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Beaumont Bowling Club Newsletter No. 76 – June 2022

Dear Members

The Pres and 1st lady leave us for a few weeks on their overseas jaunt and what happens - the June Board meeting has a three-page agenda and ended at 9.45pm – (thanks Dave) - but we covered off a lot and there was some very active participation from those on board, as we set the scene for the year ahead.

After the COVID 2-year break - the reintroduction of the Strategic Planning process was an important first topic. An acceptance of the process, a relook at our Vision and Mission statements, identifying our portfolios and the people to head them up with a support team and over the next couple of months the development of the portfolio Operational Plans were considered as being very important to ensure our great Club continues to grow and be successful.

New Members

One new member since the last newsletter: -

- Lyn Neal – Full Member

Welcome Lyn - It's great to have you on board as a full member.

Bistro

Janine is having a well-earned break from organising the Bistro clientele and being the Maître D on the night, as well as taking the bookings for people who wished to book the Club for an event. We sincerely thank Janine for her commitment to these two very important functions within the Club over recent months.

Lyn and Kim have taken up the reins and are trying to streamline processes with event hirers and also reservations for the Bistro. The Board support them in trying to develop specific function packages so that anyone would be able to provide information to potential hall users.

If you would like to help out with organising either of these activities to allow both Lyn and Kim more time to do the other duties they undertake within the Club, have a chat to them - they would really appreciate it.

During the winter months we have seen a slight drop off in numbers attending the Thursday night Bistro - Janet continues to change up the specials each Thursday night, so keep it top of mind and continue to invite your friends, family and neighbours along to a great meal, friendly service, excellent atmosphere and importantly, you would be supporting your Club.

A farewell to our longstanding Green Keeper – John Bohner

It was the end of an era when the Club came together on May 28th for a retirement send-off for John Bohner after more than 38 years as the Club's Greenkeeper, an outstanding bowler and a great man to have around the Club. A good number of members attended the event to present John with a 'monetary gift' to possibly put towards some desired travel plans during his Long Service Leave and after his official retirement date of July 7th.

On his final Saturday at the Club a few of the regular 10.00am 'morning tea' chaps joined John for a farewell morning tea and some extra nice eats provided by Lyn Witt – Thanks Lyn

We received a nice thank you from John for the function and gift (which was circulated) and I believe there was a just little hint that after a good break we may even see him return for the occasional game. We can only hope!



On and Around the Greens



Let's start off with another big thank you to the volunteer team who tackled the second loading of the skip with the remaining grass clippings, a couple of weeks after the first load. 'Only' 6 cu. mtrs this time and it totally cleaned out the grass clipping containment area. An ecstatic John B (see pic) said that this is the first time he can remember the 'bin' being empty – so again - great job guys.

- New greens contractor

The appointment of James Gregory as the new greens contractor to replace John occurred during the month and James' start date is the 1st July. If you see him or one of his crew on the greens make them welcome.

A machinery audit was conducted with James to assess what machinery/equipment could be disposed of or needed replacing.

As a result, a new sprayer, fertiliser spreader and shelving units have approval for purchase and a couple of machinery items will be sold.

A big thankyou to our Green's Manager, Dennis Reid, who is holding the fort until James comes on board.

- Social Bowls and Practice

Unfortunately, Dennis has been the bearer of bad news for social bowls on some Wednesdays and Saturdays over recent weeks due to the inordinate amount of rain we have received. It is important that we preserve the current conditions of our greens as best we can now, so that they are in good condition for the start of pennants - so... a nice stretch of sunny days would be appreciated - any connections????!! Don't forget, if there is no play, pop into the Club between 4-6pm anyway and enjoy a drink and some good company



- Practice

Unfortunately, without John now not being on site to open up, there are occasions when the Club House and Locker rooms will be locked. We are considering replacing the lock on the Locker room with a code lock and make the code available to all members so that those wanting to practice when there is no one there will be able to access the Locker room to get out kitties, mats and bowls etc. More to follow on this.

Old Club Shirts for Sale

I have been asked to remind you that we still have some of our old club shirts for sale. There is quite a few long sleeve shirts remaining which would be great to wear on those cooler social/practice days - so contact Kim today – (number below) to organise a fitting before the supply runs out!!

FOR SALE
Beaumont Bowling Club shirts
(2020 – 2021 season design)
Most Brand New
Limited stock available
Bargain price - \$20 each

Mens Shirts	Ideal to wear for	Ladies Shirts
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social Bowls• Night Owls• Internal Club Championships• Practice sessions• Roll up at any time	

To make a purchase, call (or text) Kim now on 0413 516 422

Dates for your diary

- **Monday 11th July - next Board meeting** – in case you wish to submit something to the Board for consideration
- **Wednesday 13th July 4.30pm – 6.00pm – Turn on the new lights -Thanks to Burnside Council**

Please note that after the Wednesday Social bowls on Wednesday 13th July we will be having drinks and nibbles to celebrate the installation of the new LED lights on the three greens and to thank the Burnside Council for their generous donation towards the cost. So, if you aren't playing bowls on that day call in and celebrate the occasion anyway. The mayor and other representative of Burnside Council indicated they will be attending (Lights on at 5.00pm)



- **Friday 12th August - Quiz night with John Elwin** – BYO plate – Back on again (thank you John) so start to think about putting together a table for a great time.
- **Saturday 27th August – Sponsors Day** - Sausage sizzle -more on this in July
- **Saturday 10th September - Open day**

Birthdays

Sorry I can't specifically mention who has had a birthday during May/June as Dave has this information tucked away in his computer..... BUT if you have celebrated one or are about to - "A HUGE HAPPY BIRTHDAY"

Sponsorship

Richard Pledge has now finalised all sponsorship arrangements for this club year, 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023. He advised that we now have 3 Majors, 6 Platinum and 13 Gold Sponsors with sponsor income for the Club now in excess of \$15,000.

As you are all aware, our sponsors advertise inside and outside the club on walls and scoreboards and in our sponsor's directory booklet and I would ask that you all utilise their services whenever you can as a show of support.

We will ensure this year that they will be promoted at every opportunity.

Richard has promised that Ray White and the Feathers Hotel will be highlighted in next month's newsletter.

Sponsor's Corner

Hearing Australia

Hearing Australia conducted free hearing checks at the Club aboard The Hearing Australia Bus on Wednesday 22nd June 2022.

Several of our members and community walk-ups received a free hearing check and important information regarding their hearing health.

If you missed out, they are considering having an area set aside in the club house on Sponsors Day, Saturday 27th August, so watch this space as you may be able to book in then.

A Joke to finish

Usually, Dave finishes off with a couple of jokes so though I had better not let the side down!

Anyone who says their wedding was
the best day of their life
has clearly never had 2 candy bars
fall down at once from a vending machine

Wife said – "Our new neighbours are so in love -
He kisses her, strokes her hair and hugs her.
Why don't you do that?"
I said "because I don't know her that well yet"!

Strange new trend at the Office -
People are putting names on food
in the Company fridge.
Today, I had tuna sandwich named Linda!

Ian