



BEAUMONT BOWLING CLUB

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2017 Calendar Dates

Friday 5 May – 7pm
Annual General Meeting

Saturday 6 May / Sunday 7 May
Garage Sale

Saturday 6 May / Sunday 7 May
Clothing Sale

Friday 12 May
Happy Hour
Happy Hour bar prices 6pm – 7pm

Friday 26 May
Happy Hour
Happy Hour bar prices 6pm – 7pm

Hi everyone

Your Board met for its final meeting on Monday night before our **AGM on Friday 5 May at 7pm**. As you will see from our update, there are some important issues that will be discussed at the meeting so we hope many of you already have this date in your diary.

Membership Fees

Let me start with some good news....

After reviewing our finances last night, the Board has changed the recommendation re an increase in our membership fees and will now be seeking an increase of **only \$5.00** rather than the \$10.00 previously mentioned. This \$5.00 will cover the \$3.00 capitation fee increase by Bowls SA last year. If you remember, the Club covered this cost for you last season. This will take the annual membership fee to \$305.00.



All other types of membership would also increase by \$5.00, eg Associate Membership would increase from \$65.00 to \$70.00.

This recommended increase will be presented at the AGM.

Toilet Upgrade

This will also be an item that we would like to discuss at the AGM so that members are fully informed about the extent of the problems with our toilets (both male and female), the estimated cost to upgrade them, the plans presented to us by a range of "specialists", the Burnside City Council's involvement, our submission to the Office of Recreation and Sport and a feasible timeline if we gain, in principle, support from you to proceed. Another reason to come along to the AGM....

Disability Car Parks

Ian Campbell and I met with a representative from the Burnside City Council to discuss the need for two disability car parking spots by the gate. The need for these became evident when a wheelchair bowler played at our Club and couldn't access a park close to the gate. The Council is looking into this.

Bar times over the autumn / winter break

Please note that our Bar will only provide bar service for social bowls



during the pennant off season. Bar service will also be provided for any function held at the Club eg Happy Hours. There will not be service at any other time. I'm sure you will all agree that our wonderful Bar Managers and helpers deserve a break. Please also note that no alcohol can be purchased on Good Friday due to licence restrictions.

Social Bowls

For those who have been playing Social Bowls, there has been a slight change in the format to accommodate odd numbers of players and to ensure that we have one competition rather than one of Triples and Pairs on some days. This will also avoid the need for a person to sometimes stand out and not get a game.

The change is that all teams will have the same number of bowls whether it is a Triple or a Pair ie 8 bowls per team. So, if there needs to be a mixture of Pairs and Triples, Skippers bowling in a Triple will only have 2 bowls. We feel this is a good challenge for these people as they are usually our more experienced bowlers. If the numbers work out on the day to be all Triples then obviously everyone will have 3 bowls.

We would like to trial this for a season to see if it provides the necessary flexibility for our

organisers to plan the teams right up to the cut-off point.

Garage and Clothing Sale

As you know, we are having another Garage Sale on **Saturday 6 May and Sunday 7 May** at our Club so if you have quality bric-a-brac, please feel free to start bringing it to the Club. We will store it in the room outside the women's toilet or the paint shed.



Don't tell Ian Campbell this as a working bee team has spent hours cleaning the shed

out! **Marlene Haynes** is the chief organiser for the garage sale.

There has been an addition to our sale as **Maxine Swain** will be holding a clothing sale for our Club on the same two days at her home. So if you also have some nifty pieces of clothing you no longer wear (for a variety of reasons!) we would love you to donate these as well.



This is a major fundraiser for BBC so please try to support it and thank you Marlene and Maxine. It will make life easier not trying to fit both events in at the Club at the same time.

Happy Hours and Meals

These will start on a fortnightly basis from **Friday 12 May** and please note that **Happy Hour prices will be from 6pm to 7pm** and not as advertised in a previous message.

A group of Board members has volunteered to do a letterbox drop to see if we can entice some community members to join us for a drink and a delicious meal. Now I know you all have tried our pie floaters but wait until you taste a *boozy fruit parcel* at our first one!

Don't forget we will be raffling an Entertainment Book on 12 May and if you have already purchased one you will get your \$70.00 back. Our second Happy Hour will be held on **Friday 26 May** and we will be serving veal mozzarella.....yum!



We do hope a number of you will join us for a good night.

Entertainment Books

These are selling like hot cakes.....we have now sold 7 which isn't too bad at this stage. Just let me know and I will put one aside for you. You don't have to wait as they can be activated right now.

Easter Raffle

Our raffle was drawn after Social Bowls last Saturday and **Bob Swinton** won first prize. Would you believe he was sitting at a table and said to the person drawing the first ticket "Pick out Bob Swinton" and the person did!



There were 18 beautifully wrapped prizes and thanks must go to **Heather Forrest** and **Noeleene Bertshinger** for getting all the prizes ready.

We raised around \$800 so thanks everyone who supported us.

Well, this is the last newsletter before the AGM and we do hope you are thinking of nominating for a place on the Board. Nomination forms are now out so be daring and give it a go.



A big thank you to our current Board members who complete their term at the AGM:

- **Ian Campbell** and **Brian Molloy**
(Vice Presidents)
- **John Binks-Williams**
(Treasurer)
- **Bob Scholefield**
(Secretary)
- **Tom Pointon, Stephen Jones, Don Topsfield** and **John Bohner**

It has been quite a journey.

See you at the AGM.....

Regards
Leonie

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