

**Circular 09/2010**



24 September 2010

**TO: ALL BOARD MEMBERS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS, LIFE MEMBERS, CENTRE SECRETARIES, UMPIRES COMMITTEE, DISTRICT UMPIRES SECRETARIES, SELECTORS, JUDICIAL COMMITTEE, REGIONAL DELEGATES.**

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**REGIONAL SERVICE CENTRE – AUCKLAND:**

I advise that a Service Agreement was signed yesterday between the Bowls New Zealand Chair, John Carter, and Auckland Bowls Chair, Haddon Vernon.

The Service Centre will be up and running as quickly as possible and details of next actions will be advised by Auckland Bowls General Manager, Phil Vyver.

This now concludes the process of finalizing Service Agreements with the three Service Centres, i.e. Bowls Wellington, Bowls Canterbury and Auckland Bowls and Bowls New Zealand looks forward to working with each and every one of them and the Centres and Clubs within their regions, to address the many issues that need to be looked at so that we can grow the sport for all who take part in it.

**BOWLS CANTERBURY:**

I have been advised by the President of Bowls Canterbury, Peter Harris, that they have received a cheque from Timaru Bowling Club for \$10,000.00 as an assistance to those clubs affected by the earthquake.

This is an outstanding gesture by the members of Timaru Bowling Club and I extend our sincere thanks to them on behalf of bowlers throughout New Zealand, for their generosity.

**APPOINTMENT OF NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE FOR BOWLS CANTERBURY:**

I advise that Bowls Canterbury have appointed Mr Colin Reynolds as their new Chief Executive.

We welcome Colin to the role and advise that he will be taking up his position from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2010.

**NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP:**

We have been asked whether or not it is permissible for players representing a Region to wear a Regional uniform rather than a school uniform at the Secondary Schools Championships.

The current Regulations state that for the National Finals the school uniform should be worn but on checking with Garry Carnachan the Executive Director of the NZ Secondary Schools Sports Council, he advises that there is no Regulation regarding uniform stipulated by the NZ Secondary Schools Sports Council. He states that as most students represent their school and hence wear their school colours, that is the norm, but bowls is one of very few events (the others being Surfing and North Island Athletics) where students represent a Region. In these circumstances the NZ Secondary Schools Council would be happy for players to wear Regional clothing, but would not wish to see this as another layer of cost.

In the circumstances, we are very happy to grant a dispensation to allow players at the National Finals or Regional Finals to wear uniforms supplied by their Region, but also highlight the message from Garry Carnachan that we also would not wish to see this add another layer of cost.

**DELHI COMMONWEALTH GAMES:**

I do not need to update you on all of the drama that has been circulating in the Media regarding the state of readiness of the Athletes accommodation village and other facilities in Delhi.

We have been in constant touch with the New Zealand Olympic Committee and with our Athletes and support crew.

A decision has been made that our side will be leaving NZ as originally planned and will stop over a little longer in Dubai on their way to India.

It is hoped that by the end of next week that the situation in Delhi has improved dramatically and that a very successful Commonwealth Games will be held and we wish our side all the very best for their time in Delhi.

I can assure the bowlers throughout New Zealand that all Athletes and the support crew have been doing their level best to get themselves in the right state of readiness for this very important event.

**MODEL CLUB & CENTRE CONSTITUTIONS:**

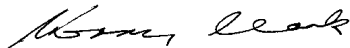
We are receiving a number of enquiries regarding the above.

The Model Club Constitution (first draft) has been completed and it is now going through an editing process.

The Model Centre Constitution was previously circulated but there are some changes that need to be made to ensure that both in the Centre Model and the Club Model, they align with the Bowls New Zealand Constitution.

The changes are currently being done. We will have the Models available for distribution just as soon as we are satisfied that all requirements have been met.

I ask for your patience whilst this exercise is completed.



**Kerry Clark OBE  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**