

MBC NEWSLETTER 8 - 12th November 2018

Hi Everyone.

I hope the information below brings you up to date with the happenings around our Club.

The MtMartha Medley has been cancelled for the 21st November. Unfortunately MtMartha did not have the numbers to make it work. 21st November is now a club select Triples Social day.

The Victoria Bowls Open starts this Friday. There is NO Pennant during the Open. i.e. There is no Pennant on Saturday 17th Nov and Tuesday 20th November.

MBC Twilight Pizza Attack. The first of these held on November 1st proved to be a very enjoyable night. We have tweaked the format to 2 games of 6 ends for the next event on 15th Nov. Arrive at 5:00pm for a 5:30 start followed by pizza at 7pm. Players are asked to form teams of 3. The format is 2 bowls triples with power plays and NO skips at the head! Call David if you have any queries on 0400302080

The Sign-up sheet is out the back. Entry is \$8, which includes Pizza and random prizes. Players' partners are also invited to join us for pizza at a cost of \$4.

A question was raised to the Committee regarding Saturday Social bowlers having afternoon tea with the Pennant teams. The Pennant tea break is set in Conditions of Play and is at 2:45pm. Social bowlers first 12 end game finishes before this time. After discussion it was decided to change Saturday Social Bowls **first game to 13 ends** and the **second game to 11 ends**. This change should have the first game finish at about the time of the designated tea break for Pennant. This will allow for all to have afternoon tea together and be part of the raffle. We hope this will create a more inclusive attitude within the club.

Social Bowls: Don't forget that during Pennant season the sign off time for social bowls on Saturdays and Wednesdays is **6pm the evening before play. The effort we ask of our members is to please sign up by 6pm the day prior to game day.** If you do forget to list by 6pm, there is some flexibility if you phone and leave a message after 6pm.

Our thanks to Doug Brough for his behind the scenes work for Pennant and for our Special Event days. Doug prints all the scorecards and Check Forms for both Saturday and Tuesday Pennant. He has sent Special Event flyers to clubs and MPB Inc. for their website.

Pennant practice is on each Friday from 3:30pm to be followed by Happy Hour. All MBC members & players are invited to have a try at the drills and then enjoy some 2 bowl triples game play.

Are you available to assist our Pennant teams? We need more back up players. Let our selectors know if you can help.

Greens use: Note that the direction of play is East/West on Mondays to Thursday and North/South on Fridays to Sunday. This is to share the wear & tear on Green 1 in particular. There are notes on the Direction of Play board. Please check before you have a roll up. Also note that the **GREENS ARE CLOSED prior to 9am** every day. (for everyone!)

Our “Come & Try Bowls Month” program is now finished. Thanks to Brian Pyne, Tony Hunt and Wayne Gullidge for giving up their time to make this so successful. It appears we may pick up 3 or 4 new members thanks to this effort.

Club Singles Championships: The competition has commenced! This will continue through to the finals on 16th December. The winners will be entered into the Champion of Champions in the district on 17th December. It was disappointing to see only 6 entries to the Ladies competition. The Pairs Championship was completed with Trevor & David getting up over Bernie & Chad. All of our Championships are listed in the Handbook. The next Championship entry will be the President’s Singles Handicap starting on Jan 1st 2019.

State Singles & Fours events entry forms have been received & are on the pin board near the kitchen. So far we have 2 entries to the singles and one 4’s entry. We have also received a number of Event Flyers from Leongatha, Yamala and KooWeeRup. These are in the events folder in the sign up area.

It has been great to see the ill & injured members making a comeback. Ken Weatherly, Ed Fischer and Neil Hayes are out of hospital and home.

Be safe out there!

Cheers

David Pumpa

Bowls President