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Newsletter

Host of the Australian Open in 2009 and 2010 : Host of the Victorian Open 2011 - 2020

ONGOING BOWLS

Due to Covid19 restrictions we are limited to 32 bowlers for any social bowls that we run.

At the moment we have:

Tuesday Ladies Bowls

Phone Bev Cahill 0408313872

Thursday Men's Bowls

Phone Rob Thorne 0418576107

Please phone Bev or Rob with any queries.

STATE EVENTS

The following State events will be held at Shepparton Park (Covid permitting).

Champion of Champions:

Friday July 10, Saturday July 11 & Sunday July 12.

Victorian U18 Championships:

Monday September 21 until Thursday September 24.

Region Sides Championships 2021

Friday April 30, Saturday May 1 & Sunday May 2.

We will also be holding a qualifying round of the BPL Cup on Saturday July 25 at 9am.

All events are subject to Covid19 restrictions existing at the time. We are currently restricted to 20 spectators at any time.

David Slingo will be seeking umpires, markers and scoreboard attendants for the first event.

Please consider helping out if asked

CLUB AGMs.

Our club AGMs have been set for Wednesday July 22nd commencing 6.30pm. The format will be:

Bowls Committee AGM 6.30pm

Followed immediately by the Club AGM.

Nomination forms for the various vacant positions on both committees are pinned on the outside noticeboard at the club.

There are many positions on the various committees that allow our club to run efficiently.

Please consider putting your hand up to assist where you can.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

In light of the present Covid19 situation the Board have considered members subscriptions, and, have decided to leave them unchanged from last season.

The subs are:

\$175 Affiliated members

\$85 New/transferred first year

\$25 Wednesday night social

\$50 Social bowling member

This category was introduced to cover other club bowlers using our venue for Winter training. It does not include bringing several other people with you.

Invoices will be forwarded shortly.

Those members with email will receive their invoice in that manner. Other members will receive their invoice by mail.

Early payment would be greatly appreciated as the club has received zero income since the closedown in mid March.

COVID19

The Board of the club would like to sincerely thank all members who have taken advantage of the return to social bowls since mid May.

Our members have been terrific in the way they have adapted to the requirements of Covid19

restrictions. Sanitising hands and equipment, respecting attendance limits and distancing requirements,

signing in and out in the register, members have taken on all these very easily and we thank you all.

I have not tallied up the attendance book, but, I believe there would have been over 500 members taking advantage of the wonderful new carpet and the beautiful weather. Thank you one and all.

CLUB GAMES

Unplayed club games are now able to be completed. The relevant players are in the process of organising times/dates to complete these games.

PENNANT 2020/21

We again ask that all intending pennant players for next season add their names to the Midweek and/or Saturday pennant lists in the foyer. Midweek pennant will be open this season, so men are able to play in any position.

We require 56 Midweek and 76 Saturday players.

FIRST AID

Having recently completed a First Aid course including CPR, I have made it my duty to appoint myself as a registered First Aider to the Bowls Club. There are two First Aid boxes in the club, one in the meeting room and one in the kitchen including a fire blanket.

Please acquaint yourself with the location of these boxes as you never know when you may be required to perform First Aid (we are all considered First Responders).

Both boxes are fully equipped.

Please if using first aid boxes, record the event in the accident report book and advise me of any items used so they can be replaced.

Kind regards

Doug Freeman

Well done Doug. To have a qualified First Aider at our club is a great addition to our resources.

Members should also note that we have a Defib machine on the wall beside the walkway to the Plaza. This machine has just had a new battery so it is fully operational.

The machine was called into action a couple of years ago when a young footballer required assistance on the back oval. A valuable resource.

CLUB MAINTENANCE

Although the club has been closed for several months many jobs and maintenance issues have been attended to during this time.

* All of the various plaques and photos that had been lying around all over the place have been placed in an orderly fashion on the clubhouse wall. Team photos have been reframed and will be hung across the top of the bar.

Great job, Rob, Paul Becroft and Kelvin.

* The kitchen was thoroughly cleaned thank you to Helen, Robyn and Dennis Paul who scrubbed the floor.

* A push button light was installed on the Rose Green. It is only for the big middle bank of lights and they are on for one hour.

* Of course, the new carpet was installed. It is running beautifully.

* The old, scraggly garden at the South end of the clubhouse has been cleaned out and will be replanted closer to Spring.

* Kelvin has dealt with several problems with water and plumbing.

Well done to all of our members who have continued to work hard for our club.

ASSISTANCE FOR NEXT SEASON

As we get geared up for next season we will be looking for more assistance in several areas of operation.

* I believe the Greens committee has had an excellent response to our previous call for more volunteers. If you are willing to help, and, have not already seen Murray Phillips, please do so. I think we need 2 or 3 members to look after the Rose Green maintenance.

* The kitchen ladies are always looking for additional numbers, male or female. With more bowlers playing both midweek and Saturday pennant we need more people to assist with Saturday catering, and, also with our twice a season 60 & Over catering. Please make yourself known to Helen or Robyn if you can assist.

* Match Committee. This committee is responsible for the operation of bowls and we are seeking a couple of males to join the with the existing members. It is intended to integrate the male and female match committees to streamline operations.

* Thursday Pairs. I believe Paul Becroft has a couple of members willing to assist with the running of this ever popular day. A couple more would be really good. Please see Paul.

* Saturday night after pennant meals. Marg & Rob Thorne and helpers have run this excellent service for a few years now. It would be really great if we get several members to assist and spread the load a bit more evenly.

EQUIPMENT

We have a number of bowling arms and sets of bowls in the store cupboard. We are trying to accumulate more sets of bowls and any members who may consider donating a set, this would be greatly appreciated.

This equipment is readily available to members taking up an arm and needing to practice with one before committing to purchase .

MEMBERSHIP / RECRUITING

There is no doom and gloom at our club. We have lost a few bowlers, we have gained 6 new members and several social members.

This situation usually occurs after most seasons, and members leave for a variety of reasons, moving away, change of scenery, not happy, etc,

We welcome all of our new members to date ,and we wish all departing members all the very best.