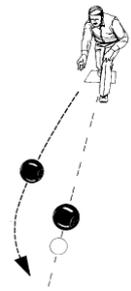


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City of Heidelberg Bowling Club
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Reports on Recent and Future Social Events

Club Friday

Just a reminder that the Board has restricted entry to the Club to members only at this stage of the pandemic. I will let you all know when that changes.

Last Friday saw another fantastic night at the Club. All present thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Kelly does a great job organising and running the night and there are a great mix of questions. The next trivia night will be on the last Friday in May. (May 28)

The Presentation Dinner is to be held on May 22, and this dinner will take the place of the May monthly dinner.

Club Friday will be on again this coming Friday with the members' jackpot at \$70. Hamburgers and pumpkin soup will be on the menu so remember to ring June with your order on or before next Wednesday.

Thanks to the people who helped in the kitchen to help clean up after dinner; it was greatly appreciated. Kitchen and bar staff began their work at 3.30 commencing with a thorough Covid clean of the kitchen, clubroom and toilets. The efforts are greatly appreciated

Hugh Woodburn

Report on Board Business – April 2021 Meeting

The Board met in the clubrooms and administrative matters were dealt with as follows:

- Request from Brian James for seven sets of smaller bowls for U3A and other events – approved and bowls received.
- Rob Boffey attended a meeting of Banyule Council regarding our objections to Warringal Hospital extensions. Our objection was noted but not commented on. Secretary is to arrange a meeting with Warringal Hospital to discuss our concerns.
- Hugh Woodburn prepared a comprehensive Hire of Facilities document – approved.
- Two applications for membership were received and approved.
- Approval given for bigger fridge in the kitchen, also some minor works to accommodate the new fridge.
- Bowls storage is still being considered to remove bottleneck at front door.

Rob Haines, Chairman Board of Management

General information

Club Behavioural Standards

Our Club is evolving into a community that is more than just bowling and includes a number of other activities open to members and visitors to the Club for different events and functions. As a community, our behaviour toward each other (members and visitors alike) contributes to a positive environment for our Club and includes:

- Demonstrating empathy and kindness toward others;
- Being respectful of differing opinions, viewpoints, and experiences;
- Giving and gracefully accepting constructive feedback;
- Accepting responsibility and apologising to those affected by our mistakes, and learning from the experience;
- Focusing on what is best, not just for us as individuals, but overall for the Club.

Examples of unacceptable behaviour that is not tolerated within the club includes:

- The use of sexualised language or imagery, and sexual attention or advances of any kind;
- Trolling, insulting or derogatory comments, and personal or political attacks;
- Public or private harassment;
- Publishing others' private information, such as a physical or email address, without their explicit permission;
- Any other behaviour which could reasonably be considered inappropriate in a community setting.

Enforcement Responsibilities

The Board of Management is responsible for clarifying and enforcing our standards of acceptable behaviour and will take appropriate and fair corrective action in response to any behaviour they deem inappropriate, threatening, offensive, or harmful.

Enforcement

Instances of abusive, harassing, or otherwise unacceptable behaviour should be reported to the Board of Management where all complaints will be reviewed and investigated promptly and fairly. In doing so, The Board of Management is obligated to respect the privacy and security of the reporter of any incident.

David Crisp

Personal Message from Tony

My Bowling Friends,

Many of you have been aware of my recent struggles with lymphoma. For the past 18 months my health deteriorated to the bewilderment of both my GP and Oncologist. My mental anguish with a killer disease was hard to cope with. This, together with severe restrictions in mobility and chronic back and leg pain, affected my participation in club activities.

At present however, I am far more mobile and with fairly heavy doses of morphine, am now able to lead a near normal life and am slowly returning to the sport I love. The companionship and social interaction that goes with this is one I treasure.

On my return to the first game for me last Saturday, Rodney made special mention of this and that gesture and general support from members present on that day is much appreciated. Hopefully I will again be a regular in bowling activities at the Club and have the pleasure of seeing your welcoming faces and receiving well wishes.

Tony Vandenberg

New location for storage of Club's Bowls Sets

An additional matching cupboard to the current black one on the clubhouse verandah was installed today. It is located adjacent to the ramp leading to the men's locker room. It will be used for storing our Club's bowls sets thereby alleviating the bottleneck at the Club's front door. It will be fitted with a club-keyed lock in the next day or two and put into full operation. At present it contains a few sets of bowls (00 and 0 sizes) and is locked. The keys are on the top shelf of the cupboard where the other sets of bowls are still being stored.

A big thank you to Simon Gysberts, firstly, for his initiative in demonstrating that an extra black cupboard could be housed on the verandah and secondly, for spending this afternoon to help with assembling the cupboard and securing it to the brick wall.

Rob Boffey

Bowls-related information

2021/2022 Pennant Season

As well as the e-mail sent by Rob Boffey earlier in the week, lists will be posted on notice boards during May for members to indicate their availability to play Tuesday and Saturday Pennant as well as Night Pennant - assuming it is being run next season. As per usual, you will also be asked to indicate if you are available as an emergency should you not be able to play the majority of the season.

Pairs Championships

The finals for both Ladies' and Men's Pairs were held on Sunday, April 25, and attended by a number of members, families and friends of the finalists. Congratulations to Club Champions Heather Farmer, Joan Braden, John Kerr and Rodney Snibson. Congratulations also to runners-up, Elspeth Orchard, Sandra Dunbar, Paul Liistro and Hugh Woodburn. Both games were enjoyed by all who attended, and it was another great example of our members coming together to support their fellow members in the finals.

Winter Fours

Our annual Winter Fours Tournament will be held on Saturday, August 21. If you want to enter as a team with other club members you need to do so before June 4. Entry forms are available on our website and should be sent to Tim Brown, Event Organiser. Tim will also be looking for volunteers who can help out on the day with various tasks. If you are able to help, please contact Tim.

David Crisp

Message from our Coach

Hi all, I have been particularly happy with the number of bowlers who have been coming on Tuesday mornings to practice. From this Tuesday, May 4, we will commence playing regular games with a slight twist most weeks. We will try and commence as close as possible to 10am and finish by 1pm each time. If you can, please arrive early so sides can be chosen. Also, if you wish, bring a light snack, as we will have a 15-minute break in between games.

By now you should have received a communication regarding a mentoring program that we are implementing during the winter season. I just want to point out that it is not compulsory, but would encourage you to think about getting involved with the view of improving your game.

If you are unable to attend training on a Tuesday morning, I encourage everyone to come down to the Club whenever possible and have a roll, just to keep the momentum of the last season going. Further, if you would like some one-on-one training, please contact me or, once mentoring commences, your mentor, to arrange an appropriate time.

Look forward to seeing you at the club.

Carmelo Liistro

Monday Afternoon Social Bowls

This event is up and running thanks to the efforts of Elspeth, Sandra and Wendy and provides another opportunity for members to compete against fellow members. If you haven't already played, and you have the time, come along and join in any Monday afternoon. Cost per person is \$3.

Rob Boffey

Thursday Winter Bowls

Good news! Thursday Winter Pairs starts on Thursday, May 6. Eighteen teams have committed to a winter of bowling. This is a remarkable result.

Thursday Winter Bowls have the best prizes. The prize for the winning team is \$40, second prize \$30 and best game \$20. No team can win two prizes in the same week. The prizes are calculated with 20 points for a win, ten points for a draw and each winning end counts. If totals are equal, then both scores for each team are added. If this does not resolve the matter, a coin is tossed.

Please let me know when you are unavailable to play. Contact Rod Snibson by text on 049 0207 487 or email rsnibson@melbpc.org.au. The success of the tournament depends on keeping the organiser informed about your unavailability each week, and having replacements ready.

The rules of the competition are that there are no rollups. Leads must roll the jack. There are no dead ends. If the jack goes out, it is placed on the centre line. The umpire is Rod Snibson.

A list of the teams for each week will be displayed each week in the clubroom. Each Thursday, it would be appreciated if you could arrive please by noon for a 12.30pm start. The two games are composed of eleven ends each. There is a break for afternoon tea. The games are expected to finish at four o' clock, when Carmelo will award the prizes. The games will be played on the top Green in the east west direction. The fee is \$5. People prepared to be emergencies are always welcome – please advise if you want to be an emergency.

Rodney Snibson

Saturday Social Bowls

An excellent turn out of bowlers along with an air of enthusiasm and enjoyment has been the feature of this event since it started on April 2. Keep it going! Please ensure you have your name on the appropriate list before each Saturday. If you can't arrange this, please be present at the Club by 1 noon each Saturday. Cost per player is \$5.

Rob Boffey

Bowling Shoes

Tim Brown reports the size 10 bowling shoes he advertised earlier are still available and free to anyone who is interested. Please contact Tim for more information.

Rob Boffey