

IRISH INDOOR BOWLING ASSOCIATION

The final Zoom Meeting of the 2021/22 season will take place on Thursday 24th March 2022 at 8 pm.

AGENDA

1. Attendance and Apologies
2. Chairman's Business
3. Notice of Any Other Business**
4. Minutes of the previous meeting
5. Matters arising from the Minutes
6. Competitions Secretary's Report
 - 6.1 Inter Zone Competitions Report
 - 6.2 World Bowls Report
 - 6.3 National Championships Update
 - 6.4 Competitions Committee Report
7. Finance Committee Report
8. AGM
9. Any other notified business

** Notice of Any Other Business to be advised preferably by email to the Secretary by **Wednesday 23rd March 2022.**

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A Zoom Meeting was held on Thursday 24th February 2022 at 8 pm.

1. Attendance

Mrs F McNally	A Rice	Ms C Adair	H Nixon	H Massey
W Cassells	Mrs N Tanner	Mrs R Rice	W Clinghan	D Witherspoon
S Carleton	E Irwin	I Kerr	S Kyne	G O'Hare
Mrs A McKiver	C Mearns	Mrs J Parkinson		

Apologies

D McCullough	Mrs A Patton	D Doherty	M Caughey	M Turley
B Holmes	Ms R Neely	M Fitzsimons	Mrs C McKim	

2. Chairman's Business

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. He was pleased with the large entry to the Master Pairs and the positive atmosphere in the hall.

3. Minutes of the meetings held on 20th January 2022

The minutes of the Zoom meeting were approved.

4. Matters arising from Minutes

These would be dealt with under agenda items later.

5. Competitions

5.1 British Isles Championship Report

Team Manager G O'Hare stated that Ireland got off to a slow start losing against England but steadily improved over the weekend winning their remaining five games to win the Main Series Team trophy. Seven trophies were won in total although Ireland did not win any trophies in the main series. The President congratulated the Team Manager for doing an excellent job and the Competitions Secretary who was kept very busy sorting out the lateral flow tests each morning.

5.2 Master Pairs Report

Eighty-four had attended despite the atrocious weather conditions for some travelling from some areas. The round robin ran itself and the draw for the Knockout was made by our Chair, President and PRO and the competition was completed by 7.15pm. A cup was presented by the Honorary Secretary and a Shield by the President for this competition. Both were accepted by our Chair on behalf of the IIBA. These and vouchers were presented to:

Semi-finalists: Ian Hobson, Newmills & Michael McGrade, Mullaghduin (Presented by H Massey) (£30 to each player).

Runner-up: Colin Shortt, Clogherney (Presented by F McNally) (£50 to each player).

Winner: Jason Hand, Corduff (Presented by A Rice) (£100 to each player).

The Competitions Secretary thanked S Kyne, the President and the umpires for their assistance and all those who helped rolling up the mats. G O'Hare thought that it was good that the final was streamed live.

5.3 Inter-Zone Competitions Update

Some zones have not confirmed yet, so the draw will be done on Monday when the President and the Competitions Secretary will meet and make the draw. At present sixteen mens' teams and eight ladies' teams have entered. It will be a long day and Ballybrakes only has sixteen mats. A Zone had been approached to borrow eight mats and the cost would be £12/mat plus transportation costs. No decision was made. G O'Hare proposed and C Mearns seconded to get a courier to transport twelve mats from Shaws Bridge to Ballybrakes and return. W Clinghan to consult with the Honorary Treasurer regarding a courier firm in Dromore.

The Competition committee met and decided that there would be no plate for this year as time would not allow for it. Four subs can be named and used, and the original players can be reinstated on the day of play. Zone tops or whites to be worn.

Prizes for the event will be badges as normal. Each Zone is reminded to bring a non-playing umpire with them (an umpire for the men and an umpire for the ladies' team). The Competitions Secretary would appreciate Conveners letting her know who they are bringing. Some Conveners stated that they did not have any umpires or that they would be playing in the competition.

5.4 National Championships Update

Entries are due for the National Pairs and Triples on 26 February. Some clubs are contacting the Competitions Secretary directly while others are going through their Convener. Payments are coming in with the entry forms. Conveners are asked to complete the Excel spreadsheet provided. At present there are 115 National Singles, 81 National Pairs, 42 National Triples and 31 National Fours.

The Executive agreed that there would be no dress code this season. There have been enquiries regarding the ladies, juniors and Over 55 competitions but there is not enough time to complete these competitions.

6. World Bowls 2022

The Honorary Secretary stated that players and officials would be travelling from Dublin to Belgium. Canada, Germany, Isle of Man and Scotland who normally would have fielded full teams of twenty players have pulled out. This leaves the singles, triples, and rinks with seven countries in each group and the pairs with eight in each group. The Executive wished the players every success in their quest for World titles.

7. AGM

Shaws Bridge was not available to hold the AGM. The Honorary Secretary contacted the Rabbit Hotel (formerly the Templeton Hotel) and the Crowne Plaza Belfast which is beside Shaws Bridge. The Crowne Plaza offered the more competitive price and therefore the AGM will be held there on 19 April.

8. AOB

The Honorary Treasurer announced that he was stepping down from the role at the AGM.

Meeting closed 9.05 p.m.