

Beaumont Bowling Club Inc.

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Beaumont Bowling Club Update #2

Dear Members

Your new board conducted its first meeting last Wednesday 20 May and the following points are a brief summary of the meeting.

- 1. There was a very positive and productive discussion with John Bohner as a result of the motion passed at our AGM. A group comprising of John Binks-Williams, Stephen Jones and myself will be meeting to develop a proposal that will be in the best interest of the club.
- 2. Unfortunately, we have been informed by Bowls SA that next season our Saturday Metro 2 pennant side will be relegated to Metro 3 and our Metro 3 to 4. The challenge for us all now is to regain our Metro 2 status for the 2016/2017 pennant season. As a board we are also hoping that we may even be able to look at fielding another side next season given our Metro 3 and 4 teams have only 12 on each side. The important thing for our club is that we retain all our wonderful bowlers.
- 3. Congratulations to **Gordon Jackson and John Rixon** who have passed their Bowls SA Measurer's Course with flying colours and John has also passed the Marker's Course. Well done and your certificates will be presented shortly. John is also looking at completing the Umpire's Course soon. This is good for the club.

4. Happy Hour

As a start to increasing our finances, we will be holding a Happy Hour on Fridays, with the first one on 12 June from 4:30 to 6:30pm. Delicious homemade sausage rolls and toasted sandwiches will be available for you to buy. We will also be inviting our Night Owlers and nearby neighbours, so please come along. Bring your husband/wife/partner/neighbour etc. We are hoping to have a Happy Hour special each Friday and for our first one on 12 June, our bar manager will be selling bottled glasses of wine for \$4.00. Can you believe it?? Just pop in or stay awhile.

5. We spent some time on our Strategic Plan and all board members have been allocated a Portfolio from the plan.

Governance and Finance: John Binks-Williams (assisted by Phillip Fitch)

Community Involvement: Ian Williams and Mick Molnar
 Facilities: Ian Campbell and John Bohner
 Bowls Operations: Stephen Jones and Robert Field

Membership and Communication: Leonie Trimper
 People and Culture: Robert Field

Secretary: Bob Scholefield (assisted by Mike Miller)

As each Portfolio has a number of sub-areas, you may be receiving a call inviting you to join a group. Let's hope you are one of the lucky ones or why not save us a call and ring us first?

- 6. A big welcome to **Tony Reid**, **Peta Griffiths and Yvonne Stanley** who have nominated to join our club. Welcome and may you have many years of great bowling.
- 7. Bowls SA has now released its annual calendar which is available from the Bowls SA website www.bowlssa.com.au. This will also be on our noticeboard soon. For your information, Saturday pennants will commence on 10 October, Wednesdays on 14 October and Thursdays on 22 October. We are currently looking at a calendar being on display so you can see what's happening for the year.
- 8. Have you noticed some minor changes in the club rooms? As a board we are looking to make our physical environment as attractive as possible for our members and of course for any visitors considering booking our rooms for a private function. We also want to make sure that our historical photos, etc are clearly displayed and not blocked by other furniture. For the moment the whiteboard above the *Social Bowls* sign on sheet will be our main bulletin board particularly for those members without computers. We will be looking at communication structures more closely in the near future. Thank you also to the small group who are giving our kitchen a spring clean.
- 9. Our Greens Manager John has requested that we wear flat soled shoes and not shoes that have rippled soles. I'm sure you understand the importance of respecting our greens.

Your new board is looking forward to sharing a sausage roll with you at our first *Happy Hour* on Friday 12 June.

Kind regards

Ian Williams President

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