

# Mornington Bowling Club

## Newsletter 6B – 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019

(Tried to email on 10<sup>th</sup> Oct but bounced back! And so 6B - a slightly adjusted version)

The end of September has seen a lot of activity around our club. As you can see, the roof is slowly progressing and the main part should be done within the next few weeks. We may have to cancel one of our Wednesday bowls days to assist the workers get the job done. Congratulations to Wayne, Vern, John and Ray who gave up their time to get the best result for our members with the renovation of the ladies restroom. A Great job completed.

Barefoot Bowls season is fast approaching. If you can assist our coordinator Ian, by supervising bowlers or with the barbecue, please contact Sue Hale. We're concerned that non-bowlers using our greens may not have a good delivery and would need supervision. We would like to set up teams so that the same people are not on duty every Friday. You can help.

**Pennant:** There have been a number of changes to the information we shared in our last newsletter. Our Mid-week Pennant divisions for this year are Division 2 Sect. A, Division 2 Sect. B and Division 4. Saturday Pennant divisions are Division 2, Division 3, Division 5 and Division 6 (2 rinks). We will be playing in the northern section of Pennant.

MPB Inc has made more changes to how our pennant season will operate this year. Refer to notes on the back pin board- "MPB Inc Meeting for Pennant". Note Saturday Pennant is now 21 ends. (The same as mid-week)

The selectors are doing a great job organizing practice games and the teams for both Tuesday and Saturday Pennant. These practice games are an opportunity to try out players in different levels and positions. If you would like to play pennant, and are not listed, speak to any of the selectors to have your name added.

**Pennant Pie Night Meeting** was held on Friday. A good turnout of players. Thanks to the Selectors for organizing this afternoon and evening.

**BREAKFAST Bowls** - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of October – the signup sheet is out the back. \$10 entry for Club Select 2 bowl triples. 2 games of 10 ends. 9:00a.m for 10:00a.m. start. Finish by 1:00pm. Bacon & Egg or Sausage & Egg rolls supplied. Entries close Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October. We need a minimum of 24 players. The September breakfast bowls was a great success with 30 players attending.

The **MBC Novice Championship** was held on 22nd September between Russell Bakey and Harley Clappison. Russell was the better player on the day and became our Novice club champion. Congratulations to all the new members who participated in this event.

The **Ladies and Men's Pairs Championships** are well underway. There have been some great games of bowls to watch. The final of both Championships will be on 27<sup>th</sup> of October at 10a.m.

The **Ladies and Men's Singles Championships** entry sheets are on the whiteboard. Entries close on 30th October. Conditions of Play will be placed on the pinup board in the signup area. \$7entry.

**State Events.** David Youl and Russell Bakey both entered the State Novice event and have progressed to the quarter-finals. Russell won his game on Sunday. David will play his game tomorrow, Tuesday, at 3:30 p.m. at Civic.

Gloria Evans and Karen Gordon both entered the Lady Singles over 60s and Gloria progressed to the third round. Unfortunately, she was defeated by the runner up in the event.

Paula and Heather Hayes entered the Ladies over 60s Pairs and were defeated in the second round.

Trevor Roberts and I entered the Men's over 60s Pairs and played in the quarter-finals last Sunday. We play the Semis at Civic on Sunday at 9:30am.

**Open Twilight Competition.** This is to be held on Wednesday evenings commencing November 27<sup>th</sup>. If you would be interested in this, please sign your name on the sheet on the pin board. Currently we do not

have enough players to enter. We will keep this sheet available for another week. All members (**inc. non bowling Social members**) are encouraged to consider playing in this competition which runs for 10 weeks.

**The Club Handbook.** We have a few addendums to add to the club diary. These are some phone numbers missing from the back and also the pennant draws. Thanks again to Martin for getting this organised.

**Coaching:** A good afternoon was held last Friday in damp and cool conditions for our newer bowlers. We covered some basic skills including measuring, basic laws, etiquette and delivery. Thanks to Brian Pyne for organizing this session.

A Club Coaches course will be offered before Christmas. If interested, speak to a Committee member.

**Our “Come & Try Bowls Month”** program started with ‘Come & Try Bowls’ Devonshire Tea for Ladies. Thanks to the many members who attended this morning and made the visitors feel welcome to our club. Come and try bowls continues each Thursday morning at 10:00am through October. We had five visitors yesterday who learnt more about our great game. Thanks to Margaret Grossbard and Rob Curtis for running this session with these visitors.

Our first coaching session with Years 9/10 from Mornington Secondary College was last Monday. My thanks to the five members who assisted the students enjoy a game bowls. Three more sessions have been booked during this month. If you would like to assist, please contact David. The next session is 25<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am followed by two sessions on 31<sup>st</sup> October.

**Umpiring:** A new course to become an umpire is being offered at Sorrento. If you are an experienced player and would like to get involved, speak to a Committee member. The courses are for markers, measurers, umpires and those needing to reaccredit. The course is on 20th & 27th of October.

**Tournaments.** There are a number of new Tournament flyers that have arrived from a variety of Bowls Clubs. These have been placed in the folder in the back sign-up area. Some of the tournaments we hope to enter a team to reciprocate their attendance at our events.

**Kitchen roster** please ensure you check the roster to see when you are on duty. Pennant players are rostered on kitchen duty usually with a social bowler. Duty includes setting up the urns and cups, and ensuring the kitchen is tidy at the end of bowls.

*All members should assist to keep our club clean and tidy. If you make a mess - clean it up! If you get it out - put it away. Thank you.*

**Greens protection.** Check your delivery action. Please ensure that you **place** your bowls on the green and try to deliver your bowl from **no higher** than 15 cm (6 inches).

If you know you are struggling with your bowl release, please speak to one our coaches. Our intention is to keep our greens in the best condition we can, so everyone can enjoy bowls for as long as possible.

BosSports has changed hands. There are some good deals currently at the shop before the changeover. I have heard that the new shop will only be open on Saturday mornings.

Another place you can purchase Club shorts is at Domino Bowlsweat - 2/92 Watt Road. Ph: 59736159

Cheers

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