

Dear members,

Here's another roundup of happenings in our club.

Firstly, an appeal from David Youl. A small blue covered Spirex notebook went missing from the bar last week. It contains a lot of contact numbers and other information relevant to his other pursuits and will be difficult to replicate. If anyone has seen it, please contact David, who would be thrilled to get it back.

We currently have 37 qualified RSAs. However, not all are currently signing up for bar duty, despite the club paying for their RSA course.

This heightens the burden on others. Moving forward, our bar manager will draw up a draft bar roster. Anyone who cannot do the duty assigned will need to contact David Youl immediately to arrange an alternative date. Once the bar roster is displayed, if you cannot do your duty, you will need to arrange a swap with another RSA. If you need training, please contact David or Martin. Don't forget you can still volunteer for bar duty even if you do not hold an RSA.

Ray Swaine has done a tremendous job booking out our greens for barefoot bowls parties. He has charged \$560 and \$320 respectively for Greens 2 & 3. This has brought in over \$18,000 in revenue for the club. However, this is where you, the members, come in. There are 30 sessions over the next few weeks, excluding Friday BFB. We need you all to step up and come and help at a session. If everyone signs up, it'll mean one session per person! Most of the sessions are only two hours long with an average of 20 - 30 people. Please look at the blue noticeboard and sign up. This is a significant amount of income for your club.

As some of you know, Ray Swaine will be leaving us in January to start a new life in Queensland. We are looking for a member to take on the role of Barefoot Bowls Coordinator. Please contact a member of the Board if you are interested. Thank you for all your hard work, Ray.

Our Solar Panels are being installed tomorrow from 7.30am. If you are going down to practice, please look out for any safety signage that may be displayed.

Now the Victorian Government has introduced the 10c bottle deposit, we have looked at how we can do this within the club. David Youl has done a couple of trial runs - one, a bulk drop, the other a single feed. The time and effort involved in both was deemed to be not financially viable. We are therefore approaching a charity who may be interested in taking our bottles and cans.

It's great to see so many members signed up for the club Christmas meal.

Please pay at the bar as soon as possible as Deb needs to give the numbers to the caterers. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in their finery. Bring your change to buy your raffle tickets.

A few members have asked about New Year's Eve. For this to be financially viable, due to the cost of the special liquor licence, we would need 50 members to attend. A sign up sheet for expressions of interest will be on the table in the club room.

Ray Metherell is updating the key register. Would all those with keys please see Ray and advise him of the keys they hold.

Regards

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Chair, Board of Management  
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