

Presidents Newsletter July 2022

Greetings Bowlers,

Firstly here are a few things from the Bowls Committee meeting this week.

Social Bowls.

It was decided to trial Saturday Club Select in a triples format. This is a trial for the rest of July to see if we can attract more players on a Saturday.

Also on all winter social bowls days the bell will ring at 1.30 or 2hrs after the start of play. If you haven't finished your 12 ends when the bell rings finish the end you are on and head inside for lunch. This will help facilitate a timely return to the green for the 2nd game. The online signup facility is still being developed, it is proving a little more challenging than first thought.

Barefoot Bowls,

It is the biggest income earner for the club and will commence this year on Friday 4th of November. David Youl has kindly taken on the job again albeit at arms length. David will collate all the bookings from the website and leave them at the club on Friday afternoons. This season to spread the load it is proposed to have 4 coordinators each to do 1 Friday every month for the season. The coordinator on the night will sign the guests in and allocate the rinks. The coordinator will have 6 to 8 helpers from 4.30 on to set up bowls, get guests started on their rinks and then at the end put bowls away. If you are interested in being one of the coordinators see David Youl or myself.

It is proposed that a Barefoot bowls helper roster will be drawn up and as in other club rosters if you can't attend on any particular night you arrange a swap with another member to another date. David already has a roster for the Barefoot bowls barbecue.

Our Club Bowls Season opening day this year will be on Saturday 3rd of September, full details will be on the notice board in early August and in the August newsletter.

The 2nd Winter Challenge was held on Friday 24th June and another win to Mornington. Thank you Barry Castle and his team for putting the teams and the day together and to Heather Hayes for making the scones for afternoon tea and to the kitchen team and bar staff.

The next round on Friday the 29th of July is at Mt Martha, team selection will be on Wednesday morning of the 27th. The sheet is out the back signup area if you haven't already got your name down. Any questions about the day see Barry Castle or myself.

Mornington/Mt Martha Medley will be held on Tuesday 13th of September at Mornington. This is always a great day of friendship and bowling with Mt Martha.

Prize money of \$800 has been generously donated by OBrien Real Estate.

The sign up sheet with full details of the day will go out in the first week of August.

For those members interested in what is happening on a regional level at Mornington Peninsula Bowls the AGM will be held at Mornington Civic 11am on Sunday 24th July, all welcome.

We have been advised by our green keeper that on green 2 rinks 9 & 10 are now ok to use. Follow the direction of play on the board.

Pennant practice.

Our selectors have been busy arranging with neighbouring clubs to have practice matches midweek and Saturdays in September, final dates to come in the next newsletter.

Coaching.

If you feel like your bowling has performance has dropped off, talk to one of the club coaches and ask if you can book in for a refresher lesson.

Please make use of the club website morningtonbowlingclub.org the menu bar has a ROSTERS link which is particularly useful for finding out when you are next rostered on to Kitchen, Bar, Social Bowls or Barefoot Bowls.

Another useful one with a host of information is LINKS.

Regards

John Trewin.