June 2021

MOUNT WAVERLEY BOWLING CLUB INC.

'The friendly bowls club

The club is currently closed in compliance with the Government's Covid restrictions. As restrictions ease, we will notify you of the changes that impact the use of the bowling club.

A big thank you to all of you who have made the amazing effort to ensure that you electronically check in each time you visit the club. Continue using the QR code as the only time that written check in is ok is if there is **NO** internet connection.

Visitors to the club are still required to sign in under our liquor licence requirements.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - June 2021

Hi Club Members.

This is my first opportunity to write to you in Bowled Over as the new Club President. I sincerely thank all the club members that have wished me well in taking on the role of President. I have been overwhelmed by your support and I am sure that the Club will move from strength to strength with your help.

I also want to wish Robyn Beard all the success as she takes on the role of Vice President. The Committee of Management, as always, is a very committed group of club members and we welcome Celia Ware to the team. We also have the return of Richard Sluggett to the COM. His great knowledge of the Club is most welcome and his expertise will be put to great use.

As I write my report, we are again in COVID limbo with the Club effectively shut down. Let us hope that this is for the shortest time possible and that we will be able to open for our normal club and bowling activities very soon. As soon as we know more, we will let you all know.

Having the Club closed does not mean that we are having a break. There are many exciting things happening to us over the next year. As many of you are aware, the Club has had some issues with water leaks from the roof. These issues are going to be repaired as we have engaged a commercial roofing company to sort them out. The work will commence later this month. We will also be removing asbestos from the roof at the same time. Many thanks to lan McLean, Graeme Robinson and David Beard for getting this all organised.

The Club has also committed money to repair the surrounds of the centre green. It has become threadbare in places, and we have commissioned Joe Bonnici to organise with our greenkeeper to get the work done as soon as practicable.

The Club has commenced its negotiations with Monash Council re the renewal of our lease. This is in the early planning phase and is not due to be completed until October. We will keep you informed of progress as we move through this important process.

The other extremely exciting event to happen this year is the construction of our "Social Deck" in front of the Clubroom. As I have previously advised, last month we received the grant of \$20,000 we applied for via the Federal Member, Gladys Lui. We are now starting the functional design of the deck with the help of all of you. The meeting seeking your help with ideas on how the deck could be used that was planned for Wednesday 2nd June, has been postponed to Wednesday 9th June. Two sessions at 10:00am and 03:00pm will be held via Zoom. We encourage you to participate and allow us to come up with the best options. Further information on how to participate in these meetings is in the email that we have sent out with this newsletter.

Members of COM had a meeting with our Federal Member, Gladys Lui, on Monday 17th May. We had a very constructive conversation with Gladys and one of her aides, with the main topic being the Club's approach to multi-cultural activities in our local community. The Club has been trying to encourage our local ethnic community to be a part of the bowling club for many years with little success. Gladys' suggested that we should run some afternoon events targeting different ethnic groups with her office providing help in managing bi-lingual translations of fliers and offering to promote the events. The COM have agreed that this would be a great chance to get our multi-cultural friends to visit our Club and encourage them to play our great sport and hopefully, join the Club or use the Club for functions. We plan to run at least 3 of these events over the summer competition season, so look out for information on these when they are organised.

Lots of activities are on the go and I encourage your help and support for them as we move forward. Please stay well and safe during the COVID lock-down and we will see each other very soon.

Be well. Barrie Epstein

2021 AGM

The AGM this year was held at the club on Thursday 6th May. There was 30 Club members who attended the meeting. We thanked Bruce Bennett for presiding over the Club during such a challenging year.

Retiring President Bruce Bennett presented life membership to Graeme Tempany. Graeme has been a major contributor to the club over his many years of membership. He continues to be actively involved with the Bar Committee. As a club we give thanks Graeme for your amazing contribution.

The new committee elected is below.



Graeme Tempany receiving Life Member – presented by Bruce Bennett

Did You Know?

The club now has a dedicated mobile number:

0478 952 026

New Members:

Welcome to new social member: Roslyn Harding



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

Your new committee 2021 -2022

President: Barrie Epstein Robyn Beard **Vice President:** Secretary: **David Beard** Peter McDonald **Treasurer:** Committee Members: Jill Anderson

Ian Mclean Kaye O'Hara **Howard Rose** Richard Sluggett

Celia Ware

Selectors for the 2021-2022 season:

Midweek Selectors:

Welcome to:

Barrie Epstein

Celia Ware

Weekend Selectors:

Barrie Epstein Robin Matheson Celia Ware

Advisors: Joe Bonnici & David Rae

Night Selectors:

Chris Cullinan

Phil Rosengarten

A big thank you to all who have put their hand up to be a selector.

Opportunity for you:

The Club is keen to ensure that we have sufficient umpires and measurers to support our pennant teams. If you are interested in completing a FREE umpires, measurers or coaching course, please contact David Beard on 0413 992 760.

Social Deck - Zoom Information Sessions

We are keen to get your views on how the Social Deck can be used. Have your say at one of the Zoom meetings on Wednesday 9th June – Session 1 - 10am, Session 2- 3pm. See the Zoom link information in the attached email.



You too can help the Club

Looking for a way to financially support the Club and receive a personal tax deduction? We are currently focusing our fundraising efforts on the construction and furnishing of the new Social Deck.

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.

What a year! 2020-2021

Despite the massive disruption caused by the Covid lockdowns during the year, the Club has achieved much during 2020-21. Highlights include:

Pennant

Notwithstanding the shorter season, we enjoyed a very successful pennant season.

- WEEKEND TEAM 1 Finished 1st on the ladder
 Won Section Final
 Lost Division Semi Final by one shot
 Team promoted to Division 2 next season
- WEEKEND TEAM 2 Finished 5th on the ladder
- WEEKEND TEAM 3 Finished 5th on the ladder
- MIDWEEK TEAM 1 Finished 1st on the ladder Won Section Final Lost Division Promotion Final
- MIDWEEK TEAM 2 Finished 3rd on the ladder Lost Section Semi-final.

Membership

- 19 new members have joined the Club in past year.
- Free Fridays (4:00-6:00pm) commenced March 2021 with over 50 people from community or social members attending. We will run again from September to April next season.
- Bowling with Babies partnered with BV, commenced
 April 2021with 22 mothers and their toddlers attending.
- Over 20 corporate and private bowling events have generated considerable income for the Club as well as interest in lawn bowls and in joining the Club.
- Bowling with U3A is generating interest in joining the Club.

Grants

Jill Anderson has been successful in securing grants for the Club:

- Covid Care Packages for isolated members \$300 Monash Council Covid Reconnection grant.
- Zoom licence for connection with members \$230
 Monash Covid Reconnection grant.
- Hand dryer for kitchen \$1,898 State Government Covid grant.
- Bowling with Babies small bowls \$1,000 State
 Government Sporting grant and Monash has recently granted us \$660 to promote this initiative.
- New bowls for U3A, corporates and coaching \$1,140
 Bendigo Bank sponsorship.

We have recently received a \$20,000 grant for our Social Deck initiative from Federal Government's Stronger Communities Program.

Jill has recently submitted an application for a grant under the Federal Government's Powering Communities Program to upgrade the centre green lighting to LED and for refrigeration energy savings initiatives.

Volunteers:

During last month we had Volunteers Week. A big thank you to all of you who have volunteered to support our club over the past year. Without you all our club would not be able to function.

We have had a meeting with our local Federal Member, Gladys Lui. The outcome of the meeting will see us running cultural connection days for people from multi-cultural backgrounds who live in our local area. To assist in ensuring that these days are a success, we are looking for those of you who speak languages other than English. Please see the questionnaire form that is attached to the email.

2021/22 Sponsor Drive:

Our sponsorship drive for 2021/22 is off to a great start with Bendigo Bank Pinewood approving our application for \$3,400.



Presentation of \$3400 cheque from Bendigo Bank to MWBC

The sponsorship amount will be split into Advertising (Members Handbook and 2 greens scoreboards (\$2,000), the purchase of 3 new bowls sets for use by new bowlers and visitors (\$1,140) and sponsorship of the Police and Friends Day (\$1,260).

Next year will be the first in many years that the Police and Friends Day has been sponsored and the Club is very grateful for their support of this long-standing and prestigious event.

The 3 new bowls sets and carriers will have Bendigo Bank Pinewood stickers attached to commemorate the Bank's support. We hope the new bowls sets will assist in attracting new members to our Club.



Bendigo Bank stickers on the new bowls

Visitor to the Club:

Good to see Pat Sheedy recently at Friday night drinks. Pat is living in Inverloch and has grandchildren playing football (at five different clubs!) in Gippsland. He enjoyed the social catchup.

Did You Know?

If you are looking for something to do while we are in lockdown to improve your bowling skills check out Lachlan Tighe Bowls on YouTube. He has a number of short videos on many different aspects of bowling.

Winter Social Bowls:



Winter social bowls will resume when the Covid restrictions permit. We thank all our sponsors of the winter bowls for their ongoing support of our club.



Club Calendar – What's happening June?

Check out who is having a birthday in June.

All the events in the calendar are to be confirmed in accordance with current Covid regulations.

Football Tipping Results:

Thank you to Chris for collating the football tipping results. The current leading tipsters after Round 11 are:

TIPPER	TOTAL
Chris Cullinan	73
Kevin Pendlebury	72
Katie Cullinan	72
Kaye Callea	71
John Fanshaw	70
Kaye O'Hara	70
Peter Armstrong	70
Tennent Emerson	70
Bruce Morley	69
Norma Wilkinson	69
Bo Natoli	69
Richard Peterson	69
Peter Harney	69



How else do you carry your bowling arm?

Take the time to enjoy the little things in life:



What are you doing through our current lockdown?

Bowled Over Quiz

- 1. The more of this there is, the less you see. What is it?
- 2. It belongs to you, but other people use it more than you do. What is it?
- 3. What can you catch, but not throw?
- 4. What building has the most stories?
- 5. A girl has as many brothers as sisters, but each brother has only half as many brothers as sisters. How many brothers and sisters are there in the family?
- 6. Two in a corner, one in a room, zero in a house, but one in a shelter. What is it?
- 7. What word is pronounced the same if you take away four of its five letters?
- 8. People make me, save me, change me, raise me. What am I?
- 9. How do you make the number one disappear?
- 10. What has no beginning, no end and nothing in the middle?

JUNE 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
Events on calendar to be confirmed pending Covid	-		Social Bowls – Ryman starting 10:30am Bowls Cancelled		U3A Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30 Cancelled	Saturday Social Bowls starting 10:30am Bowls Cancelled
restrictions			Elaine Wilmott	John Secomb	Bruce Dobbie Kevin Rigby	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Christ Covenant Church 10:30 -4:00	Executive meeting 8:30 Reach & Belong		Social Bowls – Barry Plant starting 10:30am Bowls Cancelled Zoom – How do you want to use the		U3A Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30 To be confirmed	Saturday Social Bowls starting 10:30am To be confirmed
David			deck?	Helen Logan		Michael
Buchanan			10am or 3pm			Murray
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	Belong		Patricia O'Brien			