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February 2018 Newsletter

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

Ongoing bowls

Thursday's Men's 2x2 pairs

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Friday's Ladies Pairs

Contact: Marg Stibbard

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Upcoming events:

St Patricks Day Charity Bowls Tournament

Thursday 15th March 2018

Mixed Fours 3 games 8 ends

9.30am for 10.00am start.

Uniform to be worn. \$10 entry

Lots of prizes—great fun day.

Club Defibrillator

The Club Defib. machine has now been moved to a position on the wall just to the left of the walkway out to the Plaza area. Signage will be put up shortly.

We learnt at Thursday pairs that a bowlers life was saved recently during a game at Tallygaroopna.

The members were a bit nervous about using the Defib, but, they had a go and saved a mans life.

Well done to Vince Page for organising a very well attended training session.

NBN

Jim Shanahan advises that our NBN internet was set up on

February 1st and our access speed has improved significantly.

The phone and fax have also been attended to on February 22nd.

Finals

Our champion Midweek pennant team have won their first final, and, they are now qualified for another grand final.

Good luck to all bowlers in your endeavours to bring home another trophy

Our Division 1,2,3 & 4 Weekend pennant teams have all qualified for the finals commencing on Saturday March 3rd.

This is a great effort by our Club - Good luck to all bowlers.

Saturday Meals

As an infrequent attendee at the Saturday after pennant meals it was great to see the large attendance on Saturday 17 February. This is a wonderful initiative by Marg & Rob Thorne, Graeme Sinclair and any other helpers I may have missed.

The great social atmosphere was very evident and all in attendance seemed to really enjoy a lovely meal and ice cream all for a miserly \$10. Beats going home after bowls and preparing a meal.

We must keep this great Club function going in the future, and, I am sure Marg & Rob will be looking for some willing helpers to assist in this regard.

Well done Marg, Rob, Graeme and helpers.

REMINDER!!!!!!

Get your entries in for St Patrick's Day tournament. Team or single entries. Be quick.

Mark Ryan

Mark has indicated that he will stand down as our coach at the conclusion of this season. Mark has been involved in coaching for about 15 years. He now has a young family and business interests and he wants to step away from a heavy coaching involvement for the time being.

Since Mark arrived at our Club we have won 15 premierships (hope I have got that number right) across Midweek and Saturday pennant, and, across all Divisions.

Thank you, Mark, for your involvement with Shepparton Park and good luck with your future endeavours.

Coaching

As Mark Ryan is now leaving us as coach a committee has been formed to examine who may be available to lead our club as coach over the coming years. We would expect that a recommendation will be made in the not too distant future, and members will be informed when a decision is made.

LED lighting

Our new lighting has been in use for about 5 weeks now, and, I believe most members are pleased with the result.

It will take several months to get an indication of our power bills pre and after the upgrade.

I will inform the members when I get enough data for a reliable comparison.