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

Dates to remember

February

- Weekend Pennant Round 12 1
- 2 Round 2 completed Mixed Pairs, Ladies & Men's 100 up and $2\overline{1}$ Up
- Midweek Pennant Round 13 4
- 5 Social Bowls Round 1
- Open 2 X 2 Pairs 6
- 8 Weekend Pennant Round 13
- 9 Region Champion of Champion Pairs Day 2
- 9 GV Novice Singles Day 1
- 11 Midweek Pennant Round 14
- Social Bowls Round 2 12
- 13 Open Medley 5 a Side Tournament
- 15 Weekend Pennant Round 14
- GV Champion of Champions Singles 16
- 18 Midweek Pennant Semi Finals
- 19 Social Bowls Round 3
- 20 Open 2 X 2 Pairs
- Weekend Pennant Semi Finals 22
- Round 3 completed Mixed Pairs, Ladies & Men's 23 21 Up and 100 Up
- GMBR State Events Finals Day 1 23
- 25 Midweek Pennant Preliminary Finals
- 26 Social Bowls Round 4
- 27 Open 2 X 2 Pairs

Congratulations

Lots of winners again this month.

Kate Bush won the Ladies GV Singles, Di Hands and Paul Nichols won the GV 60 & Over mixed Pairs defeating Mia Nowosad and Graeme Myers in the final. Our club championships were decided : Ladies A Grade Kate Bush, Men's A Grade Ray Sellwood, Ladies B Grade Marg McNamara, Men's B Grade John Priestly, Ladies Pairs Kate Bush & Di Hands, Men's Pairs Graeme Myers & Dennis Smyth. Congratulations everyone!

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Keep the photos and information coming especially now Owners, who are willing to advise, assist etc. we are almost in finals. Jarrad Greenfield Ph. 0401 020 101

Region, State and National Events

We are very excited to be one of the host clubs for the State Novice Carnival to be held on the 9th to 12th May. Vic Open much of the money earned was invested, last

We will be catering for players and spectators, this is a great opportunity to showcase our club and raise some funds.

We will also be hosting a Junior Tournament run by the GV Devils on the weekend of 24th & 25th May 2025. We will be catering for this tournament so we will need volunteers to help out. This is to be the first of an annual event held at our club, another great opportunity. Entries are now open for the Australian Bowls Open to be held on the Gold Coast in June. Entries are also open for the Masters Games, which include a bowls component, to be held in Canberra in October. Good luck to Jarrad Greenfield and Graeme Martin who are playing in the GV Men's Novice Singles on Sunday 9th February at Tallygaroopna.

Greens - Wes

I would like to acknowledge all the help we received during the renovation of the Foundation Green, it has turned out to be a very good result. Thank you!

Bar Manager



The club is looking for a person to undertake the Management and daily running of the bar, there are ample volunteer workers available to assist YOU with Bar Operations.

The Bar Manager reports directly to the Treasurer and is responsible for stock purchase, sales, bar staff rosters and co-ordinating Bar Volunteers.

All incoming revenue is forwarded to the Treasurer. Contact the Bar Manager (Chris Meek) or the Treasurer (David Gullick) should you want to support the club in this important role. Should you not have a Responsible Serving of Alcohol (RSA Certificate), it can be easily obtained with all costs reimbursed by SPBC. The position is vacant at the AGM, which is scheduled for no later than 30th June 2025, so time to assess the position requirements before committing. So come and have a chat with The Bar Manager who will give you a run down on bar operations, also available is extensive knowledge from previous Bar Managers and Hotel

Major Raffle

When the Vic Open moved to Gippsland we lost a major source of income for our club. Wisely, while we had the

year we used some of this money to upgrade our solar system, saving us money in the long term, the remainder of the invested money will be needed next time we replace the carpet on the Rose Green. Our current income is not covering all our costs. It has been proposed that we run a "Major Raffle' to raise some much needed funds. This would be drawn on Saturday 22nd March at a function held at the Club, open only to ticket holders. We will also invite our major sponsors. We aim to sell 200 tickets @\$50 each, prize money will be 1st \$2,000, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200 and 20 x \$100. On the day we will supply food and drinks until 2pm (included in the ticket), there will be a pairs tournament consisting of 8 pairs, teams will be drawn from ticket holders a week prior so they can organise teams, you can sell off or exchange a 'playing' ticket , all 'playing' winners will go back into the draw for the main prize. Prize money for the pairs is \$500, winner takes all. We will also run some mini raffles and nifty fifty during the day. One of the raffle prizes will be a hamper, there is a basket in the clubrooms for donations, thanks for your support.

Bowls Committee - Graeme Myers

All of our Pennant teams are travelling well, the last few weeks we have been able to fulfil all Saturday Pennant teams with emergencies available, a nice change from earlier in the season. Club games are going well, congratulations to the winners of club Championships there were some very close and entertaining matches played.

Catering

Although we still don't have a catering manager many members are pitching in to keep functions going, thanks to Marg Thorne, Sandra Wallace and all those who helped with catering for our Corporate events before Christmas and the reliable BBQ crew Vince & Graeme. Marie Nelson and Sandra Wallace, who continue to organise salad rolls for Thursday Pairs. Thanks to Annette and crew who organised catering for Jenny Black's wake. Thanks to Joy & Rob Gardam who have volunteered to do the catering for the 5 a Side tournament.

Vale

It was with great sadness that we heard of the passing of former member Jenny Black, Jenny was a dedicated bowler until suffering a stroke a few years ago. Many members will remember Jenny playing on Tuesdays and bringing along her daughter Katie who was confined to a wheelchair, Jenny is survived by her husband David and daughter Katie, RIP.

Memorial Plaque

Last year the club was approached by the family of late member Brian Hardy asking if they could erect a small plaque in the garden at the club in memory of Brian, Brian was a keen member of our grounds crew and loved the club. It was agreed that the family could purchase a plaque, within our guidelines, and place it in a quiet area of the club. On Boxing Day members of Brians family gathered to remember Brian and place the plaque, which you can see in the garden next to the Plaza. We are open to other families doing the same if they wish, all requests would need to come to the Board for approval and guidelines.

Volunteers

Just a reminder to members that our club is run by Volunteers who give up many hours of their time to help make our club the great place that it is. The Board members put in many hours and make decisions that they believe are in the best interests of the club, so please respect these decisions and show respect to those who make them.

Winner of Ladies A Grade Kate Bush, runner up Di Hands. Together they won the Ladies Pairs defeating Marg Thorne & Kerri Leask.



Men's A Grade Champion Ray Sellwood and Runner up Paul Nichols, Congratulations!



CONGRATULATIONS !



Ladies B Grade Winner Marg McNamara Runner Up Sandra Winch Men's Pairs Winners Dennis Smyth & Graeme Myers Runners Up Ray Hill & Ray Sellwood



Men's B Grade Winner John Priestly and Runner Up Norm Alan.

Winners of GV 60 & Over Pairs Paul Nichols & Di Hands.



'Stirrers' trophy accepted by Joy Gardam on behalf of the Ladies from Chairman Kelvin Rogash.

Roberta ready to play with the Ladies team on Stirrers day.







Winner of GV Ladies Singles Kate Bush.

> The Family of the late Brian Hardy placing his plaque in the Memorial Garden.

