

# Shepparton Park Bowls Club Inc

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# Host of the Australian Open in 2009 and 2010: Host of the Victorian Open 2011 - 2017

# **SEPTEMBER**

Thur 8 Men's 2x2 Pairs

Fri 9 Ladies Pairs

Sun 11 Club Opening Day

Sun 11 Men's A&B Club Champ Round 1 commences

Thur 15 Men's 2x2 Pairs

Fri 16 Ladies Pairs

Mon 19 Teachers Games

Tues 20 Teachers Games

Wed 21 Teachers Games

Wed 21 Men's 60 & over bowls Murchison

Thur 22 Men's 2x2 Pairs

Fri 23 Ladies Pairs

Sat 24 Bowlers Arm Tourn.

Tues 27 Midweek Pennant Rd 1

Wed 28 Men's 60 & over bowls

Shepparton Park

Thur 29Men's 2x2 Pairs

Fri 30 Tournament—Ladies Medley 4's

### **Bowls and Pennant**

The lawn bowls season is fast approaching. The Club Opening day was held on September 11 and more than 70 bowlers enjoyed the day. The first Midweek pennant games are on Tuesday September 27 and the first Saturday Pennant will be on 8 October.

Please add your name to the list of intending Pennant players in the foyer. More players are needed. Just a reminder—Members that are not financial will not be eligible to play pennant or enter Club events.

## **Teachers Games**

The Teachers Games will be held in Shepparton from Monday 19 to Wednesday 21 September. On Monday there will be more than 140 bowlers at our Club. Please come along to help out where you can and to enjoy a fun day of bowls.

#### Greens

Our greens are open and were used during the Men's 2x2 Pairs last Thursday. They are already running well, although a little bit slow. They will continue to improve as the nice, sunny (we hope) Spring weather takes over.

# **Indoor Carpet Bowls**

Shepparton Park Indoor Bowls

section have completed activities for Season 2016 with limited success and many hours of pleasant competitive sport and social interaction.

Team numbers were quite depleted this season, caused mainly by our Board's decision to increase participation costs for non-members to well above any other club in the Goulburn Valley and our aging bowls enthusiasts. However, the reduced numbers did in no way reduce the enjoyment we all had participating in this skilful sport.

GVIBBA managed to score Runner Up in the Division 2 Monday night pennant, missing out on winning by just 1 shot, and were third in the Friday Round Robin competition. Club Champions this year were: Ladies-Cathy Dudley Men– Bruce Tully Cathy went on to win Champion of Champion for the district and deserves our congratulations for this achievement.

Our Pennant team competing in the

The Mixed Drawn Pairs champions were Robyn MacFadyen and Bob Smith. Cathy Dudley was also Top Skipper in the Round Robin competition.

We would love to see more of our Club members taking an active part in the Indoor Season. Should you come along we can guarantee good competition and a lot of fun through the cold winter months.

Bob Smith President—Indoor Bowls Club

## Birthdays—September



Norm Allen, Peter Brady, Rodney Carr, Peg Curtis, Aileen Dempster, Leonie Freeman, Di Hands, Stan Hester, Ross Higgins, Joe Marsters, Ted McDade, Peter Rikys, Warwick Smith, Margaret Smyth, Kevin Thorn, Jarryd Tinning, Carol Vallance

#### Happy Birthday

# **Night Pennant**

Our popular Night Pennant will once again be on this bowls season. There will be a Team selection night held on Wednesday October 5 at 7pm. The first game will be on Wednesday October 19 at 7pm. The format this year will be the popular 3 bowl triples. Bowlers will be more involved in the game with this format.

All new and existing bowlers are most welcome. For any further queries or to add your name to the list please contact Rob Thorne on 0418576107 or Robyn MacFadyen on 58215192.

## Bar

A first draft of the Bar roster is on the bar notice board. Our bar manager, Glenn Edwards, is on the lookout for more willing bar attendants and the more helpers he can get means less shifts for everyone. Any intending bar workers will require a Responsible Service of Alcohol certificate and a short training session will be arranged in due a course.

# **Publicity**

Many thanks to Jenni Hill who did a wonderful job with the Shepparton News Bowls notes every week over the Winter period.

I have now resumed the role so anyone with items for the news can direct them to me.

The easiest way is to drop items into the publicity file at the rear of the letter file near the clubroom Entrance door

Thank you Jeff Boyle

#### **Awards**

At the Club opening day on September 11 no less than 18 of our Club bowlers were presented with Super Veteran Badges (OBE's). The members are Peg Curtis, Betty Bicknell, Shirley Sinclair, Lorraine Vamos, Moira Smith, Marie Kleinitz, Anne O'Donoghue, Aileen Dempster, Ailsa Cook, Brian Hardy, Robbie Bourke, Noel Dumesny, Norm Mitchelmore, Ron Brammer, Kevin Thorn, Max Steigenberger, Bob Kleinitz and Ian Bryant. Congratulations to all of the above on a wonderful achievement.

## A Joke

Having asked for shelter for the night at a Monastery the traveller was surprised and delighted at being given a magnificient supper of succulent fish and chips. "That was absolutely superb!" he enthused to the monk who had been serving him.

"That piece of fish was wonderful, and beautifully cooked. And as for the chips-they were the tastiest chips I've ever had in my life. Well done, Brother."

"Oh, you must thank Brother Ambrose for those," eame the reply. "i'm the fish friar—he's the chip monk....."

# **Club Booklet and Membership Card**

The 2016/17 booklet and card are now available and will be distributed, on, and from, Thursday September 22. The GVBD handbook is not available until September 21 and we hope to distribute all 3 items together to all members

Victorian Open raffle books are also now available and will be distributed shortly to all members. Please do your best to sell these tickets to assist the Clubs fund raising efforts.

## **Bowls**

The Club have reluctantly taken the decision to drop the Saturday Division 5 Pennant team. We simply did not have the bowlers to fill all teams throughout the season. We still require 80 players every Saturday, so, with our usual absences for health and other reasons every available player will be required.

The Tuesday pennant teams are holding their own for numbers at this stage.

Tuesday pennant commences on September 27 and Saturday commences October 8.

Good luck to all bowlers and teams for the upcoming season.