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Groundbreaking Junior Lawn Bowls Elite Pathway Program launched by Mount Waverley Bowling Club, Melbourne Cricket Club Bowls Section, and Mazenod College.

Mount Waverley Bowling Club (MWBC), Melbourne Cricket Club Bowls Section (MCC), and Mazenod College today announced the launch of a historic Elite Pathways Program (EPP) to further the development of junior lawn bowls in Victoria. The partnership will allow students to learn the sport of Lawn Bowls through Mazenod's mid-week sport program and then provide a clear pathway for development of juniors from local coaching and competition through to participation at the highest levels of the sport in metropolitan Melbourne.

Students participating in the program will have access to:

- Local community-based coaching at MWBC as part of Mazenod's mid-week sport program together with opportunities to represent MWBC in midweek pennant competition.
- Extension programs for students to further develop their skills and participate in Saturday Pennant competition at MCC.

The program is structured to encourage students of all abilities to learn the sport before being able to compete "on the green, with their mates". It provides a link between school-based sport programmes, local community participation and representation

opportunities for students at the highest levels of the sport.

Barrie Epstein - President, Mount Waverley Bowling Club: "This is an enormous opportunity to develop and encourage local youth participation in a sport with a traditional senior age demographic."

John Kaloger - Chairman, MCC Bowls Section: "This is an exciting opportunity that provides a clear pathway from local community involvement through to elite competition. It will assist in the development of the sport not only within the MCC, but across the wider community."

As foundation partners in this first-of-its-kind initiative, Mazenod, MCC and MWBC are hopeful that the Elite Pathways Program will be a catalyst for other schools and bowls clubs to adopt similar development models and pathways for the benefit of the sport of lawn bowls.

Game On – Climate Action Grants for Australian Sporting Clubs

Application for Climate Action Grant

The Club has applied for a grant of \$44,000 to install solar panels on the Clubhouse roof and battery storage to reduce its electricity bills and greenhouse emissions.

The application was made under the Federal Government's 'Game on: Teaming up for Climate Action' grant program which will provide, \$37m to 500 sports clubs across Australia over the next 3 years.

The Club has teamed up with Helcro Solar, a Melbourne-based solar energy supplier in designing a project which would reduce the Club's electricity use from the grid, saving about \$4,000 per year.

Our chances of success are slim as there are 70,000 registered sporting clubs in Australia and under the grants program, lawn bowls is not listed as a priority sport. However, you 'got to be in it to win it' and we made sure we got our application in early. We will learn of the outcome of our application in October – fingers crossed!

Thanks to Jill, Vito, Howard and members of the Executive for helping put the data extensive application together.

Congratulations! Gareth Husband
You've been nominated for a
Sir John Monash Award.



Cr James Stuart, Monash Mayor invites
you and one guest to join us on
Thursday 20 August 2026
from 6.30pm – 9pm

Winter bowlers
Come and join the fun on Saturdays.



AUGUST NEWSLETTER ITEMS – from Membership Committee.

Member Incentive Scheme

The Club will continue its Membership Incentive Scheme in 2026/27.

The scheme provides a \$25 voucher to Club members who introduce new members to the Club. Members can choose vouchers from any one of J B Hi Fi, Bunnings, Coles or Woolworths. Last year, 5 members received vouchers.

So, over to you! Please invite family members, friends, work colleagues or neighbours to join us in having fun playing lawn bowls – they are guaranteed to receive a warm welcome!



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Highlights

- 118 suites opening August 2026

- Thoughtfully designed with natural light and a central courtyard
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