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Dear Members

Our pennant season has started extremely well given we set ourselves some targets for Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday sides. Our Division 3 North side on Saturday is at the top of the ladder and Division 4 East is third which is great seeing this is their first time in this division. Our Division 2 North side on Thursday have had a ripper of a start winning both their games so far and are sitting second on the ladder. This is excellent given they were only promoted last year. Division 7E had a terrific win on Saturday. Wednesday sides are travelling well, and it is good that we are filling our extra side each week which was a tad worrying at the beginning of the year.

Selectors

Congratulations to **Vince Birt** and **Jenny Tregoning** who have been approved by the Board to be added to our selection panel. This will help ease the load for several of our selectors who were selecting two sides each week. This is a very time-consuming role, so we are very grateful to you both.

New Member

A h-u-g-e welcome back to **Steve Coultas** who has been a Past President at our club and is not too bad at bowling either. We are delighted you have come home Steve.

Championships

There has been a flurry of entries for our championships and the women have never felt so popular. They are getting calls from lots of men to see if they are booked up for the Mixed Pairs. There are no wall flowers at this club!

Barry has asked that you please pay your fees as your nomination may not be valid. The money box is on our communication ledge so please make sure you have paid your \$7 per entry.

Please also note that due to the large number of women entering the Women's Singles Championship that there will now be a Men's and Women's Championship as well. The "Open" has now gone as this was only there to enable women to have the opportunity to nominate given there have not been enough women in the past for their own championship. The good news just keeps building at this club.

Watering System

We have received one quote so far for a new watering system and it is around \$35,000. We will wait to receive another quote but through your generosity we feel we will be able to get at least one green done because you donated over \$10,000 over and above your subscriptions. Wonderful stuff.

Night Owls

Our night owls program starts on Tuesday October 20 and we have so many new people coming that it should be exciting. As I said previously, there are well over 100 and a number have come out to have a go already. If you are wondering how the lovely 84-year-old woman went with her coaching lesson, she did surprisingly well. However, I received a call a few days later to say she could hardly move her arm so perhaps it was not for her. Thank you to all the helpers coming to help for the first few weeks.

Bowls Stickers

Oh dear, our bowls stickers are not performing too well and a number of you have sent photos to Mike Miller so he has some evidence to show the company.

Bar Policy

The Board discussed our bar policy and again we need to stress that **no-one can go behind the bar unless they are a bar manager or an assistant bar manager**. We think that is clear.

Bistro

So far, 194 have eaten at our bistro over 3 nights. We have had 3 groups of neighbours come twice and they love it. The menu will change every month although Janet our caterer will keep the most popular dishes. I can now recommend the chicken schnitzel as I work my way through the menu, although my clothes do seem to be shrinking in the wash! Come and join us as it beats cooking.

Rotation Policy

We are blessed with many people wishing to play on Saturday, so each week the selectors will have a number of reserves. Once you have taken a turn as a reserve, then others take their turn in the next game so that way it's fair. It is not our policy to keep the same people out each week as we see every bowler being important. We are trying to spread this load as far as possible.

Future of Pennants

Attached to the newsletter you will see a paper titled, "The Future of Pennants". As you know, the Metropolitan Bowls Association (MBA) is looking to the future and what this means for our pennant competition. Ian Campbell, John Binks-Williams, and I met and raised a number of points which we took to the Board for discussion. What do you think? Have you anything else you would like us to consider? During October and November, a committee member from the MBA will meet with the three of us to hear what our club has to say.

Sponsor Directories

Our new directories have now been printed and I will place them on our communication ledge in an envelope with your name on it. Please familiarise yourself with the wide variety of sponsors we have so you can use them and thank them for their support. The funeral home is the only one to avoid.

Keep up the good work with your bowling and it's great to see a number of people out with Ian Williams for drills, etc on a Thursday afternoon at 4pm.

Hmm, that could be followed by a nice meal and drink at our bistro.....

