

MOTIONS

7.1 By Bowls South Africa Executive

To increase affiliation fees due to Bowls SA for each member from 1 January 2020 to R250p.a VAT inclusive.

MOTIVATION

With the withdrawal of financial support by Warwick Wealth the Federation needs to source this shortfall from its members. This matter was addressed at the 2018 AGM and Districts were made aware of this impending increase. The additional funding generated by this increase in 2020 will not fully compensate for the loss of the funding from Warwick and thus planned increases over the next three years will be smoothed out to minimise the annual impact on members.

7.2 By Bowls South Africa Executive

To adopt without amendment the new constitution as circulated to members after taking cognisance of suggestions made by two districts.

MOTIVATION

Bowls South Africa as a National Federation is a member of the South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee (SASCOC) and as such has an obligation to comply with the provisions and directives as issued by SASCOC and the Department of Sport and Recreation (SRSA). To quote from SASCOC's constitution 'SASCOC shall have jurisdiction in the Republic and over its Members' and members shall be subordinate to SASCOC and must comply with the Constitution of SASCOC and any directive issued by SASCOC. Furthermore 'Members' constitutions and any rules or regulations formulated thereunder shall be approved by SASCOC and shall not be in conflict'.

In recognition of this obligation it has been necessary to prepare a new constitution which has as a founding principle the fact that council should be represented on the basis of the nine geo-political areas of our country.

The contents of the constitution have been drawn up in consultation with both SASCOC and the Department of Sport and Recreation and after having submitted this to the District representatives for comment.

7.3 By Bowls South Africa Executive

To introduce the U/15 and U/20 Singles Tournaments as part of the U/15 and U/20 National Events. It is proposed that the Districts hold qualifying rounds before the start of the events and that entries be restricted to the National Events as follows (per age group):

Districts entering 1 to 2 Teams – 1 player per District

Districts entering 3 or more teams – 2 players per District

The singles tournaments can then be played on the Monday, with the possibility of the finals being played the Friday, either together with the fours finals or directly thereafter should a player(s) be involved in the fours and singles finals, if required. To ensure that the singles tournaments are completed within the allocated times it is proposed that the games (including the finals) be played over a set number of ends and with each player only playing with either two or three bowls. Each District will also be required to nominate 1 marker (in

each age group), that will be participating in the regular tournaments, to assist as markers for the events.

MOTIVATION

The introduction of the Singles Tournaments will further enhance the status of the current Junior (U/15 & U/20) National Events. It will also give the players an opportunity to be a Singles National Champion, a title that one can be proud to have on your sport CV. The addition of the one day's additional play will not have a dramatic impact on the District's funding for the events.

7.4 By Bowls South Africa Executive

NATIONALS SINGLES FORMAT

It is proposed that the format for the Open and Veteran's Singles revert to sectional play in place of knockout.

There are two options to be considered i.e. Sections of 3 or Sections of 4 players, both of which would result in restricting the field due to time constraints, the numbers of markers, technical officials and to a lesser degree suitable playing surface.

Proposed Restriction	Open	Veterans	Total
Sections of 4	160	96	256
Sections of 3	192	144	336

The reason for the higher entry for sections of three is that the one player in each section would mark whilst the other two play.

MOTIVATION

A survey conducted at the 2019 National Championships of player preference between the two formats indicated that there is a preference is for sectional play, despite this resulting in a reduction of the maximum entry

Men 243 respondents 41% knockout 59% sectional play

Women 160 respondents 39 % knockout 71% sectional play

Total 403 respondents 36% knockout 64% sectional ply

The following entries have been received over the past three years since the introduction of the knockout format

WOMEN

2017 WPB	Open 88	Veterans 76	Total 164
2018 EKB	Open 110	Veterans 51	Total 161
2019 PNB	Open 128	Veterans 68	Total 196

MEN

2017 JBA	Open 241	Veterans 80	Total 321
2018 EPB	Open 208	Veterans 80	Total 288
2019 BGN	Open 246	Veterans 120	Total 366