



# NEWSLETTER

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### SUCCESS REQUIRES BELIEF

Someone once said, "In order to succeed, we must first believe we can."

It's a saying that every member of our club can apply to themselves, whether it be to ensuring that the club itself is successful, that we build and grow Bayswater Bowls Club as a whole, or whether we take the philosophy as players into the forthcoming season.

There's a few easy things we can do to start the process—support club events, such as the Mamma Mia Movie Night, or Saturday and Wednesday Social Bowls, or the Surreal Super Saturdays. Support your Bowls Committee, Selectors, and Coaches as they work towards success on the green and also to resurrect barefoot bowls on Sundays as a recruitment tool. Support our sponsors.

Make yourself available – to play, or to work around the place. Get your friends to come along to Barefoot Bowls, or distribute the new Club brochures and flyers.

Believe that we can succeed. And then we will. Or so the saying goes!

**Alistair Smith, Executive Director.**

### "Friendship through Bowls"

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:** Alistair Smith

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:** Ron Hurley

**FINANCIAL DIRECTOR:** John Corn

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS :** Pam Pleydell, Barbara Keenan

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## **HE'S \$900 BETTER OFF!!**

Our world famous (well, we once had a guy sending tips in from Canada) “last-standing” foot tipping competition went as far as Round 15 this year when Steve Hoffman, who had got out of jail a couple of weeks earlier when St Kilda had a great come-from-behind win, didn't have the same luck with his choice of Fremantle over Brisbane Lions, when the Lions had only their second win of the season. That left Allan Woning, who in that round had gone for romping Collingwood. Allan therefore picked up the \$900 prize, while the club benefited by more than \$300. Thanks to all who took part, and let's all have another go next year!

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## **OUR VERY OWN GANGLAND KILLING**

Older members of the club would have been interested to read an article in the Herald Sun on July 9 entitled “CLOSING IN ON MAFIA ASSASSIN” as part of the paper's new “True Crime Series.” The story was about the murder of a prominent figure in Melbourne's Calabrian Mafia, Giuseppe (Joe) Arena, that took place around midnight on August 1, 1988. And that was very close to home. Joe lived on the corner of Phyllis St and Bona Vista Rd. He'd come home from the wedding with his wife and, being a Sunday night, had gone to put the bin out while she went inside. As he did so, he was hit in the back with a single shot at close range from a shotgun, a classic Mafia killing.

At that time, only six weeks away from the opening of our clubhouse, the Bowls Club had been a hive of activity during the Sunday, with members swarming all over the place doing various tasks.

So the following Sunday Homicide detectives turned up and began questioning members as to whether they had seen anything suspicious the week before. They hadn't, and that was the end of it, as far as the club were concerned.

But maybe their questioning would have taken a different tack had they known that Joe was one of the people who lodged a formal objection with the Council trying to stop the club being built!

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## **GOLD STARS ALL ROUND**

Seen the ad on telly for a company that wins insurer of the year, which they celebrate with a blast of gold stars, and one guy keeps picking them out of all sorts of unlikely places for the whole of the next year—that's what it was like after the Bayswater West Primary School trivia night—there were gold stars all over the club for days.

## **SATURDAY PENNANT PRACTICE GAMES**

Practice matches have been booked for this year as follows:

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September away at Heatherdale, 3 teams.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September at home v Donvale, 3 teams.

We intend to use Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> & sat 22<sup>nd</sup> for in house matches and individual practice drills / performance tests.

We intend to use all of these games to trial players in various positions that have been vacated by members who have left the club. We hope that all members will make themselves available therefore giving themselves the best chance of being selected in the position they most desire.

This pennant season will see the introduction of a Saturday pennant players award for the best performed player as voted by opposition players. More information will be made available as we get closer to the season. Any member feedback / input to this will be most welcome.

This year will also see the return of rink of the week, rink of the year also to be considered. More detail to follow.

As joker poker is also returning this year we would like to have a quick review each Saturday of the day's bowls . It would be great if members could make the effort to return to the club after competition for this.

Make Bayswater great again!!

**Saturday selectors.**

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## **30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS UPDATE**

Did you remember to write Sunday, September 16, at 12 pm, in your diary? Among confirmed guests at our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary lunch will be the Federal Member for Aston, Alan Tudge; the State Member for Bayswater, Heidi Victoria and the Mayor of Knox, John Mortimore.

Those who have a long association with the club will remember that many early functions were catered by a Spit Roast businesses called Tommy's Taters. Well, we've tracked Tommy down (his name is actually Tom Baker), and he'll again be putting on a spread for us.

Still trying to trace foundation members. We've made progress, but there a list on the notice board of those we still don't know about. Let Alistair know if you know of the whereabouts any of them.

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## **PENNANT TRAINING**

**Official training for pennant is on Thursdays from 4:30 to 6:30pm.**

**Please make an effort to not let yourself or team mates down.**

**Come along and enjoy yourself and help build team spirit.**

**Tony Buckingham**

## VALE SID WILSON

It is with regret that we record the passing of member Sid Wilson, who died aged 87 after a lengthy illness on July 5. A number of our members were present at his funeral, where they heard how Sid, who enjoyed success in several sports as a young man, emigrated from his native England firstly to South Africa, where they were unable to settle, returning after a couple of years to the UK. Then Sid, a bricklayer by trade, together with his wife and three children, made the successful move to Australia. Sid joined Bayswater Bowls Club in 2006 and was a member of the Midweek team of 07-08 that won a sectional flag and also played in the Division 7 team that won the Sectional Pennant in 2015-16 and then went as far as the Divisional Semi-final. Sid, a popular figure around the club, will be sadly missed.

## GREEN KEEPER REQUIRED

Bayswater Bowls Club urgently require a Green Keeper to look after our two greens.

**Barry Milford**, who took on the role at the last AGM, has had to resign due to ill health.

The green keepers role is very important in the overall running of the club. If you think that you can fill this position, please contact one of your committee members for more information. You would not have to do it all on your own as there are several members who have been helping Barry Milford carry out his duties.

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Adam Buxton, Betty Durdin, Judith Doyle, Chris Lovelock, Helen Roberts, Maggie Smith, Sharon Gibbs.

## BOWLING

July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28	August 4
3 B Keenan	10 J Lyne	33 Club	6 J Webber	36 M Davey.
35 M Sutherland	20 C Boltwood	18 Club	11 B Milford	39 B Keenan

## **BAR STAFF WANTED**

We're always on the lookout for new bar staff. We are particularly keen to find people who do not play pennant on a Saturday, who can do a short shift around 4pm. A pennant player can be rostered to come on later to relieve you.

FREE TRAINING is provided. Pulling a beer is not as difficult as many people who grew up under a different system would try to tell you. All the products on the shelves are marked. The till is simple to operate, again everything is there for you.

We will also be organising another round of Responsible Serving of Alcohol courses (paid for by the club). Talk to a member of the Bar Committee: John Corn, Alistair or Nancy Smith, Greg Buxton.

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## **BAR PRICES**

The Bar Committee has conducted a review of prices, and it was decided that only corporate prices would be increased, but also adjusted to make the handling of change at these events easier for bar staff. Members' discounted prices and happy hour prices will remain unchanged, apart from Sports Drinks (which we were selling at less than cost) and Cruisers and Pure Blonde which were also under-priced. Excise on liquor automatically increases every six months, at which time suppliers tend to also increase their prices.

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**Volunteers are required to assist with the running of Barefoot Bowls on Sunday afternoons. It is only for a couple of hours, so if you think you can assist please see Lyn Daniel.**

*Barefoot Bowls for Beginners is Back*

*Every Sunday 2-4pm*

**MEMBERS:**

**Invite your Friends along to try bowls**

We'll throw in a FREE sausage sizzle  
and open the bar if required.

## Umpires required

Bayswater Bowls Club needs new umpires to help out during the coming pennant season. If you think you would like to undergo training or would like to know more, please see Lyn Daniel or talk to one of current umpires.

## GOOD ONYA BARB!

Barbara Keenan, who has served our club in many different capacities for a number of years, and is currently a member of the Board, has been appointed to the Board of Eastern Ranges Bowls Region. Congratulations, Barbara.

## JUST SAYIN'

Glass of Wine at Kirk's Hotel, Mornington: \$8  
Bayswater Bowls Club members' price: \$3.30.

## Working with Children

All members who currently hold a valid 'Working with Children Check' and/or VIT registration are requested to email the details of their card number to Ron Hurley at [ronjulie@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ronjulie@bigpond.net.au)

## Club Fees

Club fees are now due and should be paid by **August 30<sup>th</sup> 2018**. Full members who have not paid by the due date will not be eligible to play in the pennant practice games.

## NICE ONE!

Who were the members who were on bar duty at a recent fund-raising trivia night who entered the raffle – and won a meat tray!



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## SURREAL SUPER SATURDAY

Prizes for the next **Surreal Super Saturday**, to be held on **August 25** have been increased. Two game winners will each receive \$150. Two game runners up will each receive \$80. One game winners will each receive \$80 and one game runners up will each receive \$60.

To have a chance to be part of this, get your entries in now. Entry fee is \$36 per team.

Results of the last Super Saturday held on July 28 are:

Two game winners: **Ray Wheeler, Greg Buxton, Adam Buxton.**

Two game runners up: **Sharon Gibbs, D Lyn, Andy Pryor.**

One game winners: **Pam Pleydell, David Haack, Tim Murphy.**

One game runners up: **Fred, Keith, Paul.**

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## GREENS INSPECTORS WANTED

Eastern Ranges Bowls Region are urgently recruiting Greens Inspectors. The job is not difficult or time consuming. A Bowls Victoria Greens Inspector exam pass is required. Anybody who is interested can contact Anthony Anderson on [reggie322@bigpond.com](mailto:reggie322@bigpond.com)

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## AS THE ADS SAY, “WALKERS WANTED”

We've produced a new brochure extolling the virtues of the club and we've also got flyers to go out about barefoot bowls in a bid to attract new members to the club. But they're not going to do much good sitting in a box in the office. So we need people to distribute them. Flyers are designed for a letterbox drop – just a few streets around your house would be great. And we'd like to see a handful of brochures put into shops, hairdressers, fast food outlets, restaurants, waiting rooms etc. And also letterboxes!

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## MAMMA MIA!

It was a pretty miserable night and the turnout was a bit disappointing, but those who came to our Mamma Mia movie night had a great time, not just enjoying the movie, but the popcorn, bags of lollies and ice cream. Watch out for our next social function.



*Cartoon supplied by Jeff Crook!!*

# SOCIAL BOWLS RESULTS

<b>Wednesday July 4</b>		<b>3 Bowl Triples</b>
2 Game Winners:	R Porter, A Lia, L Lucas.	
1 Game Winners:	R Hurley, P Pleydell, J Phyland.	
<b>Wednesday July 11</b>		<b>3 Bowl Triples</b>
2 Game Winners:	C Murray, I Jack, B Green.	
2 Game Runner up:	C Lovelock, R Hurley, J Phyland.	
1 Game Winners:	R Porter, A Lia, L Lucas.	
2 Game Runner up:	I Jack, J Toal, T Buckingham.	
<b>Saturday July 14</b>		<b>2 Bowl Triples</b>
2 Game Winners:	M Hollard, L Ham, B Green.	
1 Game Winners:	I Ball, G Overs, M Lyon.	
<b>Wednesday July 18</b>		<b>3 Bowl Triples</b>
2 Game Winners:	J Sutcliffe, C Boltwood, W Gear.	
2 Game Runners up:	C Murray, I Jack, J Rouse.	
1 Game Winners:	J Cairns, A Gamble, B Chan.	
1 Game Runners up:	J Corn, J Toal, T Buckingham.	
<b>Saturday July 21</b>		<b>2 Bowl Triples</b>
2 Game Winners:	S Gibbs, P Pleydell, R Wheeler.	
1 Game Winners:	J Crook, T Murphy, A Buxton.	
<b>Wednesday July 25</b>		<b>3 Bowl Triples</b>
2 Game Winners:	R Porter, A Lia, L Lucas.	
2 Game Runner up:	C Lovelock, R Southward, D Kimberley.	
1 Game Winners:	J Corn, J Toal, J Corn.	
2 Game Runner up:	Fred, Keith, Paul.	
<b>Saturday July 28 (Surreal Two Bowl Triples)</b>		<b>2 Bowl Triples</b>
2 Game Winners:	R Wheeler, G Buxton, A Buxton.	
2 Game Runner up:	S Gibbs, D Lyn, A Pryor.	
1 Game Winners:	P Pleydell, D Haack, T Murphy.	
2 Game Runner up:	Fred, Keith, Paul.	
<b>Wednesday August 1</b>		<b>3 Bowl Triples</b>
2 Game Winners:	R Coleman, M Hallier, F Murray.	
2 Game Runner up:	R Porter, A Lia, L Lucas.	
1 Game Winners:	C Lovelock, R Southward, W Gear.	
2 Game Runner up:	J Pumphrey, N Shilkin, B Green.	
<b>Saturday August 4</b>		<b>2 Bowl Triples</b>
2 Game Winners:	S Gibbs, P Pleydell, R Wheeler.	
1 Game Winners:	T Murphy, J Crook, A Buxton.	

## Alice Springs Masters Games

Alice Springs Masters Games are due to be held October 13 - 20 at the Alice Springs Golf Club Bowling Green. More information and registration is available at <https://www.alicespringmastersgames.com.au/sports/lawn-bowls/>