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Host of the Australian Open in 2009 and 2010 : Host of the Victorian Open 2011 - 2022

Good Luck to all those playing in pennant finals, all 5 Midweek teams have qualified for finals which is an amazing achievement. Weekend Pennant Div 1 and Div 2 are also in finals. Congratulations!

Board Positions

As we come to the end of the season it is time to start thinking about the next year. We have a couple of Board positions becoming vacant. Our Treasurer Marg Thorne has done a fantastic job over the last 7 years but it is time for her to have a break, if you have some experience in finance and an understanding of MYOB please consider taking on this role. Marg is happy to answer any questions you may have.

We are also looking for a Bowls Director as Paul Becroft has served his time and is ready to hand over. Sandra Wallace will step into the role of Bowls Committee Chair and will need a deputy. Please consider these positions, our wonderful club cannot function without leadership.

Thursday 2 x 2's

Our popular 2 x 2's continues, the starting time has changed to 10am during the hotter

weather. Names on the list at the club or contact Paul Becroft Ph 0429100254.

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help keep this popular event going, there is now a roster of helpers and soon we will have a new contact phone number.

Social Bowls

Wednesday evening competition is underway with BBQ available from 6pm and bowls starting at 6.45pm. A great social night, and by the buzz in the room after the game everyone is having a great time.

If you would like more information please contact Sandra Winch Ph 0468321810.

Pennant

Weekend Pennant. A mixed bag of results for the season after what has been a difficult year of floods, health and injuries, on top of lacklustre attendance at practice.

Division 1 and Div 2 finished in 4th position so both are in finals, good luck to both teams. Division 3, 4 and 6 all finished in 6th position.

Tallygaroopna held their final home game on our greens on Saturday and very generously shouted pizza as a thankyou.

They have been great tenants and very appreciative of our hospitality.

Midweek Pennant: We have achieved very good results in Midweek Pennant this season. Div 1 finished 3rd, Div 2 & Div 3 are 2nd with double chance, Div 4 4th and Div 5 are top of the ladder!

Shepp Park have done very well in State Events with Sue Tyson making the semi final of the Ladies Champion of Champion Singles. Di and Kate were runners up in the Ladies Champion of Champion Pairs. Di, Marg Thorne, Sue and Kate won the Regional State Fours and are off to Bendigo. Di and Kate play in Over 60's pairs on 15th March. They also play in Open Pairs at Champions week in April.

I would like to wish everyone playing finals good luck.
Sandra Bowls Committee

Uniform

A reminder from the Regional Committee about wearing correct uniform when playing Pennant and other competitions. This means all clothing must carry the approval of Bowls Australia and have the emblem on it, including rain coats. A copy of this email is on the notice

board. Please be aware of this, especially during finals.

Social Committee

I am pleased to say our night being entertained by The Splinters was phenomenal. It was great seeing people up dancing, singing along and just having fun. The night was injected with some get up and go by Sue Tyson which was well received. For many of us it was a trip down memory lane from our teenage days. All the Splinters asked for their services was a donation to Hospice and am proud to say that SPBC donated \$500 from a one off effort. As is always the case these nights do not happen without support. To those who spontaneously assisted with the clean up thank you and it goes without saying that Joybell and Sandra Wallace assist me in getting these functions over the line in the first place along with Marg Keen.

The next big event following the Italian Night is St Pat's Charity Day on 16th March. I am sure Ron Holland would love to hear from you if you can assist getting sponsors, helping on the day etc. Phone Ron on 0419213508.

He is also looking for more entries to make the day successful.

A big congrats to Cathy Dudley and Leonie Freeman, ably supported by Jim Shanahan and Wes Gibbs, for a very successful "5 a Side" on Thursday 9th Feb. A huge effort and the day ran like clockwork.

Our much anticipated Italian night was a resounding success with wonderful food and great company enjoyed by all those who were there. Many thanks again to all the helpers, both in the lead up and on the night. Look forward to seeing you around the club, thank you for the positive feedback but always looking for suggestions to improve.

Kind Regards
Annette Barkley.

Catering committee.

We continue catering for Thursday 2x2's. We organised a BBQ for the SES thank you day which was much appreciated. Thanks to our cooks Graeme, Vince and Murray.

We had a big day catering for the "5 a Side" tournament where we fed around 160 people, a huge effort by all concerned. Coming up we have the Ladies Triples Tournament on 8th March followed by St Pat's Charity Day on 16th March.



Richard Hansen playing Poppa, serving his "family" at Italian Night.

Paper Hand Towel

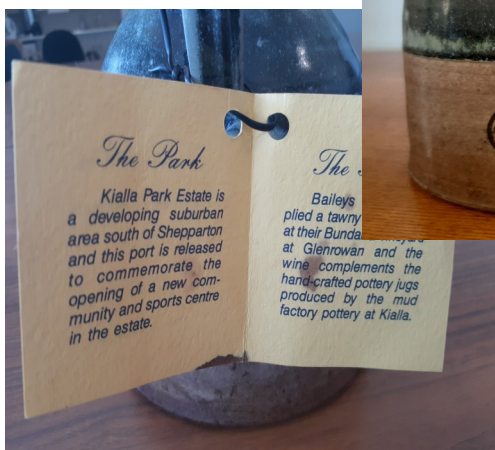
This has been removed from all the toilets apart from the Men's, we are just waiting on installation of a second electric hand dryer and then it will be removed from there as well.

Memorabilia

We have recently been presented with two items of historic interest to our club. The daughter of Leigh and Nancy Pomeroy, Melinda Kittlety presented Kelvin with the last Championship trophy from Shepparton Bowls Club prior to the amalgamation with Kialla Park Bowls Club, which was won by

Leigh Pomeroy, he also won the first Championship at the amalgamated club, Shepparton Park Bowls Club. The Trophy has been polished by Vince Paige and will be on display at the club.

Kelvin has also been presented with a bottle of Kialla Park Commemorative Port 1987 by Karen Gravina on behalf of a family member. Perhaps this should be in a locked case as I have heard some stories of the drinking of this Port at the time of its release!



to practice earlier if we have finished working on the greens.

Before practicing please check the board for the running direction of the greens, i.e. North/South or East/West.

A decision will be made whether we need to laser the Foundation Green later in the year.

We need more members to mow and roll.

Many thanks to everyone who assists in keeping the greens and surrounds in such great condition and a "thank you" to all the members who assist in the cleaning of the indoor carpet. A great team effort.

Wes Gibbs, Green Director.

Division 4 winners

All bowlers dream of days like this. When everything goes right, everyone plays well and luck is on your side. Keith Dudley (skip)

Graham Ball (Third) Norm Allen (second) and Lorna Coucil (lead) had a day out on Sat 18th Feb when they won 53 shots to 9, well done team!

Greens committee.

Another good report on the grass greens. They are where we would like them to be at this stage of the season. There has been a lot of work and chemicals put into the greens. At this stage it has been well worth the effort.

I would like to alter the wording on the Monday and Friday practice times to be. "Not before 11am on Monday and Friday unless otherwise arranged with the Green's Director". In the hot weather this would allow members

