NEWSLETTER March 2022

Hi Members

The home and away Pennant season was completed last week and now we're at the pointy end. It has been a difficult season that has been affected by the strict rules and protocols imposed during the Co-vid pandemic. Even with this we have been very successful in both Saturday and Tuesday Pennant. We have three teams in the finals on Saturday and one team in the finals for Tuesday. Congratulations to all.

Divisions 3 and 4 will play at home this Saturday against Hastings and Karingal respectively after both finishing on top of the ladder. Anyone who can help on the day, please contact John Trewin or myself. Division 5 finished 2nd and will play away at Rye. On Tuesday, Division 3 finished 4th



and will play at KooWeeRup. They need to win to continue in the final series. We wish all of our player's good fortune in the finals. Would be great to see lots of supporters.

Congratulations to Gloria and Paula in getting to the final of the Ladies Regional pairs. They played two outstanding games last Sunday against quality players. Unfortunately they went down by one shot on the last end in the final. This Sunday we have our ladies 4s of Gloria, Paula, Pam and Heather playing in the final at Karingal. Good luck girls! Congratulations also to Gloria and Paula for being selected to play in the representative MPBR ladies side. They will be playing at Echuca on the weekend of 8th April.

The MPBR Match committee made a ruling in February that there would be no promotion/relegation at the end of this season. However a few clubs complained and the MPBR, at the reps meeting, asked clubs to vote whether we should continue with promotion/relegation for next season. The result today is that we will have promotion relegation for next season. This change will affect our teams for next year.

We are returning to Co-vid normal at the club but you must still ensure that you sign in using the QR code every time you enter the club. There are Co-vid cases in other clubs and on the Peninsula, so if you have any symptoms, please get tested and do not attend the club for the safety of all members.

The Club Pairs is coming towards the final. The ladies in the final are Gloria and Marg Grossbard playing against Paula and Pam Colley. The men's pairs are down to the semifinals. There have been some great bowls to watch with many surprisingly close games.

The entry sheet for the 100 Up handicap is on the whiteboard at the entry. If you sign up for this competition please ensure that you pay your \$8 before the draw. We noticed that some members have entered our club championships and have not paid.

The Summer Classic on the 27th February was a great success with only 18 teams entered. My congratulations to Paula and Sandra for organizing the lunch, morning & afternoon teas. We

had many helpers who made slice, sausage rolls and helped serve on the day to make it such a success for our club. Thanks to those many helpers. We celebrated a large number of our OBE veterans on the day with a presentation by the Bowls Victoria and MPBR Rep, Max Goding.

Jack Glasser Day is on 27 March and is fast approaching. Get your team together now and sign up in the back area. We already have a number of teams from other clubs and we would not like you to miss out. The cost is \$80 per team with lunch, morning and afternoon teas included. The day consists of two games of 15 ends with a lunch break at 12:45. Once again we require some helpers for the morning and afternoon tea as well as in the Bowls office and to sell raffle tickets. **If you can assist in any way, please contact Paula.**

Social Bowls: We need more helpers to assist organise social bowls on Saturdays and Wednesdays to ensure our bowls program continues smoothly. If you're up to volunteer for this job please contact Alice, JohnTrewin or myself.

It is great to see that our players are putting away the equipment at the end of social and pennant play. Please take some care with the straps that hold our shades closed as some of these have been found in the garden area. It's easy to attach them to the nearest seat so they do not get lost. When you do finish your game, look around and see what else needs to be done. Remember that we are all volunteers. Kitchen duty is both before and after the games. The new roster for March is up. Please check for when you are rostered.

We have some barefoot bowls coming up on a Sunday and some Secondary School visits on weekdays. We will need some volunteers and helpers for both. The dates and times are listed on the white board outside the bowls office. Please see David Youl or myself if you can assist.

We have received a number of fliers for tournaments and competitions at other clubs. Please consider supporting the other clubs in our area and beyond by entering these tournaments. We've been invited to enter a team to the President's Gala day at Civic Bowls club on Saturday, 2 April. I'm unavailable on the day so if anyone can put in a team, it would be appreciated.

These fliers are on the back of the whiteboard.

Our thoughts and best wishes are with Robin Growse as he recovers from surgery. Reports are that he is recovering well.

Cheers and Good bowling

David Pumpa Bowls President