

Decision No. GREYDLC 108/2023

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act)

**AND**

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of an application by **BLACKBALL WORKINGMENS CLUB & MUTUAL SCHOOL OF ARTS INCORPORATED** pursuant to s.138 of the Act for an on-site Special Licence in respect of premises situated at 19 Hart Street, Blackball and known as "The Blackball Workingmens Club"

**BEFORE THE GREY DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE**

The Blackball Workingmens Club & MSA Inc has made an application for a special licence to sell and supply alcohol for two events at 19 Hart Street, Blackball.

The events are a darts tournament and a New Year's Eve celebration that non-members will attend.

The applicant holds a current on-licence number 55/CLUB/84/2015 with licenced hours of Monday to Saturday 10am-1am the following morning and Sunday 11am-10pm.

The proposed days and hours applied for are:

<b>DAY</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>HOURS</b>
Saturday 11 November 2023	Jimmy Oliver Open Pairs Darts Tournament	12pm to 10pm
Sunday 31 December 2023	New Years Eve	3pm to 1am the following day.

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>ESTIMATED NUMBERS</b>	<b>AGE RANGE</b>
Darts Tournament	40	20 years and over
New Years Eve	50	18 years and over

The premise's principal entrance is from 19 Hart Street, Blackball.

The whole of the premises is designated as undesignated, as per the plan submitted with the application.

**DECISION**

The Grey District Licensing Committee Chairperson, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 **grants** an application by Blackball Workingmens Club and Mutual School of Arts Incorporated for an on-site Special Licence for premises at 19 Hart Street, Blackball and known as "The Blackball Workingmens Club", subject to the following conditions:

**CONDITIONS**

1. Alcohol may be sold under the licence only on the following days during the following hours:

<b>DAY</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>HOURS</b>
Saturday 11 November 2023	Jimmy Oliver Open Pairs Darts Tournament	12pm to 10pm
Sunday 31 December 2023	New Years Eve	3pm to 1am the following day.

2. The premises is designated undesignated for the licence period and is shown on the plan attached to this licence.
3. A certified duty manager must be on duty at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol.
4. The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the sale or supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed:
  - Minors and intoxicated persons must not be served alcohol.
5. The licensee must display signage as follows:
  - a. A sign at each principal entrance to the premises, so as to be easily read by patrons, stating the ordinary hours of business during which the premises will be open for the sale of alcohol;
  - b. At every point of sale detailing restriction on the sale and supply of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons;
  - c. A copy of the licence attached to the premises so as to be easily read by persons attending the premises and;
  - d. A sign prominently displayed at the premises, which identifies by name the manager for the time being on duty.
6. The licensee must have available for consumption on the premises, at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol, a reasonable range of non-alcoholic and low-alcoholic beverages.
7. Food, as listed by the applicant must be available for consumption on the premises during the licence hours.
8. Drinking water is to be provided free of charge from a water supply prominently situated on the premises.
9. The licensee must provide information, advice and assistance about alternative forms of transport available to patrons from the licensed premises.
10. Noise levels are to be monitored at all times.
11. Payment of the fee prescribed under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Fees) Regulations 2013.

**The premises licensed area is set out on the plan submitted with the application and date stamped 13 September 2023. A note to this effect is to be made on the licence.**

## **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The applicant has previously held special licences with no cause for concern.

The applicant has provided in their application host responsibility details which demonstrate that suitable measures will be undertaken to provide the following measures with regard to the responsible sales or supply of alcohol, and that harm will be minimised by:

- Food, in the form of sandwiches, savouries, bacon and egg pie and hot chips for the darts tournament and sandwiches, savouries and bar snacks, for the New Year's Eve celebration will be available on the premises during the licence hours.
- Free water will be available at the bar at no charge throughout the event.
- Non-alcoholic and low alcoholic beverages will be available.
- A courtesy van is available.

There is one certified duty manager listed, Kieran McBride.

The Inspector's report indicates that the amenity and good order of the locality will not be adversely affected by more than a minor extent and that the applicant is suitable to hold this licence. She does not oppose this application.

The Police and the Medical Officer of Health raise no matters in opposition.

It is noted that the original application hours for the darts tournament on 11 November 2023 were 12pm to 1am the following day. Both the Licensing Inspector and Medical Officer of Health requested reconsideration of these hours, due to the finishing time of the tournament being estimated as 8pm. The applicant advised on 27 September 2023 that this was an oversight on her part and confirmed reduction of the hours to 12pm to 10pm.

The application was not required to be publicly notified and no opposition or notice of desire to be heard has been received.

Accordingly, I deal with the matter on the papers.

I am satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s.142 of the Act.

Section 149(2) notes if a special licence issued is postponed to some other day, the licence is in force on the day on which the event or part takes place.

**DATED** at GREYMOUTH this 3rd day of October 2023

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Rachel M van der Geest  
Chairperson/Commissioner