

Metropolitan Bowls Association

# **PRESIDENT'S UPDATE NO.19 October 2018**

### Greetings!

**Welcome!** Henk Smelter from the Blackwood club has joined the Executive Committee. We look forward to his input.

### **Electricity Bulk Purchase.**

- Ten clubs expressed an interest in further information. Last week we gathered data from some clubs to assess the viability of the scheme.
- We have decided to proceed and in a separate memo you will receive the details as we seek more clubs to join into a proposal.

#### On the Greens.

- All clubs received a flyer advertising this new venture and we hope you have been able to promote the concept.
- The SA Bowlers League and the MBA have joined together to develop a replacement for the previous radio programme.
- We have now livestreamed several programmes which bowlers can view **at their leisure on the metro bowls Facebook page**, or if they are early risers, **watch live at 7.45am Sunday mornings.**
- The bowls news in the Messenger Community News has been reduced, and fewer sports are being covered. This trend will continue. We believe that what we are starting up is the way to go for the future.
- The MBA has purchased equipment to allow this to happen.
- We have plans to expand the use of livestreaming with the possibility of visiting clubs.

## Prestige Medley.

• Flyers have been distributed to clubs seeking nominations. Managers have been appointed and we thank the people concerned.



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 Many shirts need to be replaced, so we have decided it is better to replace all the shirts with a new design reflecting the MBA sponsorship. Our budget was \$1500 a year to replace the shirts which have all different designs. The cost will be \$5500 in one year to replace the lot with matching designs and MBA logo which should last for 5 years.

Neil Dalrymple CEO Bowls Aust. At a recent meeting I attended:

- Neil is receptive to the idea of Partial Forfeits and suggested a paper be forwarded to Bowls Aust. seeking a trial of the concept.
- Major changes to the Bowls Aust. Calendar should not occur until Year 20-21 to allow for considerable planning to be finalised.
- Bowling Arm users will not be required to have a medical certificate in a rule change to be confirmed later.

## ECH News.

- ECH- our great sponsor, has approached us to have several sponsored Xmas functions at various clubs near their facilities.
- Mike Porter is on the job and we hope that if you are contacted you are able to support this idea.

**Correspondence.** Clubs are reminded that all correspondence must go through the MBA Secretary Ron Mulliner, who will then direct any issues to the appropriate person or committee. This process is essential for our volunteer organisation to function without duplication.

Ron Mitchell

President.