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the Victorian Open 2011 - 2022

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Newsletter

OUTSIDE SEATING

With all of the recent well attended finals games at our venue we have identified a lack of suitable seating at our club.

The green timber seats at the South end of the Foundation green are becoming unsafe and unsuitable for future use due to some timbers rotting and pieces breaking off.

We have been successful in obtaining a grant for \$3,616 to purchase more aluminium bench seats with backs. These have been ordered and are about 3 or 4 weeks away.

We sincerely thank the **Greater Shepparton Connected Community supported by the Bendigo Bank for their generous support to our club.**

We will be sorting through the old timber seats with a view to keeping a few of the ones in the best condition.

The remaining seats will be placed in the alcove next to the notice board and are free to members to take. They are repairable to anyone with a bit of handyman ability.

WALLY SINCLAIR TOURNAMENTS

Our club recently conducted a Men's and a Ladies triples tournament in memory of the late Wally Sinclair.

We believe that both days were extremely well run and attended and were both great events.

Wally's family were delighted with the way the events were run, and, as they were not able to hold a proper memorial day for Wally previously

they were thrilled to hear of all the positive, loving memories of Wally.

GREENS and SURROUNDS

The new carpet droppers into the ditches on the Members green have been finished this week.

Together with the new carpet on the walkway from the back gate this is a vast improvement on how it was previously.

We sincerely thank Rob Thorne for his skill, workmanship on this project. Rob had a number of willing helpers on this job and we thank everyone of them for their hard work and commitment to our club.

ROSE GREEN

We are still working our way towards a solution to our Rose green carpet problems.

Arrangements are being made for Tiger Turf to come back and stretch and roll the carpet until we are satisfied with the result.

Tiger Turf have been advised that we have the Victorian Open again in November and that it would be in their best commercial interests to improve our surface. There will be many players, from many places, at this tournament. Some events will be live streamed and our facility will be in the spotlight.

VICTORIAN OPEN

The Open is back with us this year from November 18-25. AS always, this is great one for our club, and, a major financial boon to our club. Once again, we will be asking for a big effort from our members in all

of the usual areas, i.e. Bar staff, BBQ, markers and scoreboard attendants, catering staff, Please help out when the time comes.

BOWLS COMMITTEE AGM

The AGM was held last Friday and many positions were filled. We are always happy to see to help with the running of our club.

An election was held for the Midweek Selection committee as there were 9 nominations.

The successful nominees were: Bev Cahill, Cathy Dudley, Vicki Whebell, Angelo Russo and Di Hands. Emergency is Wendy Holland.

We thank all of the nominees for their interest in the club.

Weekend Selection Committee only had 3 nominations prior to nominations closing and we are talking to other interested people to find 2 more selectors and an emergency.

The catering ladies are always looking for willing helpers, and, if you are able to assist them with catering events please give your name to Helen, Robyn or Marie. Our greens committee have a good number of willing helpers, but more volunteers are always welcome. Please see Wes Gibbs if you can help. It may only be an hour or two a week.

PENNANT BOWLS

We are trying to establish what teams we will enter for Midweek and Weekend pennant in this coming season.

Please place names on the appropriate list in the foyer if you intend to play.

If we do not have the numbers we may need to drop a team of forfeit games. Neither of these outcomes are satisfactory to this club.

WINTER BOWLS

The following bowls days will be held at Shepparton Park over the Winter months.

Commencing TUESDAY MAY 10th

The popular Ladies 4's will be held every Tuesday.

10.30 am start. 2 X games of 10 ends.

BYO lunch. \$10 entry.

Phone Bev Cahill on 0408313872

THURSDAYS ongoing

Our popular 2 X 2 Pairs (will revert to 4's when the weather is bad.)

10.30am start. 2 X games of 12 ends.

Pie / Pastie for lunch. \$15 entry.

Names on the list or phone Graeme Sinclair on 0418395388

Commencing FRIDAY MAY 13

Mixed Winter Triples.

11am start. 2 games X 12 ends.

2 bowl triples \$12.50 per player.

Soup and Hot Dog lunch.

Names on the list or phone Marg Stibbard

On 0488595210

Commencing SUNDAY MAY 15th

Annette Barkley will hold a social bowls day commencing at 2pm. Names in by 12.30pm.

This will be on an irregular basis as Annette can't be tied down every week.

2pm start. 2 games X 12 \$10 per head.

Format to be determined depending on numbers.

Light snack to follow.

Phone Annette on 0419903734.

REGION QUESTIONNAIRE

At a recent Regional meeting all of the issues in the questionnaire were discussed by club delegates.

These included issues of team composition, starting times, heat rules, afternoon teas, etc.

The majority of delegates believe there should be no major changes and that existing rules should remain as is.

Of course, the CGMBR will most likely change the rules they deem necessary for our region.

A copy of the questionnaire is on the CGMBR website and is on the table inside the front door of our clubrooms.

CLUB AGM

Wednesday 25 May 2022 at 7pm. All welcome.

The following Board positions are up for election:

Secretary Bill Gullick

Female bowls Director Sandra Wallace

Membership Director Leonie Freeman

Greens Director Wes Gibbs

All positions are for a 2 year term.

The following Manager positions are up for election.

Bar Manager Ray Phillips

Catering Manager Helen Paul

Social Activities Annette Barkley & Joy Gardam.

Sponsorship Manager Keith Dudley.

Nomination forms are on inside and outside noticeboards.

Please come forward if you have an interest in the running of your club.

Nominations close at 5pm on 18 May.