

# **BOWLED OVER**



# MOUNT WAVERLEY BOWLING CLUB INC.

'The friendly bowls club'

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# February 2023

## Club Singles Championship held on Friday 20 January.

A good number of club members turned up to see the match and enjoy the BBQ supplied by the club. Thanks to Bev Wong and Barrie Epstein for working on the BBQ.

Ladies Singles match saw Lindsay Markham play Sarina Bonnici (last year's Champion) with David Rae playing Richard Sluggett.

See photos below for some of the action during the finals.











Sarina Bonnici was eventual winner of the match and is again our Ladies Club Champion



Lindsay and Sarina

David Rae won the match, so he is the men's Champion for 2023



Richard and David

We congratulate our 2023 Club champions: Sarina Bonnici and David Rae.

We look forward to the other club championship events.

A big thank you to Celia and Joe for being the markers as well as Jim and Bernie for keeping the scoreboards up to date.

#### **End of Bowls Season Social Function**

To celebrate the end of the Pennant Bowls season and to have a chance to catch up, our wonderful Social Committee are putting on a Pizza/Pasta evening on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> of February. Cost of \$15.00 per head with a start time of 6:00PM, eating at 06:30PM. Come along to join in for good food and a good time with your mates from the Club. Please see attached flyer. There is a list in the foyer to put your names.



#### **Upcoming Corporate and other Functions**

We have just finished a very hectic and fruitful pre-XMAS corporate function season, but the Club still has more functions scheduled in 2023. Please see below for the next 3 functions happening from next Tuesday.

Barrie would love to have some volunteers to help with these functions, so please put your name on the lists in the foyer or let me know by return email if you can help with any of the functions/activities:

- Monday February 6<sup>th</sup> from 6pm we will host the ERBR Mixed Pairs (4 rinks). We need a few helpers on the night, and it will be a great event to watch.
- Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup> from 04pm 3-4 Club volunteers (Bowls only for up to 40 adults)
- Wednesday February 8<sup>th</sup> from 7pm 2-3 club volunteers (Bowls only for up to 15 adults)
- Friday February 10<sup>th</sup> 7pm 3-5 Club volunteers (Self-Catered meal and Bowls for up to 25 adults)

## **Clubhouse Improvements**

Work continued painting the Lounge which is creating a lighter and brighter feel. Many thanks to the talented painting team over January - David Rae, Peter O'Hara, Doug Oldfield, and Richard Horban - for their splendid contributions!

The photo below shows just how our painters are working!



It is estimated that the number of volunteer hours painting the Dining Room, Foyer to the Ladies Toilets and Lounge now totals 120, saving the Club about \$7,000 if this work had been done by contract.

The Committee of Management approved the purchase of new blinds (funded through the club house improvement fund) to replace the old curtains in the Selectors' Room, Committee Room, and Office. The blinds are being supplied by Mt Waverley Floorworld, the same company who supplied the blinds for the Dining Room. The blinds are being made from a partially seethrough black fabric which will result in the same look from outside the Clubhouse (i.e., the lining of the curtains will no longer stand out) and a clear view of the greens from the inside.

It is expected that the new blinds will be installed by end February 2023. The existing pelmets will be painted prior to installation.

The amount of money raised through the Clubhouse Improvement Fund currently stands at \$6,300 a

magnificent effort, so a big thank you to those who have contributed.

Remember that if you have not yet taken up this opportunity to contribute to upgrading our Clubhouse, you can choose to donate in several ways:

- Funds transfer to the Club's Bendigo Bank account (BSB 633 000 Account No. 178 060 687)
- Credit card payment over the bar at the Clubhouse.
- Tax-deductible donations through the Australian Sports Foundation

# Sponsorship

Did you know that you could raise \$2,000 for your Club?

All you need to do is to refer a property belonging to you, a relative or friend to our new sponsor Jellis Craig and to have a successful sale through them. Please look out for opportunities to earn much-needed income for the Club.

# **Volunteer Appreciation Morning Tea**

Here at MWBC we have amazing volunteers who contribute to all areas of the successful running of our club. As a way of saying thankyou to everyone who volunteers in any capacity the executive held a morning tea for the club volunteers. There was about 25 of our volunteers attend.

See the photos below:







## U3A is back:

Last Friday saw the recommencement of U3A for 2023. There was 15 people come and try bowling.

A huge thank you to Minh and his small team of helpers for supporting the people from U3A.

This year there has been a big increase in numbers. As a result, we need more people to come and help support the U3A bowlers. If you can help, come to the club by 10am on Friday mornings.





Some of the new U3A bowlers



#### What is happening next door?

Members keep asking me – what is happening next door, so I say- As I a pretty lazy person really I thought I would just put the answer on the notice board!!

Two sites, Nos 340 and 342 High St Rd are being developed simultaneously and you will certainly have noticed the demolition and clearing that has occurred probably some more to come.

On No 340 two units are to be developed, one facing High St Rd and the second directly opposite the Clubhouse kitchen area. This second dwelling will be setback some 8.0m from our east green boundary but it will have a small deck attached.

On the west side the dwelling will be setback some 2.0m from our boundary while the garage will be set directly on the boundary. It is the responsibility of the developer to ensure adequate protection works are carried out in that case. Landscaping is to be provided along both the south and west sides adjoining our property.

On No 342, three units are to be constructed, one facing High St Rd and two units in semi-detached form will be at the lower level adjoining the east green. These lower units will be between 7.0 and 9.0m setback from our east green boundary.

As with No 340 Landscaping will be provided along the southern boundary.

#### David Rae



#### Super Fridays are back for 2023!

The first of our Friday night Super Fridays social evenings is coming up. This Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February is super Friday with the theme being summer and 1960's music. See the flyer below.



#### **6oth Birthday Celebration**

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> has seen the celebration of Alfred's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. Everyone enjoyed the wonderful BBQ and bowling activities.



Alfred's 60th birthday banner



One of the tables of the birthday guests

A huge thank you to our volunteers who helped on the day.

**Mount Waverley Bowling Club** is displaying commitment to responsible alcohol management by achieving Level one accreditation under the Australian Drug Foundation's Good Sports program.

Good Sports is a nationwide alcohol management program and is supported by VicHealth, the Traffic Accident Commission (TAC), the Department of Health and Department of Health & Ageing. The program was developed following research conducted by the Australian Drug Foundation which indicated that by introducing responsible alcohol management policies, clubs were able to improve membership and enhance viability.

The club is determined to meet the criteria required for the Level Three accreditation.

We now have a written alcohol management policy which includes the sale of low alcohol drinks and soft drinks and a safe transport strategy to ensure our members get home safely. We will provide food when serving alcohol and we will not have an emphasis on alcohol for player awards or fundraising, functions, and prizes.

We are confident our efforts will continue to improve the environment at the Club. We are working to ensure the **Mount Waverley Bowling Club** is a great place to play and socialise for all members of our community.

## **Working with Children:**

If you have a working with children's card, it needs renewing after 5 years. You should get a reminder email 28 days before it expires. It is worth checking the date it expires though. Renewal is available online. If you have renewed your working with children, don't forget to let the club secretary know.



