



# NEWSLETTER

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## December 2018

*A Merry Christmas*

*And A*

*Happy*

*New Year*

*To all members*

**"Friendship through Bowls"**

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## **FELICITATIONS**

**Y**es, it's that time of year again, and it certainly has crept up— everybody seems to keep talking about how the years fly by.

So it's a case of "Merry Christmas" to you all; may you all enjoy the festive period in your own way.

Look back on the events of 2018, events of the world, events of your own life, and events at Bayswater Bowls Club. Look back in a reflective mood, and then turn your thoughts to 2019, and think how you can make 2019 an even better year.

All the best to everyone,

**Alistair Smith, Executive Director.**

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## **MEMBERSHIP PUSH**

Early in December, the club hired the services of a professional distributor to letter box the best part of 26,000 leaflets advertising our regular Sunday barefoot bowls, as a way of finding new members. The distribution covered Wantirna, Wantirna South, Scoresby, Bayswater, Bayswater North and part of Boronia. We've still got plenty of leaflets that members can continue to letterbox by themselves to reinforce the message. We've also got a banner up on the Phyllis St fence. If anyone has thoughts about another location where this could go up for a week or so, even your own fence, let Greg Buxton or Alistair know.

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## **SATURDAY SELECTORS**

On behalf of the Saturday selectors I would like to wish all of our pennant players and Merry Christmas and a successful New Year.

We will continue to strive for the best outcome for the club as a whole in the New Year. If any Saturday pennant player has any queries or needs any explanations as to selection please see a selector and request attendance at the next selectors meeting. As has been mentioned before we not only need to be a team but we need to look like a team. It is not a good look to have some players hanging back from team bonding and giving our opposition and mental advantage.

**Doug Clarke**  
**Chairman Saturday selectors**

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi bowlers.

On behalf of the Bowls committee I would like to wish all of our members very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Please take plenty of care on the roads over the holiday period and we would like to see everybody back in one piece as we can't afford to lose any more members.

Our heartiest congratulations to our club singles champions Lyn Daniel and Alan Woning well done. And commiserations to our runners-up Marika Forras and Tony Buckingham.

Looking forward to seeing everybody refreshed and healthy in the New Year.

**Christmas cheers**

**Doug Clarke**  
**Bowls Committee President**

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## THANKS FROM THE KITCHEN

I would like to thank all of the wonderful kitchen volunteers for helping with the end of year functions that have been held at the Club.

Beginning November 30th, nine functions have been run with most being BBQ with salads.

Thank you Ros Jack, Margaret Warren, Denise Fergusson, Gwen White, Maureen Hodgkisson, Carol Murray, Maree Hollard, Pam Pleydell, Marion O'Toole, Carol Chesterfield, Jane Corn, Nancy Smith and Dot Coutts.

**Jane Corn**  
**Kitchen Manager**

## *BATTLERS POSTPONED*

In the last newsletter we forecast that we would be have a Baysie Battlers social night during December, but in view of the pressure of functions and general Christmas activities, it has been decided to postpone this until **Friday, January 18**. Watch notice board for further information.

# CLUB SINGLES CHAMPIONS

The Club Singles Champions for 2018-19 are **Allan Woning** and **Lyn Daniel**. Runners up were **Tony Buckingham** and **Marika Forras**.



**Allan Woning**



**Lyn Daniel**

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## Markers required

Eastern Ranges are holding the Ladies Singles Championships at Bayswater Bowls Club on the 6th January 2019 and markers are required for this event.

If you are able to help on this day, please contact **Lyn Daniel** on 0408 565 567.

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## Club Championships

### Attention all bowlers

As from the 1st January 2019, all club championship games for each round **must** be completed on or before the due date.

Players will be disqualified if games are not completed by the due date. Bowlers with a legitimate excuse will be considered on a case by case basis.

Please contact **Bob Murray** to discuss any issues.



<b>November 10</b> 20 A Tyrrell. 17 B Milford.	<b>November 17</b> 25 Club. 16 J Crook.	<b>November 24</b> 32 A Keenan. 42 A Smith.	<b>December 1</b> 20 A Keenan. 18 J Webber.	<b>December 8</b> 9 G White. 7 C Boltwood.
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## STATE ELECTION:

Club received a very nice letter from Heidi Victoria (see Notice Board) who lost the seat of Bayswater that she had held for 12 years in the State Election. Heidi had been at the club many times during her tenure and was always well received. Her last visit included a stint selling raffle tickets at our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary lunch!

She has been succeeded by Labour Candidate Jackson Taylor, a policeman. Jackson was also a Knox Councillor and Deputy Mayor, representing Collier Ward which covers the Wantirna area, but had to resign these positions following his election. Jackson has actually visited the club in his councillor capacity and had a try at bowls while here. We have sent him a note of congratulation—but it's probably a bit early yet to hit him for some grants!



## POKIE MACHINE AT THE CLUB?

Maybe it was a freak chance, or maybe one of our members is an instinctive poker machine player, because, when handing over his money for a drink he had bought at the bar, one coin slipped clean into the slot where the paper printouts come out. Had to dig into the guts of the till to get it out, otherwise who knows what would have happened. Maybe a jackpot would have spewed out?

## A Selectors Prayer

Blessed are they who can play sport  
Blessed are they who can still be taught  
Blessed are they who accept with grace  
To play in any selected place

## The Wailing Wall (or the notice board at the Club)

They beat their breasts and cried  
out loud,  
As they faced the western wall,  
Where the selectors had placed the  
team selections  
On the notice board was their call.

There were some that swore and  
some that cried,  
And some who stood and  
muttered  
Some were proud, some were coy,  
And others merely stuttered.

There were voices raised in anger,  
Shrill screams split the air,  
There were those who didn't say a  
thing,  
Because they really didn't care.

"I wont play with him", one said,

"He's a bloody hopeless skip."  
And one who very quietly said,  
"It's time I took my trip."

There were many self selections,  
There were lots of "bloody hells!"  
There weren't very many  
who said the Selectors had done  
well.

The players knew who should be  
there,  
They knew who to pick,  
Just ask them when you hear them  
say,  
"That selector is a \$\$\$#@!"

Each year the tears get deeper,  
As on the floor they fall,  
From those who stand in anguish  
Before the wailing wall.

The advertisement features a header with a photo of Linda Mitrevski on the left and right, the Surreal Property Group logo in the center, and the text "Real Estate Ph: 9729 5288". Below the header is a navigation bar with "SALES", "RENTALS", "AUCTIONS", and "COMMERCIAL". The main text reads: "Looking for a reliable mature & caring Property Manager Call Linda Mitrevski for a chat. 9729 5288". At the bottom, it says "Support your local Independent family operated Real Estate Agency" and "2/732 Mountain Highway Bayswater (Between the Bayswater Banks)". Two award logos from ratemyagent are shown on the right, both for 2018 Agency of the Year Award Winner.

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## **JOKER POKER (1)– JACKPOT GOES OFF**

Acting Joker Alistair Smith, after organising everything after the end of pennant round 9, found himself winning the jackpot of \$260 after his ticket was first pulled out and he picked the Joker from the board ... bit embarrassing since he had set the board up in the first place, but he assured everyone that he had shuffled the pack and pinned on the cards face down, an act he claimed was captured on CCTV. Pack has been reshuffled, this time with assistance from Karen G Barton (see below), and the jackpot was to begin again at the Christmas break-up at \$150. Meanwhile the Surreal Spin has hit the \$100 mark.

## **JOKER POKER (2)–WHAT'S THE ODDS**

After pennant Round 6, our home grown Joker Bob Green asked Karen G Barton to draw the raffle. Remember, it was Karen who was the first to collect a prize this year in Surreal Spin. This time, she managed to draw her own number from the big red bucket, so was able to have another go. What's the odds of getting a go at the main prize two weeks out of six ... and drawing you own number?

## **FUNCTIONS COMMENTS . . .**

“Thank you so much for all your assistance organising our Staff End-of-Year Function yesterday and please pass my thanks to Jane and John and Tony and your other members who were so friendly and helpful in making our event a success.”

“Everyone had a great time, enjoying the food and the bowls and the comfortable and relaxed atmosphere of the club.”

On our new spit roast buffet: “— really enjoyed the food. The meats were tasty and tender and the salads offered a good range, even accommodating all but most complex dietary requirements. The quantity was generous. The desserts were very nice too and again, generous quantity. No negative feedback at all.”

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## **ANYONE SMELL A RAT?**

We received multiple hits on our alarms system (motion sensitive) over a period of a few days, and it turned out a rat (or rats) was the culprit having chewed its way through a week spot in the back wall. Seems the building works next door might be disturbing them. Hole has been filled, exterminators called in, and seems problem is solved.

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## **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Brian Dodson, Maureen Hodgkisson, Ron Hurley, Coral Oversby, Jim Pumphrey, Gwen White, Frank Zimmerman, Bill Chan, Lyn Daniel.

## DEJA VU

Remember last month's story about the lead who in the roll-up put down her bowl before she had rolled the jack. "Thanks for keeping it anonymous," she told the newsletter's reporter. Then she went out and did exactly the same thing again! A third time and maybe we'll start naming names!

Then there was another lead who got carried away and decided she didn't need to put the mat down before starting.

### COULDN'T SEE IT

Member of the bar staff was having great problems trying to get a rack of dirty glasses into the glass washer ... pushing and shoving, twisting, muttering under his breath, "Something must be broken.." No it wasn't. It wouldn't go in because there was a tray already in there!

### Advice

"If your Skip wants an opinion, He'll give it to you".

Lead: "How much am I short?" Skip: "You ought to know, you're closer to it"

## SOCIAL BOWLS RESULTS

### Saturday November 14

2 Game Winners:

J Malligan, M Hollard, K Groenewegen.

1 Game Winners:

A Huntley, J Pumphrey, B Green.

### 2 Bowl Triples

### Wednesday November 21

2 Game Winners:

B Smith, D Kimberley, R Southward.

1 Game Winners:

B Green, R Hurley, J Phyland.

### 3 Bowl Triples

### Wednesday November 28

2 Game Winners:

B Smith, R Southward, D Kimberley.

1 Game Winners:

B Power, J Crook, R Wheeler.

### 3 Bowl Triples

### Wednesday December 5

2 Game Winners:

G Eaton, T Buckingham, K G Barton.

1 Game Winners:

C Murray, I Jack, J Rouse.

### 3 Bowl Triples

*Barefoot Bowls for Beginners is Back*

*Every Sunday 2-4pm*

Invite your Friends along to try bowls, We'll throw in a

FREE sausage sizzle and open the bar if required.