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Newsletter

Host of the Australian Open in 2009 and 2010 : Host of the Victorian Open 2011 - 2021

WINTER BOWLS

TUESDAY

Bev Cahill's Tuesday Ladies 4's
10.30am start BYO lunch
Very popular event.
Contact Bev for details
0408313872

THURSDAY

Open 2x2 pairs while weather allows, then 4's under the roof.
\$14 each Pie / Pastie lunch.
Names on the list or contact
Graeme Sinclair 0418395388

FRIDAY

Margaret Stibbard runs open
2 bowl triples. 11am start.
\$12.50 entry fee.
Soup / Hot dog lunch.
Phone Margaret Stibbard
0488595210.

PENNANT 2021-22 SEASON

There are lists on the notice boards for all intending pennant players for the upcoming season. Please enter your name on the Midweek or Weekend pennant lists, or both if you wish to play both days. If you are going away for Winter please enter your name BEFORE you go. We may need to enter our team numbers for the next season in the not too distant future, and, it is therefore important that we have the most accurate numbers possible. If we do not enter the correct number of teams members may miss out on playing pennant.

BOWLS

In conjunction with East Shepparton and Shepparton Golf our club hosted the Victorian Sides Championship on April 30 and May 1 & 2 2021.

There was 1 game Friday afternoon, 4 games Saturday and 2 games Sunday morning.

Another great event at Shepp. Park with 144, 96 and 96 bowlers on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

As always our volunteers came to the fore to ensure the weekend ran smoothly.

Huge thanks to Helen and Robyn, and, their helpers for providing a lovely lunch for around 120 people on Saturday and Sunday.

Sue Tyson, ably assisted by Doug & Leonie, Jennie Hill, Annette and Geoff Barkley ran a popular BBQ on Saturday. Hope I did not forget anyone, but, thank you all.

Thank you Graeme Sinclair, Ray Phillips and Wes Gibbs who rolled the greens early each day.

Great effort by everyone.
Thank you all.

ASSISTANT COACH

We have conducted an advertising campaign in our quest to find an assistant coach.

The Board are very pleased to advise that Josh Warren has accepted the position at our club. Josh is a very talented and skilled bowler and will direct his coaching to improve the skills of our Midweek and Wednesday night social bowlers.

Well done Josh.

BOWLS COMMITTEE AGM

The AGM / Dinner/ Presentation night went off very well. The night was attended by nearly 70 members and was very well run by Sandra. Thanks to our hard working kitchen staff for a lovely meal, and to Ray and helpers for keeping us well lubricated.

We thank many members for putting their hand up at the AGM to accept positions on the committee. This will help to ensure the smooth running of the club.

Most positions have been filled, but, I will list a few areas where we must get more members helping out.

Our weaknesses, as I see them, are as follows.

- Kitchen. More workers are always needed to help on the kitchen roster.
- Greens. We have a great crew of workers, more are always welcome.
- Rose Green. We desperately need a few people to look after the carpet. Blowing off dirt, leaves, etc. and cleaning up bird droppings. If people do not come forward members may need to do this before their games, pennant or practice.
- Thursday Pairs / 4's This is left to Graeme and Stan. We need several more who know how this works. If Graeme and Stan are away this event may not happen .
- Annette and Joy have been good enough to take on Social committee. More helpers needed.

SHIRLEY SINCLAIR

We are pleased to advise that at their recent presentation night Shirley Sinclair was inducted into the GVBD Hall of Fame. This award is a worthy honour for Shirley's many years of service to our club and bowls.

Well done Shirley.

SPBC CLUB AGM MAY 26th 2021 AT 7pm

This important club meeting is to held on May 26th. There are several vacancies on the Board and nominations are now open.

Posters with details of vacant positions, and nomination forms are on the notice board opposite the kitchen and on the outside board.

Nominations close May 19th at 5pm.

MEMBERSHIP

It is very difficult to attract members from other clubs. Most bowlers are loyal to their club, and, that is a good thing.

The Board believe that the most effective way to increase our playing stocks is through the Wednesday social bowls.

We urgently need to increase our membership base with younger bowlers, who, we believe will be more involved in and loyal to our club.

Angelo Russo has done a wonderful job with the Wednesday night social bowls, and, there seems to be plenty of talent there.

Our aim is to try to fast track the bowlers who show talent and ability to advance.

Our coach, Paul Nichols, will provide Angelo, and some of his helpers, with some basic coaching tips, such as, stance on the mat, aiming point, delivery.

Angelo and helpers, together with our club bowlers who attend this event can then pass on these basic tips to new bowlers.

Josh Warren will also attend Wednesday bowls to improve the skills of all new bowlers.

If we could get a number of these bowlers pushing up through the ranks of pennant bowls it would help our club immensely. We believe that the way forward is to build from within. Of course, we are always on the look out for any quality wishing to change clubs.

CLUB BOOKLET

It is still some time before our booklet will be printed, but, if your details in the last booklet are missing, wrong or misspelt please let me know now and I will correct them now.

BOWLS COMMITTEE AGM

Following the AGM last week the following members have accepted positions to help with the running of our club.

Midweek selection: Bev Cahill, Pam McGurgan, Di Hands, Marie Nelson, Leonie Freeman.

Cathy Dudley emergency.

Weekend selection: Josh Warren, Kelvin Rogash, Glenn Edwards, Graham Ball, Paul Warren.

Tournament committee: Bev Cahill, Wes Gibbs.

Match Committee– Midweek: Wendy Holland, Val Gibbs, Vicki Whebell.

Match Committee-Weekend: David Slingo, Jim Shanahan.

There are many more important positions and a full list is on the outside notice board.

We thank all of the club minded people who have come forward to assist with the running of our club.

We do need more members to help with the care and maintenance of the Rose Green carpet, to assist with the running of the Thursday bowls event, both Summer and Winter.

A booking officer is also needed.

More catering helpers are always needed, likewise with our greens workers.

Annette and Joy have taken on the social committee, and, I am sure they would welcome a few helpers. Please see what time you may be able to spare to help your club.

Many hands make light work.

CLUB IMPROVEMENTS

We are always looking to improve our facilities for the benefit of all bowlers.

The area of carpet from the back gate up to the Foundation Green badly needs replacing. The carpet is worn and lifting up in places and is a trip hazard. The under surface is uneven and has a number of dips in it. The carpet dropping into the ditch on all 4 sides of the Members green also needs replacing.

We have got 1 quote, and, will get a couple more before proceeding, hopefully before the Vic. Open.