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

Dates to remember

March

- 1 Weekend Pennant Preliminary Finals
- 2 Round 2 Region Novice Singles
- 4 Midweek Pennant GRAND FINAL
- 5 Social Bowls
- 6 Open 2 X 2 Pairs
- 8 Weekend Pennant GRAND FINAL
- 9 Entries close Men's Drawn Triples
- 9 Entries close Mixed Drawn Canadian Pairs
- 11 GMBR Midweek Div 1 & 2 Pennant Championship
- 12 GMBR Weekend Div 1 & 2 Pennant Championship
- 12 Social Bowls
- 13 Open 2 X 2 Pairs
- 15 GMBR State Events Finals Day 1
- 16 GMBR State Events Finals Day 2
- 17 Round 1 Men's Drawn Triples
- 18 Round 1 Mixed Drawn Canadian Pairs
- 19 Social Bowls
- 20 Open 2 X 2 Pairs
- 21 Vic Open until 30th March in Gippsland
- 22 Major Raffle Day
- 24 Round 2 Men's Drawn Triples
- 25 Round 2 Mixed Drawn Canadian Pairs
- 26 Memorial Night**
- 27 Open 2 X 2 Pairs
- 31 Round 3 Men's Drawn Triples

April

- 1 Round 3 Mixed Drawn Canadian Pairs
- 3 Open 2 X 2 Pairs
- 4 State Champions Week until 11th in Bendigo
- 7 Round 4 Men's Drawn Triples
- 8 Round 3 Mixed Drawn Canadian Pairs
- 8 Ladies Triples Tournament**
- 10 Open 2 X 2 Pairs
- 12 BV City vs Country in Bendigo
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- 14 Under 18 Championships until 17th
- 17 Open 2 X 2 Pairs
- 18 Good Friday Mixed Pairs Tournament**

Facebook

Keep the photos and information coming especially now we are in finals.

Jarrad Greenfield Ph. 0401 020 101

Region, State and National Events Shepparton Park will host the Region Finals on 15th and 16th March, we will need to do some catering on these days

if you can help please let Joy Gardam know - Ph 0422 214 954.

Goulburn Valley Presentation Day

This will be held on Sunday 4th May starting at 1.30pm at East Shepparton Bowls Club, afternoon tea will be provided @\$15. Please let me know if you would like to attend via email;

secretary@sheppartonparkbowls.com.au

Major Raffle

Ticket sales have been fantastic, currently there are only 12 tickets left! If you would like to purchase one or are able to sell some contact Joy Ph 0422214954. Many thanks to all the Team Managers and other members who have been selling tickets. We have some great prizes for the smaller raffle to be held on the day, thanks to those who have sourced them and thanks to members for donations to the hamper. It is promising to be a great day on the 22nd March.

Club Competitions

The 100 up and 21 up are almost completed, only the final games left to be played. The Mixed Pairs was won by Sue Tyson & Ross Higgins who narrowly defeated Di Hands & Paul Nichols in the final.

The list is now on the board for entries in the Men's Drawn Triples and the Mixed Drawn Canadian Pairs, entries close on the 9th March and games will be played starting on the 17th March. Please note dates have been moved back a week from those in your club handbook.

Tournaments

The Pennant season may be almost over but there are still plenty of bowls to be played. We have Memorial Night on Wednesday 26th March, our Ladies Triples Tournament on Tuesday 8th April and Good Friday Mixed Pairs on 18th April and of course ongoing Open 2 x 2 Pairs on Thursdays. Many other clubs are also running tournaments, check out the notice board inside the club, put a team together and have some fun while supporting clubs in the Region.

Shepparton Park Bowls Club

The best bowls club in the Goulburn Murray Region. That doesn't mean we have won the most flags, as that doesn't necessarily make a club successful. Our club prides itself on integrity, honesty and fairness.

It's the people, the camaraderie and the team work within our club that make it successful. Members

willingness to put up their hand, empty a rubbish bin, fold up a table cloth, wipe down a table, pack up dishes, pick up cans and bottles are the things that make our club run smoothly. The every day mundane tasks.

We all joined the bowls club to 'play bowls'. But with that also comes the responsibility to play our part in helping to run our club. What's that old saying... 'many hands make light work'

Catering throughout 2024/25

It is no secret that the kitchen/catering has been operating over the past year without a manager or committee. It is truly commendable to those people who have stepped up and done their bit. Different group combinations have done each event.

These events include corporate functions, tournaments and funerals to name just a few. It has worked well, but the same few people are doing a lot of the work. It's been great to see the men step up for the ladies tournaments and Thursday salad rolls roster works very well.

How can we get YOU involved in assisting us run this vital part of our club. If we could share the load more in the kitchen, then the system we've been using this year could work ongoing.

It does require a leader to ensure that everyone knows what their task is.

We're calling on members to put your hand up to assist with one or two tournaments or events per year. This would make a big difference. You don't need to be a caterer or skilled cook as tasks like chopping vegies, serving and cleaning up tables don't require culinary skills.

A sheet is available on the outside notice board. Please consider nominating for an event (or two) and identify what task you would like to do.

Greens – Wes Gibbs

Both Greens are running well. We have been fortunate to be allocated some finals in both Midweek and Weekend. Many Thanks to all who help in any way with both the greens and surrounds. We are so lucky to have Shane as our Green keeper with all his expertise.

Bowls Committee - Graeme Myers

How pleasing it is with 7 out of our 10 Pennant teams playing in finals. A fantastic effort from all involved, the selectors have done a great job and our coach Paul Nichols introducing practice drills early has made a big difference.

Men's Novice Singles - both Jarrad Greenfield and Graeme Martin have made it through to the final this Sunday 2nd March, well done and good luck to you both on Sunday at Shepparton Golf.

Champion of Championship - Kate Bush is down to the last 4, we wish Kate all the best for Sunday 2nd March, Ray Sellwood unfortunately was put out but well done to Kate and Ray for winning the club championships also Ladies runner up Di Hands and Men's runner up Paul Nichols. GV 60 & Over Mixed Pairs was won by Di Hands and Paul Nichols runner up Mia Nowosad &

Graeme Myers. Throughout the year the 60 & Over events have been dominated by Shepparton Park Players. Shows that the Shepparton Park oldies have learnt a lot over their years of bowls.

Membership - Leonie Freeman

We have received a number of new members in the Wednesday night social competition. Sandra and Neville have indicated they will step down from running Wednesday evening social next season. We will require a new person or persons to run the event as it is a great money spinner and a wonderful social introduction to our club.

After much thought, I am not going to continue on the Board next season so we will need a replacement Membership Director, if you are interested in the role or would like more information please contact me.

Vale

On behalf of the Board of Management we would like to send sincere condolences to Di Hands and Kate Bush on the passing of their dear mum Elsie Bush, R.I.P.

Lost Property

If you find something that has been left behind, and you don't know who it belongs to, please put it in the tub in the board room, or if it is something delicate i.e. sunglasses, on the table above the tub. If the clubrooms are locked put it on a table in the Plaza near the bar. On that note Doug Freeman is still missing his good spade after the working bee, if you find it please return it to the club.

Club Property

Any Club property, including bowls used for corporate and social bowls, bowling arms etc are not to be sold without permission of the Board, if they are being borrowed for a short period of time please write the details on the sheet in the bowls cupboard.

For Sale

Aero CX Ultraglide Lawn Bowls Trolley Bag. CX is supplied with 2 x Two Bags holding 4 Bowls. H38 Plus handle plus wheels the base is moulded EVA. Colour Maroon, NEW!! Special Price \$129.99
Contact Norm Allen on 0411881922

Congratulations!

Winners of club Mixed pairs Ross Higgins and Sue Tyson



Above Rob Gardam

Right Robyn MacFadyen

Far Right Lorna Coucill & Lorraine Nicholls



Congratulations Bob and Moira Smith on your 70th Wedding Anniversary!

