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## Beaumont Bowling Club Newsletter No. 71 – December 2021

### Dear Members

Well what a great night on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November at the annual Xmas Dinner.

Some 130 in attendance which included many night owlers & guests and what a colourful well behaved group we all were!!

Apart from some overcrowding issues at the start of the evening, once everyone was seated, our Covid Marshall Tom could breathe a sigh of relief.

Highlight of the evening had to be Jock Jamieson & the Choirgirls for a very funny musical interlude followed by Keith Arnold delivering a rendition of a very popular ditty that no one had ever heard of.

A big thankyou once again to the following people who put so much work into the event – Marney Harley who made the lovely red table cloths & table decorations & Marney & Alan Perry for setting up for the night. Lyn Witt, Cathie Roff, Jud Thomas & Kim Perry for general organisation. Graeme Langsford for the blow up Santa on “B” green. To our bar staff & to Janet & her catering team for a great spread. And finally to all those who provided the delicious array of canapes.



**I promise I have been a good boy?**



**The three wise men**

## **New Members**

A big welcome to a new member who has joined the club since the last newsletter:-

- Catherine Doyle (Associate Membership & Night Owler)
- Doug Harrison (Associate Membership & Night Owler)
- Gerry Doran (Associate Membership & Night Owler)
- Jenny Sommer (Associate Membership & Night Owler)

## **Night Owls**

Since the commencement of night owls in October we have regularly had on average 110 in attendance, even during the Xmas period when we would have expected numbers to drop. And what a great crowd we have with many new teams & of course the regulars. The process of paying registration fees, purchasing raffle & BBQ tickets at the bar then moving on down to the hall to register is working extremely well.

A big thank you to Merv, Graeme, Jenny, Prue, Cathie, Maz, Jud, Ash, Alan & Kim for your efforts – a well-run machine. And I mustn't forget Michael, Lyn & Pam for providing the sausage & shaslik sizzle each week

## **Some Housekeeping Matters**

A sub-committee was formed recently to review the various hire agreements we currently have with our regular hall hirers. As a result, new agreements have been drawn up and should be agreed & executed by the parties prior to Xmas.

Of particular note & included in these agreements will be the requirement to leave furniture (tables & chairs) in a particular layout including instructions on how to move furniture around the premises. Other clauses covering child safety have also been incorporated.

## **First Aid Matters**

As a follow up from last month's newsletter, we suggested that we as a club maintain a medical register of members with specific medical conditions such as diabetes, heart, allergies etc. Helen from St John suggested that it was a very good idea, however divulging that sort of information should not be considered compulsory but rather voluntary. If any member has a particular condition that they wish to divulge, please contact me either personally or by email. Be assured that such information shall remain confidential should that be your wish.

At the time of writing this newsletter, I have had no response, so I assume we are all fit & healthy!!

## **Bistro**

Last night of the Bistro this week with a great number in attendance once again. Leonie & her team of Janine, Prue & JB along with the caterers will take a well-deserved break until 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

Whilst the numbers continue to rise from external interest, it is important that we as members continue to support Leonie with this venture.

## **Green Keeping Matters**



Our colourful beach umbrellas have finally arrived. All part of UV protection for the roller boys.

Over the Xmas period, apart from the usual watering, greens will not be maintained between 24<sup>th</sup> December & 4<sup>th</sup> January. We will have one green available for practice at all times, however please take note of the notice board & any "green closed" signs.

## **Pennant Selection Matters**

We have now reached the halfway point of the season with some interesting results thus far. Apart from no less than four (4) eight shot ends being recorded, the pennant standings are currently as follows: -

<b>Wednesday Division 1</b>	<b>10th</b>
<b>Wednesday Division 3</b>	<b>4th</b>
<b>Wednesday Division 4R</b>	<b>8th</b>
<b>Wednesday Division 4W</b>	<b>12th</b>
<b>Thursday Division 2</b>	<b>1st</b>
<b>Thursday Division 3R</b>	<b>1st</b>
<b>Thursday Division 3W</b>	<b>8th</b>
<b>Saturday Division 2</b>	<b>7th</b>
<b>Saturday Division 5</b>	<b>2nd</b>
<b>Saturday Division 6</b>	<b>3rd</b>
<b>Saturday Division 7ER</b>	<b>1st</b>
<b>Saturday Division 7NW</b>	<b>3rd</b>
<b>Saturday Division 7EB</b>	<b>9th</b>

As you can see, if we keep up the good work we have 7 sides capable of playing finals at season end with hopefully some pennant flags coming our way.

Recently you would have received a pennant review of the club's pennant performance for the first half of the season. You are encouraged to provide constructive feedback to Bob Ormston & the selection panel ideally by 3<sup>rd</sup> January. Thank you Bob & your team for your efforts thus far, a job well done.

### **Taylor Bowls (from Bob Ormston)**

Thanks to everyone who has played in our Taylor Bowls team over the past 3 games.

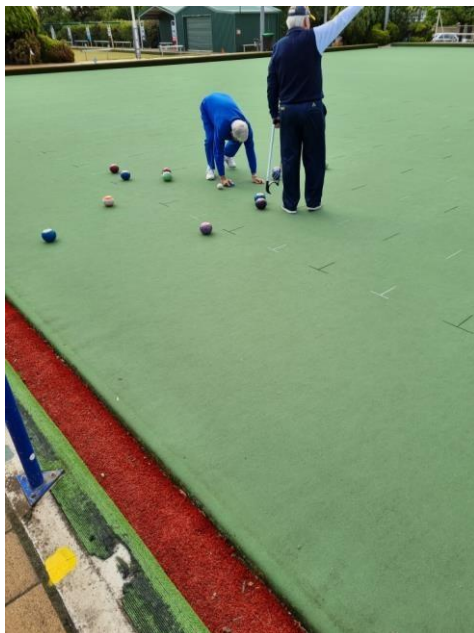
We had an impressive win at Payneham last Sunday, winning all four rinks. The progressive results are yet to be publicised but we hopefully have moved into the top four.

Our final three games are:

- Sunday 23 January at Kensi-M'ville v Toorak-Burnside
- Sunday 6 February at Adelaide v Payneham
- Sunday 20 February at Beaumont v Henley

We won't get ahead of ourselves but the finals are scheduled for 27 February, 6 March, 20 March and 3 April.

### **Did you know?**



You might think that the fellow on the right is calling for a measurer? I am reliably informed that he was calling for someone to come down and help Rob Warhurst get back on his feet.

## **Birthdays**

Some milestones during the month of December.

Happy Birthday to: -

- Robin Williams
- Derrick Witt
- David Andary
- Lyn Witt
- Barbara Jackson
- Gordon Jackson
- John Elwin
- Maxine Swain
- Barbara Walch

Apologies if I have missed anyone – some of our early membership records don't always have birth dates registered.

## **On the sick list**

Neville Kirby who has had some gravel removed (in Neville's words "gravel reduced to sand").

He is all OK but is not allowed to do any heavy lifting for the next few weeks. Apparently Boags Premium stubbies do not fall into the heavy lifting category.

The President has had his left hip replaced & is now home doing rehab under the watchful eye of Nurse Ratched (she prefers to be called Nurse Betty)

All going according to plan thus far but will be a while before he is back on the greens.

## **Xmas Raffle**

The Xmas raffle was drawn last Saturday after pennant bowls & congratulations to all the winners. No less than 12 prizes this year with some quality goodies in each. A big thank you to the organisers who put the raffle & prizes together & a big thank you to all those who donated goods

## **A Joke to finish**

**"A bad start to the morning.....**

**On the way to the office, I rear-ended a car.**

**Somehow I knew it was going to be a bad day.**

**The driver got out of the other car and he was a dwarf.**

**He looked at his dented car and then looked up at me and said, "I'm not happy...."**

**I said, "Well, which one are you then?"**

**And that's when the fight started..."**

I'm sure I'll be reminded that I have missed something, so if I have, stay tuned for the next exciting instalment.

Best Xmas wishes to you & your families, stay upright, be nice to each other (including the President) & bowl well

*Dave*