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# Beaumont Bowling Club Update No. 18 – October 2016

Dear Members

I would like to start this Board update with quite a serious issue that our Club is currently facing.....it is a positive issue, but nevertheless, a challenge for us.

You see, we have so many players now that our current Pennant rotation policy which involves players in the two lower sides being “rested” for a game is going to end up being very unfair on these players. The Board has established a committee of **Don Topsfield and Stephen Jones (Bowls Operations)**, **Jim Feetham and John Rixon (Selection Panel)** and myself to prepare a report for our next meeting on Monday 7 November. The committee will look at ways we can broaden our current policy to ensure that all sides remain strong but the load is shared more equitably. A separate paper to this newsletter will be developed shortly so all members have the necessary information and we look forward to some healthy discussion amongst you.

### Start to the Pennant season

Again, h-u-g-e congratulations to our women who won all 3 rinks in their first game and have also won their second game. Such a great start to the season and hopefully the beginning of many more victories. There have been mixed results on Saturday and only one game on Wednesday due to the first game being cancelled. We are looking strong across the board this year and hopefully that will translate into some consistent wins. Our brand new players performed well, so congratulations to all of you.



### Club Championships

The Club Championship draws have now been done, so good luck everyone.

### Kitchen Upgrade

Thank you to the 28 members who came to hear about our kitchen upgrade, make some very positive suggestions and approve a total of \$33,000 to be spent. Ten thousand of this is from the Federal Government, \$10,000 from donations from members over the last 2 years and \$13,000 from our bank account. Work will commence over the next few weeks with a new stove being purchased and the gas connected. Halleluiah! The cabinet maker will also be coming to the Club to go through all the changes to our cupboards. We will make sure our website follows the journey with photos from start to finish.



### Barbecue Pergola

Our pergola has now been delivered and installation has started. This is going to be a very special pergola for our Club as the **Wildy Family** has donated a considerable amount of money to have the pergola named after **Peter** and the Board cannot think of a more fitting tribute than a permanent plaque in his memory.

### New Members

A big welcome to **Selwyn Stevens** who has been accepted as a full member and **Madeleine Downer** who has become an Associate Member. Madeleine will be our youngest member as she has just turned 21. A very special welcome to both of you.



### Night Owls

This is starting on **Tuesday 18 October** and is a big commitment for quite a few of our members. If you can support us in any way, please let us know as it will mean we can establish a roster and give some people a break. This year, we really do need to build up our numbers so please have a chat to neighbours, family members, etc and see if you can encourage them to come and have a try. Where else will you be able to feast on calamari, prawns, sausages and chips?



### Polishing Machine

Well, it appears that a number of you are missing polishing your bowls as the machine has been broken for a while. The Board will be looking at getting it repaired so please be a little patient for just a tad longer. Thank you.

### Etiquette Meeting

Ge the feedback from this meeting has been very positive so thank you to **Don Topsfield** and **Stephen Jones** for such an informative session. You have now received a summary of the meeting and we will be having a few more throughout the season.

### Rink Duty Roster

These are now ready to be displayed in the Club and we have tried to remove a few duties to make life a bit easier for the rink duty team. We will send everyone a copy once the alterations have been made. Thanks to **Stephen Jones** for making these look pretty special. The new portable vacuum is being used on a regular basis and every time I walk into the Club there seems to be a male scooting around with it. Now how about this.....one of the Tranmere women asked if we had a new carpet!!!! "No" I responded, "it has been cleaned". She also commented that the Club was looking very good.

### Sandwich Making

This is a good money earner but we could always do with a few more volunteers. Please let me know if you could be added to the roster. It only takes about 50 minutes as all the fillings are made prior to the morning. Thanks to all those people who are making some delicious sandwiches for players.



### Results and Selection Boards

**Barry Charity** is the person who designed our results and selection boards and we are aware that we need to update them and get many more magnetic names. Barry has been seriously ill and rang the other day to apologise. Given what he has been through, I let him know that we can wait and manage until he is well.

### Smoking Policy

We have recognised that our smoking areas are not well signed and will remedy this very soon. We will also be displaying our policy at the door so it is very explicit, particularly for visitors who are new to our Club.

### Some important dates for your diary

- The **Club Tournament** is on **Monday 28 November**.
- Our **Christmas Dinner** is on **Saturday 3 December**.....I know, I know, it's hard to believe we are already talking Christmas.

At this stage we are going to cancel our quiz night until the New Year as there is just a tad too much happening. We know you'll understand.

### Working Bee

Our next working bee is on **Monday 24 October** and we have been getting a terrific turn up. Thank you everyone and the outside of the Club is starting to look really fantastic. This is a photo of some of the workers who moved all our lawn clippings and we would like to start a 'caption' competition. The prize will be a beautiful bottle of wine and some Charlesworth Nuts. There will be a box on the table outside the office and some forms for you fill out. Time to exercise your creative side and come up with a funny caption that captures the men standing and Leigh and Stephen squatting in the photo. All entries must be of a clean nature though!!!! **The competition closes at the end of October.**



Now we started with something serious and we will finish on a light hearted note.

Picture this.....It's our first game and we are 2 ahead when we go into the break. Alas, after the break our skipper failed to show before word filtered down from the clubhouse that the zipper on his brand new royal blue pants had broken. He finally appeared and we all assured him you couldn't see anything and we wouldn't take any notice..... fortunately, a safety pin was located and a happy skipper started bowling like a champion. Back at the Club some wag was heard to say "This wouldn't have happened with our white pants!"

There is such a positive vibe at the Club at the moment .....so many people helping out with a wide variety of functions. Thank you.

Regards  
*Leonie*