

BOWLED OVER

March 2021

MOUNT WAVERLEY BOWLING CLUB INC.

'The friendly bowls club'

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

COVID caused stress during February with a 5 day lockdown to prevent the spread of the virus. The lockdown had the desired effect and as we approach March we expect rules to return to pre lockdown status. The main changes being no masks inside unless shopping or on public transport and up to 30 people allowed in private homes.

We still need to be careful though.

The key rules at the Club are:

- Sign-in using the QR Code with your phone (paper sign-in is also available).
- Sanitise hands frequently.
- Maintain social distancing of 1.5m.

Southern Indoor Bowls Club (SIBC) Liquidation

This is some very great news for our Club.

Members may be aware that SIBC located in Caulfield South sold its premises in 2019 for some \$10m. The proceeds of the sale were then to be distributed to other bowling clubs who were affiliated with SIBC. There are over 30 clubs involved and Mount Waverley Bowling Club's share of the proceeds is \$216,014.

This money has been deposited into our Bendigo Bank account this last week. The COM is now reviewing the best way to invest the funds. As I indicated at the recent Dinner and Presentation evening, our bank balance was reduced to some \$70,000 due to Covid. This 'inheritance' from SIBC will now secure our financial future for at least the next 5 to 10 years.

Strategic Plan

As indicated last month, the COM has been reviewing the Strategic Plan to ensure the Club remains focused on what is important to members and our long term future.

The updated Strategic Plan is expected to be approved by CoM in March. I encourage members to read the Strategic Plan when it is uploaded onto the Club's website.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM is just over 2 months away and the date has been set for 7 May 2021. The Secretary will advise details in due course and call for Office Bearers.

Club Break In

In the early morning of 5 February, burglars gained entry to the Clubhouse through the ladies external toilet door. The burglars were looking for money which they were unable to find apart from a few coins from the till. The other item stolen was a laptop used by Barrie Epstein for the pennant team selections. Repairs to damaged doors are yet to be carried out under our insurance.

Until next month.

Bruce Bennett

CLUB SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS 2021

I hope you all spent up big at the bar on Friday because you certainly got your money's worth! At a rough count almost 100 members and friends turned up on a glorious summer's afternoon to watch two Championship finals – a couple of real "nail biters" but each very different in the way that the game played out. The green was, as always, running beautifully.

In the Men's Singles, I heard cries of "It's all over Red Rover" when Richard Sluggett led 22-8. But Minh had other ideas and the following six ends went his way 3...1...1...2...1...2 and suddenly the score was 22-18 – a very different situation.

It's worth remembering that Richard must have had the last bowl for each of those six ends but couldn't quite make it count. However, the "big man" recovered his mojo and ran out the winner with 1...2... to reach the necessary 25 shots up and retain his title.

The Ladies Singles was a very different story. Sarina. 5-3 up, Jenny 8-5 up, Sarina 12-11 up, then 12-all. Sarina regained the lead at 14-13 up then Jenny had a big burst 1...2...3... to go 18-14 up, Sarina fought back to get to 18-all and then to take the lead at 20-18.

Nerves were cracking in the shelter shed!! Then Jenny had a blistering run 1...2...3...and could have finished the game there and then but drew up just short with her last bowl!!

At the next end Sarina made 2 shots. 24-22 for Jenny but now anyone could finish the game!!!

On what turned out to be the last end Jenny drew the shot with her third bowl and Sarina just fell short.

Game over and we all rushed to the bar to both celebrate, commiserate and recover our nerves!!

Two great and different games and very worthy of Championship finals.

Congratulations to Jenny Roberts and Richard Sluggett, Singles Champions 2021 and also to Sarina Bonnici and Minh Vo for a great fight.

Thanks to all who helped make this a really successful day. Jill Anderson and Barrie Epstein as markers, Ken Chapman as Umpire, Joe Bonnici and Jim Fary with getting the green and equipment ready, the O'Haras and Social Committee members who provided a great sausage sizzle while Peter Harney and others made sure the bar ran smoothly. Robyn Beard took photos which will duly appear in newsletters or Facebook.

And to all members and friends who came to watch – thanks for your support.

DAVID RAE
Championship Coordinator

We particularly like to thank our sponsor PK Free Range Butchers for donating the sausages for the sausage sizzle.



Sarina Bonnici & Jenny Roberts



Minh Vo & Richard Sluggett



The Winners: Jenny Roberts & Richard Sluggett



Players, Markers & Championship Coordinator

A Story within a Story:

One of our club members, Anne Parsonson, organised a reunion for her 1975 grade 6 Essex Heights PS fellow students. There was a great turnout after 45 years. Lots of fun had by all including retro music, memories relived, plenty to catchup on and even some social bowling.

Peter Harney, as usual, was the barkeeper. He was chatting, as he does, with one of the former students about where he lives. A story within the story started emerging. It turns out that Fi and her family sold the house to Irene and Peter all those years ago.

Isn't it wonderful that because MWBC hosts corporate events, people are not only able to connect from primary school days but other connections can be made.

We thank Barrie Epstein for all the work that he does in coordinating the corporate events run at the club, along with his willing band of helpers.



PK Free Range Butchers Mt Waverley Village for your free-range meat, chicken and fish supplies.



More of Class of 75



Some of the Class of 75 Essex Heights PS



Peter Harney & Fi

2021-22 Pennant Season

Could members please respond to Barrie Epstein's email requesting members to indicate their interest in playing Weekend or Midweek Pennant in 2021-22. Your intentions are required to assist Barrie in advising Bowls Victoria, how many teams we intend to enter for the 2021-22 season. Thank you to all those who have already responded by submitting their forms in the box in the Club foyer.

2020-21 Presentation Dinner

Put Friday 30 April 2021 in your diaries now for the Club's annual Presentation Dinner. The Social Committee has booked external caterers for this event. Come and enjoy a great night celebrating our Club Champions for just \$30 a head.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 2020-21 continue...

The singles have been played and won. Well done everyone for completing their games with the tight timeframe.

Check out the calendar for dates for completion of rounds for the other club championships. There is of a championship buzz around the club on Thursdays and Sundays as bowlers play off in the various sections.

Wednesday Social Bowls

Wednesday 3rd March – Lets see how many bowlers come and enjoy the social bowls. Last month we had 32 club members bowling. Contact Wednesday convenor Jim Fary or put your name on the list in the club house.

What is happening around the club:

We have several of our community hub groups returning to use the club facilities post Covid shutdowns. We welcome back:

- Monday afternoons Reach & Belong
- Thursdays Chirpy Hearts
- Fridays U3A
- Sundays Christ Covenant Church

It is great to see you all around the club.

We thank Jill Anderson for all the work behind the scenes she is doing applying for grants. Lets see what Jill manages to gain next for you the club members.

New Members:

We warmly welcome Dennis Horan as a Social member to the Club.

Focus on a Member:

This month we are focusing on one of our very active social members. You will see him down at the club at most corporate events, helping out with the social functions, nearly always at the end of the BBQ tools. Apart from helping with all of these various functions he has rejuvenated the BBQ area. It is now an inviting and workable space. His contribution is greatly valued. We thank you Peter O'Hara for your amazing contribution.



Peter making sure the BBQ is ready for use



Peter with apron on in the BBQ area – Thanks Peter

Are you able to lend a hand? Come and volunteer at the bowling club, meet and build connections with other members. Without volunteers our club could not operate. Every little bit helps. **Ian McLean 0418 991 905** can connect you with a volunteer team.

Club Calendar

Checkout what is happening around the Club in the calendar for March and April at the end of the newsletter. Also see who is having a birthday in March.



Neutrog Fertilizer Sale

The Rose Society, one of our community hub users, is coming to try barefoot bowls at the Club on Sunday 14 March. This will provide members with the opportunity to purchase Neutrog fertilizers (a sponsor of RSV) on Sunday between 10:00 and 2:00. Further information on these highly regarded, Australian made, biological fertilizers can be found at www.neutro.com.au or contact David Beard on 0413 992 760. You might also be able to get some free rose growing advice!

Opportunities to Order Emergency Bag Tags:

Bag name and emergency contact tags – It is time to review the information of emergency contacts on you bag tag. If you need a bag name tag or need a new one because your emergency contact details are not current please put your name and details on the list in the club house.

Did you know?

MWBC has a Facebook page. Search it out. Make comments. Jill Anderson is the administrator of the page.

Check it out for more photos of who was around on Friday night watching the singles championships

Bowled Over Quiz

1. What gets bigger when more is taken away?
2. If you're running in a race and you pass the person in second place, what place are you in?
3. What has one head, one foot and four legs?
4. What has four wheels and flies?
5. A word I know, six letters it contains, remove one letter and 12 remains. What is it?
6. What is the end of everything?
7. What word in the English language does the following: The first two letters signify a male, the first three letters signify a female, the first four letters signify a great, while the entire word signifies a great woman. What is the word?
8. What can run but never walks, has a mouth but never talks, has a head but never weeps, has a bed but never sleeps
9. I turn once, what is out will not get in. I turn again, what is in will not get out. What am I?
10. A man looks at a painting in a museum and says, "Brothers and sisters I have none, but that man's father is my father's son." Who is in the painting?

Quiz Answers - next edition.

Keep your contributions coming

Keep your contributions coming in. It is always exciting to see what members have been up to. Send in your contribution for Bowled Over to Robyn Beard (Editor) rmadillo@hotmail.com or on 0412 793 122.

February Quiz Answers

1. A sponge
2. A promise
3. He was born on February 29.
4. A bank
5. A chalkboard
6. A staircase
7. On the corner
8. Your tongue
9. Seven
10. Short

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FOLLOWING THE CLUB'S COVIDSAFE PLAN:

MWBC MEMBERS COVIDSAFE CHECKLIST**COVID CHECKLIST – Pennant / Social Bowls**

- Register arrival via QR code or Sign-in Register. Pennant players will be signed-in via BowlsLink for matches only.
- Maintain 1.5m social distance
- Wear mask as directed
- All players to sanitise hands every 6 ends
- Only leads to touch mat and jack and sanitise before using.
- Skips to align jack with foot and to use lifter to retrieve jack from ditch or move mat.
- Mark touchers with spray or liquid chalk only
- Only one home player to update scoreboard
- Sanitise before and after each use of bowls rake / scoop
- Don't touch other players or their bowls
- Don't share pens or other personal equipment
- Sanitise tap after filling own water bottle from water fountain

COVID CHECKLIST – Use of Clubhouse

- Register using QR code when entering Clubhouse
- Sanitise hands when entering Clubhouse
- Observe number limits for each area – signs at entry points
- Maintain 1.5m social distance

Bar:

- Tabs will be run for payment by credit card
- Tables to be cleaned and sanitised by patrons after each use
- Cleaning kits available from the bar



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You too can help the Club

Looking for a way to financially support the Club and receive a personal tax deduction? We have several projects that we are seeking funding – new club furniture, new logo's, BBQ equipment, scoreboards and clubhouse repairs.

All claims for a tax deduction of \$2 and over are subject to being accepted by the Australian Taxation Office, who can be contacted for professional advice if either an individual or business is uncertain of their taxation position.

Please speak to the Executive of the Club if you wish to donate to the Club and obtain more details.

SUPPORT THE BUSINESSES THAT SUPPORT US

Active Physiotherapy
Ashwood Panels
Barry Plant Real Estate – Carolyn Barton
Bendigo Bank – Pinewood
Beovich's Pharmacy
Bowling Club Insurance Brokers – BCIB
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Eureka Printing
Jag Signs
Leishman Financial Services
Le Pine Funerals
Lewis & McConnell – Optometrists
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Rogerson Kenny – Accountants
Ryman Healthcare
Selwyn Allen Funerals
Stringers Sports Store
Waverley Exhaust & Brakes Centre
Waverley RSL
Wong & Bendixen Pharmacy

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MARCH 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Executive meeting 8:30 Reach & Belong	Midweek Rd 12 Side 1 Mulgrave (H) Side 2 Clayton (H) Night Rd 11 Mordialloc (A)	Social Bowls Sponsored by – Ryman's Lynne Bennett	Chirpy Hearts Kathy Johnston Jan Lee	U3A Free Friday Bowls 4 - 6 Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30 Joy Tempany	Pennant 13 Side 1 M'beena Park (H) Side 2 MCC (A) Side 3 Vermont South (A) Max Beattie Minh Vo
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Christ Covenant Church 10:30 -4:00 100 up 2nd round completed Joan Skinner	Executive meeting 8:30 Reach & Belong Ken Biggs Jill Rogers	Midweek Rd 13 Side 1 North Balwyn (H) Side 2 Blackburn (H) Night Rd 12 Glen Eira McK (H)	Social Bowls Sponsored by – Barry Plant CoM meeting 4:00 – 5:30	Chirpy Hearts	U3A Free Friday Bowls 4 - 6 Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30	Pennant 14 Side 1 Hampton RSL (A) Side 2 North Balwyn (H) Side 3 Glen Waverley (H) Angus Reynolds
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Christ Covenant Church 10:30 -4:00 MENS PAIRS OPEN NOVICES 2nd round completed	Executive meeting 8:30 Reach & Belong	Midweek Rd 14 Side 1 Burwood (A) Side 2 Chadstone (A)	Social Bowls Sponsored by – Ryman's	Chirpy Hearts	U3A Free Friday Bowls 4 - 6 Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30 Phil Rosengarten	Section Semi Finals
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Christ Covenant Church 10:30 -4:00 Section Finals 100 up 3rd round Mixed Pairs 2nd round completed Michelle Chan	Executive meeting 8:30 Reach & Belong	Midweek Section Semi- Final	Social Bowls Sponsored by – Barry Plant	Midweek Section Final Chirpy Hearts	U3A Free Friday Bowls 4 - 6 Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30	Division Qualifier
28	29	30	31			
Christ Covenant Church 10:30 -4:00 Division Quarter Finals OPEN NOVICES Semi final completed	Executive meeting 8:30 Reach & Belong Julie Coleman	Midweek Division Quarter Final	Social Bowls Sponsored by – Ryman's Esme King			

APRIL 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				Midweek Division Semi Final	Good Friday	Easter Saturday
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Easter Sunday Christ Covenant Church 10:30 -4:00	Easter Monday		Social Bowls Sponsored by – Ryman's	Chirpy Hearts	U3A Free Friday Bowls 4 - 6 Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30	Division Semi Finals Saturday Social Bowls from 1pm
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Christ Covenant Church 10:30 -4:00 Division 2-7 Grand Finals	Executive meeting 8:30 Reach & Belong		Social Bowls Sponsored by – Ryman's CoM meeting 4:00 – 5:30	Chirpy Hearts	U3A Free Friday Bowls 4 - 6 Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30	Saturday Social Bowls from 1pm
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Christ Covenant Church 10:30 -4:00	Executive meeting 8:30 Reach & Belong		Social Bowls	Chirpy Hearts	U3A Free Friday Bowls 4 - 6 Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30	Saturday Social Bowls from 1pm
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Christ Covenant Church 10:30 -4:00	Executive meeting 8:30 Reach & Belong		Social Bowls – Winter Season starts CoM meeting 4:00 – 5:30	Chirpy Hearts	U3A Voting Day Club Presentation Dinner	