

Beaumont Bowling Club Inc.

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Dear Members

You know the bowling season is not far away as the Board needed to spend considerable time on Monday night deliberating the number of sides we were going to submit to the Metropolitan Bowls Association (by this Friday) for the upcoming season.

At this stage we have **15 new pennant players - 7 women and 8 men** - some very experienced and some playing for the first time. We should feel very proud how our numbers are growing.

In summary, we have **56 players for Wednesday**, **28 for Thursday and 79 for Saturday**. We have nominated 3 sides for Wednesday (2 by 16 sides and 1 by 12) but recognise that this will mean we have 12 players over. We have contacted the MBA asking them to consider that our side of 12 be made into 16 to assist us. This would then be very manageable.

On Thursday we have 28 women and have nominated 2 sides of 12, which is an increase, and we have requested that the 2 sides play in the same division.

On Saturday we have 79 players and have nominated 5 sides, which is an increase from last year. As we have 2 Division 6 sides, we have also requested that they play in the same region so travel doesn't become an issue.

Fingers crossed the MBA will respond to our Wednesday request.

Practice Days

Our Wednesday and Saturday pre-pennant practice days have been finalised. **Jim Feetham,** our Chair of Selectors, will be placing an availability sheet on the whiteboard by the kitchen for players to indicate which days they are available for selection. Copies of the pre-pennant programme are on the communication ledge and also on our website. Please note that selection for the Wednesday game on October 2 against Kensington/Marryatville will be based on Open Gender so all women will be invited to tick that Wednesday box. Both clubs are hoping to be able to field 5 sides for our first practice. We will be organising a meeting for all new pennant players in the next few weeks so we can explain the pennant availability form, rink roster duties (which has been revised and shortened), travel arrangements, etc.

Opening Day

As you know, this has been set for **Saturday September 14** and a programme/timetable will be sent to you soon. There will be our usual scrumptious lunch and this year **Brandon Pilgrim** from **Ray White** and **Andy Sjoberg** from **Helloworld** will be rolling down the first bowls. Fingers crossed the sun will be shining.

New Members

A b-i-g welcome to **Phillip Pledge**, who has become a full member and will be playing pennants, and to **Graeme Langsford**, who has become an Associated Member. Graeme is well known to us as he is already a terrific volunteer around the Club.

Grant

The Coalition Government has advertised its *Stronger Communities Grant* and if you remember, we received \$10,000 for the kitchen upgrade and \$15,000 for our lounge. At the Board meeting it was decided that we would apply for 2 new air-conditioners for the hall to match the one in the lounge. This grant is dollar for dollar and we thought the air-conditioners will enable us to then complete the wall panelling.

New Bowls

We have ordered another 8 sets of bowls for our night owlers which will give us 16 sets when night owls starts. It's great to see new bowlers using them to find out which size best suits them. We must reiterate though that these cannot be used for pennants.

Painting

Our designer, **Stephen Henderson**, has prepared a colour scheme for our Clubhouse and the outside area which we hope will be approved by the Council. The main colours will be Colourbond Woodland Grey, Riversand, Calcium (off white) and Monument (black). If you would like to see how all these colours comes together and what the Clubhouse will look like, a mock-up will be on the communication wall. Very classy........

Have you tried on your uniform yet?

Regards

Leonie

From our Beaumont Travellers.....

We have discovered the most revered animal in western Canada by the First Nation people, followed by the Bear.

