MBC NEWSLETTER 12 - 12th April 2019 -

Hi Everyone.

The Bowls Committee met on Wednesday for their last meeting prior to the AGM. A number of issues were discussed and put into place for winter and the coming year. The Committee agreed to continue with the early winter start time of 11:30am. This will be for both Saturday and Wednesday social bowls from 1st June. It was agreed to leave the signup time at 6pm the night before for both days. Games should then be completed by 3:30pm before the full winter chill hits late afternoon. Dates have also been set for our 2019/20 Championships and our 3



Preparing for the cold!

feature days. The Opening of the 2019/20 season will be on Saturday 7th September with details still to be decided.

The Committee will also look to increasing our bowls days for members with some innovative days and programs.

What a fantastic Pennant season! Congratulations to the Selectors who have done a great job for our club. Three of our Saturday divisions made finals and we WON 2 Grand Finals - Division 4 defeated City of Frankston and Division 3 defeated Karingal. This is a great result for our club. The result should place us in Saturday Divisions 2 & 3 for next year. Well done to one Div 3 rink that scored an 8 on end 1! The 8's badges were given out on Jack Glasser Day.

Sign up lists for the 2019/20 Pennant season are on the pin board in the back area. This will give selectors and the Committee an idea of the number of Divisions to enter. The response to the MPB Inc discussion paper was forwarded to the MPB Board. We will not know their decisions regarding the way forward until later in the year.

The Jack Glasser Day held on 7th April was another great success for our club. Thanks again to Doug Brough for his organization for the day and also to the many helpers who pitched in to make the day so special. Special thanks to the Glasser family for their sponsorship of the day and their continuing commitment to future years.

The Mixed Pairs Grand final winners were Margaret Milliken & Neil Hayes. Congratulations to both on a great game of bowls.

The 100 Up Handicap is into the final 8. This has been a great competition with some excellent bowls played. Games are listed on the board near the mat & jack cupboard.

GREENS ARE CLOSED through winter (June) <u>prior</u> to 10am every day. There are notes on the Direction of Play on the board. Please check before you have a roll up. Please take care with accessing and leaving the greens. We have had a few incidents.

The 90 Year Old Achievement certificates from Bowls Victoria were given out on Jack Glasser Day. Congratulations to Vera Cornwell, Bob Churcher and Jack Missen.

John Fensham Game Day is set for Wednesday 1st May. This is being sponsored by Robyn Williams on behalf of John Fensham who passed away in 2018.

The Mt Martha Winter Challenge is being held on the last Friday in May, June, July and August. Our first game is set for 31st May. We will need 6 teams (rinks) of 4 to defend our title from last year.

'Be Healthy and Active.' We had 40 members attend the session on CPR and the Defibulator. Our thanks to the Bolton Clark group for offering this to our members.

My thanks to the members of the Bowls Committee for their work over the past 12 months. Their hard work and dedication on your behalf has made our year of Social bowls and Pennant successful.

Thanks also to the many people who have assisted each Social day, Pennant and our Special days. Jobs included organising morning and afternoon teas, cleaning up after the events, setting up the greens and all the other jobs that happen almost miraculously. My thanks also to Doug Brough for his work over the years in organising our special event days. Doug will be stepping aside from this role next season. We will look at forming a sub committee to organise these special days after the AGM. Let me know are interested.

I believe the committee has achieved some good results even though there have been some disappointments. There is still much more that we can do as a club in relation to bowls.

There are a number of vacant positions on the Bowls Committee for the 2019/20 season. Can you assist us in anyway?

The AGM is to be held on May 11th.

Cheers & Good Bowling David Pumpa Bowls President