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Beaumont Bowling Club Update No. 8 - 2015

Our Christmas Dinner will be held on Saturday 5 December starting with nibbles from 7:00pm followed by dinner at 7:30pm. Bookings are on the noticeboard and it would be great to have a bumper crowd as we enter the Festive Season. As the saying goes, "Eat, drink and be merry". Full details will be out later.



Dear Member

Your Board met on Monday 9 November and I think you will see from this update that things are on the move at Beaumont. We hope you enjoy reading this brief summary of our meeting.

- 1. The new Pennant Results Board is certainly receiving a great deal of positive attention and having the ladder below the results is also proving popular. In fact, Team Beaumont is at or near the top of the ladder in a number of sides, so let's keep it up. Thank you to Bill King for recommending Barry Charity to us to develop the board as he has charged us very little for such quality work. The Board has now asked Barry to develop a new magnetic board for our side/team selections and the really good news is that Barry has said we will only need one window for both the men and women's sides to be displayed, which is excellent. Won't it be good to reduce the number of boards blocking the glorious view we have from our clubrooms? Thanks Barry. The board is a much more professional look for such a great club.
- 2. The Board would also like to acknowledge the amazing contribution made by John Arnold to both the club and, of course, the upkeep of our greens. John's departure now means we are without a Greens Manager so you may like to consider whether you are just the person for the job. If you would like more information about the role, please have a



for the job. If you would like more information about the role, please have a chat to **John Bohner** or **Ian Campbell** as applications of interest will be sought soon. **We wish Trish and John all the best** for the future.

3. A big welcome to three new members: **Dr Christopher Nance** who has joined as a full member and **Dean Webster** and **Priscilla Barry** who have become social members. Isn't it good that we have a steady number of new people wanting to be part of our club?



- 4. A b-i-g thankyou to **John Binks-Williams** and **Leonie Trimper** who spent many hours writing a submission on our behalf for a grant from the Hon Christopher Pyne MP to upgrade our kitchen through the "Stronger Communities" Project. We have asked for \$10,000 and the Burnside Council will contribute \$5,500, with our club required to provide the remainder. We know we must never count our chickens etc, but we have already received a letter informing us that our submission made the cut to be sent to Canberra so we are feeling a little optimistic with this news......so keep your fingers crossed.
- 5. The Board has approved our club office being upgraded now that a computer and fax have been donated to us. Our first task will be to clean out the office and replace the 4-door filing cabinet with a 2-door one. **Martin Easson** (our handyman sponsor) will be building a table to house the computer and fax machine. This has become critical now that our pennant results all need to be entered electronically after each game. Mind you, it probably is about time our office was sorted!
- 6. The Board has also agreed to upgrade all our sponsors' signage both inside and outside the club. We now have 24 sponsors and it is very important that we clearly demonstrate how valued they are to the Beaumont Bowling Club. There will be a re-designed **Sponsor Wall** outside by the B green and a new internal **Sponsors' Board** on the wall by the library shelf. As mentioned in the last newsletter, we will be removing the photo board as some of these photos are fading. They will be preserved on our website and also in an album. The new scoreboards will also need new signage. The sponsors are certainly excited about what is happening........
- 7. This is just a small reminder to all members that if you wish to use the clubrooms for a private function you will need to contact **Tony Myles** as your first port of call. Tony manages this area and can be contacted on **0407 001 877**.
- 8. On **Sunday 6 and 13 December**, BBC will be holding a **fundraiser sausage sizzle** at the **Glenunga Mitre 10** from **10.30am through to 2.30pm**. Can you volunteer some of your time? Mitre 10 will provide a tent, barbecue, etc so if you can help please see **Leonie Trimper**. There's a plant sale over these 2 days so Mitre 10 is confident that we will be very busy.



- 9. Our Tournament on Monday 30 November now has 23 teams so you will need to nominate soon if you have a team intending to play. The event is being sponsored by the Feathers Hotel and we can guarantee that the food will be absolutely delicious. Our club championships have now started so keep an eye on the sheet underneath the bulletin board to see when matches are scheduled so you can come and watch some great bowling and support your colleagues.
- 10. A small committee of **Bob Scholefield**, **Leonie Trimper** and **John Binks-Williams** has been established to explore what membership categories and fees are charged by other clubs. If you can access this information from another club please pass it on to any member. Thank you.

11. Christmas is definitely a time of giving.......

Would you like to make a donation towards our **Christmas Raffle** (apart from buying lots of tickets)? Suggestions are white wine, puddings, mince pies or gardening accessories. Please have a chat to **Robert Field**. Thanks also to **Maxine Swain** and **Trish Arnold** who put up our Christmas decorations. The club looks very festive.



- 12. Your Board is also looking at donating our piano to a group called "The Young Adelaide Voices" who are in desperate need of a piano. As they are a non-profit organisation we will be very pleased if we can help this group. Who knows, they may even come and perform for us. We will continue to advertise if this doesn't work out. The New Guinea artefacts on the side of the kitchen wall will be donated to the Education Section of the Museum. The Museum is very excited about this so it will be terrific if the piano and artefacts find new homes for such worthy causes.
- 13. In the near future, there will be a special edition of our newsletter sent to you which will cover all aspects of our Greens as well as an Asset Review Update. Your Board recognises that good communication is the key for all aspects of our club.
- 14. **John Binks-Williams** provided a budget update at our meeting and it is excellent to note that through our Happy Hours, Clothing Sale and extra sponsorship we have **turned our deficit around** so we can now start to initiate some modest projects.



So, keep your fingers and toes crossed that our kitchen upgrade submission is successful. Wow! What a difference that would make!

Good Bowling

Ian Williams President Congratulations to **David Andary** who was invited to the 70th Anniversary of Victory In The Pacific And The Surrender Of Japanese Forces In New Guinea At The End Of The Second World War. David was 18 years old when he enlisted in the Royal Australian Airforce in May 1943. David felt it was his duty to enlist and was posted as a medical orderly with No 3 Airfield Construction Squadron and served overseas with the squadron in Morotai, Leyte, M indoor Island and Balikpapan.

The fighting on Mindoro Island was particularly intense, putting a strain on David who worked day and night assisting with casualties. After a few weeks, exhausted and seriously ill, David was evacuated to an American hospital. After some time in the hospital and with the treating physician not able to diagnose his condition, David took matters in his own hands and arranged his own blood test. When the results were in, the doctor recognised how ill David was and told him he would be evacuated to San Francisco. Unhappy with the thought of being evacuated to the US, David again took matters into his own hands and found his way back to his squadron. Hitchhiking to the airport, he was able to negotiate transport back to his squadron. David returned to his position as a medical orderly and helped treat others in his squadron who had been affected by the same illness.

David took his discharge from the RAAF in 1946 and after the war became a leader in the fruit growing industry in SA.

This is just part of David's story. David, we salute you.



