



## NORTH HAVEN BOWLING & RECREATION CLUB LIMITED

ABN 20 001 045 969

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the 70<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of  
NORTH HAVEN BOWLING & RECREATION CLUB LIMITED

will be held on **Sunday, 24 August 2025**  
commencing at the hour of **9.00am** at the premises of the Club,  
1 Woodford Road, North Haven, New South Wales.

*Annual Reports are available  
for collection from the Club, or via  
download from*

[www.clubnorthhaven.com.au](http://www.clubnorthhaven.com.au)

## BUSINESS

The business of the Annual General Meeting will be as follows:

1. Apologies.
2. To confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
3. To receive and consider the Chairman's report, General Manager's report, Directors' report, Financial report and Auditor's report. These reports are available on the Club's website [www.clubnorthhaven.com.au](http://www.clubnorthhaven.com.au) and are also available from the Club on request.
4. To consider and, if though fit, pass a Special Resolution (set out below) amending the Constitution of the Club.
5. To consider and, if though fit, pass a Life Member Resolution (set out below) conferring Life membership on a Bowling member of the Club.
6. To declare the results of the election of directors required by the Club's Constitution and to conduct any further elections that may be necessary.
7. To deal with any other business that may be dealt with at the Annual General Meeting.
8. Life Members, and financial Bowling Members - (male), Bowling Members - (female), Non-Bowling Members - (male), Non-Bowling Members - (female), Sports Member - (male) and Sports Member - (female) (except employees of the Club) are entitled attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting.

If members have any questions in relation to the financial report then, to ensure the questions are answered at the Annual General Meeting, members are requested to provide written notice to the General Manager no later than **5.00pm on Friday, 22nd August 2025**.

## Special Resolution

*That the Constitution of North Haven Bowling & Recreation Club Limited be amended by:*

- *deleting Rule 15(a) in its entirety and inserting instead the following new Rule 15(a):*
  15. (a) "Temporary Member" shall mean:
    - (i) A member of another Bowling Club;
    - (ii) A member of another Registered Club who, at the invitation of the Board or a full member, attends at the Club on any day for the purpose of participating in an organised sport or competition to be conducted by the Club on that day from the time on that day when he/she so attends the Club until the end of that day;
    - (iii) Any person whose ordinary place of residence in New South Wales is not less than such minimum distance from the Club's premises as may be determined from time to time by the Board by By-law pursuant to this Constitution.
- *deleting Rules 15(e) and (f) and inserting instead the following new Rule 15(e) to (h):*
  - (e) Temporary Members shall not be entitled to:
    - (i) attend or vote at general meetings (including Annual General Meetings) of the Club;

- (ii) *nominate for or be elected to the Board;*
  - (iii) *vote in the election of the Board;*
  - (iv) *vote on any Special Resolution (including a Special Resolution to amend this Constitution);*
  - (v) *propose, second or nominate any eligible member for any office of the Club; or*
  - (vi) *propose, second or nominate any eligible member for Life membership.*
- (f) *Temporary Members shall not be obliged to pay any entrance fee and/or subscriptions.*
- (g) *A person may be admitted to Temporary membership for a period of up to, but not exceeding seven (7) consecutive days (or such longer period as approved by the relevant regulatory body). A person admitted to Temporary membership under this Rule shall only be required to enter their relevant details in the register of Temporary members referred to in Rule 18.1 on the first day that they enter the Club's premises during that period.*
- (h) *The Secretary or senior employee then on duty may at any time refuse a Temporary member admission to the Club, remove a Temporary member from the premises of the Club at any time and/or terminate the membership of any Temporary member at any time without notice and without having to provide any reason.*

## **Life Member Resolution**

*That, in accordance with Rule 14(a) of the Club's Constitution, Elaine Pender, Club North Haven Member (number: 1400), having rendered long and meritorious service to the Club through her contributions to the North Haven Women's Bowling Club over the last 25 years, be elected to Life Membership of the Club.*

## **Explanatory Message to Members regarding the Special Resolution**

In late 2024, the NSW government amended the Registered Clubs Act 1976, by removing the prohibition on people living within five kilometres of a club not being able to use the Club's premises as a temporary member.

The Minister for Gaming and Racing, David Harris, introduced the Bill to parliament and said the state government believes removing the rule will encourage more locals to enjoy their nearby clubs before choosing whether or not to become a member.

The removal of the '5km rule' is part of the state government's Vibrancy Reforms aimed at removing red tape and encouraging more live music and local entertainment zones, especially at night.

The proposed amendment to Rule 15(a)(iii) removes the requirement for a temporary member to live outside 5km from the Club, but still reserves a right for the board of the Club to impose a distance by By-Law if it wishes. Many regional clubs have retained this discretion.

The amendments to Rules 15(e) to (h) are intended to clarify the rights of temporary members, to reflect the fact that people can become temporary members for up to seven (7) days and that the Secretary or senior employee on duty retains the right to refuse a temporary member admission to the Club, remove a temporary member from the premises of the Club at any time and/or terminate the membership of any temporary member at any time without notice and without having to provide any reason. These provisions reflect the Registered Clubs Act 1976 and industry best practice.

## **Explanatory Message to Members regarding the Life Member Resolution**

On 5 February 2025, Gwen Saunders, Club North Haven Member (number: 4532) and Raylene Austin, Club North Haven Member (number: 5614) presented to the Board, a written nomination for Elaine Pender to be elected as a Life member of the Club.

The Board considered the nomination at its February 2025 Board meeting and resolved to approve the nomination and put a Life Member Resolution (set out above), to the members for consideration at the Annual General Meeting of the Club in August 2025.

By way of background, the nominee for Life Membership, Elaine Pender, joined the Club as a Bowling Member in May 2000. Elaine became involved with the North Haven Womens Bowling Club in 2000. In the last 25 years she has had the following involvement:

- Committee Member-2 years
- Selection Committee - 6 years
- Secretary 2011, 2012, 2013- Deirdre Johnston was President
- Secretary 2013, 2014, 2015 - Carol Eggleton was President
- Secretary 2016, 2017 - Nola Morgan then Joy Allen was President due to Nola's Ill health
- Member of the Board of Directors-2017, 2018, 2019

- Match Committee -1 year
- Interim Secretary 2020 to 2024 until the Bowls Organiser was appointed and President, Secretary and Treasury roles were no longer required.

The proposer and seconder will provide additional details at the Annual General Meeting in support of the Life Member Resolution.

The Board commends the Life Member Resolution to the members.

## NOTES TO MEMBERS

1. All Life Members, financial Bowling Members - (male), Bowling Members - (female), Non-Bowling Members - (male), Non-Bowling Members - (female), Sports Member – (male), Sports Member – (female) (except employees of the Club) are entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting.
2. To be passed, the Special Resolution must receive at least three quarters (75%) of the votes in favour from those members who being eligible to do so, vote in person at the meeting.
3. As a result of the provisions of the Corporations Act 2001, the Special Resolution must be considered as a whole and cannot be altered by motions from the floor of the meeting.
4. To be passed, the Life Member Resolution must receive votes in its favour from not less than three quarters (75%) of the votes in favour from those members who being eligible to do so, vote in person at the meeting.
5. Members of the Club, who are Junior members or employees of the Club, cannot vote at the meeting.
6. Proxy Votes are not allowed under the Registered Clubs Act 1976.
7. Please direct any question or concerns about the Life Member Resolution or Special Resolution to the General Manager of the Club, if possible before the meeting.

## ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Notice is also given that if more nominations have been received than positions available, the election of directors required by the Club's Constitution will be conducted in the Paradise Room at the Club on the following days and at the following times:

1. Wednesday, 20 August 2024– 2:00pm to 6:00pm
2. Thursday, 21 August 2024– 2:00pm to 7.00pm
3. Friday, 22 August 2024 – 2:00pm to 6.30pm.

Life members, financial Bowling members , financial Non-Bowling members and financial Sporting members of the Club are entitled to attend and vote in the election of the directors. However, members will need to produce a current membership card before they will be issued with a ballot paper.

If you are unable to attend and vote at these times, you may apply in writing for a postal ballot. A postal ballot paper will be issued to you. A postal ballot paper must be returned and received by the Returning Officer (in the hands of the Returning Officer) by **6.30pm on Friday 22 August 2025**. Any postal ballot not received by that time will be invalid.

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Dated: Friday 1st August, 2025

By direction of the Board



**Tim Harris - General Manager**