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Dear Members

What a fantastic start to our Board meeting on Monday February 12Tony and Jenny Read popped in to say hello. It was terrific to see Tony and hear how positive he is feeling. In rehab, Tony asked whether he could be taken to a local bowling club for a bowl....don't you just love it? Hurry back Tony as you are missed.

Club Championships

Due to a range of circumstances (heat and illness) the timeline for our Club Championships has now been extended from **Sunday February 25 until Sunday March 11**. We will keep you informed when the finals are being played as there will be some terrific games to watch. Good luck to all those who are still in the competition and please ensure you have the **Presentation Night on Friday April 6** in your diary.

Club Tournament

We have 24 teams playing in our tournament on **Monday February 19** thanks to the hard work of **Robert Field and Bob Scholefield**. This has to be the fastest organised tournament ever! Thank you also to **Heather Forrest** for organising the team of caterers for all the hungry bowlers and **Rocco Galluccio** for donating a Golden North *Giant Twin* for all the players and helpers and a \$50 Golden North voucher for the raffle.

Social Bowls

Social bowls will be starting after pennants finish and we are really hoping that players from all levels will get involved this year. This is a great time for our stronger bowlers to support the less experienced bowlers and for all of us to get to know each other a little better. **John Rixon**, with help from **Vonny Barber**, has kindly offered to organise Saturday social bowls and **Geoff Wales** and **Chris Nance** Wednesday bowls.

There will be an added incentive this year as \$2 from your \$7 will be kept aside to go into a draw at the completion of the games. If your name and coinciding rink number is drawn out then you will go home with heavy pockets. If there isn't a winner, the money will jackpot.....would you believe that one club had their jackpot build up to \$600! There may also be some extra treats this year like some delicious sausage rolls to entice more members along, particularly while the weather is still good.

Future of our Greens

Well, we have now had 9 core sampling bores sunk in our rinks to determine what lies below and we are now waiting for the final report to assist us with our greens. **Paul White, Ian Campbell and John Bohner** have also met with a representative from a group called *Living Turf* to discuss the fungal issues we are currently experiencing. They were extremely supportive of the prudent course of action being undertaken by John but will also be liaising with some experts in New South Wales.

Once all these reports have been received the “Future of Our Greens Committee” will meet and propose a number of recommendations to the Board for discussion and then to members at a meeting.

Coffee Machine

If you need a caffeine fix at the club we have leased a coffee machine for 6 months to determine how financially viable it is. The cost is \$2 per cup and we would appreciate your feedback during this period. Thanks to **Ian Williams** for organising this. It is located at the end of the kitchen bench.



Toilet / Lounge Upgrade

The plans for our toilets have now been completed and will be on display soon. Gorgeous.....! We have also completed yet another submission for *Fund My Neighbourhood* so that a contract can be drawn between the Club and the State Government. Once this is all signed, we will receive our money and **Angelo and Luigi Beltrame** and their team from *Beltrame Brothers Builders* will be able to start. The estimated time will be 2 months and we have also budgeted for portable toilets during this period.

Ian Campbell and I will meet with our interior designer and the local council on Friday 16 February to start finalising plans for our bar, lounge and hall area. Once these plans have been finalised we will call a special meeting for members. It's going to a hectic messy period, but so exciting.

Clothing Sale

Maxine Swain has decided she would like her garage back so we will hold our final clothing sale running from **Saturday April 28 until Friday May 4**. What hasn't been sold will then be bagged on May 5 and donated to charity. If you do have any quality clothes for the Grand Finale we would appreciate them. This fits in superbly with our Friday Bridge as it was going to be cancelled on May 4 anyway.

Easter Raffle

The chocolate donations are already starting to roll in so thank you very much. They go in the box by the library shelf and will be placed in a cool place on a daily basis so don't worry about the heat. Your raffle book is in the shoe box on the table by the office so thank you to the terrific number of members who have already taken their book. Saves me some work! The raffle will be drawn on **Tuesday March 27 at Night Owls**.



Grounds Support

We have had a great response for help with our grounds. Thank you to **John Forrest** and **Peter Baldwinson** who will be ensuring that our greens are clearly lined, **Ian Williams** and **Ross Anderson** will be on the roller and **Peter Chwalisz** and **Chris Nance** will be our resident gardeners. We also can't forget **Ken Hawke** who has been helping out on and off the greens for a very long time. We have called for volunteers to put out a sprinkler on the weekend so if you are thinking about it can you please see **John Bohner**.

Website

We have updated our home page so any exciting news items will be on the home page and not tucked away. Thank you to **Mike Miller** who has been negotiating with our web designer to make the appropriate changes.

New Members

A h-u-g-e welcome to **Pam Huntley** and **Robin Williams**. If you think you are seeing double when you see Ian and Robin Williams together it doesn't mean you need to go to Specsavers. Pam is another gorgeous woman for our Club.....

Annual General Meeting

Another date for your diary.....our AGM will be held on **Friday May 11**.



Busy Bee

The next working bee will be held on **Monday February 26 from 9am**. Please keep up the big numbers who have been coming to assist. This Club very much appreciates members who recognise that we run on volunteers and put themselves out to share the workload.



It is hard to believe that there are only a few weeks of pennants left, so enjoy!

Regards
Leonie