

Metropolitan Bowls Association

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE NO.7 JUNE 2017

Greetings! President to President.

- **1. Congratulations!** The opening of the 'Orange Bowl' at Salisbury Bowling Club went well! The club now has a great all weather facility.
- Welcome to the new Presidents! Greetings also as you are the delegate for your club to the MBA. We look forward to your participation in our meetings. Updates are issued each month to keep you informed of current actions.
- **3. Trophies.** If your club won a pennant trophy, please keep it until we call for their return prior to the finals next year. We plan to have all plaques ready to present at the finals. We are asking clubs to re-consider the decision on medals as we think it would be appropriate for all winners to receive medals-not just top divisions.
- 4. Permits. We have set a fee of \$20. Reduced from \$60.
- **5. Clearances.** We discussed options with clubs to change the clearance process; (smaller fee; club to club; time limit). These have not been adopted by Bowls SA at this time. If adopted the changes will make the process simpler and cheaper.
- 6. What are we doing?
 - Pennant team nomination form is being issued now.
 - Completing recommendations for Match and Programme to consider for 2017-18 season. A busy month! You will receive this when completed. There are changes envisaged to pennant rules and procedures arising from your deliberations and the player survey.
 - Rewriting the constitution for your approval at the **AGM August 27th 10am**.
 - Writing policies: Protests and Tribunals; Fines and Fees; By-Laws etc.
 - Expanding our website to include more information.
 - Sponsorship-preparing to seek sponsors for events.
 - A flyer for your clubrooms- information for the members.
- 7. Younger Bowlers 18-35yrs. We are holding a meeting Wed 28th June 6.30-8pm at West Lakes Bowling Club to discuss their ideas on the future of bowls. A flyer will follow in the next few days. Please circulate the details to your younger members. On behalf of your hard working committee.

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