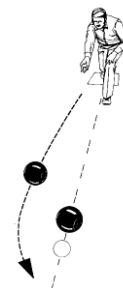


THE GOOD LINE  
Periodic Newsletter  
City of Heidelberg Bowling Club  
July 2020



### Introduction

#### Greetings!

With the easing of restrictions on June 22 we were able to increase the number of players on a Green at any one time to 32. This greatly assisted the conduct of the Thursday nominated bowls. You will see below that our Club is also able to offer some clubhouse-based events. However, with the recent surge in COVID-19 infections and re-institution of lockdowns, things are not looking great. We'll hope for the best. Please follow the instructions for looking after yourself and your fellow members when you are at the Club.

### Social Events

#### Club Friday resumes on July 10

Yes, good news - our Club Friday is to begin again after a long break due to the Covid situation. We are very pleased to say that –

- We can have a maximum of 20 members at Club Friday at one time.
- There must be the usual social distancing of 1.5m at all times.
- There will be a reduced number of tables and chairs available. These have been specially placed so please do not move them.
- There is hand sanitiser readily available so please use it frequently.

#### Making a Phone Call

- As there is a maximum of 20 members allowed in the Clubhouse at any time, **please call June Norman on 9484 7775 or 0423 952 024** on Wednesday, July 11 to register your intent to come to Club Friday. This will save finding that there are already 20 in the clubhouse when you arrive. Likewise if you find at the last minute that you cannot come please also let June know.

#### Food

- There will be soup and hamburgers available, but they **MUST BE ORDERED** by making a phone call to June Norman on Wednesday, July 11. Cash is OK for this.

#### The Bar

- The bar will be open for table service only, so please - **DO NOT COME TO THE BAR** - our bar staff will take your order from your table.
- As a re-opening special there will be Corona at \$2.00 per bottle and Bundaberg Tropical Mango at 50c per bottle, whilst stocks last.
- It would be appreciated if everyone could pay for their drinks by card where possible.
- Please do not return your glasses and bottles to the bar; there will be receptacles for you to put these in.

#### Euchre

- We plan to play our usual Euchre. No charge to play for our first night back, therefore no prizes, **BUT** everyone playing gets a small chocolate.

**Let's make our re-opening a grand one. Hope to see all our 'regulars' plus others.  
The heating will be on. Our Jackpot is now at \$250.**

***Our return to Club Friday is very dependent on the situation with COVID-19. When this newsletter was printed the Club Friday arrangement fell within the Victorian Government Guidelines, but if the restrictions should be increased further, then unfortunately our Friday nights will have to be postponed.***

### **The clubhouse, kitchen and bar availability**

At this stage our clubhouse, kitchen and bar remain closed except for Club Friday.

### **Lost property**

A set of keys has been found at the Club (possibly been there for a while). On the key ring there is a tag 'Jellis Craig'. If it might be yours, please contact Lesley.

Lesley Peters

### **Report on Board Business – June 2020 Meeting**

**Due to COVID-19 this meeting was held with participants attending in the home of the Chairman.**

- No response has been received from local Councillor Peter Castaldo, regarding the problems caused by the Plane trees in Stradbroke Ave.
- The purchase of two bulk hand sanitiser dispensers was approved. These will be permanently installed at the club. One sanitiser will be installed at the entry double doors and the other near the entrance to the kitchen.
- Warringal Hospital has contacted the club requesting a meeting. The hospital is about to commence construction for expansion of the hospital. Discussion is likely to centre on parking arrangements. Further discussion at Board level will ensue.
- Approval was given for a funds transfer to the Terms Deposit account.
- Three people were approved for membership of the club.
- Recommencement of limited organised bowling activities has been well supported by members.
- Following consultation with members, it has been decided that there will be a submission to Bowls Victoria for three full teams for Saturday Pennant games and three full teams for midweek Pennant. It seems likely that the Club will submit a team for Tuesday evening competition. This may involve support from local bowling clubs.
- Due to COVID-19 the Winter Fours competition will not be hosted at the Club.
- It was decided that the Green generally referred to as the “bottom Green” will in future be referred to as the “John May Green”. Appropriate signage will be installed.
- Approval was provided for the purchase of clocks and hands-free-waste bins near the Greens.
- It was decided to organise entertainment for the Christmas function pending compliance with COVID-19 restrictions at that time.
- Due to COVID-19 restrictions limiting bowling and social activities at the club, the Board decided to reduce subscription fees by one third for the 2020/2021 season.
- The defibrillators are to be serviced in readiness for the coming season.
- The Club’s Handbook is being prepared for the coming season. Members are urged notify the Secretary of any changes to details to be published.
- The entrance wrought iron gate from Stradbroke Ave to the clubhouse is causing some difficulties. Rectification options are being explored.
- The AGM is scheduled for August 8, 2020. Compliance with COVID-19 restrictions at that time may mean innovative approaches will need to be considered.

Tony Vandenberg Chairman – Board of Management

## **General Information**

Membership invoices were posted out on July 1.

Please pay your membership fee as soon as possible. If possible, the preferred method of payment is direct bank transfer.

John Starmans

## **Club uniform**

If you play Saturday or Tuesday Pennant you must wear a Club shirt. Other items of Club clothing such as jackets and vests are optional. For those not familiar with the vest, it is available with either fleece or thin lining. Here is the vest is modelled by long-term member and Club celebrity, Brian James.



If you need to purchase a shirt or are interested in other items of Club clothing, please contact Kerry Haines on 9480 6308 or 0437 896 308.

Kerry Haines

## **Club surrounds**

After a long delay to a request made last November, Metro Trains has engaged a company to remove the dead trees in the railway reserve on the eastern side of our car park. This work will be performed on Monday, July 6.

Re the maintenance of the surrounds, I acknowledge the efforts of Gerry Thorn and more recently Noel Donnelly. Gerry has for some time been maintaining the grass area adjacent to the bottom Green while Noel has recently spent time pruning all our roses as well as weeding and tidying up under the hedge and in the car park garden. Thank you to both these members, your involvement helps to ensure our surrounds are always looking their best.

Rob Boffey

## **Vale Lorna Marr (19/9/31 to 9/6/20)**

Lorna was a popular bowler at the Club for many years. She played in the mid-week Pennant and played social bowls during the winter. She joined the Club in August 1999 in a Club recruiting drive. In 2004-05, Lorna took on the role as Ladies President when there were both women and men presidents. She was part of the winning team in the Tuesday Open Division 2 section final in 2012-13. She was an effective lead. In later years she suffered a number of strokes leaving her incapacitated. She had three children and three grandchildren.

Rodney Snibson

## **Vale Valma Siggins**

Val Siggins, a member for over 40 years, passed away suddenly on June 30. A dedicated bowler, Val had not played during recent years. Nevertheless, Val's interest in our Club was evident by her continued full membership. Our thoughts are with Val's family and friends. A Private Service will be held on Thursday, July 9.

Rob Boffey

## Bowls-related items

Our nomination for three sides for Saturday and Tuesday Pennant has been submitted to BV. Part of the nomination process asked for feedback on the preferred format for the lowest Saturday Pennant Division, The options were sides of 12 or sides of 16. Based on discussions at the combined meeting of the Match Committee, selectors and our coach on June 13, our preference for sides of 12 players was communicated.

Because of the adverse impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the 2020 National bowls tournaments scheduled for early October, the dates for starting Pennant have been revised. Whereas the start was to be around mid October, the anticipated start for Saturday Pennant is now September 26 and for Tuesday Pennant, September 29.

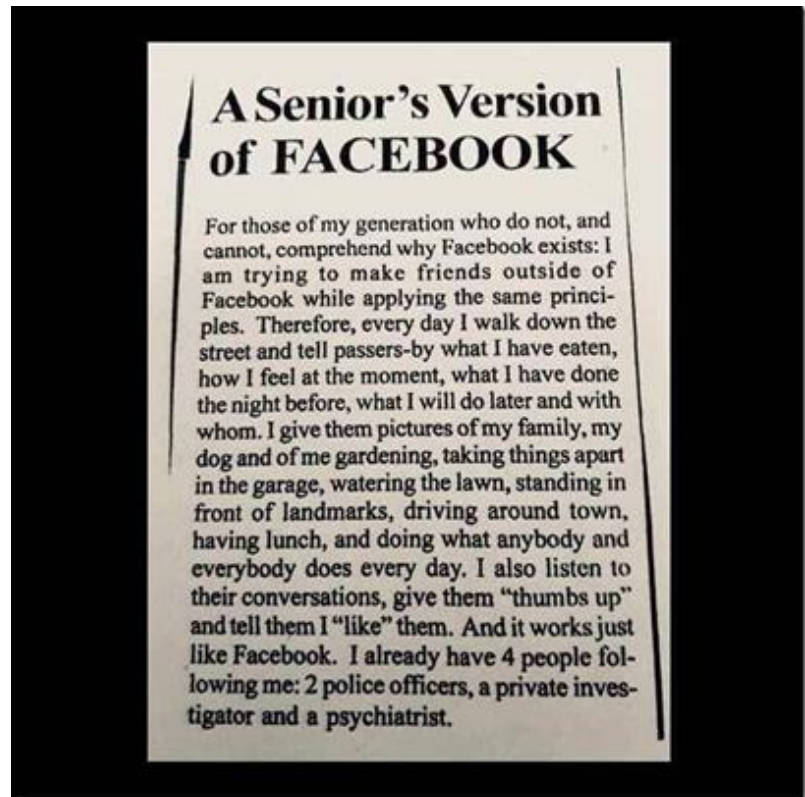
When the above starting dates are confirmed, our Club's combined Opening Day and Presentation afternoon will be publicised. You will be informed in the near future of plans for intra club practice games combined with interactive sessions led by Carmelo to discuss aspects of Pennant and the upcoming season.

Rob Boffey

## Light relief



A police officer called the station on his radio. "I have an interesting case here. An old lady shot her husband for stepping on the floor she just mopped."  
"Have you arrested the woman?"  
"Not yet. The floor's still wet."



During a visit to my doctor, I asked him, "How do you determine whether or not an older person should be put in an old age home?"  
"Well," he said, "we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the person to empty the bathtub."  
"Oh, I understand," I said. "A normal person would use the bucket because it is bigger than the spoon or the teacup."  
"No" he said. "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed near the window?"