Newsletter May 2021

Hi Members.

Vale Peter Badger. Please take a moment in silence to remember Peter and what he added to our club. Our condolences to Maureen and family on his passing.

My thanks and congratulations to the members who put their hand up to take on an active role to ensure our club is functioning, healthy and viable. On the Bowls Committee, John Trewin is the new Vice President and Stephen Schneider has taken on the role of Match/Tournament (Bowls) Director. Paula has taken on being Bowls Secretary again and Trevor Roberts has stepped up as the Selectors representative. Unfortunately, Sue Hale and Doug Brough will be unable to assist us from now on due to ill health. We will miss their expertise and generous support on the Committee.

Unfortunately we currently don't have anyone to take on the role of House Officer. This is an important role as it provides the tea, coffee and other necessities to make our day at bowls more enjoyable. Heather Hayes has done this task for the past four years with the assistance of Viv Metherell. It is time for someone else to take the reins. A co-ordinator with the assistance of a team should see the various aspects become easier to complete. These aspects are duty rosters, purchasing supplies, bins, laundering of tea towels and kitchen tidiness. If you can help, please let a member of the Committee or Board know.

The Bowls subcommittee working on Social Bowls developed a survey to find out what members wanted of social bowls days. Copies of the survey are available in the back signup area. A PDF copy is attached to the bottom of this email. The more information received, the better the set up of our social bowls days.

Our thanks to the Mount Martha Men's Shed who are currently making some new galvanised rakes for us to use on our greens. These will replace those that are the most severely damaged or rusted.

The Board of Management approved the purchase of 12 sets of Henselite bowls appropriate for ladies at the April BOM meeting. These have been ordered and should be available in about two weeks time. These will also be used for barefoot bowls. In the meantime, our club has received a grant for a further two sets of bowls. Thanks to Martin for his efforts in applying for each appropriate grant for our club. Currently we have an application for solar panels.

Our Pennant lists are growing but we still need more players to commit to the season ahead. I've been in touch with MPB regarding the timeline for next season. It appears that the pennant season will begin at the start of November with Tuesday pennant to start on Wednesday after Melbourne Cup day. There will be breaks for the Vic Open and Christmas with the season resuming about the 9th of January.

My Congratulations to the Social Group who have organised the trivia night coming up on the 28th May. They are well organised with tables and prizes. It promises to be a fun night of entertainment. More ideas are in the pipeline!

Also my thanks to the helpers who worked with the students from Mornington Secondary College last week. The students will return on 24th May for another session. A Working With Children needs to be held by all helpers at BFB, Coaching and with School groups. These can be applied for on the Internet and are free for our volunteers. (Martin can help.)

If anyone requires a new club shirt, please let me know.

A possible new bowls uniform???





Be kind and respectful to each other. Cheers & Good Bowling David Pumpa Bowls President