

March 2021

Dear Members,

It's that time of the year again!

Our AGM will be on **8th May at 11.00am**. This will be followed by the presentation of club championship trophies and social bowls at 1.30pm. The AGM will recap the club's progress since September and its plans for the coming year.

The last year has been a challenging one and has derailed many of the club's plans. It has been especially difficult seeing our finances dwindle. We need to rebuild our funds so that we can continue to improve amenities and provide members with first class facilities.

This is where you come in! Our club is run by volunteers and we need you and your talents and skills to keep moving forward. Please put up your hand and volunteer for one or more of the vacant positions.

There will be Board, Bowls Committee and Support Roles to be decided. These will be displayed on the whiteboard, together with nomination forms and Position Statements. Please read the Position Statements carefully to ensure you understand the duties of the role. Please do not remove them. If you would like a copy to take away, please ask a Board member for a copy. Nomination forms should be filled in, signed and returned to **Karen Keegan (Board Secretary)**.

Just a reminder that helpers at Barefoot Bowls and school groups should have a Working With Children (WWC) card. This is free for volunteers and can be done online or in person at Australia Post. If you are unable to download the application form, please ask a board or committee member to download one for you. Head to the WWC Victoria website which will walk you through the application process. The card lasts for 5 years.

We have a roster for kitchen duty for both Pennant and social bowls. Please check the roster to see if you are on duty and if you cannot be there, arrange a swap with someone. Don't just not turn up. And please remember to wear gloves when you are on duty. The gloves are located on the wall alongside the microwave. Please continue to help clear up after the break, as many hands make light work!

We also have a roster for bar duty and all RSAs should check this either online or on the bar door. Again, if you are unable to be there, please arrange a swap. If you are going away now travel has eased, please let Russell Witts know the dates.

May I remind all members that name badges are to be worn for service at the bar. Some RSAs may not know all the new members or social members, so if you want members' prices, wear your badge.

Remember to QR or sign in when you enter the clubroom.

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Chair, Mornington Bowling Club Inc.