

# IRISH TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION

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## Irish Tenpin Bowling Association 2015 AGM

Dear Member,

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the ITBA will be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2015 at 7.30pm at Irish Sports HQ (NGB Building) National Sports Campus, Abbotstown, Dublin 15 for the following purposes;-

1. to receive and consider the annual reports for the year ended 31 December 2014 and the report of the Executive and Auditors thereon;
2. to consider Secretary Report;
3. to consider Treasurer Report;
4. to consider confirmation of Auditor
5. to consider Group Sub-committee Reports;
6. to consider Anti-Doping Officer up-date;
7. to consider National Children's Officer Report;
8. to elect Executive Committee officers;
9. to elect Group Sub-Committee officers;
10. consideration of motions;
11. to consider Honorary and Life Membership Proposals and
12. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section be inserted as a new section 12 of the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

### *"SECTION 12. DISPUTE RESOLUTION*

- a) *Subject to all internal avenues of appeal having been exhausted, this section shall apply to any dispute or difference arising out of, in connection with or under the Constitution or any rules, bye-laws, codes, policies or equivalent of the ITBA. This shall include without limitation any dispute arising out of, under or in connection with the legality of any decision made or procedure used by the ITBA or any part of it.*



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- b) *Each such dispute or difference shall be referred to Just Sport Ireland (JSI) for final and binding arbitration by a single arbitrator in accordance with the JSI Arbitration Rules and in accordance with the Arbitration Act 2010 as amended.*
- c) *This section shall also apply to every participant and member of every Unit (as defined below). Each such participant or member is bound to refer any dispute or difference which remains unresolved after all internal avenues of appeal have been exhausted to JSI arbitration in accordance with sub-regulation (b) above.*
- d) *The provisions of this section shall apply notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary contained within the Constitution and/or any other rules, bye-laws, codes, policies or equivalent of the ITBA and/or any Unit from time to time. This section applies notwithstanding the level within the ITBA that any such dispute or difference occurs in the first instance.*
- e) *The effect of this section is to prohibit any party to such dispute or difference from commencing legal proceedings before the Courts.*
- f) *For the purpose of this section, "Unit" means any team, association, club or committee or sub-committee or other grouping, association or entity of any type which is in turn a member, part of, affiliated to or governed by the ITBA.*

13. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section be inserted as an amendment and to replace the current section 1.2.1 of the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

From:

1.2.1 General Membership

All members who are not Junior, Senior, Honorary or Life Members shall be termed General Members.

To:

1.2.1 "General Membership"

All members who are not Junior/Youth, Senior, Honorary or Life Members shall be termed General Members."

14. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section be inserted as an amendment and to replace the current section 1.2.2 of the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

From:

1.2.2 Junior Membership

To be eligible for Junior Membership an applicant must be under the age of nineteen (19) years on the first day of September.



To:

- 1.2.2            *“Junior/Youth Membership*  
*To be eligible for Junior/Youth Membership an applicant must be under the age of twenty-one (21) years on the first day of September.”*

15. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section be inserted as an amendment and to replace the current section 1.3.1 of the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

From:

- 1.3.1            Application for Membership  
Applications for General, Junior and Senior Membership shall be required for each membership term and shall be submitted on the official Membership Application Form, signed by the Applicant and be accompanied by the appropriate Annual Subscription.

To:

- 1.3.1            *“Application for Membership*  
*Applications for General, Junior/Youth and Senior Membership shall be required for each membership term and shall be submitted on the official Membership Application Form, signed by the Applicant and be accompanied by the appropriate Annual Subscription.”*

16. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section 2.1.3, outlined below, be deleted from the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

- 2.1.3            Reduced Subscriptions  
New members shall pay half the yearly subscription for their first year.

17. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section be inserted as an amendment and to replace the current section 4.3.6 of the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

From:

- 4.3.6            Meetings  
The quorum for a meeting of the Executive Committee shall be four (4) members.

To:

- 4.3.6            *“Meetings*  
*The quorum for a meeting of the Executive Committee shall be three (3) members.”*



18. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section be inserted as an amendment and to replace the current section 5.3.1 of the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

From:

5.3.1(a) Group Sub-Committees

The Executive Committee shall each term recognise and govern the Group Sub-Committees who administer the affairs of the respective Group Sections (Senior, General, Youth, Junior, Coaching, etc.).

To:

5.3.1(a) "Group Sub-Committees

*The Executive Committee shall each term recognise and govern the Group Sub-Committees who administer the affairs of the respective Group Sections (Senior, General, Junior/Youth, Team Ireland, Coaching, etc.)."*

19. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section be inserted as an amendment and to replace the current section 5.4.4(b) of the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

From:

5.4.4(b) Group Sub-Committee Regulations

Withdrawals from the respective group bank accounts shall be by cheque bearing the signature of the ITBA Treasurer and the signature of an authorised member of the respective sub-committee.

To:

5.4.4(b) "Group Sub-Committee Regulations

*Withdrawals from the respective Group Bank Account shall be by cheque bearing the signatures of two authorised members of the respective Sub-Committee."*

20. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section be inserted as a new section 5.4.4(d) of the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

5.4.4(d) "Group Sub-Committee Regulations

*The respective Group Sub-Committee shall, furnish a report monthly to the ITBA Executive, through the ITBA Treasurer, outlining all Income and Expenditure related to the Group Bank Account together with a copy of the bank statement."*



21. considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

that the following section be inserted as an amendment and to replace the current section 4.1.1(a) of the Constitution of the ITBA and that any subsequent section, and each reference to any subsequent section, in the Constitution be amended accordingly:

From:

4.1.1(a) Election Procedure

The Chairman/President, the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Ordinary Members of the Executive Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting, or appointed in accordance with the conditions of Rule 4.1.8, for a period of one year, which year will be deemed to have commenced during the Annual General Meeting at which they are elected to office.

To:

4.1.1(a) "Election Procedure

*The Chairman/President, the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Ordinary Members of the Executive Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting, or an Extraordinary General Meeting convened specifically for that purpose, or appointed in accordance with the conditions of Rule 4.1.8, for the relevant period as outlined at Article 4, ORGANISATION AND GOVERNMENT, Section 2 which period will be deemed to have commenced during the Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting, at which they are elected to office."*

I enclose the Agenda for the Meeting and nomination papers for the Executive Committee and for the Group Sub-Committees. Two members and the nominee must sign each nomination paper. These must reach me no later than Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2015.

Executive Committee Nominations are sought for the positions of Secretary and two Executive Members.

For the Group Sub-Committees, nominations are sought for the positions of Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer for each Sub-Committee.

All Motions must reach me by Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2015. All amendments to Motions must be submitted in writing, signed by three (3) voting members, to reach me by Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2015.

All Reports will be available one hour before the AGM, at the AGM venue.



Access to the National Sports Campus and the NGB Building is controlled by external security. The ITBA is required to submit a list of members attending the AGM 24 hours in advance of the meeting to facilitate immediate access to the Campus and avoid unnecessary delays. Please confirm your attendance in advance by emailing to [info@tenpinbowling.ie](mailto:info@tenpinbowling.ie) or by informing a member of the ITBA Executive. I enclose National Sports Campus map & directions for reference.

Please remember to bring your current ITBA Membership Card with you.

Dated the 16th day of March, 2015

BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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***Tom Byrne***

***ITBA SECRETARY***

Encl.

- ✓ AGM Agenda
- ✓ Executive Committee Nomination Papers
- ✓ Sub Committee Nomination Papers
- ✓ National Sports Council Map with directions