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MOUNT WAVERLEY BOWLING CLUB INC.

'The friendly bowls club'

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November 2021

President's Message:

Hi Club Members.

As I write this report, life around Melbourne has woken up after enduring such a long lockdown. Our Bowls Club is open for business even though we must adhere to a certain level of limitations including the requirement for all members and visitors to be double vaccinated. Playing Bowls is now back to what we are used to, and we look forward to the start of the Pennant season in a couple of weeks. Bowls practice has recommenced and our Wednesday Social Bowls will start on the 10th of November. Night Pennant will also start on Tuesday 16th of November. Friday Social Drinks has restarted and it's great to see members enjoying the Club and making use of the bar. The COM has been busy in getting things moving again and I wish to acknowledge all their hard work during our time away from the Club.

Early this month, the Club held a Special General Meeting to vote on a resolution to cancel the Social Deck. I have already advised all club members of the outcome of the meeting and certainly appreciate the support provided to the COM in reinforcing the direction the Club needs to go to be the best Bowls Club we can be. I also acknowledge the right of Club members to query and discuss the decisions that COM makes. We are a volunteer sports club and we want the best for all members. I also would again thank the Social Deck Steering Committee for their hard work for the Club.

The Club has commenced its negotiations with Monash Council re the renewal of our lease and due to the lockdown, the Council is still to provide the first draft of the lease agreement. I hope sure that now we will see some movement with this. We will keep you informed of progress as we move through this important process.

With our new deck project underway we would like to renew the appearance of the Clubhouse. This may include modernising the interior, e.g. foyer, improving the outside of the Club and provide furniture and heating for the deck. COM are opening The Clubhouse Project fundraising opportunity and if you would like to support the Club, you can donate directly to the club via direct funds transfer or credit card payment. If you would like a tax-deductible method, you can donate through the Australian Sports Foundation. More details on this are in the newsletter.

We are heading into the busy time before Xmas for the running of our corporate and private functions which generate much needed income for the Club. With the lockdown ending, the Club has been inundated with requests for functions. From the 19th of November until late December we already have 13 functions scheduled with more scheduled after New Year. The Club will need your help and support to manage all these events and I will be calling on you to volunteer and provide your time. Volunteering sheets will be provided in the foyer for each event. A list of the functions is later in this newsletter.

I have much pleasure in announcing that the Club will be holding a XMAS Dinner on Friday 17th of December. More details will be provided shortly, and we will have a sheet for your name in the foyer.

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 and we will see each other very soon.

Barrie Epstein

MWBC Social Deck Update: -

Following the strong support of members arising from the Special General Meeting, the President sent round in his mid-Oct Club report a copy of the Steering Committee report of 14th Oct and asked for any further input from members. Perhaps you felt you had your say at the SGM because we received only four responses which were mostly supportive.

The Committee of Management (COM) at its meeting on 28th Oct has now signed off on key features of the Social Deck.

COM has taken the view that it is important to have as much flexibility as possible in future configurations of use of the deck and so there will be no central steps in the final design. The rectangular shape of the deck will be relieved by a small 'extended arc' in the centre which will not only provide a prominent viewing area for members but also an area for use on special presentations. Access to shade, shelter and toilets from the centre green will still be convenient - the last via the outside doors - and there will be less need for players accessing the gents toilets to disrupt the bar/lounge area.

The balustrade will take the form of a stainless-steel rail and posts supplemented by s/steel wires, similar to the Frankston deck as illustrated on the notice board. Steps at each end will occupy 50% of the deck width and be complemented at the western end by a compliant disabled ramp.

Final design of the front area and seating will be developed as the detailed drawings are completed.

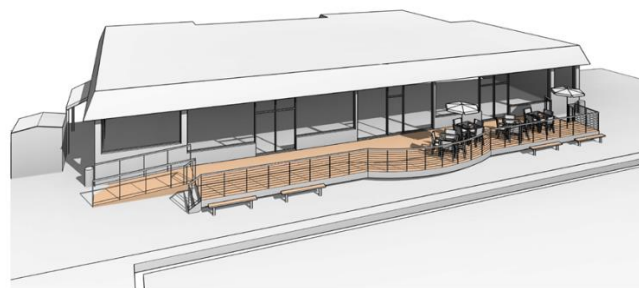
Last Friday - 29th Oct - the concrete forecourt was given the 'ultrasound treatment' to establish the presence or otherwise of underground services and on Wed 3rd November concrete cutting and soil testing will take place.

The results of this exercise will allow our designer and engineer to begin development of detailed design drawings of the deck.

Watch this space for preliminary design work!

In the meantime, here is a 3-D image of the deck in the proposed form.

David Rae – Head Deck Steering Committee



Sponsor News

We are extremely pleased to announce that Bendigo Bank Pinewood has made a \$2,500 donation towards the building our new Social Deck!

This donation continues our close association with the Bank in recent years in which they have sponsored our new Club polo shirts, enabled us to purchase new bowls sets for learners and visitors and this year they will sponsor the Police and Friends Day tournament.

Our sincere thanks to Bendigo Bank Pinewood for their support and we look forward to meeting their representatives at future events and social functions (on the deck of course!)



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'THE CLUBHOUSE PROJECT' – APPEAL

Now that the design phase of our new deck has commenced in earnest, I believe we have a great opportunity to look at renewing and modernising other aspects of the Clubhouse in conjunction with the deck. I am pleased to launch an appeal to raise funds to modernise the interior, eg foyer, improve the outside of the Clubhouse and provide furniture and heating for the deck. This will help create the relaxed outdoor social space we have all been craving for.

We wish to brighten up the foyer area by replacing the old-style wooden fittings, look at either painting or rendering the facade of the Clubhouse, replacing the old curtains in the dining room, painting the internal areas of the Clubhouse, and providing the deck with tables, chairs, sun umbrellas and external heating for the deck.

In launching the appeal, we are setting a target of \$15,000, which we think should be sufficient to help cover the cost of these updates. As previously communicated, no specific decisions on the amount or type of furniture will be made until we have experienced the new deck for a trial period.

I also have pleasure in announcing that we have already received member and sponsor donations to start this fundraising campaign. So, we are on our way towards the target!

Member payments can be made in several ways:

- Direct funds transfer to the Club's Bendigo Bank account (BSB 633 000 Account No. 178 060 687)- **preferred option**
- Credit card payment over the bar at the Clubhouse

If you would prefer a tax deductible donation:

- Tax-deductible donations to the Australian Sports Foundation 'The Clubhouse Project', which can be done electronically via the following link.

<https://asf.org.au/projects/mount-waverley-bowling-club/the-clubhouse-project>

Progress with donations will be communicated to members through:

- A barometer erected in the Clubhouse
- In Bowled Over.

Sponsors will continue to have the opportunity to donate to this cause in next year's sponsorship drive and this will be advertised in the Sponsor Opportunities Brochure.

I encourage you to support this very worthy cause, so that we can all experience the full benefits of our Clubhouse and the new deck.

No donation is too small!

Barrie Epstein
President

Bowls News:

Pennant Fees: (Affiliation, Catering & Green Fees)

Bowls Victoria have given clubs a 25% reduction in Affiliation Fees for this upcoming season. The amended pennant fees invoice will be sent out over the coming week to 10 days. Your payment prior to the commencement of the pennant season on the 13th November would be appreciated.

Peter McDonald
Treasurer

Record of your double vaccination status:

A big thank you to all those members who have enabled their vaccination status to be sighted. To ensure that we have complete records of your vaccination status, there will be a committee member at the club this Saturday and Tuesday to sight and check off your status. Once sighted, it will not need to be sighted again at MWBC. Your vaccination status will be added to Bowls Link.

Club Tops:

If you need another club top for the upcoming season, Jill Anderson will have the tops available on Saturday and Tuesday prior to the practice matches.

Jackets:

If you need to buy a jacket, you can buy a non club specific jacket with the Bowls Australia endorsed logo in either white or royal blue.

Pennant Players:

Welcome back Serg Callea. Great to see you on the green again Serg. It is also great to see Peter Harney playing again after his surgery.

We also welcome the following players to pennant / night bowls for this upcoming season:

- Mark Bowles
- Luke Boyer
- Warren Hill
- John Tynan

The following club members have had surgery over the lock down period. We wish them well and hope to see them back on the green soon.

- Jim Fary
- Graeme Robinson
- Ken Johnson
- Michael Banbury
- Barry McDonald

Bruce Kendrick has also needed to pull out for the time being. We wish Bruce all the best as he seeks treatment.

Night Bowls Open Triples Tournament

Don't forget to nominate for the Night Bowls 2 bowl Triples Tournament. See attached flyer with the email.

Dates of the tournament:

Thursday **December 9th**, **February 17th**, **March 17th** commencing 7pm.

We want to thank our sponsors for supporting this event: Kingston Funerals and PK Free Range Butchers

Any queries contact the event organizers:
Phil Rosengarten - 0402 821 951 or
Chris Cullinan - 0409 968 962.

Club Championships:

David Rae has placed notices for the Club Championships on the centre board in the Clubhouse. Add your name /teams to the list. David will provide the dates for each round.

Social Bowls:

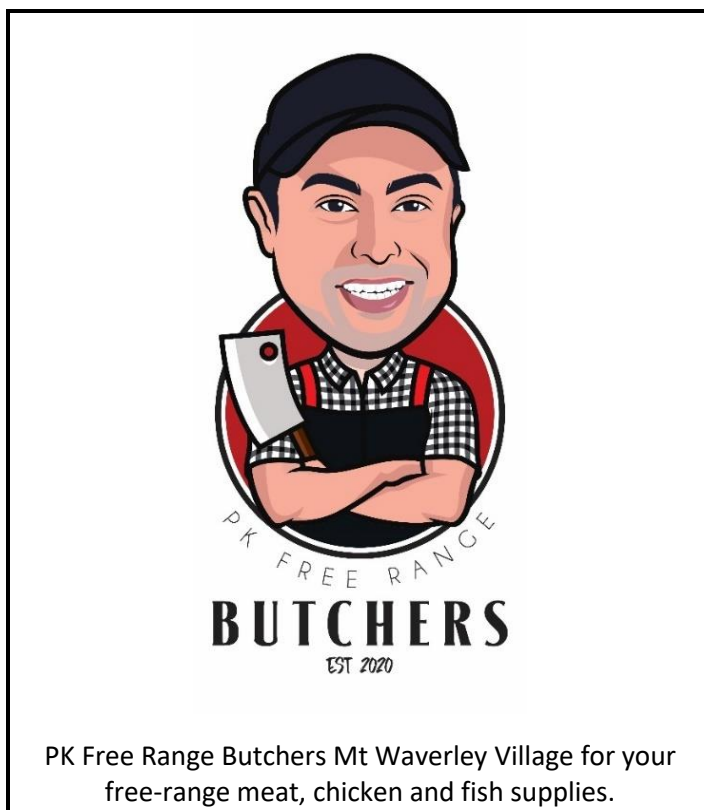
Social bowls is recommencing on Wednesday 10th November. Put your name on the list.

Bowling with Babies:

MWBC will be hosting Bowling with Babies for 4 weeks commencing Thursday 25th November from 10am. If you are able to help with this event, could you please email info@mwbc.com.au attention Robyn.

Free Fridays:

Due to the number of Corporate events over the next two months, Free Fridays will not recommence until the new year. We look forward to you bringing your family and friends down to be able to have a go at bowling at the Club, at 4:00pm on Fridays before the social drinks commence.



Save the DATE – 17th December:

Club Christmas Dinner Function: -

So that we can all get together at a Club social function, the Social Committee is currently organizing a Christmas BBQ dinner. The proposed date is Friday 17th December. Please stay tuned for the full details.

We look forward to seeing as many Club members at this function as possible. – See you there!

A Blast From The Past:

Thanks to Ken Johnston for all his time as editor. This is something he wrote for the September 2001 publication.

WHAT KIND OF MEMBER ARE YOU?

- Are you an active member, the kind would be missed
- Or are you just contented that your name is on the list
- Do you attend the meetings and mingle with the flock
- Or do you stay and criticize and knock
- Do you take an active part to help the work along
- Or are you just satisfied to be the kind who just belong
- Do you ever work on committees to see there is no trick
- Or leave the work to just a few and talk about the click
- Come to the meetings often, help with heart and hand
- Don't be a setting member, take an active part
- Come and think it over and when do go along
- Think, am I an active member, or do I just belong?

How can you help?

As we reopen, we need volunteers to help Graeme Robinson and his team cleaning and maintaining the Clubhouse on a regular basis. Graeme's team do an amazing job keeping the Clubhouse looking great. Do you have a couple hours a week to spare to help out? If so, please don't hesitate to contact Graeme Robinson for a chat on 0408 167 804.

Up-coming corporate events:

We need Club members to help with the different functions that are booked between November 19th to December 22nd (see the dates below). If you are able to help, please email info@mwbc.com.au attention Barrie or fill out the volunteer list at the Clubhouse. It is very exciting to see so many functions booked since the reopening.

Day Date	Time
Friday 19/11	To be Confirmed (TBC)
Sunday 21/11	4:00pm
Thursday 25/11	TBC
Friday 26/11	5:00pm
Sunday 28/11	5:00pm
Wednesday 1/12	3:00pm
Thursday 2/12	12:00pm
Friday 3/12	5:00pm
Sunday 5/12	TBC
Friday 10/12	TBC
Saturday 11/12	5:00pm
Friday 17/12	11:00am
Tuesday 21/12	1:00pm
Wednesday 22/12	TBC

The Grant that keeps on giving.....

Thanks to Jill Anderson's work in looking and applying for grants, we have received notification that we have been allocated a further \$1,500 from the State Government's Grant for the Community Sport Sector Covid 19 Survival Package.

U3A – Tai Chi –opportunity coming:



The U3A Friday morning bowling group has recently resumed learning to play lawn bowls at the Club. In partnership with U3A, we are providing bowling club members an opportunity to experience a morning of trying Tai Chi at MWBC on Friday 2nd December. This will be a time for you to discover what other activities are being run through our local U3A. Barrie will confirm the details when finalized via email.



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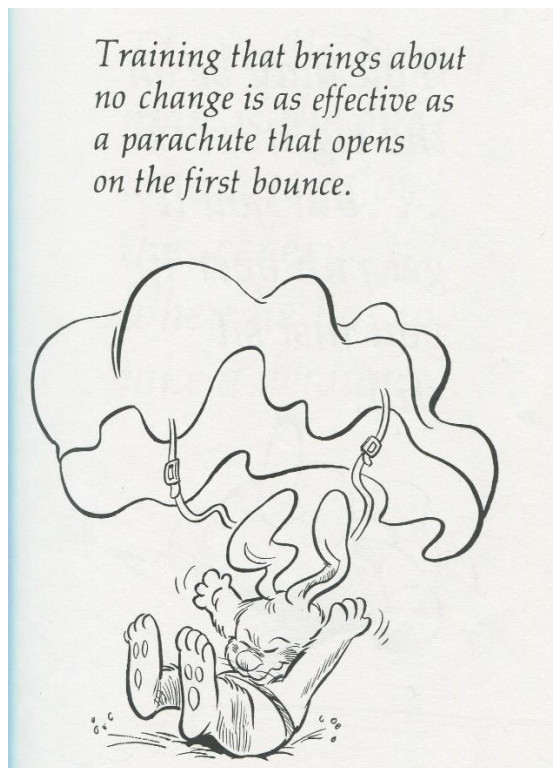
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Let's stay connected: MWBC Unmasked

For those club members who are not able to go to the Club for social drinks on a Friday night, the zoom social connection will be held this Friday 5th November from 4:30pm. You are always welcome to attend.

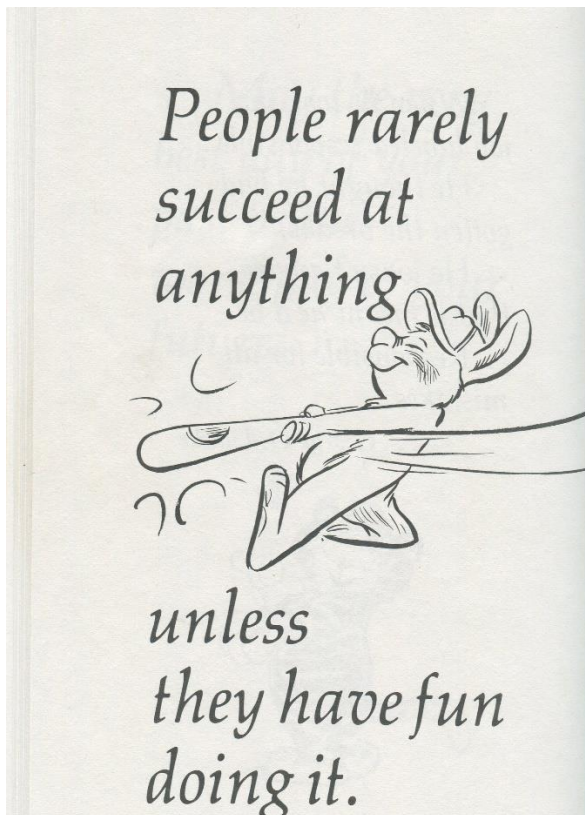
To join in: Zoom Meeting ID 6408836369

No passcode required.

Have any questions? Contact Kaye O'Hara 0417015991 or Robyn Beard 0412793122

Apologies – editor error:

In last month's Bowled Over, the winner of the Unmasked Grand Final competition was incorrect. We congratulate Peter Harney for being the closest to Melbourne's winning margin.





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NOVEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Find out who is having a birthday this month	Executive meeting 8:30	10.30 am Social bowls	Graeme Robinson		U3A Zoom Social Catch-up 4:30-5:30 Social drinks 4:30 – 6:30	WE Pennant Practice
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