

NEWSLETTER April 2022

Hi Members

The AGM is fast approaching and we still need members to put their hand up to assist the club progress and keep moving forward. There are a number of positions on the Bowls Committee and also in other areas to help our club run smoothly. Please consider how you can assist our club move forward and become future oriented. The nomination forms are near the front door and whiteboard.

My congratulations to Gloria and Paula who were selected to play in the regional squad for MPBR last weekend at Echuca. 14 ladies represented our region to play 4's against the other region teams. Our ladies played quality bowls against very strong teams that included State and Australian players. Our men's representative side also competed at Echuca against quality players.

At the end of this month, Gloria, Paula, Pam and Heather will be travelling to Bendigo as our Region Ladies 4's Champion team. We wish them good luck in all the games.

Our Pennant Division 3 and Division 5 both got through to the Grand final in Saturday Pennant. Unfortunately both went down but it was a great effort from all our players. Having four of our 7 Divisions (Tuesday & Saturday) achieve finals over the season was a great result for our club.

Jack Glasser day was highly successful with 96 players enjoying the day. Our thanks to Paula and Sandra for organizing the catering and also to the many helpers who came forward to assist them. It is a most difficult and behind-the-scenes job that needs to be done for the success of the day. The Glasser family will keep sponsoring the day as long as we keep it going.

The Mount Martha Medley ran smoothly and without hiccups thanks to the preparation by Geoff from Mount Martha. After sitting in on the planning, I can only admire the work of Doug Brough and the Mount Martha members who assisted him over many years in making this and the Mount Martha Challenge happen. The next Mount Martha Medley will be held on a Tuesday in September. We'll keep you informed of the date and the numbers required. The Mount Martha challenge is on the last Friday in May, June, July and August. The first of these four games is on Friday 27th May. A sign up sheet for the Challenges will be placed in the back area for members to list which days they would be available.



We will be moving to our Winter start time of 11:30am on Wednesday, 11th May - the first Wednesday after the AGM. We will continue with the practice of playing E/W Game 1 and N-S Game 2 on Green 1 through winter to avoid the late afternoon sun. We'll go back to our summer schedule in September.



Remember that we still have the 6 pm cut-off time for entries for Social Bowls. Any late entries will be considered as Reserves unless there is availability. Members are responsible for putting their own name on the play list. Alice is doing a great job with the team she coordinates in this area but will need more assistance from members to operate Saturdays and Wednesdays. There is a step-by-step procedure manual in the office. Thanks to Gail Castle and Brian Edwards who have stepped up to assist.

A flyer has been received from Mooloolaba BC on the Sunshine Coast. For those travelling to Queensland this year, you'll find this flyer of interest. Check the board to see what events and games are offered.

All the people who bowl on our greens must be a Club member or a member of another club. Our Greens are not available to non-bowlers unless they are involved with coaching or at a BFB session. It was reported that a non-bowler attended our club and started bowling. Please do not allow non-bowlers to use our greens. If you're unsure, please contact a committee member or a coach.

Our club will be open for roll ups on Good Friday but the bar will not be operating.

A Happy and Safe Easter to all members

Cheers and Good Bowling

David Pumpa
Bowls President