

**ADELONG SERVICES AND CITIZENS AND BOWLING CLUB LIMITED**

**Minutes of the 2025 Annual General Meeting**

Meeting held at: Main clubhouse, 54 Tumut Street, Adelong, NSW 2729

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Meeting started at 11:09 AM and ended at 11:49 AM

Present:

David Beck, Maureen Broughton, Gloria Carlson, Gina Caton, Mark Coleman, Jason Crampton, Kylie Dowell, Matthew Hardwick, Brett Hassett, Ian Hassett, Anne Hockey, Wendy Holmes, Christine Horsley, Jack Hughes, Gary Hughes, Helen Isaac, Judy Kuhn, Susana Lavea, Christina Lucas, Brad Mellen, Christine Milliner, Graham Milliner, Julie Morrissey, Scott Murray, Michael Neyland (Committee), William O'Connell (Vice President), Matthew Pearce, Jean Roche, Julian Roche (President), Lucy Roche, Pat Roche, Sue Roche, Margaret Salmon, Gerrard Smith, Kathleen Taylor (Treasurer), Brian Toole, Jessica Walsh, Shane Walsh (Committee), R. Dianne Wardell, Ray Wendt, Renee Wilson (Committee), Trish Wilson

Guest – Matthew Knox of Bush and Campbell Audit.

Apologies:

Michael Kuhn, Brett Maher, Carinne Maher, Darren Mitchell (Committee), David Wren, David Rosetta (Bush and Campbell Audit).

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405 members were entitled to attend and vote. A quorum was established with 42 members attending.

A copy of the annual report, agenda and the Special Resolution was placed on each seat.

**Welcome by the President**

Julian Roche welcomed members to the meeting.

### **Minutes of the previous Board meeting**

The Honorary Secretary, William O'Connell, read out the Minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting. A Motion to accept the Minutes was approved by the meeting.

- Moved by William O'Connell
- Seconded by Julie Morrissey
- Carried unanimously.

The Honorary Secretary advised the meeting that at the 2024 AGM a President, Vice President and Treasurer were not elected, as required by the Articles of Association. At a meeting immediately after the 2024 AGM, chaired by Ian Hassett, an election was held to fill those positions and the following Board members were elected:

- President: Julian Roche
  - Nominated by William O'Connell
  - Seconded by Shane Walsh
- Vice President: William O'Connell
  - Nominated by Shane Walsh
  - Seconded by Kathleen Taylor
- Treasurer: Kathleen Taylor
  - Nominated by William O'Connell
  - Seconded by Vivienne de Lacy Peek

### **President's Report (Julian Roche)**

The President made the following comments:

- It is an honour to serve the Club as President, and the community. He wants the Board to act in its long-term success.
- Thanks go to Kathleen Taylor for her work as Treasurer, who diligently managed the Club's finances over the last 12 months. Thanks also to William O'Connell for taking on the honorary role of Club Secretary and for working on the membership restructure.
- Renee Wilson took on the role of running the Events Committee and has been very helpful in running the Friday night raffle.
- Shane Walsh, Darren Mitchell and Michael Neyland all made position contributions on the Board.
- Thank you to the members for their patience and understanding while the Board worked to restore the Club's finances.
- The good financial performance of the Club over the last 12 months enables it to move forward confidently. Retained funds are at a good level to invest in operational and small capital improvements, but more funds are needed for bigger projects.

- A new Constitution is in the planning, and it is intended to be put to members for a vote later in 2025.
- Karen McCowatt is the Club's new Administration Assistant.
- Motion to adopt the President's Report:
  - Moved by William O'Connell
  - Seconded by Kylie Dowell
  - Carried unanimously

### **Report on behalf of the Adelong Bowling Club (David Wren)**

David Wren was not able to attend the meeting. His report in the 2025 Annual Report was taken as read.

Motion to adopt the report of the Adelong Bowling Club:

- Moved by Julian Roche
- Seconded by William O'Connell

### **Treasurer's Report, including presentation of the 2024 Financial Statements (Kathleen Taylor)**

The Board has acted in the best interests of the Club. The new Board will take the next steps.

Thanks to:

- Jessica Walsh for help with the roster and ordering of alcohol.
- Natalie Wilson for help with bookkeeping.
- Fellow Board members.
- Shane Walsh and Darren Mitchell for increasing the size of the poker machine room.
- Eric and his team at the Chines restaurant.
- Volunteer Ladies Auxiliary
- Greg Radley for cleaning the beer lines each week.
- Di Wardell for running the Friday Night Raffle.
- Michael Neyland for driving the courtesy bus.
- Cynthia Hendry for running the bar at bowling events.
- Stephen Longbardi for looking after the bowling club greens.
- David Rosetta of Bush and Campbell Audit for help with the financials.

The Treasurer made the following comments about the financial accounts:

- The loss for the period January to June 2024 was about \$100,000 on top of the \$80,000 loss in 2023. The current Board took over on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024 and had no control of the accounts prior to that date. The financial profit for the period July to December 2024 was \$130,000.
- Proper processes were restored to managing money and the finances of the Club. They cannot be changed without the approval of Bush and Campbell Audit.
- Motion to adopt the Treasurer's Report:
  - Moved by William O'Connell.
  - Seconded by Graham Milliner.
  - Carried unanimously.

#### **Appointment of an Auditor for the 2025 Financial Year**

A Motion to appoint Bush and Campbell as independent auditor for the 2025 financial year was adopted.

Moved by Kathleen Taylor. Seconded by William O'Connell. Carried unanimously.

#### **Honorary Club Secretary's Report (William O'Connell)**

- The NSW government is introducing more regulations around liquor and gaming, and so it was the focus of the Club over the last 12 months, especially with access to gaming.
- All visitors must sign in using the electronic terminals at both entrances to the Club. Members were reminded of this when introducing guests to the Club.
- Motion to adopt the Honorary Secretary's Report:
  - Moved by William O'Connell.
  - Seconded by Julian Roche.
  - Carried unanimously.

#### **Special Resolution to amend the Articles of Association**

The Honorary Secretary, William O'Connell, addressed the meeting and explained the proposed amendments, which are to delete Articles 23 (d) and 27, and amend Article 25. These amendments will enable the introduction of a Membership Fee for Life.

The meeting was informed that the Board agreed at its March meeting to put the Special Resolution before members at the Annual General Meeting. It was Proposed by William O'Connell and Seconded by Renee Wilson (incorrectly stated as Shane Walsh).

Members were invited to comment or speak in favour or against the Special Resolution. William O'Connell agreed with a comment by Kylie Dowell that Article 25 enables future Boards to scrap the Membership Fee for Life, ie. it is not enshrined in the Articles. William O'Connell agreed and said it would be a brave Board that takes it away and consideration of enshrining it would be investigated when preparing a new Constitution.

The Special Resolution was then put to members at the meeting for a vote. It was passed with more than the required 75 per cent of those attending. It follows.

#### Special Resolution

The Members of Adelong Services and Citizens and Bowling Club Limited approve the following resolution to delete Clause 23 (d), delete Clause 27 and amend Clause 25 in the Club's Articles of Association. The Resolution is moved by William O'Connell and Seconded by Renee Wilson (incorrectly written as Shane Walsh).

#### Delete Clause 23 (d)

*Any nominee elected during the financial year to any class of membership shall in respect of that financial year pay one half of the annual subscription if he shall be elected after the expiration of six months from the date of commencement of the financial year PROVIDED THAT the amount payable shall not be less than the sum of \$2.00.*

#### Amend Clause 25

The Clause currently reads:

*Members subscriptions shall be paid annually in advance. The time and manner of payment thereof and all other matters pertaining thereto not especially provided for by these Articles shall be as prescribed by the Board from time to time.*

Amend it to:

*Member subscriptions shall be paid in advance. The time and manner of payment, and the duration of membership may be prescribed by the Board from time to time.*

#### Delete Clause 27

*If the entrance fee or subscription or any part thereof of any member shall not be paid by 1<sup>st</sup> January of each year the member shall be notified in writing of the default. If such subscription remains unpaid for a further period of one month from the date the member shall be debarred from all privileges of membership and his name shall be removed from the register of members of the Club.*

## **Election of President, Vice President, Treasurer and the Committee**

The President, Julian Roche, vacated the Chair and Matthew Knox of Bush and Campbell Audit chaired the election.

The following members were elected unopposed:

- President: Julian Roche
  - Nominated by William O'Connell.
  - Seconded by Kathleen Taylor.
- Vice President: William O'Connell
  - Nominated by Julian Roche.
  - Seconded by Kathleen Taylor.
- Treasurer: Kathleen Taylor
  - Nominated by Julian Roche.
  - Seconded by William O'Connell.
- Committee: Gina Caton
  - Nominated by Renee Wilson.
  - Seconded by William O'Connell.
- Committee: Carinne Maher
  - Nominated by Renee Wilson.
  - Seconded by Kathleen Taylor.
- Committee: Matthew Pearce
  - Nominated by William O'Connell.
  - Seconded by Julian Roche.
- Committee: R. Dianne Wardell
  - Nominated by William O'Connell.
  - Seconded by Kathleen Taylor.
- Committee: Renee Wilson
  - Nominated by Kathleen Taylor.
  - Seconded by R Dianne Wardell.

There were only five nominations for six committee positions. Nominations were called for the vacant sixth committee position. There were two nominations from the floor:

- Gerrard (Gerry) Smith:
  - Nominated by Graham Milliner.
  - Seconded by Christine Milliner.
- Jason Crampton:
  - Nominated by Brad Milliner.
  - Seconded by Gina Caton.

Jason Crampton was elected to the sixth position on a show of hands.

**General Business**

There was no General Business.

Signed as a correct record of the Annual General Meeting, as resolved by the Board.

Julian Roche, President

13<sup>th</sup> May 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Roche', written in a cursive style.