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Dear Members

As we approach the end of the first half of the season we should all feel pretty good about how we are travelling. Our Division 3 and 5 sides had terrific wins last Saturday with Division 5 beating the top side. So well done to everyone but it's important we keep this momentum going. Our Division 3 women are also third which is excellent.

We do have a problem though which some of you would not be aware of at all. A few of us are spending an hour plus each week trying to fill our lower sides because of people pulling out during the week. Now please don't misunderstand me here as we know health and family issues crop up but please try to remember that when you ring to cancel out because of a "lunch" offer (for example) it's not as simple as just one call to replace you. You may be one of 10 calls that Jim receives during the week. We are ever so grateful to 7 night owlers who are helping us out and of course to our wonderful women who don't play on Saturday. We nominated our sides at the beginning of the year because of the information we received from members so I thought it was worth mentioning that we seem to be hitting a really rough patch and again I am not talking about health issues because we know we have a number of members who are facing challenging times at the moment. Our thoughts and best wishes are with them all the time.

Club Tournament

Our club tournament was a h-u-g-e success with 104 players enjoying their games on our greens and of course, our delicious food and beautiful facilities. A big thank you to **Rocco Galluccio** for once again providing a **Golden North** ice-cream for everyone and to **Prue Langsford, Jo Pledge, Jo Kirby, Roxy Brown, Marilyn Falahey, Margaret Galluccio, Leon Glynn, Brian Molloy, Graeme Langsford, John Binks-Williams and John Howley** for cooking, serving, providing bar services, cleaning up and generally being on their feet for a very long time. It was great to see **John Rixon** back keeping all the scores with **Jim Feetham**. Thanks also to **Robert Field and Bob Scholefield** for ensuring we had a good number of metro and country clubs represented on the day. The feedback from everyone was very positive both about our organisation and our facilities. **John Bohner, Ian Williams and Dave Thomas** were also at the club at the crack of dawn to ensure our greens were in tip top shape. Well done everyone.

Christmas Dinner

On **Saturday December 1** there will be 120 members and friends sitting down to our annual delicious Christmas dinner function. We will be trying new caterers as our “regulars” didn’t return any calls or emails made over the past few months.



Canapés will be served from 6.45pm and we ask people to be seated by 7.30pm for a buffet meal of roast ham and beef with vegetables followed by Christmas pudding or apple pie. We have 11 people making some delicious canapés so thank you very much in anticipation of your gourmet treats. The cost as usual is only \$30.

We have never catered for so many people (in my time anyway) so we will all need to show our best Christmas spirit as we line up to get our food which I am assured will be plentiful.

There will be an easy Christmas quiz after the main course with lots of Haigh’s chocolates going to the winners and, of course, a surprise visitor at the end of the night with a twist this year.....you won’t want to miss the fun!

Have you seen our beautiful table Christmas decorations? Thank you to **Pam Huntley** who made and donated them to the club because of how welcome we have made her feel. They are very classy and certainly fit in with our new décor.

Christmas Raffle

Please keep your donations rolling in and of course your raffle book. We need to ensure all books are returned (sold or unsold) so it will save some work if we receive them by the due date. If anyone is interested in donating a ham I would love to hear from you. The raffle will be **drawn after social bowls on Saturday December 15** and perhaps with a pizza or two.



New Members

A h-u-g-e welcome to **Jean and Ian Marsden** and **Lyndsay Power** who have become Associate Members with our club. It’s a really good feeling to see our numbers continuing to grow every month.



Club Championships

Gee there have been some really good games played so far so keep your eye on the booking sheet by the kitchen to see when games have been booked. Thank you also to the members who are contacting us to inform us that they are having trouble with the timeline....this will happen but it’s good to be kept informed.

Facilities

Thank you to **Leigh Tonkin** who installed our second TV in the lounge area. We have also ordered the rest of our blinds (up to the concertina doors) to be installed by Christmas. A group of us will be meeting on Monday with our interior designer to start planning our hall. We know setting up / taking down and packing up the tables and chairs is a chore and we are certainly going to explore more effective ways this can be done when we design our hall. Unfortunately our clubrooms are just not big enough to avoid this but at least we can try to make it a great deal simpler. I know people enjoying their post-game drink see me coming and inwardly groan when they hear my dulcet tones saying “can we get some help please to set up the tables and chairs”. Mind you, the response has been terrific so thank you very much.

Private Functions

There are times (too many to mention) when this club excels and members volunteering to help run private functions is one of them. Thank you for your support and the sheet for volunteers up to Christmas has been placed on the table by the kitchen.



Gee I wonder how many times the words “thank you” has been said during this newsletter? Father Christmas is going to be very busy in this area on Christmas Eve!



Enjoy the last few weeks of bowls and as one of our members said, “There is no glory in practice but there is no glory without practice”.

Regards
Leonie