

# THE BARKING DOG



## Presidents Report

Congratulations to Graham Storm on winning our Club Singles Championship, a worthy champion. Also a great effort was shown by John Byrne, in being Runner-Up in a very close game.

Tony Hawley informed the Mens Meeting it was possible to have 4 teams in the finals, which may allow the club to win 1 or 2 flags.

With interest waning in Smorgasbord and Electric Light competitions, we have to think outside the square as nothing lasts forever. We have to come up with new and attractive competitions, to attract our members and visitors to bowl. In saying this we are trying Barefoot Bowls on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, in an attempt to attract bowlers, and increase revenue to the club. As with the recent held Corporate Night, we need volunteers to assist in such events like these.

Many hands make easy work so the saying goes. If more members could contribute a little of their time for work around the club, it would help share the load and ease the burden, on the members who are being overloaded, at this present time. So I am calling on new and old members, who are not involved at the moment, to give some time, whether it is for example, on a committee, one shift behind the bar a month ( 12 times a year ), sell raffle tickets or any of the other jobs at the Club .

The Club needs your assistance so respond to the call.

Contact persons for volunteers are, Ray Morse, Margaret Rigby, Joe Belli, Brian Birthisel, Trevor Gardoll, Peter Rawlingson.

I will be absent the rest of February and can be contacted on 0418170616

Good Bowling Ray

## **SEMINAR**



**TRANSITION TO RETIREMENT**

Our sponsor Mooroolbark Community Bank Branch of the Bendigo Bank is seeking expressions of interest from our members, their families and friends who would like to attend a financial planning seminar. This is a purely advisory seminar only provided by our sponsor as a service to Mooroolbark Bowling Club members.

## **SEMINAR**



The theme of the seminar is along the lines of "Transition to Retirement". The seminar is targeted towards people aged around 50 to 65 years of age who believe they are in their final years of working and want to know the various strategies to grow their retirement wealth. The seminar will provide information on seeking the aged pension & the additional benefits surrounding this pension. The seminar will also cover present day Government Superannuation Legislation regarding contributions, withdrawals, pensions & tax implications. This will be a no obligation, free information session structured to assist those who are starting to plan for their retirement. The seminar will go for about 40 minutes with tea & coffee to follow. It is planned to hold the seminar mid to late March. We will hold the seminar in our club rooms & it can be either an afternoon or evening session. Should there be sufficient demand extra sessions can be organised. If you wish to attend or know someone who would like to take up this opportunity please contact John Connor (97260419) or Ray Schaffert (97266757) and lodge your notice of interest along with your preferred days and times. There is also a list for names and times on the noticeboard

## UMPIRES RULE with John Drummond

Q. 1 What do the white or brightly coloured pegs or markers fixed against the face of the bank indicate?

A.1. White or brightly coloured pegs or discs should be fixed vertically against the face of the side banks, or on top of the side banks in the direction of play to mark distances of 2 metres and 25 metres from the end ditches (see diagram 1 in appendix B4): Wherever possible these should be the only pegs or discs visible on the side banks. Law 5.12

Q. 2. After the end had been made dead, skip A had one bowl left to play. Skip A rolled this bowl back to the mat end for the players to place behind the mat. Was skip A correct in doing this?

A.2. No. When a bowl needs to be transferred to the opposite end of the rink before the end is replayed, it should be carried up the rink. Law 31.3

Q.3. The thirds had removed a bowl that they had agreed was shot, when the skip called out that he/she still had a bowl to play. The thirds proceeded to replace the head so that the skip could play his/her bowl. Was this in order?

A.3. No. If the result of an end had been agreed or the process of deciding the number of shots scored has started (as described in Law 40.1) a player who has failed to play a bowl (either deliberately or accidentally) will lose the right to play the bowl. Law 47.4.1

Q.4. A marker when the players give the result of the first end commences to indicate the score to the spectators with lollipops. Is he/she correct in doing so?

A.4. When authorised by the Controlling Body signal to players and spectators (using the appropriate number and, colour of shot indicators or some other suitable method) which player's bowl or bowls, the marker considers to be shot. Law 55.2 dp8.

Q.5. What is a forfeited game?

A.5. A forfeited game is one that is awarded to an opponent as a penalty for the defaulting player, team or side not meeting the requirements of one or more laws. Law 1.3.10



## THE JOE BELLI REPORT BISTRO



Another good year for our after pennant Saturday Night Bistro. With only two Bistro's to go, it can be seen that there has been an increase in the average weekly number of diners, over last year. There was also an increase in non club members dining at the Club,

So as this is my last Bistro report for the year I must thank all those who supported the Bistro the year, many every week. This success does not happen by itself, the volunteer work in the Bistro each week by our members is great. I look forward to some of our members who have never helped in the kitchen, to have a go next year.

My first thank you must go to the lady members who make up our great salads and desserts. Along with preparing the tables, and also with the serving of the food and cleaning up afterwards, well done ladies. The next big thank you is to all the men who worked on the B-B-Q, great job. Special thanks to Tony Harris who has taken over the cooking of fish, chips, etc. Well done you are a great help.

To Alan Dans, as usual your roasts and other work around the kitchen during the season is great

Thank you to Pat Garden for the great job in ordering the food we need each week.

That's it for this year, I do enjoy the people I work with in the Kitchen and the fun we have there.

Bistro Joe

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## GREENS COMMITTEE REPORT

- No.1 and No.2 greens have diseased areas which started just after Xmas. Both have been sprayed by the Greenkeeper
- The Synthetic Green is running slower than earlier in the season. Recent repairs to the
- Synthetic Green edges have been successful.
- At the moment there is an investigation into a better sprinkler system for all greens which will enable the greens to have a better spray coverage
- The sprinkler control system has been replaced at a cost of \$800

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## AROUND THE CLUB

- Congratulations to Billy Legge who played his first game in the second side against Mitcham
- Word is there is an Australian Representative in another sport at the club, leave it to you to find out who it is
- Potential Clubmen of the Year Bruce Morris and Rex Menser, for work done under duress on one recent Monday morning. They cleaned the job up in such an easy manner, you would have thought they had been doing it, all their lives!!!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS  
AT MOOROOLBARK BOWLING CLUB  
SUPPER DANCE  
SATURDAY FEB. 13TH  
CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF NUMBERS

## A Word from the Board.

Once again the end of the Pennant season is almost upon us , and we hope that you have all had an enjoyable season on the greens. Congratulations must go to all Members that have participated. To those sides that may take part in the finals we wish you all the very best and we are sure that you will all be well supported by the Members that have not been fortunate enough to quite make it.

As we the Board feel that it has been another successful season in terms of the way the Club is heading with our finances in pretty good shape as the bar has been trading above expectation , which is of course our main source of income, and fortunately we have not lost any pennant days to inclement weather as was the case last year.

We understand that every one seems happy about the lights on number 2 and 3 green and the night competition is going well as of course is the night pennant.

As most of you are now probably aware of is that the Shire of Yarra Ranges has approached the Club about sharing the bore, which has been agreed to and Council should be starting work on this shortly, which in the long term will save the Club quite a lot of money.

We must pass on or thanks to Loretta Finck, Sue Reid and Maureen Medhurst for keeping the gardens around the place in top condition with a little help from the evergreen Alf Grundy who is a jack of all trades around the Club. It takes quite a lot of time and effort to keep the gardens up to scratch, so thank you for all those involved.

It is now also the time of year we need to start thinking about how we are going to keep the Monday morning lads busy over the of season, not that there is any shortage of jobs to be done as they are all well aware. Some of the jobs that are ear marked at this stage are (1) the surrounds on number 2 green, (2) Repainting and repairing all the seats around the greens, (3) re building the other 14 shelters around the greens, (4) paving under the seats immediately in front of the Club House, as we have been trying to get the grass to grow there with no success, as well as the normal run of things that are constantly cropping up . Lyndon Cooper will also possibly need a hand to up grade the vegie garden that helps keep the kitchen with fresh vegies.

So if there are any more big strong Lads or Lasses out there that are looking to fill in a few hours Monday mornings please don,t be shy just come along and enjoy morning tea with us after a bit of work.

John Drummond and his Crew of volunteers are kicking of this years Corporate Challenge on Wednesday the 3rd of February if you are able to help out there please do so, if not come along anyway and make these participants feel welcome in the Club.

Hans Nyhuis

### **Ladies Club News**

Happy 70th birthday to Norma Hughes.

Congratulations to Kay Rawlinson, Marion Byrne & Mary Warr, winners of the Triples, and to Mary Warr for her win in the Singles

Congratulations to all players who entered the State Novice Championship you did our club proud.

The Spectacle Site was a great day well done Vivien Balfour, Tony Hawley, in winning the event 2nd were Rick Bennet and Joy Thompson, A big thank you to the ladies and men who helped with the B-B-Q and the afternoon tea.

Due to the funeral of Max Gilbert the Grace and Colin Cartwright B1 & under finals were postponed and will be played at a later date. Good luck to jenny Lewis and Gloria Reade, come along and support them.

Our sympathy to Joy Thompson and family on the passing of her beloved Mum

Great to see all our new bowlers enjoying the game

Good Bowling Julie

**VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED FOR THE BAR**  
**See Brian Birthisel**