

Newsletter February 2021

Hi Members,

Firstly, my congratulations to all members who entered the Pairs Championships for our club. These are important competitions that improve bowling.

Our Ladies Pairs champions are Margaret Grossbard and Di Star. They combined well and played some magic bowls last Sunday. Our Men's Pairs champions

are Bernie O'Connor and Chad Muir. They also played some fantastic shots to win the Men's pairs. Well done to both our pairs champions. Great games to watch for our spectators.

The Presidents handicap championship, our second last Championship for the year, commences on 14th February with the draw taking place this Friday. Our final Championship for the year will be the 100 Up Handicap.

The MBC Summer Classic is one of three major events we run for the year. Currently only nine teams have entered this mixed fours competition. We require a minimum of 14 teams to make this day viable otherwise we will cancel the Competition. You still have the opportunity to get a team together to play in this classic by 16th February. We have TickBox as a sponsor and \$1000 in prize money for the day. Get your team together. Lunch is included in the entry.

The Ryman President's Day was held on 20th of January with 26 Teams playing for a competitive day of bowls. This turned out to be a great day of bowls with good weather and good companionship. Our thanks to Heather and Paula for organising the morning and afternoon teas and Doug & Pam Brough for their work behind-the-scenes.

Victoria has taken a step backwards with Covid-19 and we have to wear masks indoors at our club. There are still a number of protocols that we need to follow to ensure our safety. Mats and Jacks still need to be sanitised after use. If you need to use a rake when you're playing bowls, **ensure that only one person touches the rake at each end**. This should then be sanitised at the end of the game. We should also maintain our social distancing and sign in with the QR code when we enter the club.

Our Barefoot bowls is still very popular with over 70 people booked each night over the last few weeks. We have over 100 this Friday! Please ensure you assist David Youl and his helpers in getting the bowls out and packing up again at 8 PM. A great job is being done by the BBQ Teams. Well Done.

Congratulations to the Social Committee for organising the Australia Day social bowls. It was a fun day of different bowling activities and a great barbecue lunch. Thanks again to the helpers who prepared the barbecue and helped serve. Special thanks to the Social Committee.

We received a number of flyers for day competitions being run by other clubs. In particular Mount Eliza has their President's day coming up. It is good practice to support our fellow clubs for their special day. Main Ridge and Sth Oakleigh have you also advertised their upcoming Tournaments – please check the pin-board for details.

There are 4 dates booked to work with the Mornington Secondary School students on 25th (1:45pm) and 26th Feb (10:15am) and also 4th (1:45pm) & 5th of March (10:15am). If you can assist, please call David. We need hands on deck like with barefoot bowls. Your help would be much appreciated.

Cheers and Good Bowling
David Pumpa

