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Dear Members

Where has the time gone? It's hard to believe, but attached with the newsletter is our **Pre-Pennant Program** so please make sure you put the dates in your diary. Our **Opening Day** will be on **Saturday September 15** followed by trial games with Sturt and Blackwood. The two games with Blackwood will both be on a Wednesday and they have asked that we make them open gender which suits us as we only have one Saturday trial game with Sturt.

As previously reported the first pennant game is on Saturday October 6 followed by Wednesday October 10 and Thursday October 11. There will be copies of the timetable on the table by the office and our website as well.

You will also notice that our first tournament will be on Monday November 19.

Chair of Selectors

We are privileged to once again have **Jim Feetham** appointed by the Board as the Chair of Selectors. Jim has been doing this role for many years now and brings a great deal of experience and skill to the role. The Board had a good discussion about our Selection Policy at our Board meeting and it was decided that we wish to continue with the selectors working as a panel. It is expected that members who nominate as a selector will adhere to our policy. Nominations to be a selector will be out soon so this will give you some time to think about it. Our policy is on our web site and will accompany the nomination form.

We know this is a time consuming job and a critical one although it's probably not the most popular job in a number of ways!

Pennant Availability Form

We have received 60 pennant availability forms so far which is the norm for this time of the year. We have unexpectedly gained another female because one of the men ticked to play on Thursday not as a fill in! He shall remain nameless. Invoices for membership are being prepared and will be out soon. The cost will remain the same as last year (\$305) and Life Members will be asked for \$55 and please remember that if you need to pay in instalments this is fine as well. It would be helpful if we could get all the forms returned asap so we can start to gauge how many sides we can nominate. We are asking members to pay by the middle of July.

On your invoice there will be a section asking for donations to continue with our upgrade. Thank you in advance if you can support us. It will be a great day when it is completed and we can relax (hopefully).

Social Bowls

Please remember that we are aiming to be out on the greens ready to play by 12.30pm at the latest for social bowls which means teams will be announced at 12.15pm. If you come a bit later there will be nothing to stop you joining in.....

The response to the early finish has been very positive and people are appreciating being in the clubrooms before the cold sets in. Once again thank you to our organisers as it is not easy task selecting teams. We do appreciate your work.

Upgrade

Our toilet upgrade is coming along nicely and they are going to look stunning. They will be completed by the end of July. The lounge and bar will commence later in August. While most of our plans for the lounge and bar have been well received there have certainly been divided opinions over our lounge chairs particularly after we have been so use to our green lounge chairs. We have taken your feedback seriously and after a few sleepless nights went on a fact finding mission about them. We spoke to the owner of a Function Centre who uses them and he said they were outstanding and that he had never had a problem. We went to a restaurant with them and spoke to the owner and also observed them at a number of other restaurants plus the Qantas Club at the airport. All were positive. Some of you are also concerned about their apparent flimsiness because they show some slight movement when you move the back of them. Can we assure you that this movement is in fact a strength. They are not brittle and rigid and according to people we spoke with will look good for a very long time. We are now looking at cushions which will be a good compromise particularly if your "bottom" doesn't have any padding.

Soup Nights

Our soup nights have been very successful and it has been great that so many people have volunteered to make a delicious soup. Our last soup night will be on **July 20** and we have **Jock Jamieson** making a tomato and leek soup, **Connie Choy** a chicken and vegetable soup, **Prue Langsford** a Thai sweet potato soup and there will also be a scotch broth (lamb and vegetables). The booking sheet is in its usual spot on the table by the office.



Then on **Friday August 3** we will have our traditional **Curry Night** and on **Friday August 31** we will be celebrating the toilet build by the **Beltrame Brothers** with an **Italian Night**. I started singing "*when the moon hits your eye like a big pizza pie*" to Angelo the other day but he seemed less than impressed.....this night will be a ripper.

Business Plans

We have now revised our business plans for our Bowls Operation Portfolio, Membership and Recruitment Portfolio and our Facilities Portfolio with Finance and Governance to be completed shortly. Our revised plans will be placed on the pin up board in our hall. You will read about "**Have a Go Day**" for the bridge players who use our club on **August 30** with a light lunch on offer before they head out onto our greens. A coaching panel will be established now we have 3 accredited coaches in our club. Your Board is working very hard to ensure our club continues to flourish.



Good Luck Ian

It is with great regret that we farewell **Ian Bower** from BBC who has resigned from the club and bowling due to his health. Good luck Ian and thank you for your contribution over the years.

Make sure you put all our dates in your diary so you don't double book!

Regards
Leonie

