

NEWSLETTER

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EVEN A LITTLE HELPS

Clubs like ours simply cannot exist without "volunteers" prepared to do their bit around the club. Just think about the amount of unpaid work that's done: administration through committees, banking and finance, gardens, greens, maintenance, cleaning, kitchen, buying for the kitchen and the bar, serving the bar, staffing corporate nights, duty rinks during pennant, organising social games, opening and closing the club, maintaining our website, emptying the garbage bins, letter-boxing leaflets—the list goes on and on.

We are constantly needing people to help with all of these and other jobs around the place. Some of it seems to fall back to the same few. Others say they haven't the time, or their health won't allow them. But every little helps. Even half an hour pulling out weeds is better than nothing; folding table napkins is not exactly strenuous. Don't rely on your fellow members to provide the facilities that you use as well.

So, to paraphrase a well known saying, "Don't ask what you club can do for you, ask what you can do for your club."

After all, you're the one that benefits.

Alistair Smith, Executive Director.

"Friendship through Bowls"

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Alistair Smith **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:** Dennis Kimberley

FINANCIAL DIRECTOR: John Corn

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Pam Pleydell, Barbara Keenan

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please note that the Annual General Meeting of the Bayswater Bowls Club, will be held on **Sunday**, **May 5**, so please put the date in your diaries now. Nomination forms for elections etc, will be circulated at the appropriate time, but think about how you can help your club.

LAST SATURDAY PENNANT

After the last regular season Saturday pennant (March 2) there will be a sausage sizzle, while we finish off Joker Poker for the season with a must-be-won \$400 and a \$40 Surreal Spin. The winner of Rink of the Year will be announced and the award for Pennant Player of the Year will be made.

SATURDAY SELECTORS

Hi bowlers.

When writing this report we have one Saturday game to go with a very remote chance a number 2 side can make it into 4th place and play finals.

When we started this season our aims were to hold one division 2 side in division 2 with the possibility of playing finals, our other division 2 side we accepted it would most probably be relegated to division 3 because of the amount of players lost from the previous year. Our 3rd side we were hoping to get to division 4 but definitely not dropping lower than division 5.

As the pennant season wore on we were forced to juggle players and rinks to put us in the best possible position for next season.

So next season we will line up with one 2nd division one third division and one 5th division.

It is obvious to us selectors that we have lost too many good pennant players in the last couple of years. It was extremely disappointing to see in just a couple of weeks we had 10 of our ex-players playing against us.

I would like to thank Andy Pryor, Jim Pumphrey, Terry Davis and Adam Buxton, your Saturday selectors for the great job that they have done considering the amount of good players that have departed.

We are now looking forward to next season with hopefully a big influx of pennant players to help take us to the next level.

Doug Clarke. Chairman Saturday selectors

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi fellow bowlers, when writing this report the pennant season is nearly over with one Saturday game to go.

Tuesday pennant finals will be played by our topside and our 3rd side. It would be great to get as many members as possible to either one of these games and show some vocal support.

Unfortunately our Saturday pennant sides have not been able to make it into the finals, although if some miracle occurs our 2nd side could possibly sneak into 4th place.

As you may have heard our electronic scoreboards will soon be up and running. Many thanks to John Rouse for the time and effort he has put into this project.

On behalf of the Bowls committee I would like to take this opportunity to thank our head coach for the time and effort he has put into the training drills that I am sure has helped many of our bowlers, also thanks to our other club coaches that have imparted their knowledge and skill onto our new and slightly older bowlers.

Thanks must also go to our team managers and selectors for the work that they have put in over the pennant season.

We will soon be holding our major tournament for the year (master and apprentices) and I am sure it will be a terrific and successful day. Good bowling.

Doug Clarke. Bowls committee president.

EARLY ALERT RE SMOKING

Following a unanimous decision of the Board, the club is in the process of drawing up a formal smoking policy in line with Bowls Victoria guidelines, State laws and Knox Council Regulations. Which will see smoking confined to clearly delineated smoking areas, with no exceptions. The policy will also include e-cigarettes. The policy, a formal by-law, will be widely circulated and advertised once the details are established, but as is the case at present there will be no smoking anywhere on the banks, something that is currently being flouted by some people. Please be alerted to the fact that the new policy will include penalties for breaches.

The local police arrested two old bowlers leaving their club yesterday, one was drinking battery acid, the other was eating fireworks.

—So they charged one and let the other one off.

MEN'S PAIRS CHAMPIONS

In a tight match for most of the game, **Tony Buckingham & Jim Toal** (right), are the Men's Pairs Champions for 2018-19. They defeated **Kyle Crawford &** Andrew Tyrrell 22-11. Congratulations to Tony and Jim.



First Aid Training

Would you know what to do if a member of your bowling team, friend or your partner suddenly collapsed? We know that time is of the essence when someone collapses. The quicker we can assist them and get medical help the better chance of survival they have.

Our sponsor **Healthquard First Aid** is looking to run a fully accredited first aid course for members of the Bayswater Bowls Club at a reduced rate. Learn all the skills to manage any emergency until the arrival of an ambulance.

Course topics include:

- Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
- Medical emergencies
- Trauma and bleeding management
- Care of the unconscious casualty

The first aid course is conducted by qualified ambulance paramedics.

The course is a fast track course which requires the completion of a workbook prior to commencing the practical components of the course. The course is delivered over 6 hours either in one day or two 3 hour sessions.

If you are interested please speak to John Corn, and if we get enough interest we will run the course in the near future.



4 L Ruddock 2 N Smith

33 N Spokes 15 A Smith 38 G White 22 M Sutherland 33 N Spokes 27 J Corn

SPONSORSHIP BOOST

Long term sponsor the **Knox Club** has increased its support of the club to \$5000 per year. In return we would ask that you support the Knox Club by taking out membership if you haven't already got it, and by using the club's facilities and attending events like Morning Melodies or Karaoke.

Remember, too, to register the fact that you are a member of Bayswater Bowls Club when filling in an application form or recording your details.

AND A VISIT

A representative of Regis Home Care will be at the club during social bowls on March 13 to outline the service the organisation provides to people who need help in the home. Come along and meet them and have a chat if you have any queries about how the system works.

On sponsorship generally, it helps the club retain sponsors and advertisers because they know they are getting value for money if you make a point of mentioning to them that you are a member of the club when availing yourself of their services.

Tom moves to a small village and soon joins the local bowls club.

All goes well and Tom soon makes many friends apart from Glenda, the village gossip. Soon there is a rumour being spread by Glenda that Tom is an alcoholic and that she has seen his car parked outside the village pub on several occasions, and this shows he must be inside, boozing and up to no good.

Tom soon get's to hear the rumour but to everyone's surprise he does not confront Glenda. A few nights later Tom parks his car outside Glenda's house, locks it and leaves it there all night.

MASTERS & APPRENTICES TOURNAMENT

Monday 11th March 2019 Total Prize money \$2000. Entry Fee \$50 per Team.

Breakfast 8:00am. Play starts 9:00am. Lunch provided 3 games of 10 ends, 2-2-2-2, plus finals.

Entry forms available from Carl Boltwood 0422 438 903 or Bob Murray 0412 537 964

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& Healthquard First Aid Training

JOKER POKER: WHAT'S THE ODDS (Part 3)

Maybe the odds of drawing your own number aren't that big after all! Alistair Smith's grandson, Wil the Wizard (not the joker) drew his own number (bought by granddad, of course) when down with his grandparent's for the weekend. Failed to find the joker or spin heads, but perfectly happy to win a box of Malteezers and to phone Mum and tell her all about it.

At the time of writing, the jackpot was sitting at \$320, and Surreal Spin (ten weeks without heads) was at \$200. If not won by then, numbers will be drawn until they do go off after the last pennant game.

THANK YOU

Got a lovely card from a lady from Blackburn who was overcome by heat during a recent game. She asked us to pass on our thanks to everyone who help her and who asked after her welfare as she recovered in the club. The incident highlighted that we really should have more people around club who have been trained in first aid and courses are being organised. Please put you hand up for them.

DO WHATEVER...

One day, a man came home and was greeted by his wife dressed in a very sexy nightie.

'Tie me up', she purred, 'and you can do anything you want.' So he tied her up and went and had a game of bowls.



\$1000 STORAGE OFFER: START BIDDING NOW

Thanks to Andy Pryor, Fry's Storage has donated a \$1000 storage voucher to the club, and we are inviting members to put in a bid for it on behalf of themselves or a friend. This is ideal for someone downsizing, decluttering, renovating, moving home, or having someone move in. Even if you have no need for storage space yourself, one of your relatives or friends might, ask around. The voucher is valid until December 31, 2020, so you have plenty of time to use it.

To give you an idea of what this is worth, \$1000 would get you 11 months use of a 5.6 cubic metre storage space, or the use of a 2 \times 2 \times 2.8 metre unit for more than 6 months. Fry's Storage has nine locations, one of them in Canterbury Rd, Bayswater North.

The silent auction will close at 5 pm on Monday, March 11 (the day of Masters and Apprentices) and the voucher will go to the highest bidder, regardless of the amount.

The bidding sheet is at the bar.

SENIORS REGISTER

Local Volunteer Organisation Bridges Connecting Communities, has been given a grant by Knox Council to compile a register of isolated residents who live alone so that they can receive regular calls from volunteers to check on their welfare. To find out more about the register, or to add a name to it, call Liz at Bridges, or email kssr@bridges.com.au.

GROUP EXERCISE CLASSES FOR OLDER ADULTS

Every Friday morning at 9:30 am & 10:30 am. Classes run for 45 minutes and are held in our club rooms. Please arrive 15 minutes early to fill in a pre-exercise screening form.

Sessions are run by **Lisa Rouse**, a fully qualified personal trainer/group fitness instructor.

If you require more information please contact Lisa on 0412 323 556

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Keven Butler, Elaine Delaney, Bob Murray, Nancy Smith, Nigel Spokes, Peter Weber, Carol Chesterfield, Carl Boltwood, John Rovatsos, Rebecca Welsh, Marion O'Toole, Jenny Pegg.

SOCIAL BOWLS RESULTS

Wednesday December 19 3 Bowl Triples

2 Game Winners: J Garrity, B Layton, T Davis. **1 Game Winners:** J Sutcliffe, I Jack, C Murray.

Wednesday January 9 3 Bowl Triples

2 Game Winners: I Jack, G Munro, C Murray.

1 Game Winners: J Sutcliffe, K Groenewegen, W Gear.

Wednesday January 16 3 Bowl Triples

2 Game Winners: K Groenewegen, D Kimberley, J Garrity.

1 Game Winners: B Chan, C Hutchings, A Gamble.

Wednesday January 23 3 Bowl Triples

2 Game Winners: J Malligan, M Hollard, R Southward.

1 Game Winners: B Power, A Taylor, R Wheeler.

Wednesday February 6 3 Bowl Triples

2 Game Winners: J Malligan, D Ferguson, K Barton.1 Game Winners: B Chan, C Hutchings, A Gamble.

Wednesday February 13 3 Bowl Triples

2 Game Winners: Alan, B????? Jim.

1 Game Winners: C Lovelock, W Gear, D Clarke.

Wednesday February 20 3 Bowl Triples

2 Game Winners: B Smith, K Groenewegen, R Southward.

1 Game Winners: R O'Toole, B Layton, T Davis.

Wednesday February 27 3 Bowl Triples 2 Game Winners: K Groenewegen, B Chan, J Phyland.

1 Game Winners: B Layton, T Davis, J Garrity.

COMPUTER LITERATE ???

We are seeking someone prepared to learn the ropes of our website—how to upload material, make changes etc. At the moment this is all done by Albert Taylor and we have no back up to him in case of emergency. Talk to Albert if you can help. He tells us its all pretty straight forward.

Barefoot Bowls for Beginners is Back

Every Sunday 2-4pm

Invite your Friends along to try bowls, We'll throw in a <u>FREE</u> sausage sizzle and open the bar if required.