

Beaumont Bowling Club Inc.

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Dear Members

We have a great deal happening at the club over the next month so please find some time to have a good read of our newsletter so you are fully informed about our trial games, lounge and bar upgrade, etc

Opening Day – Saturday 15 September

At this stage, we have 55 people coming to our Opening Day and the selectors will be meeting on Thursday morning to organise us all into teams. Please contact me after Thursday morning if you have forgotten to put your name down. We will be serving a magnificent lunch of sausage rolls, curry puffs, quiches, chicken wings and some mixed sandwiches (hmm...will the popular salmon sandwiches be making a comeback?) This will be followed by a variety of slices, cupcakes and some butterfly jelly cakes. And then of course there is the surprise announcement......so see you at the club around 11am for a 11.30am start looking spic and span in your uniform.

Trial Matches

I have attached the programme for our trial games against Sturt and Blackwood once again so you can make sure you have all the dates in your diary. Again the selectors will only be selecting players who have ticked the box that they are available. The booking sheets are all on the whiteboard by the kitchen.

Both games with Blackwood are on a Wednesday but we will be playing under Saturday conditions e.g. 12.30pm for a 1pm start and open gender selection as requested by Blackwood..

Games against Sturt will be 11.45am for a 12.15pm start on the Wednesday and 12.30pm for a 1pm start on the Saturday.

These trials are an important lead up to our pennant competition so we are hoping most members take up this opportunity.

Coaching / Drill Practices

As reported in a previous newsletter, our coaches at the club will be organising drill sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays from 4pm starting after Opening Day on September 18. Come along and learn the drills that our Australian players use to improve their game and then you will be able to use them in your own practice sessions.

Beaumont Tournament

Our club tournament is on Monday November 19 and the Board has approved a big rise in the prize money. It will leap from \$1,000 to \$1,200 and the booking sheet will be up on the board in the near future. It would be terrific to see a large number of Beaumont members represented on the day. Remember a few years ago when our reasonably new members took home the prize money? You don't have to be the best player in the club.

A big thank you to **Bob Swinton** and **Peter Hodgson** who will be organising members wishing to visit other clubs to play in their tournaments throughout the season. This is a good way to meet players from other clubs in a social setting and represent Beaumont.

Kitchen and Bar Upgrade

I will start with some really good news about the lounge and bar upgrade as the Burnside Council will be paying for a brand new ceiling air conditioner for the lounge area. This will be installed on Thursday (September 13) and will help us enormously with our finances, so a big thank you to the Council for supporting us.

On Friday September 14 a group of volunteers will be taking everything off the walls and also removing our TV from the entrance.

On Monday September 17 the panelling of our walls will begin and the large green chairs will be removed. We will replace them with the smaller kitchen chairs and if you have purchased one of the big chairs we would ask that you collect it on the Monday or as close to that day as possible.

The panelling will continue for a while and on Monday the 24thwe will be clearing out all the tables and chairs ready for our new furniture which is arriving over the next few days.

Thursday 27thwill see our carpet being pulled up which we will be doing ourselves to save some money. We will be organising a Busy Bee on this day so hopefully we have a big turnout.

Then in the first week of October our new carpet will be laid.

During this time Michael will be painting, an electrician will be working, etc etc. It is going to be very hectic and we are asking all members to be very understanding throughout the upgrade because it is going to be jolly messy. **Ian Campbell** has done a terrific job developing our work schedule so that our trial games, bridge days, etc are disrupted as least as possible.

Now is the time to let us know if you would like to take the carpet or buy one of our tables/large lounge chairs. Please don't leave it too late to make your decision or they will be gone.

Another party to celebrate once it's all finished.

New Members

A h-u-g-e welcome to 5 new members.......Glenda Davidson, Jenny Turnbull and Libby Lock who have become full members and will be playing pennants. Glenda and Jenny who have come from Toorak-Burnside, will be playing on Thursdays and Saturdays and Libby will start her bowling career with the "girls" on Thursday. We are very lucky indeed. Welcome also to Cathy Martin who has become an Associate member and Adam Davenport who has become a Dual member.

We have 5 new women playing pennants with us this year which is indeed very exciting.

Come and Have a Go Day

On Thursday September 6 we invited people who play bridge and friends of members to come to our club and have a go at bowling. Would you believe we had 14 new women and two men come along? As usual, a group of women put on a fabulous lunch and this was followed by the "newbies" venturing out onto the green for their first coaching lesson.

So popular was the day that it will be continuing each Thursday until pennants start. One woman has already asked to become a member, one man is coming to our last social day and a number are getting very excited about starting at night owls.

Well done to everyone involved - a very successful venture. Why? Because we have such dedicated members ready to help out, so thank you to our caterers and coaches and everyone involved.

Procurement Officer

Would you like a lofty title? Would you like to be known as The Procurement Officer at Beaumont Bowling Club? So what would this mean? It means you do some shopping for us when we are running low on tea bags, toilet rolls, coffee, cleaning material, etc. It's not an onerous job but the job is guaranteed to make you feel good for helping out. If you are interested please see me. Gee I hope we are inundated as we don't want a hard working person at the club to have to pick up another task. Come on......you can do this.

Busy Bee

As mentioned earlier, this will be on September 27 and we will need many hands so please come along at 9am full of energy and vigour to help out.

Social Bowls

Our social bowls wind up this week and a b-i-g thank you to **Chris Nance**, **Vonny Barber**, **Jo Kirby** and **Geoff Wales** (before he went away) who did a tremendous job organising them. This is not the easiest of tasks as some people don't turn up on occasions and others do turn up but have forgotten to indicate on the booking sheet. Take a bow all of you as you handled everything with a great deal of diplomacy and enthusiasm. Gee we do hope you feel you now have the training for the next social bowling season!!!!!

Night Owls

Our night owls season will start on Tuesday October 23. Our target is an average of 110 players a night so if you have friends or neighbours please encourage them to come along as it is great fun.

Sandwich Making

Can you part 2 slices of bread so they match?

Can you butter bread?

Can you then put some filling on the sandwich?

Can you count so if there are 16 sandwiches to make you make that number and don't use someone else's bread? (This question is very important!)

If you answered "yes" to all these questions then I need you to help make sandwiches for the club on Saturday pennant days. I am hoping the Wednesday group from last year will continue as we developed a good routine making 88 sandwiches every fortnight.

A sheet will be on the table by the office so hopefully a number of you will volunteer. Now if you answered "no" don't worry as training is at hand.

Phew! What a month we have ahead of us and that's before the bowling season starts. I'm feeling exhausted already.......

See you on Opening Day looking gorgeous in your uniform.

Regards **Leoníe**

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