

Annual General Meeting 2024

Agenda

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Quorum is 32 members, there is no proxy voting
3. Confirm minutes of Annual General Meeting held May 24 2023
4. Receive reports from the Board Directors and Managers
6. Receive and consider the financial statement submitted by the Club in accordance with Section 30(3) of the act.
7. Election of Directors of the Board;
Two year term: Secretary, Female Bowls Director, Membership Director, Greens Director.
9. Election of Managers; Bar Manager, Catering Manager, Sponsorship Manager and Social Activities Manager;
7. Transact any other business affecting the interest and welfare of the Club, of which due notice has been given according to the rules.
8. Election of Auditors.
9. Close of Meeting

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held 24 May 2023

Present:

Jim Shanahan, Lorna Coucill, Chris Meek, Paul Becroft, Ray Phillips, Ken McNamara, Marg McNamara, Mal Pretty, Bill Probst, Vincent Mazzella, Annette Barkley, Jeff Boyle, Alan Davis, Glenn Edwards, Val Gibbs, Wes Gibbs, Ron Holland, Norm Mitchelmore, Murray Phillips, Kelvin Rogash, Graeme Sinclair, Marg Thorne.

Apologies:

Marie Nelson, Pam McGurgan, Marg Stibbard, Sandra Wallace, Leonie Freeman, Rob Thorne, Bob Smith, Moira Smith, Wendy Holland, Bev Cahill, Lorraine Nicholls, Sue Tyson, Richard Hansen.

These were accepted on the motion of Marg McNamara and Marg Thorne..

Minutes of meeting held 25-5-2022

These were accepted as a true and accurate record on the motion of Murray Phillips and Jeff Boyle

Chairman Kelvin welcomed everyone, unfortunately there are only 22 people present so we do not have a Quorum, any elections and decisions made will be held in abeyance for 30 days, if no objections are received they will then be considered passed.

Reports:

Kelvin read his Chairman's report. All other reports were distributed with the meeting agenda, Kelvin then asked if any of the Board members would like to add anything to their reports. Paul Becroft added that the Grass Greens will be closed apart from Tuesday and Thursday for competition to rest the greens and keep them in playable condition for as long as possible. The Rose Green will be open everyday.

Paul also called for more names to play Weekend Pennant, at this stage we are well short of the numbers we need to enter the teams we had this season. Paul also mentioned the new rule re stopping a bowl, "*don't stop a moving bowl let it go into the ditch before retrieving it*". The rule for possession

of the green has also changed, you are in possession of the green until your bowl stops moving, do not step onto the mat while a opposition bowls is still moving, the first time you do it you will be warned second time penalties apply. Paul has spoken to Stephen McGregor from GVBR about running an information session prior to the start of the next season so everyone is familiar with the new rules. Kelvin represented our club at the GVBR AGM on Tuesday, Kate Bush and Di Hands featured on the front page of the Annual report with their win in the 60 and OverLadies Pairs. The GVBR will no longer produce the booklet containing the draw and Conditions of Play, all this information will be available on the website, a copy will be printed out and pinned up in the clubrooms for members reference.

Reports were accepted on a motion from Jim Shanahan and Norm Mitchelmore.

Norm Mitchelmore congratulated Kelvin on his report and said he is doing a great job as Chairman.

Treasurer's Report:

This was accepted on a motion from Malcom Pretty and Chris Meek.

Election of Directors:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Seconded by</u>
Chairman	Kelvin Rogash	Alan Davis	Sandra Wallace
Vice Chairman	Alan Davis	Ray Phillips	Graeme Sinclair
Male Bowls Director	TBA		
Membership Director	Leonie Freeman	Marg McNamara	Kelvin Rogash
Treasurer	Marg Thorne	Sandra Wallace	Paul Becroft

As there was only one nomination for each position the Chairman declared all to be elected.
Moved Malcom Pretty 2nd Chris Meek.

Election of Managers:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Seconded by</u>
Bar Manager	TBA		
Catering Manager	Annette Barkley	Marg Thorne	Sandra Wallace
Social Activities Manager	Joy Gardam	Sandra Wallace	Annette Barkley
Sponsorship Manager	Angelo Russo		

As there was only one nomination for the Manager positions the Chairman declared the nominees to be elected.

Moved Chris Meek 2nd Val Gibbs.

We still need a Bar Manager, this may need to be a team of people to spread the load. Chris Meek approached the Board after the meeting and offered to assist once he comes back from holidays.

Election of Auditors:

Goulburn Murray Audit Service were elected as auditors for the next year on the motion of Wes Gibbs and Ray Phillips.

Close of meeting:

Chairman Kelvin formally thanked Paul Becroft for his four years as Bowls Director.

The Chairman then thanked members for their attendance and attention and declared the meeting closed.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Chairman - Kelvin Rogash

Shepparton Park Bowls Club continues to be a source of pride for our members. It is not just the facilities but also the general feeling of being around the Club. We continue to get very complimentary comments from visitors and this is all thanks to you, the members.

Finance:

We are still in a good financial position but there are always provisions to be allowed for in our planning. This year we have replaced and upgraded the old solar system. We made this decision because two of the inverters had ceased to operate and needed replacing and our bills were still too high. Hopefully the new 30Kw system will see our bills reduced to near zero. We thank Watters Electrical for their efficient handling of the project.

Angelo Russo as our Sponsorship Director has continued to eye opportunities. Kevin Hicks Real Estate has joined as a major sponsor this year and Donway Caravans have also joined. It is these sponsorships that help us run our successful tournaments without cost to the club. They often provide vouchers which are used as prizes and are all appreciated. Please support the various sponsors when possible.

Bowls:

Congratulations to all teams that made it to the finals in the Pennant Season. With all five Midweek teams and Divisions 1, 2 and 6 of the Weekend Pennant playing off we proved that once again we are a very competitive club. Unfortunately none were able to take out a flag but hopefully we can produce some better results next year. As a club we enter a lot of teams to give everyone the opportunity to play and sometimes that means we need to call on bowlers to fill in or play in a different position. Occasionally we even had to forfeit due to several players being unavailable which was unfortunate. It is not an easy task to select the various teams each week so thank you to all involved, whether it be in selecting or playing.

By not being in the grand finals it provided a chance to show how good a spectacle it is when most finals are played at the same venue, in the case this year at Shepparton Park. What a great atmosphere.

To all winners and runners-up of the Club Events congratulations. There were some excellent matches played over the course of the competitions with some expected and some surprising results. It makes for a great competition when a lot of members enter and others come along to watch. Unfortunately some times there are clashes, especially when region and state events are rescheduled.

Coach:

Paul Nicholls has agreed to resume the role of club coach for the coming season. Thank you Paul. This is an important role so it is up to all our players to take the opportunity that is offered to improve your bowling. It is also very important to attend training when it is organised and not just rely on your own practicing. Paul has some ideas he wants to implement so it's up to us all to get behind him and see how far we can go.

New Members:

It is always pleasing to welcome new members and to see them become a part of the fabric of our club. Welcome to you all.

The Wednesday Night social bowls is a fantastic night and many thanks to Sandra and Neville Winch for their organisation and enthusiasm. This is a wonderful way for people new to the game of bowls to come along, learn the art of bowls, enjoy some friendship and maybe even think about becoming a full member to be able to play in tournaments or even Pennant if they so wish.

There is always room for new members so if you know of anyone who is interested then bring them along and introduce them around.

Green Keeper and Greens:

Our facilities continue to be a source of pride for us all and provide a sense of satisfaction to all those concerned with the maintenance of the grass and carpet greens. Shane Walsh, our Greens Keeper, and Wes Gibbs, our Greens Director, continue to do a great job and along with their crew of helpers to ensure we have greens that are in top condition. Over the winter months there is not as much bowling done on the grass but there is still the need for maintenance and planning. The netting over the Rose green has now been in place for several months and appears to be doing the job it was hoped but we still have to wait for nesting season to see how effective it will prove to be. Once again many thanks to Rob Thorne for the idea and installation. The greens have survived the hectic program this year and there are plans to complete some lasering of at least one green next summer to keep them in top condition.

Catering:

A big thank you to Annette Barkley for taking over control of the catering. She has, along with her helpers, done a great job throughout the year and we thank her for it. Apart from the tournaments and our own functions we are now getting more Christmas breakups in November and December and this adds to their workload. The job they all do is really appreciated.

Booking Officer:

Bev Cahill took over this role and she is now the main port of call for outsiders looking to use our facilities so thank you Bev. The Bowls, Bar & BBQ nights leading up to Christmas have grown in number and it is good to see that our club is becoming better known for this. Who knows it may even produce some more members. While we do have a booking manager to coordinate these events we do need others to volunteer to help out on these occasions as well so if Bev gives you a call please help out.

Social Activities Manager:

Many thanks to Joy Gardam for taking on this role and for running several successful social events, especially the big Christmas function. It is up to us, as club members, to support these events when they are on. The money from last years events was used to purchase the external defibrillator in the patio area and this year the plan is to purchase a small milk fridge for near the coffee area to save people having to go into the kitchen.

Bar Manager:

Chris Meek and Paul Becroft shared the role this year and have done so admirably. Chris has spent many hours putting in new signage in the fridges and keeping the fridges stocked for our members and also for the Tally members on their training nights. Many thanks must go not only to these people but also to the many members who have filled the rosters throughout the year. Special thanks must go to our regular bar helper in Marg Stibbard.

Recycling:

We have been collecting empty cans for GV Health for many years now and continue to do so even though the new system of Cash for Cans is in place. To further improve our own recycling efforts we are now collecting our empty bottles which get taken to the depot. Every little bit helps.

Club Person of the Year:

This year the board awarded this title to Heath Matthews. Heath has been a great help to Chris in the bar helping pick up the stock and load the fridge. He has also been a consistent helper for Bev on the barefoot bowling bookings and to Paul Becroft on bowls days. Always prepared to help with anything and do so with a smile and a greeting for everyone.

State Championships:

How fantastic to have our ladies Kerry Leask, Jenni Hill, Sue Tyson, along with Jenny O'Connor from Numurkah, take out the State Fours title. Off to Queensland in the autumn to battle for the Australian title. Good luck. We were also very proud of the combination of Kate Bush and Bree Warren, as a substitute for Di Hands who was overseas, in the State Pairs. They made it to the semi finals before being knocked out in a close match.

Life Membership:

It gave me great pleasure on behalf of the board to award Life Membership to both Wes Gibbs and Bev Cahill at the recent Bowls AGM. A recognition well deserved by both for many years of outstanding service to our club.

Secretary:

Marg McNamara has settled into her new role well and I thank her for the support she gives me.

Board members:

I would like to thank Paul Becroft and Sandra Wallace for their commitment as bowls directors for many years for the Club. Thank you to all other Board members for your continuing support to me as Chairman.

Deputy Chairman - Alan Davis

Another bowls season has finished. Luckily for us there hasn't been any major problems with the club house. A skylight is, however, being replaced by council at the moment, as it was damaged during one of our summer storms and water was leaking onto the carpet.

The carpet was shampooed in early January and popular opinion is that it improved the playing surface.

The netting, I believe, is starting to pay dividends. As of late, there hasn't been as much rubbish on the matting. It however still needs cleaning on a weekly basis and on days prior to use.

As our building is getting older, usual maintenance problems have surfaced and been attended to. This has included things such as door hinges, lights, hand dryers etc. We will need to keep ahead of these problems and general maintenance will need to be attended to.

Throughout the year Kelvin and other club members have helped and guided me in attending to various club problems. For this I thank them immensely and hope they will continue to give me this guidance.

Secretary - Margaret McNamara

After my second year as Secretary, I have served my apprenticeship and am feeling more confident in the role. Many thanks to my fellow board members who continue to be very supportive. A huge thank you to Jim Shanahan who filled in while I was away for four months, I would be lost without you Jim.

I believe we have made great progress with communication this year and hopefully we will continue to build on this. I have tried to give short regular updates via email to keep members informed of happenings at our club and I plan to continue to do this next season, if you know of something happening that I may not be aware of please let me know via email to secretary@sheppartonparkbowls.com.au.

Jarrad Greenfield has taken over running our Facebook page and is doing an amazing job, it looks

fantastic and is reaching a wide audience. Social media is the way of the world today and we need to embrace it if we are going to attract younger members. We need to promote tournaments and events on as many platforms as possible, an example of the reach of social media was our first entry for our Good Friday Pairs tournament came from someone in Romsey who saw it advertised on Facebook. As we need to maximise any opportunities to earn funds for our club this is a free avenue for promotion.

We have a wonderful vibrant club, sometimes we forget this, but I was reminded at Presentation Night by two relatively new members, both commented on the friendly, welcoming atmosphere at our club and the number of volunteers that we have in all areas. 'Our reputation precedes us in how we speak to each other and about each other'. Let us continue to show our fellow members respect, as well as officials and opposition players. If you have a problem, please speak to the relevant Bowls Committee or Board member, we are available to listen and help as best we can. You can approach Selection Committee, but please do it in a polite way and at an appropriate time, perhaps make an appointment to speak to Selection Committee if you have an issue with pennant. It all comes back to communication.

Best wishes to all of our members undergoing surgery during the off season and safe travels to all those going away over Winter, come back safe, rested and ready for a great season in 24-25.

Bowls Director Sandra Wallace

Firstly, I would like to say I have thoroughly enjoyed my 4 years as Female Bowls Director. Paul Becroft as Male Director, who has been in the position for 6 years, has been a great support to me and I thank him.

It takes a huge amount of volunteers to run a Bowls Club and without them we wouldn't be able to operate and enjoy our sport.

Shane, Wes and the Greens Committee have presented the greens in excellent condition and we thank them for their efforts. Was great to showcase our Club and see 5 Goulburn Valley weekend finals held on our greens.

Thank you to Midweek and Weekend Selection Committees. It has been difficult fielding settled teams on weekends with many players unavailable. Weekend Div 1 and Div 6 reached the Elimination Finals with Div 1 going on to play in the Preliminary Final. Five Midweek teams reached the Elimination Finals but did not advance any further. We are hopeful for the 24/25 season.

Match Committee have done an excellent job of getting games organized and played. Congratulations to Paul Nichols and Sue Tyson our A Grade winners and Lorraine Nichols and Angelo Russo our B Grade winners. Well done to all the other club game winners who Jim has mentioned in his Match Committee Report. Kate Bush and Bree Warren (Bree substituting for Di Hands) will represent Goulburn Murray in the State Pairs Event at Bendigo this weekend. Sue Tyson, Kerri Leask, Jenni Hill and Jenny O'Connor (from Murray) represented Goulburn Murray in the Fours and were successful in winning the event. Congratulations to them all and we wish them all the best when they represent Victoria at Broadbeach mid October this year. Congratulations to Jarrad Greenfield for reaching the last 8 of the Novice this year.

Tournaments have run very well under the guidance of Jim, Wes and Cathy. Along with the usual Tournaments a very successful Good Friday Mixed Pairs was held with 26 teams. I am sure this event will grow even bigger. Thank you to our Umpires who are always called upon for Pennant, Tournaments, Club event finals and State Events.

Bev had another busy winter running the popular Tuesday Ladies Fours and we thank her and her

helpers. Sue has done a great job of organizing a Roster for Thursday 2 x 2's. Sandra and Neville Winch ran the Wednesday night Social Bowls which attracted some new bowlers as well as the regulars. It is a fun night and we thank them for giving up their time to run this event. Moira Smith and Lorraine Nicholls have run another successful Over 60's Ladies Competition this season. Moira is retiring from running this event which she instigated 10 years ago. We thank her for her time and dedication to this event.

Catering is a huge part of the Bowls Club. Annette, Marie and Committee have done an excellent job of running catering and we are grateful for the hours they volunteer. They have worked hard with

Corporate Events, Tournaments, Wakes, Thursday 2 x 2's and Weekend Grand Final Day to name a few. Along with our willing lady helpers they have also engaged the assistance of a few males to help on Ladies Tournament days. We appreciate our "ever ready" BBQ cooking team who are called on regularly. Thank you to all.

Many thanks to Bev who has done a great job as Booking Officer. It has been a busy year with many corporate functions to organize amongst other bookings.

Chris and Paul took over the running of the Bar and have done an excellent job especially catering for Tallygaroopna as well as our own members. Thank you to Marg Stibbard who has worked regularly in the bar on Thursdays and Saturdays. Your work along with the other volunteers who take their turn on the Roster is greatly appreciated.

Joy Gardam, our Welfare Officer, has sent out many cards this year which is appreciated by the recipients. Thanks Joy.

Finally I would like to thank everyone on the Board and all club members for making my time as Bowls Director a rewarding experience. I wish the incoming Board members all the best as they take over from retiring members.

Bowls Director - Paul Becroft

Welcome to all members, thanks for your attendance, another bowling year has passed with mixed results. Congratulations to all midweek pennant players with all divisions making finals but unfortunately not progressing further, Weekend Pennant saw Div 1&2 making finals but also not progressing With Div 1 a great effort winning the first final but unfortunately losing the second final. Thanks to all selection committees a tough job, unfortunately availability being the biggest problem, I have done a review of the unavailability list which resulted in these numbers of unavailable players per division, which makes selection so difficult, for the 14 rounds these are the unavailable list; Div 1-5 players unavailable ,Div 2-9, Div 3-11, Div 4-50 ,Div 6-20. As you can see a very difficult task for the selectors to pick and maintain settled teams.

Also attendance at designated practices has been very poor, sometimes only 12 players in attendance out of the 76 who play on the weekend, I do understand that a lot of players, play regularly during the week, but to me practice is very important to achieve the highest level of bowls that we need to achieve.

On a more positive note, congratulations to the winners of all club events, special 'congrats' to the club A Grade winners Paul Nichols and Sue Tyson, B Grade winners Angelo Russo and Lorraine Nichols. Thanks to the Match Committee, a job well done with all club events and tournaments run in an exemplary manner.

Thanks to Wes, Shane and their team with the greens and surrounds presented in excellent conditions throughout the season with the highlight being the presentation of the greens and club for the Div 3-4-5-6 and 7 finals, a great day and thanks to all members who contributed to this success. Thanks to Annette Barkly and her catering staff, a lot of great work throughout the year, Thanks to Chris Meek and his bar volunteers, a big year with Tally being part of our club, a great effort by all. Thanks to all volunteers successfully running Wednesday night bowls and social events.

To the Board members another year of excellent service to the club with all aspects of club management achieved successfully. Special thanks to Sandra Wallace who has worked tirelessly in her time as Ladies Bowls Director carrying out her duties successfully and professionally and ensuring our club is run at the highest level.

Thanks and 'congratulations' to Kelvin Rogash, club Chairman who works tirelessly to ensure our club is run in very high standard and thanks to all members for their support in helping me do my duties as bowls director.

Membership Director—Leonie Freeman

Current numbers are listed below as at April 16th 2024:

Full Members 133 Social Members 78

We welcome all new members who have joined us during this season and trust you have made lasting friendships.

Our membership is unfortunately rapidly maturing in age and all of us need to work hard to attract new and younger members. Family members, neighbours and friends are all potential bowlers and we need to encourage them to attend our Try Bowls Day or participate in Wednesday Evening Social Bowls, expertly conducted by Sandra and Neville Winch.

Our coach, Paul Nichols, will conduct training sessions for everyone and all of us should try to attend at least some coaching sessions to further our own knowledge and skills.

The Board of Management has appointed Dennis Smyth as our Recruitment Officer. Dennis has a wealth of knowledge of the area and local members. He will liaise with our Coach and the Men's Director for strategies and likely new members.

Around September, we intend to hold another Arm Coaching day for all interested members. Annette Barkley will co-ordinate this activity. A small fee will be involved to cover the cost of refreshments and Coach expenses.

Corporate Functions are excellent avenues for introducing potential members to bowls. It is also a major fundraiser. If you know of any business interested in a social event for their staff please let a Board member know so we can contact the firm and invite them along to our amazing venue. Excellent meals can be arranged if desired.

Greens Director– Wes Gibbs

It has been a year when the greens have had a very heavy workload, with Tallygaroopna using our greens as their home base. With good management, we were able to successfully get through the season.

During the season we hosted a lot of State and G.M.B.A. events. We also hosted a lot of weekend and midweek finals.

The Rose green carpet is bowling as good as it ever has, since it has been put down. The vacuuming and rolling seems to have helped a lot. At this stage of the year, both grass greens have a good coverage. This is important as we head into the Winter months.

To everyone who has helped with maintenance and everyday duties in keeping the greens and surrounds in a top condition, a very big "thank you" to you all. All this would not be possible without the commitment and expertise of our green keeper, Shane Walsh.

Thank you everybody for the support you have given me personally during the season.

Catering Report - Annette Barkley

Catering is an integral part of our club and as such requires significant effort and input. There are many facets to this aspect of the role:-

Wakes: We had the privilege of providing the eats following the ceremonies of Margaret Keen, Mick Landy and Anne O'Donohue all valued members of our club. In club spirit donations and offers of assistance were plentiful.

Corporate/Barefoot Bowls: A great opportunity to showcase our fantastic facility and hopefully lure a new member or two. Approximately 20 functions were catered for. Not only did Bev Cahill coordinate all these events she was also a part of the catering crew. Her communication and assistance was gratefully received –thank you

Thursday Rolls:-A constant for seven months –the rostering system for this has worked well and feedback has been positive. Rob Gardam and Geoff Barkley assisted when state events and 60+ made the roster a little scarce but it would be helpful if other men offered to be involved. Starting early is an option that allows those who participate or have commitments to be involved.

Tournaments: Are important for raising revenue for the club. This year we were grateful to the men who rolled up their sleeves and put it together for the two ladies tournaments. Rob Gardam led the team on both occasions with great success. The scene is now set for crossing the gender boundary to get all club members involved in catering.

Miscellaneous Events Golden Square practise match (120+), Grand Final (5 Divisions) 160 salad rolls, plus BBQ lunch, slices etc. Memorial Night, Pennant Cabana & Cheese plus many other smaller events.

Throughout the year there have been many who have assisted in many ways and I am thankful to you all. A special mention to Pam Osborne, Judy Burkitt and Rob Pilcher who are not bowlers but have assisted. It is at this point that I would like to ask if there are bowlers (of any gender) who are willing to assist to please let us know or if you have a partner who may be able to assist it would be a great way of getting know each other. If you only help once a year it would make a huge difference.

It is too difficult to mention everyone but in particular mention to “the BBQ boys”, husband Geoff, Joy Gardam and a huge thank you to Marie Nelson. Without her experience and “honest opinion” I would have sunk.

Bon appetite

Bar Report

Bar report compiled by Bar Managers, Paul Becroft and Chris Meek.

The bar ran smoothly, not as financial as when the Vic Open was available to assist sales, but none the less, a reasonable financial season.

There were several Bar Manager Specials held in an attempt to extinguish excess stock that was left over from the Vic Open. There is a different demographic with normal club drinkers compared to the younger groups that were catered for previously with earlier functions.

The Club Finals were well supported and was a welcome increase to Bar revenue.

Thanks to the Bar volunteers, that is necessary for the everyday Bar function operations.

Kitchen Staff have worked co-operatively with the Bar personnel.

Thanks to the Treasurer and her assistants, collating, collecting and banking Bar money.

A special thanks to Marg Stibbard for her unwavering, extemporary devotion to bar duties.

Heath Mathews, (Club Person of the Year), assistance with stock purchase, loading and stacking was invaluable and was difficult without his ever-present assistance and willingness to help every time he was required.

Tally boys were very good supporters of the Bar, and their friendliness and co-operation was exemplary. Practice nights were regularly attended by large contingent of players, and their teamsmanship showed through. (Maybe a lesson to be learned).

Practice nights for Pennant Training on Wednesday and Friday nights will be supported by the Bar, opening from 16:30 till 18:30, hopefully with more attending than the 23/24 season.

Happy Hour prices, only for players training on these nights.

Normal Bar prices for anyone wanting to come along and support the Club and its players are most welcome.

Looking for volunteers to organise/prepare/cook/sell snags etc are required for a BBQ on Wednesday and/or Friday nights is required. Please help make these nights a great Club event you don't win if you don't train.

Additional volunteer Bar staff for the roster are always required, the more available the less rostered duties each person has to perform. Currently there are twenty people on the Bar roster; that equates to one week every ten weeks on duty. Special functions also require additional staff.

A list of updated duties and roster is available from Chris Meek at the Bar.

Responsible Serving of Alcohol (RSA), courses are available through Shepparton TAFE and SPBC fully reimburse the cost of the course, it only takes a few hours to complete at TAFE or can be done on line.

Sponsorship - Angelo Russo

This year we have maintained most of our previous sponsors from last year. See attached spreadsheets for details. We have had some success in recruiting new sponsors for our club. We welcomed Kevin Hicks Real estate \$2750/ year for the next 5 years. (Thanks for the help Shane Walsh)

Donway Caravans \$750 + GST. Also \$250 for Thursday score cards.

For the following year we also have Cavalier Homes \$1500 +GST / year for the next 3 years.

I am also following up leads from the Hay and Moama Bowls club given to me by Shane Walsh and trying to revive our sponsorship deal with Kensington Gardens.

Social Club Report - Joy Gardam

Another successful twelve months on the social scene with three functions held.

At the commencement of the season in October 2023 we held an enjoyable Chicken & Salad night with 70 people attending.

In November a presentation was made to the Club with a donation of a defibrillator to be placed in the plaza area.

Our yearly Christmas function was held on 1st December 2023, attracting 106. Music by the popular Splinters was well received and a donation to Hospice was a great contribution to a worthy cause. Our Christmas Raffles have become extremely popular, and we thank members for their kind donations.

To complete our Pennant season, we held another Chicken and Salad night in February with 65 people attending.

Thank you to Sue Tyson for your support and also many other helpers over the last twelve months. More hands make light work!

The Social Club has a balance of \$973. Please put forward any suggestions or ideas you have in how to utilise these funds to benefit our amazing club.

ELECTION OF BOARD DIRECTORS AND MANAGERS.

Election of Board of Directors

Position	Nominee	Nominator	Seconded by
Secretary	Margaret McNamara	Marg Thorne	Kelvin Rogash
Membership Director	Leonie Freeman	Wes Gibbs	Marg Thorne
Bowls Director Female	Joy Gardam	Sandra Wallace	Marie Nelson
Greens Director	Wes Gibbs	Marg Thorne	Leonie Freeman

Election of Managers

Bar Manager	Chris Meek	Jim Shanahan	Kelvin Rogash
Catering Manager			
Sponsorship Manager	Angelo Russo	Marg Thorne	Jim Shanahan
Social Activities Manager	Rene Britz	Sandra Wallace	Joy Gardam

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