 (Australian Accounting Standards Board) with respect to Revenue Recognition with no financial impact. See Note 1 to the financial statements.

In summary, the Association's total income was \$132K higher in 2020 primarily due to \$65K in higher recognized investment income, and \$63K attributable to COVID-19 related grants received prior to 30 June 2020.

Club Based Affiliation Fees rose \$47K to \$2.153 million (2019 \$2.106 million) with Competition Fees declining \$6K and Sponsorship and Grants declining \$59K.

Bowling Income by source 2020

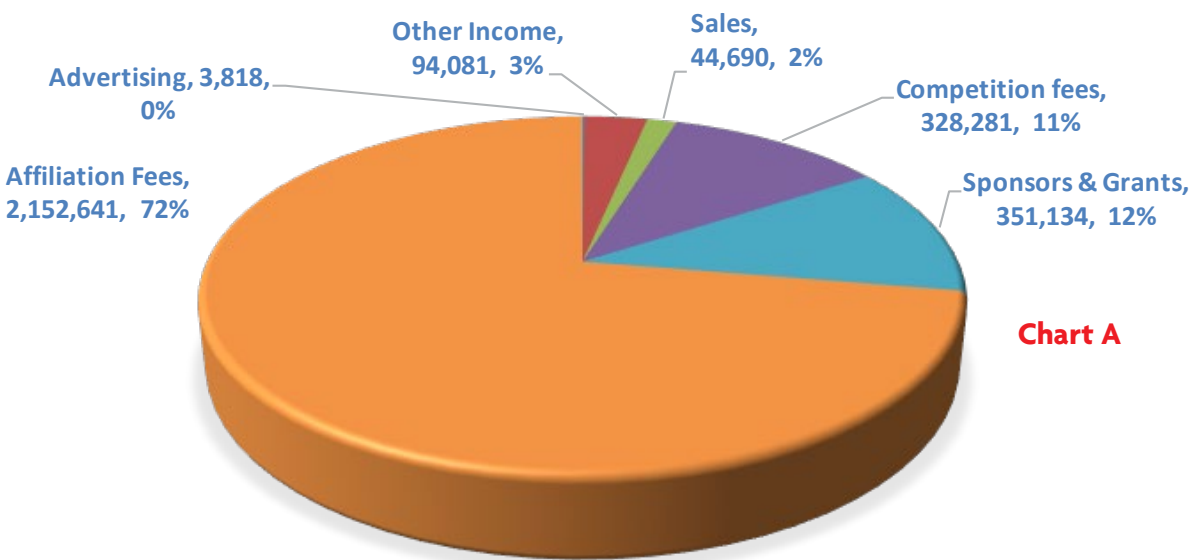


Chart A

Club Based Affiliation Fees are reflected net of 10% GST and after payment of \$12K in Club Fee Relief and our State Affiliation Fee to Bowls Australia of \$529K your Association is left with a net \$1.624 million from Club Affiliation Fees to administer the Sport of Bowls in your State.

Income from bowling activities

Chart A Income by Source for bowling activities.

The chart below displays Income by Source for Bowling Activities with 72% (2019 72%) of this income from Club Based Affiliation Fees, is steady with the prior year. Total Income from Bowling Activities was \$2.975 million (2019 \$2.908 million).

Club Based Affiliation Fees

The Club Based Affiliation (CBA) Fee model was extended for the current year pending our review of the methodology.

With the affiliation fee being Club based, Clubs simply incur their affiliation fee as part of their operating costs no different to rent, utilities, green maintenance, communications and the like. It is then a matter for individual Clubs to determine whether, how, when and to what extent they recoup these costs from their income sources including their various types of membership.

Club Based Affiliation Fees are generally below 10% of a Club's revenue. Bowls Australia provides a guideline that Clubs need to increase their membership 10% each year for transfers, deaths etc. to maintain their member base.

Income from investing activities

Our investment managers and advisers, Hamilton Wealth Partners (HWP), have achieved a **-0.25%** (2019 3.91%) time weighted return (TWR) on our investment portfolio for the year compared to **-7.68%** (2019 11.55%) for the ASX200 Accumulation Index and 0.85% (2019 1.97%) for Bloomberg's Ausbond Bank Bill Index. A very commendable result with the current market conditions.

See Chart B where the impact of COVID-19 is clear.

HWP have constantly updated our asset allocation to reflect global and local political uncertainty, for the continued threats to global economic growth especially with a global pandemic, continuing trade wars, currency fluctuations and commodity prices, lower and even negative central bank interest rates and the consequent continued market volatility.

While the portfolio is structured conservatively to minimise the risk of loss of capital (with a mandated allocation of 70% defensive and 30% growth), it must be noted that with some exposure to shares the portfolio has the potential to generate a negative return.

The Finance, Audit, Investment Review Committee (FAIR) continue to monitor our performance including quarterly reviews with the investment manager and advisers consistent with their Statement of Advice and our Investment Policy Statement.

Investment Return over time

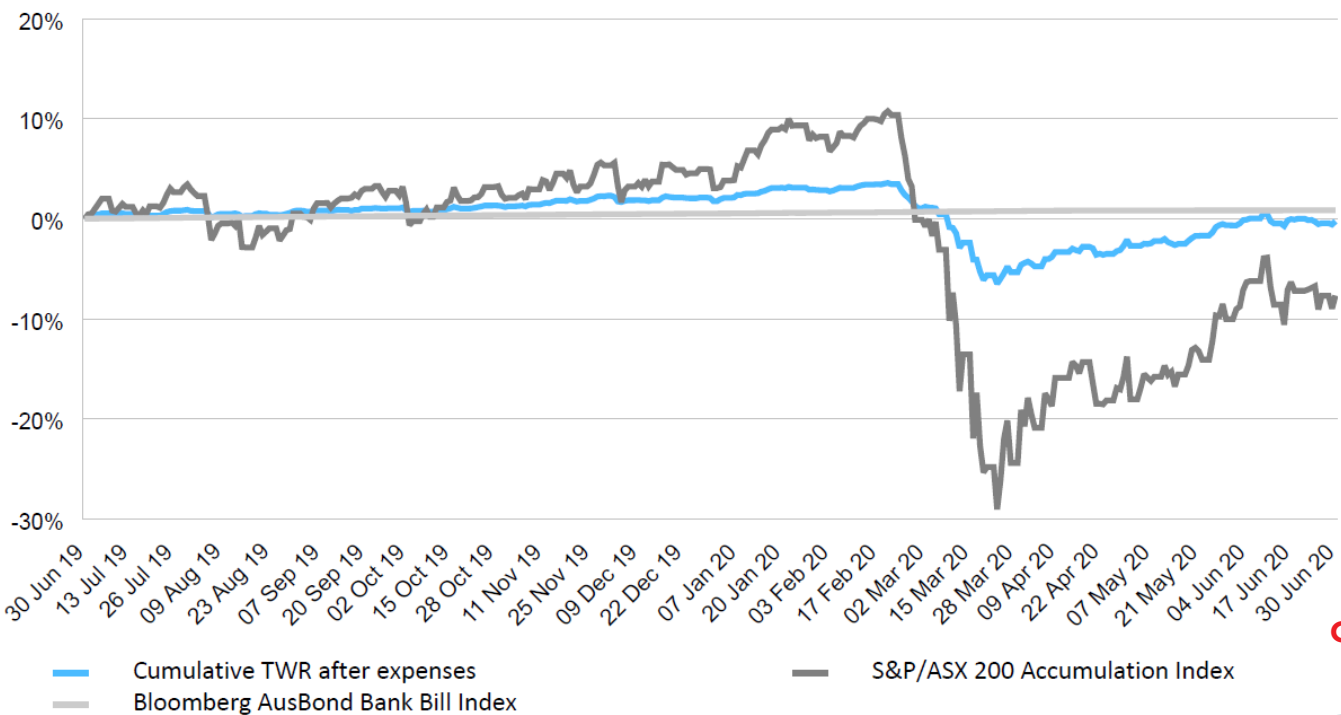


Chart B

Expenses

We continue to improve our productivity, financial control and business management capabilities significantly, especially with activity-based-costing and allocation of expenses. This enables greater executive focus on cost management.

Employee benefits for the current ten full time employees decreased \$6K overall to \$841K.

With the departure of two manager level employees in the first quarter of the financial year, they were not immediately replaced until the completion of an organisational review as to our staffing structure. By March, BV had pared its employee headcount from 12 down to 8 as COVID-19 arrived.

In 2019, employee benefit expenses were minimised by the short-term vacancy in the Chief Executive Officer role due to retirement and the timing of the recruitment of the successor.

The Association benefits from volunteers at State level that comprises a current 8 member Board and 60 committee members across 11 functions.

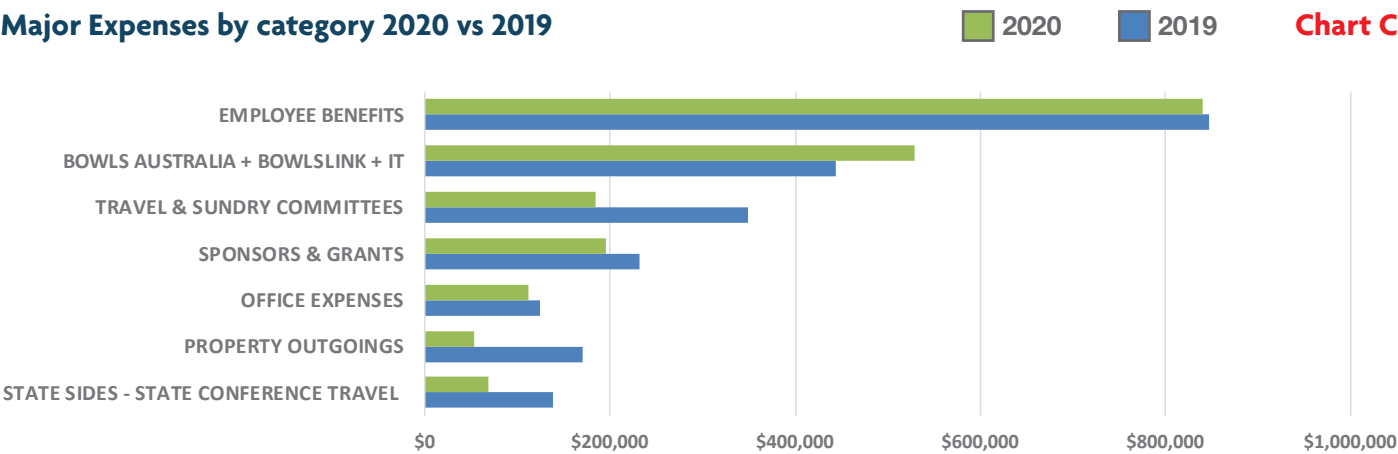
Similarly, there is an enormous amount of volunteer time provided by Club members at both the Regions and Club levels.

Bowls Australia Affiliation Fees were steady at \$529K

Finance Director's Report

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Major Expenses by category 2020 vs 2019



while our contribution to the BowlsLink IT System and our own IT hardware, software plus telecommunication costs has increased.

In 2020 our share of BowlsLink's development costs \$71K has been capitalised, not expensed, to be amortised over its expected useful life. In 2019 the Bowls Connect IT System was fully amortised.

Office premises

In 2020 we adopted AASB 16 (Australian Accounting Standards Board) with respect to Leases. See Note 1 to the financial statements.

This effectively requires that the lease be capitalised (\$590K) with a corresponding lease liability and then amortised over the term of the lease. Consequently, our depreciation & amortisation expense has increased \$148K attributable to the property lease, while our Property Outgoings have reduced to \$54K

The Board continues to monitor the prevailing property market and evaluate whether to lease or to buy our next office premises.

State sides, conferences, travel, sundry committee costs and trophies & pennants decreased \$276K attributable to the postponement, deferral and/or cancellation of events due to COVID-19 and playing restrictions.

Other expenses are consistent year-over-year with the exception of Other Expenses which includes \$93K (2019 \$41K) incurred with respect to our strategic action plans.

Investment income reserve

Effective 30 June 2020, the Board of Directors resolved to transfer all net realised investment income gains on available-for-sale financial assets including other interest income of \$164,497 (net of advisory management fee of \$34,442) for the year to the Investment Income Reserve.

Any amounts applicable to expenditure on strategic plans and/or any realised losses in a year are transferred from the reserve back to retained earnings. See Note 7 to the financial statements.

Cash flows

On a positive note the Association, with Management's continued strong and effective operating cost management, was able to meet all operating expenses.

Financial Position

The Association remains in a strong financial position with assets that include \$473K cash, \$7.657 million available-for-sale financial assets, total liabilities of \$765K and other net assets that amount to \$8.024million in total members' funds.

Looking forward

The future presents both opportunities and challenges.

COVID-19 - The first challenge

On 15 September 2020, the Board resolved to provide a COVID-19 adjustment in the amount of \$1.174 million (incl. GST) for all clubs representing 50% of the 2020-21 affiliation fees.

The table below identifies the main sources of this funding:

Funding of COVID-19 Adjustment 2020-21	\$'000
2019-2020 Unspent CBA Fees	400
State Government Survival Grant	300
Federal Government Cash Boost	50
Bowls Australia Fees reduced by 50%	278
Strategic Action Plans not actioned July-December	175
	\$1,203

Additionally, our 2020-2021 budget approved in June 2020, is for a planned operating deficit of **\$403K**.

While the Association is currently still in a strong financial position, COVID-19 has the potential to have a significant impact on our future revenue streams, cash outflows with committed fixed overhead costs and to diminish the strength of our financial position.

The extent and dollar amount of this impact in the medium term is indeterminate.

Member Clubs

With changing lifestyles and expectations, decreasing participation in pennant bowls, declining population in some areas, and the higher cost of operating a Club, some clubs will need to consider facility consolidation and/or Club amalgamation.

With ever increasing external pressures, it is essential that Clubs continue to be vigilant, to conduct themselves as a business, execute on their strategic plan and be a significant community hub. Participation is key and it is imperative that there is some level of Club executive continuity from year-to-year with say two-year terms on a rotation.

What additional strategies, and revenue sources, will Clubs need to implement to grow and renew the player base in engaging the community, increasing participation and moving away from the perception of being a sport for retirees?

The challenge continues to be

How do we increase the value of our sport and the willingness of people prepared to pay-to-play?

A repetitive question that we collective are yet to find the answer.

Club Based (CBA) Affiliation Fee Model

With a declining pennant competition player base and an increasing social player base how do we equitably fund the sport?

The Board of Bowls Australia now has a fixed affiliation fee model with 25.4% of our CBA Fees going to Bowls Australia and in turn an amount to World Bowls. These fees entitle affiliated Clubs' members to play competitive bowls anywhere in the world.

For our own BV CBA Fee methodology, the review process has commenced and is scheduled for completion by calendar year end. With BowlsLink released and Clubs having updated their membership database this enables us to continue our sensitivity analysis by billing component by Club.

Clubs should anticipate that there will be other components, other than Club membership, with both fixed component and variable components to be considered in determining the updated CBA fee model.

All participants in an organised event at Club level and above must be a registered financial member of a Bowls Victoria Member Club and recorded in BowlsLink. A registered financial member is any club membership that includes playing rights of any kind.

For the avoidance of doubt, this includes social bowlers who play socially but do not play pennant or they participation in social competitions such as Thursday morning triples. It does not include barefoot bowls, Christmas parties, or corporate events, which serve as an avenue to attract new members and a vital income stream for Club's membership data.

Finance Director's Report

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BowlsLink

Bowls Australia continues to roll-out our whole-of-sport information technology platform, BowlsLink.

New, improved and secure websites, with an additional theme, are available to all BV Clubs. The competition module has been utilised well for pennant, the Vic Open and the BPL Cup will be conducted through BowlsLink this year.

In addition to State Championship competitions Regions can set up their competitions and individual Club members using their personal BowlsLink account with their National Identification Number (NIN) to enter their own Club competitions, the Australian Open or the Victorian Open.

Clubs should be aware that the membership module implementation necessitates accuracy and currency for all Club membership data.

The Rink Booker function has been successfully rolled out while the Live Scoring functionality continues to be developed for trialing in 2020-2021.

Reporting now becomes an important aspect of the system for National/State/Region/Club management and administration for our sport.

Investment income

Volatility is expected to continue in the global stock markets with the economic, business and consumer confidence impact of COVID-19 on global and domestic GDP growth and the pending USA Presidential election all loom large.

The ASX's current near-every-other-day reversal of direction, the official RBA cash rate remains extremely low currently at 0.25% (2019 1.5%) with the expectation this will be the case for the next three years, the yield / rate of return on investments inevitably low and APRA's guidance is that it will ask banks to cap dividend payouts to 50 per cent of earnings.

Grants

Most government budgets continue to be stretched with grants continuing to be policy focused directed toward community participation and specific outcomes with an expectation that not-for-profits be more financially self-sufficient.

For BV particularly with COVID-19 related grants, these outcomes include ensuring we are operationally sustainable, planning and preparing for Return to Play and ready to recommence the delivery of our services to the community and our member Clubs following the lifting of restrictions.

Any incremental government support or grants will provide additional support to our 2020-2021 budget and forecast operating result.

Finance, Audit, Investment Review Committee

The Finance and Audit Committee and the Investment Review Committee have been merged as FAIR. [Terms of Reference.](#)

FAIR will continue to be monitored closely with our comprehensive monthly Board finance reports, through budgets and activity based strategic action plan analysis in conjunction with the regular review of capital expenditure, income and expenses at the FAIR meetings. During 2019-2020 we continued to improve our financial reporting, implementation of technology, metrics, our strategic action plans' financial performance and will continue to do so in 2020-2021.

Thank you

Thank you to Betty Fang our Finance Manager and the management, staff and the Bowls Victoria Board who continue to contribute to what is an interesting, sometimes challenging but stimulating role for your Finance Director.

They are all always willing and able to meet the financial reporting, accounting and financial challenges, have responded with enthusiasm to suggestions for change and they advanced ideas for improvement of our financial controls and systems and the overall operation of Bowls Victoria.

Statement of Profit or Loss

and other comprehensive income for the year ended 30 June 2020

2019	Note	2020
\$		\$
4,091	Income:	3,818
2,105,511	Advertising	2,152,641
334,673	Affiliation Fees	328,281
198,939	Competition fees	263,780
18,075	Investment Income	94,081
35,493	Other Income	44,690
410,057	Sales	351,134
3,106,839	Sponsors & Grants	3,238,425
	Total Income	
	Expenses:	
529,480	Bowls Australia affiliation fees	529,482
85,738	BowlsLink & IT System	50,002
66,484	Clearance Rebates	43,073
9,844	Club Affiliation Fee Relief	11,847
17,650	Cost of sales	26,578
10,552	Depreciation & amortisation	168,838
846,752	Employee benefits	840,710
44,998	External Service/Consultancy	45,027
14,048	Insurance	14,007
33,051	Legal	6,000
25,022	Marketing	16,757
124,911	Office Expenses	111,921
72,737	Other expenses	163,044
170,310	Property outgoings	53,549
231,719	Sponsors & grants	195,897
138,116	State sides/Conference - travel costs	68,677
348,933	Travel & sundry committees	184,156
92,361	Trophies & Pennants	50,402
2,862,706	Total expenses	2,579,967
244,133	Operating surplus (deficit)	658,458
	Other comprehensive income	
106,668	Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss Fair value gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets.	(259,667)
350,801	Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity	398,791

The accompanying **Notes** form part of these financial statements.



Statement of Financial Position

for the year ended 30 June 2020

2019	Note	2020
\$		\$
Current assets		
464,073	Cash and cash equivalents 2b	473,235
12,284	Trade and other receivables 3	15,674
9,768	Inventories 1	12,407
80,981	Prepayments and sundry debtors	115,848
567,116	Total current assets	617,164
Non current assets		
28,105	Property, plant and equipment 4	514,919
7,286,651	Available-for-sale financial asset	7,656,939
7,314,756	Total non current assets	8,171,858
7,881,872	Total assets	8,789,022
Current liabilities		
112,293	Trade and other payables 5	119,320
-	Lease Liability	142,776
36,669	Prepaid grants and affiliation fees	82,899
107,222	Employee entitlements 1	106,453
256,184	Total current liabilities	451,448
Non Current liabilities		
-	Lease Liability	313,095
-	Total non current liabilities	313,095
256,184	Total liabilities	764,543
7,625,688	Net assets	8,024,479
Members' funds		
5,892,714	Retained earnings	6,647,593
(507)	Financial assets reserve 6	(260,174)
1,733,481	Investment income reserve 7	1,637,060
7,625,688	Total members' funds	8,024,479

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Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June 2020

2019	Note	2020
\$		\$
Cash flows from operating activities Receipts		
2,105,511	Affiliation fees from Clubs	2,152,641
802,389	Other receipts	864,844
2,907,900	Total receipts	3,017,485
Payments		
(529,480)	Bowls Australia affiliation fees	(529,482)
(2,526,800)	Payments to suppliers & employees	(2,158,868)
(3,056,280)	Total payments	(2,688,350)
(148,380)	Net cash from operating activities	329,135
Cash flows from investing activities		
198,939	Income from investments	263,780
(1,700,000)	Payments for investments	(1,900,000)
-	Payments for Property Plant and Equipment	(91,432)
-	Proceeds from sale of investments	1,500,000
1,700,000	Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	41,816
198,939	Net cash from investing activities	(185,836)
-	Cash flows from financing activities	
-	Repayment of lease liability	(134,137)
-	Net cash from investing activities	(134,137)
50,559	Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	9,162
413,514	Cash at start of the year	464,073
464,073	Cash at end of the year	473,235

The accompanying **Notes** form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Changes in Equity

for the year ended 30 June 2020

	Note	Retained earnings	Financial assets reserve	Investment income reserve	Total members funds
		\$	\$		\$
Balance at 30 June 2018		5,813,078	(107,175)	1,568,984	7,274,887
Operating surplus for the 2019 year		244,133	-	-	244,133
Other comprehensive income					
Fair value gains/(losses) on available-for-sale financial assets	6	-	106,668		106,668
Total comprehensive income for the 2019 year		244,133	106,668	-	350,801
Transfer to/(from) reserves/(retained earnings)	7	(164,497)	-	164,497	-
Balance at 30 June 2019		5,892,714	(507)	1,733,481	7,625,688
Operating surplus for the 2020 year		658,458	-	-	658,458
Other comprehensive income					
Fair value gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets	6	-	(259,667)	-	(259,667)
Total comprehensive income for the 2020 year		658,458	(259,667)	-	398,791
Transfer to/(from) reserves/(retained earnings)	7	96,421	-	(96,421)	-
Balance at 30 June 2020		6,647,593	(260,174)	1,637,060	8,024,479

The accompanying **Notes** form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2020

Note 1: Statement of accounting policies

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012. The Board has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity. The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current values of non-current assets. The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

Adoption of New and Revised Accounting Standards

New and amended Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) Standards that are effective for the current year are AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and AASB 16 Leases.

The adoption of these Accounting Standards and Interpretations did not have any significant impact on the financial performance or position of the Association.

AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

AASB 15, adopted effective 1 July 2019, provides a single comprehensive model for revenue recognition. The core principle of the standard is that the Association recognises revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers (members) at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Association expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services.

The standard introduced a new contract-based revenue recognition model with a measurement approach that is based on an allocation of the transaction price. This is described further in the accounting policies below. Credit risk is presented separately as an expense rather than adjusted against revenue. Contracts with customers (members) are presented in the Association's statement of financial position as a contract liability, a contract asset, or a receivable, depending on the relationship between the Association's performance and the customers (member's) payment.

AASB 16 Leases

The Association effectively adopted AASB 16, 1 July 2019.

The current distinction between finance and operating leases is no longer applicable for lessees. Rather, lessees apply a single accounting model for all leases. This model recognises that, at the start of a lease, the lessee obtains both a right-of-use asset, an intangible asset, and a lease liability.

AASB 16 replaces AASB 117 'Leases' and for lessees eliminates the classifications of operating leases and finance leases. Except for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets, right-of-use assets and corresponding lease liabilities are recognised in the statement of financial position.

Straight-line operating lease expense recognition is replaced with a depreciation charge for the right-of-use assets (included in operating costs) and an interest expense on the recognised lease liabilities (included in finance costs).

In the earlier periods of the lease, the expenses associated with the lease under AASB 16 will be higher when compared to lease expenses under AASB 117. However, the Operating Surplus results improve as the operating expense is now replaced by interest expense and depreciation in the statement of profit or loss. For classification within the statement of cash flows, the interest portion is disclosed in operating activities and the principal portion of the lease payments are separately disclosed in financing activities.

Revenue recognition

The Association recognises revenue as follows:

Revenue from contracts with customers

Revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Association is expected to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a member. For each contract with a customer (members), the Association: identifies the contract with the customer; identifies the performance obligations in the contract; determines the transaction price which takes into account estimates of variable consideration and the time value of money; allocates the transaction price to the separate performance obligations on the basis of the relative stand-alone selling price of each distinct good or service to be delivered; and recognises revenue when or as each performance obligation is satisfied in a manner that depicts the transfer to the customer (member) of the goods or services promised.

Variable consideration within the transaction price, if any, reflects concessions provided to the customer such as discounts, rebates and refunds, any potential bonuses receivable from the customer and any other contingent events. Such estimates are determined using either the 'expected value' or 'most likely amount' method. The measurement of variable consideration is subject to a constraining principle whereby revenue will only be recognised to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur. The measurement constraint continues until the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved. Amounts received that are subject to the constraining principle are recognised as a refund liability.

Sales revenue

Events, fundraising and raffles are recognised when received or receivable, while Club Based Affiliation Fees are amortised over the relevant service delivery period, usually twelve months.

Grants

Grant revenue is recognised in profit or loss when the Association satisfies the performance obligations stated within the funding agreements.

If conditions are attached to the grant which must be satisfied before the Association is eligible to retain the contribution, the grant will be recognised in the statement of financial position as a liability until those conditions are satisfied.

Interest

Interest revenue is recognised as interest accrues using the effective interest method. This is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and allocating the interest income over the relevant period using the effective interest rate, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

Other revenue

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

Volunteer services

The Association has elected not to recognise volunteer services as either revenue or other form of contribution received. As such, any related consumption or capitalisation of such resources received is also not recognised.

Right-of-use assets

A right-of-use asset is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for, as applicable, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date net of any lease incentives received, any initial direct costs incurred, and, except where included in the cost of inventories, an estimate of costs expected to be incurred for dismantling and removing the underlying asset, and restoring the site or asset.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the asset, whichever is the shorter. Where the Association expects to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the depreciation is over its estimated useful life. Right-of use assets are subject to impairment or adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities.

The Association has elected not to recognise a right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability for short-term leases with terms of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. Lease payments on these assets are expensed to profit or loss as incurred.

Lease liabilities

A lease liability is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments to be made over the term of the lease, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Association's incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments comprise of fixed payments less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees, exercise price of a purchase option when the exercise of the option is reasonably certain to occur, and any anticipated termination penalties. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

Lease liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The carrying amounts are remeasured if there is a change in the following: future lease payments arising from a change in an index or a rate used; residual guarantee; lease term; certainty of a purchase option and termination penalties. When a lease liability is remeasured, an adjustment is made to the corresponding right-of use asset, or to profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset is fully written down.

Valuation of inventories

Inventories consist of saleable goods, and are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned on a specific identification basis.

Income tax

The association is a not-for-profit sporting organisation and as such is exempt from income tax under Section 50-45 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Employee entitlements

The amounts expected to be paid to employees for their pro-rata entitlement for employee benefits are accrued annually at current pay rates having regard to period of service. Long service leave is accrued in respect of all employees with more than four years service with the Association.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets (excluding receivables) are recognized net of the amount of GST. Receivables and trade payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the net cost of each depreciable non-current asset over its expected useful life commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use, with the exception of land and building.

Amortisation

Amortisation of leasehold improvements is calculated based on the lease term of the office premises.

Capitalized expenditure in relation to the on-going development of the Bowls Australia BowlsLink IT System is amortised over three years.

Maintenance costs are expensed within the current year.

Investments

Investment income included in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income comprises mainly managed fund distributions and dividends received from publicly listed shares.

Investments, which are marked to market at balance date, comprise managed fund units and publicly listed shares. The portfolio is classified as a non current asset as it is available-for-sale. The Board has no immediate plans for the sale of part or all of the portfolio.

2019		2020
\$		\$
Note 2: Cash and cash equivalents		
a) Reconciliation of cash from operating activities to operating surplus		
350,801	Total comprehensive income	398,791
(106,668)	Unrealized (gain)/loss on available-for-sale assets	259,667
(198,939)	Income from investments	(263,780)
	Write back/decrease in financial assets reserve	
(161,111)	Realized (gain)/loss on investments	(245,972)
10,552	Non-cash flows in operating surplus / (deficit)	
	Depreciation/amortisation	168,838
	Changes in assets & liabilities:	
27,280	(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(3,390)
(917)	(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(2,639)
20,679	(Increase)/decrease in prepayments	(34,867)
(10,977)	Increase/(decrease) in payables	7,027
(15,746)	Increase/(decrease) in provisions	(769)
(63,334)	Increase/(decrease) in unearned income	46,230
(148,380)	Net cash from operating activities	329,135
b) Reconciliation of cash		
600	Cash on hand	600
208,624	Cash at bank	117,485
254,849	Investments and short term deposits	355,150
464,073	Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	473,235
Note 3: Trade and other receivables		
12,284	Receivables	10,220
-	Provision for doubtful debts	-
-	Accrued Income	5,455
12,284		15,674

2019		2020
\$		\$
Note 4: Property, plant and equipment		
162,933	Office equipment and fittings (at cost)	183,245
(161,314)	Accumulated depreciation	168,248
1,619		14,997
60,902	Motor vehicles (at cost)	19,086
(34,416)	Accumulated depreciation	19,086
26,486		
-	Software	71,124
-	Accumulated depreciation	13,706
-		57,418
-	Lease Asset (Camberwell Office)	590,005
-	Accumulated depreciation	147,501
-		442,504
28,105		514,919
Note 5: Trade and other payables		
93,058	Trade creditors	80,157
19,235	Accrued expenses	39,163
112,293		119,320

Note 6: Financial assets reserve

The financial assets reserve records revaluation increments and decrements (that do not represent impairment write downs) that relate to financial assets that are classified as available-for-sale.

Note 7: Investment income reserve

This reserve is to quarantine income earned, including realised gains, on the associations investment portfolio. While the reserve is to primarily assist in funding a future property purchase, the Board has resolved that 4%-5% a year of the investment portfolio may be used to fund approved strategic action plans.

Any amounts applicable to expenditure on strategic plans and/or any realised losses in a year are transferred from the reserve back to retained earnings.

Note 8: Auditor's remuneration

The Auditor's remuneration for the audit is \$15,000

Note 9: Directors' benefits/remuneration

No director or related party received any benefit or remuneration from the Association during the reporting period except as reimbursement of expenses incurred or other payment conforming with the Association's policies.

Note 10: Subsequent Events

On 15 September 2020, the Board resolved to provide a COVID-19 adjustment in the amount of \$1.174 million (inc GST) for all clubs representing 50% of the 2020-21 affiliation fees.

While the Association is currently still in a strong financial position, COVID-19 has the potential to have a significant impact on our future revenue streams, cash outflows with committed fixed overhead costs and to diminish the strength of our financial position.

The extent and dollar amount of this impact in the medium term is indeterminate.

Bowls Victoria Incorporated

Independent auditor's report to members

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Bowls Victoria Incorporated. (the Association), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2020, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and other explanatory information, and the statement by members of the board.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at 30 June 2020, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Bowls Victoria Incorporated to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of these financial statements is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

<http://www.auasb.gov.au/Pronouncements/Australian-Auditing-Standards/Auditors-Responsibilities.aspx>

This description forms part of our independent auditor's report.



William Buck Audit (VIC) Pty Ltd
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A. P. Marks
Director

Dated this 1st day of October, 2020

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Statement by Members of the Board

for the year ended 30 June 2020



The Board has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity. The Board has determined that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements. In the opinion of the Board the financial report as set out herein:

- 1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Bowls Victoria Inc. as at 30th June 2020 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
- 2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Bowls Victoria Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by:

 Barbara Gilbert
President

 Ken Warburton
Finance Director

Dated this 1st October 2020.

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Victorian Open Winners

- Men's Singles:

Women's Singles:

Men's Pairs:
- Jay Bye-Norris
- Anne Draffen
- Elliot Mason
- Dean Drummond (s)
- Women's Pairs:
- Claire Sanders
- Anne Miles (s)
- Men's Triples:
- Cooper Wescombe
- Matt Flapper
- Jarryd Davies (s)
- Women's Triples:
- Fay Winther
- Kerri Leask
- Jody Nevill (s)
- Mixed Pairs:
- Sara Rodger
- James Pearce (s)
- Vic Medal:
- Jay Bye-Norris

Interstate Series

Under-18
Victoria v Tasmania
9 - 11 July 2019
at The Dandenong Club, VIC

Under-18s Boys series:
Tyson Cromie (Yarrowonga)
Jarryd Davies (Essendon)
Cameron Keenan (Rochester)
Bailey Leask (East Shepparton)
Grant McLaren (Colac)
Liam Turner (Kingsbury)
Kyle Williams (Whittlesea)

Under-18s Girls series:
Olivia Cartwright (Kyabram)
Emilee Davies (Essendon)
Alana Flapper (Essendon)
Bridget Hayes (Marong)
Isabella Hosken (Mulgrave)
Sophie Kurzman (Sunbury)
Jordyn Long (Glenroy)

Manager: Louise Morison
Coach: Matthew Flapper

Results
Victorian Boys won the series 6-1.
Victorian Girls won the series 6-0.

National Bowlers Arm Championship
8 - 12 September, 2019
at Tranmere Bowling & Tennis Club, SA

Results			
1st	VIC	95 points	
2nd	NSW	76 points	
3rd	WA	62 points	
4th	QLD	57 points	
5th	SA	49 points	
6th	TAS	21 points	

Australian Under-18 Championships
1 - 4 October 2019
at Bendigo Bowls Club, VIC

Results:			
Boys			
Pairs	Tyson Cromie	Jarryd Davies	Silver
Girls			
Singles	Isabella Hosken		Silver
Pairs	Isabella Hosken	Olivia Cartwright	Silver
Triples	Amity Bickley	Alana Flapper	Bronze
	Sophie Kurzman		

Overall Standings	
1st	QLD
2nd	NSW
3rd	VIC
4th	SA
5th	WA
6th	TAS
7th	NT
8th	ACT

Australian Champion of Champions
9 - 11 October 2019
South Perth Bowls Club, WA

Results		
Men's		
Nathan Bush		Silver
Women's		
Carla Krisanic		Bronze

World Singles Champion of Champions
28 October - 3 November 2020
Adelaide Bowling Club, SA

Results			
Men's			
Lee Schraner	Bendigo East BC		Gold
Women's			
Kylie Whtehead	Wodonga BC		Gold

Australian Senior Sides Championships
Round Robin
21 - 24 October 2019
Ettalong Bowling Club, NSW

Men's Over 60 Test Series:
Graeme Spencer (Caulfield Park Alma)
Mario Cipola (Bundoora RSL)
Stephen Sullivan (Queenscliff)
David Donaldson (Flemington Kensington) (s)

Barry Brennan (Moama)
Ian Ross (Bendigo)
Mark Cowan (Sunbury)
Ray Emerson (Barooga Sports) (s)

Geoff Boyd (Kangaroo Flat)
Craig Elliott (City of Geelong)
Phill Godkin (Eaglehawk)
Ray Jansen (MCC) (s)

Coach: Ian Ewing
Manager: Pat Clark

Match Results		
Round 1	VIC def WA	56-47
Round 2	VIC def TAS	77-61
Round 3	VIC lost to SA	54-60
Round 4	VIC def QLD	62-60
Round 5	VIC lost to NSW	58-51
Round 6	VIC def ACT	66-56
Round 7	VIC def NT	84-36

Women's Over 60 Test Series:
Marilyn Stephenson (Moama)
Caroline Reilly (Yarrowonga Mulwala)
Susan Howes (Kangaroo Flat)
Anne Miles (Yarrowonga Mulwala) (s)

Veronica Kelly (City of Geelong)
Helen Clough (Bendigo East)
Robyn Thomassen (Grangeburn)
Mary Tragardh (Yackandandah) (s)

Jan Morton (Sale)
Desma Budd (Kyneton)
Jennifer Salmon (Keilor)
Jean Sprague (Rushworth) (s)

Coach: Judy Davey
Manager: Patty Whorlow

Match Results		
Round 1	VIC lost to WA	52-60
Round 2	VIC def TAS	72-41
Round 3	VIC def SA	62-41
Round 4	VIC lost to QLD	47-57
Round 5	VIC lost to NSW	58-51
Round 6	VIC lost to ACT	63-66
Round 7	VIC def NT	83-40

It was all smiles from Isabella Hoskens after securing two Silvers at the Australian Under-18 Championships, October 2019.



Australian National Championships
2 - 5 December 2019
Club Sapphire, NSW

Men's Singles	Jay Bye Norris	Bronze
Women's Singles	Kylie Whitehead	Bronze
Mixed Pairs	Jess Wallace Josh Sanders	Bronze
Triples	Jo Martin Judy Beesley Val Hardy	Silver
Fours	Tiffany Brodie Courtney Gabb Kelly McKerihen Lisa Phillips	Silver

Victoria v South Australia
14 - 16 January, 2020
at McLaren Vale Bowling Club, SA

Men's Test Series
Bronze John McCarron (Glenroy)
Leigh McIlvenny (Altona)
Ryan Tainton (Essendon)
Matt Flapper (Ocean Grove) (s)
Silver James Pearce (Deer Park)
Dane McKinnon (Altona)
Brett Mahoney (Deer Park)
Lee Schraner (Bendigo East) (s)
Curtis Hanley (Melbourne)
Ben Loughlin (Altona)
Brett Spurr (Deer Park)
Nathan Wilson (Altona) (s)

Manager: Pat Clark
Coach: Ian Ewing
Match Results
1st Test VIC def SA 69-50
2nd Test VIC def SA 61-51
3rd Test VIC lost to SA 47-66
4th Test VIC def SA 59-50
5th Test VIC lost to SA 52-53

Victoria won the series 3-2.

Women's Test Series:
Blaine Edwards (Altona)
Vicki Smith (Lilydale)
Jess Wallace (Lilydale)
Carla Krizanic (Sunbury) (s)

Mikayla Long (Whittlesea)
Anita Jenkins (Somerville)
Stacey Collier (East Shepparton)
Lisa Phillips (Caulfield Park) (s)

Claire Sanders (YMGCR)
Tristania Doolan (MCC)
Anne Draffen (MCC)
Anne Miles (YMGCR) (s)

Manager: Patty Whorlow
Coach: Judy Davey

Match Results
1st Test VIC def SA 62-55
2nd Test VIC lost to SA 61-63
3rd Test VIC def SA 75-43
4th Test VIC def SA 77-46
5th Test VIC drew SA 66-66

Victoria won the series 3-1.

Under-18s Series
Coach: Matthew Flapper
Assistant Coach: Anthony Flapper
Manager: Justine Stokes

Girls
Amity Bickley (Dandenong Club)
Olivia Cartwright (Kyabram)
Alana Flapper (Essendon)
Sophie Kurzman (Sunbury)
Jordyn Long (Glenroy)

Match Results
1st Test VIC def SA 4-0 points
2nd Test VIC lost to SA 0-4 points
3rd Test VIC def SA 4-0 points
4th Test VIC lost to SA 0-4 points
5th Test VIC lost to SA 2-6 points

Victoria lost the series 2-3

Boys
Koby Cromie (Yarrawonga)
Ethan Freund (Wangaratta)
Cameron Keenan (Kangaroo Flat)
Bailey Leask (Shepparton East)
Liam Turner (Bundoora RSL)

Match Results
1st Test VIC lost to SA 0-4 points
2nd Test VIC def SA 4-0 points
3rd Test VIC def SA 3-1 points
4th Test VIC drew SA 2-2 points
5th Test VIC def SA 4-0 points

Victoria won the series 3-1

Metropolitan Pennant Champions

Regrettably, no Division winners resulted due to the impact of COVID-19 on the 2019-20 Season Finals.

Country Pennant Champions

Regrettably, several Division winners were not resulted due to the impact of COVID-19 on the 2019-20 Season Finals.

Ballarat District Bowls Division
Saturday

Premier	Sebastopol
Division 1	Linton
Division 2	Victoria
Division 3	Bungaree
Division 4	Victoria
Division 5	Victoria
Division 6	Bungaree
Division 7	Ballarat
Division 8	Daylesford

Midweek
Division 1 City Oval

Bendigo Bowls Division

Saturday
Division 1 South Bendigo
Division 2 Kangaroo Flat
Division 3 Harcourt
Division 4 Strathfieldsaye
Division 5 Golden Square
Division 6 Kangaroo Flat
Division 7 Woodbury
Division 8 Woodbury
Division 9 Harcourt
Midweek
Division 1 Golden Square
Division 2 Kangaroo Flat
Division 3 Woodbury
Division 4 Castlemaine
Division 5 Strathfieldsaye

Bowls Sunraysia Division

Saturday
Division 1 Mildura
Division 2 Red Cliffs
Division 3 Mildura Workers
Division 4 Irymple
Midweek
Division 1 Irymple
Division 2 Mildura

Central Bowls Division

Saturday
Division 1 Broadford
Division 2 Wallan
Midweek
Division 1 Seymour

Central Highlands Bowls Division

Saturday
Division 1 Kyneton
Division 2 Diggers Rest
Division 3 Trentham
Midweek
Division 1 Kyneton
Division 2 Kyneton
Division 3 Woodend

Corangamite Bowls Division

Saturday
Division 1 Colac
Division 2 Colac
Division 3 Winchelsea
Midweek
Division 1 Colac Central
Division 2 Camperdown
Division 3 Cobden

East Gippsland Bowls Division

Saturday
Division 1 Bairnsdale
Division 2 Bairnsdale
Division 3 Lindenow
Division 4 Bairnsdale
Midweek
Division 1 Lakes Entrance
Division 2 Lakes Entrance
Division 3 Bairnsdale

Goldfields Bowls Division

Saturday
Division 1 Dunolly Blue
Division 2 Maryborough Highlands Red
Division 3 Avoca Gold
Midweek
Division 1 Maryborough Highlands Tartan

Goulburn Valley Bowls Division

Saturday
Division 1 Shepparton Golf
Division 2 Tallygaroopna
Division 3 Rushworth
Division 4 Tallygaroopna
Division 5 Seymour
Division 6 West Stanhope
Division 6 East Euroa
Midweek
Division 1 Shepparton Golf
Division 2 Shepparton Park
Division 3 Seymour
Division 4 Shepparton Golf
Division 5 Dookie

Grampians Bowls Division

Saturday
Division 1 Ararat VRI
Division 2 Stawell Golf
Midweek
Division 1 Stawell



Jay Bye-Norris & Kylie Whitehead stepped away with Bronze from the Australian National Championships Singles, December 2019



Zac Woning from Lilydale Bowling Club on his way to a Silver in the Victorian Open Men's Singles, November 2019.

Continued

Mornington Peninsula Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Somerville 1
Division 2 – North	Mornington 1
Division 3 – North	Hastings 2
Division 4 – North	City of Frankston 3
Division 5 – North	City of Frankston 4
Division 6 – North	Mornington 4
Midweek	
Division 2 – South	Rosebud 1
Division 3 – South	Dromana 3
Division 4 – South	Rosebud CC
Division 5 – South	Hastings 4
Division 6 – South	Mornington Civic 6

Murray Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Barooga Sports
Division 2	Barooga Sports
Division 3	Wunghnu
Division 4	Berrigan
Midweek	
Division 1	Numurkah Golf
Division 2	Picola

Murray Valley Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Swan Hill
Division 2	Murray Downs
Division 3	Swan Hill Racecourse
Division 4	Murray Downs 4
Midweek	
Division 1	Swan Hill Racecourse
Division 2	Balranald Ex Services

North Central Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Donald Golf
Division 2	Wycheproof
Midweek	
Division 1	Donald Golf

North Gippsland Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	West Sale
Division 2	West Sale
Division 3	Maffra Red
Midweek	
Division 1	Maffra
Division 2	Heyfield Kangas

North Wimmera Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Warracknabeal Golf
Division 2	Warracknabeal Golf Blue
Midweek	
Division 1	Beulah

Northern District Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Cohuna Golf
Division 2	Cohuna Golf White
Division 3	Kerang Blue
Midweek	
Division 1	Cohuna Golf
Division 2	Barham Sports

South Gippsland Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Phillip Island
Division 2	Leongatha
Division 3	Korumburra
Division 4	Inverloch
Division 5	Toora
Midweek	
Division 1	Leongatha
Division 2	Philip Island
Division 3	Port Welshpool

Tyrrell Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Quambatook
Division 2	Sea Lake
Midweek	
Division 1	Culgoa

West Gippsland Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Newborough
Division 2	Warragul
Division 3	Traralgon RSL 2
Division 4	Traralgon 4
Division 5	Morwell 3
Division 6	Churchill
Midweek	
Division 1	Warragul
Division 2	Newborough 2
Division 3	Morwell 2
Division 4	Drouin 3

Western District Bowls Division

Saturday	
Division 1	Warrnambool Gold
Division 2	Warrnambool City Memorial White
Division 3	Warrnambool Lawn Tennis Gold
Division 4	Warrnambool City Memorial
Midweek	
Division 1	Warrnambool City Memorial Gold
Division 2	Warrnambool Blue
Division 3	Port Fairy Memorial Red



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The Miller clan from Leongatha Bowls Club enjoying a day on the green.



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