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Dear Members

The pennant season continues with mixed results. Of particular note are the ladies on Thursday with Div 2 North sitting in 1st place with 5 wins & 1 loss, Div 3 East Red sitting in 3rd place with 2 wins, 3 losses & a draw, Div 3 East White in 5th place with 2 wins & 4 losses.

Wednesday men's Div 2 North are sitting in 2nd place with 5 wins & 1 loss.

Saturday Div 5 East are in 2nd place with 3 wins, 1 loss & 1 draw. Saturday Div 6 East Red are in 3rd place with 2 wins, 2 losses & 1 draw & Saturday Div 7 East Red are in 4th place with 3 wins, 1 loss & 1 draw.

Let's keep the momentum going.

New Members

Two new members since the last newsletter: -

- Bruce Hilton – Full Member
- Peter Murphy – Full Member

Welcome aboard Bruce & Peter - I look forward to catching up with you both at some stage.

On & Around the Greens

When will it stop raining you might ask? Well the B of M is predicting above normal rain events weekly up until at least Xmas.



These pictures of "B" green last Saturday afternoon after a huge downpour (not an uncommon sight these days). I was tempted to borrow some lane markers from the Hazelwood Park Pool to string across the green.

In conjunction with the proposed replacement of our shade structures, there is an urgent need to carry out some long overdue drainage works to the “B” green. The works will involve inserting a sump in the south eastern corner of the green including a submersible pump with connections from the Paint Store & the sump adjacent the locker room which will divert storm water from the steps in front of the main entrance doors. Further works will entail replacement of the current earthenware stormwater drain under the southern bank of “B” green with PVC. The Board is currently looking at a suitable time to carry out these works.

New Shade Structures

Ian Campbell, Brian Purdie & I have met with representatives from three companies looking at options for the replacement of our aged shade structures. The consensus at the moment is that in lieu of fixed structures which have certain shade issues with greens, we are looking at a similar system to what we have at present but far more modern & more importantly far easier to operate. We are currently awaiting costings as this newsletter goes to print.

Club Championships

The Club Championship draw sheets are now up on the notice board in the hall. Thank you Merv Leaker & your committee for putting it all together. If you haven't yet paid your fees, please do so before you start playing your rounds. It is also imperative that you complete your rounds in a timely fashion. Failure to do so may result in you having to forfeit.

Spot the Peculiarity



You may never see this again!!

Night Owls

Unfortunately we have had to cancel night owls on three occasions so far this year due to rain & subsequent condition of greens.

On a brighter note, the second occasion saw some 120 very happy Night Owlers enjoy a great night out. Fingers crossed we don't have too many more cancellations.

Super Challenge 2022/2023

The Super Challenge 2022/2023 (formerly known as the Taylor Cup) is once again being very capably co-ordinated by Bob Ormston – thank you Bob.

In our Division (Bronze South) and as part of the draw, we will be playing host on Sunday February 5th 2023. With some 100 players plus visitors expected, this is our opportunity to showcase just how well we do things at Beaumont. Although a final decision is still to be made regarding what food we will be selling, the bar take alone will make for a successful & profitable evening I'm sure.

Unfortunately the first round which was to be played at Clarence Gardens was washed out. The next round this Sunday is to be played at Henley Bowling Club & I'm sure our players would love to see some supporters. Food & bar should be available from 5:00pm with games getting underway at 6:00 & concluding around 9:15. Format is 4 rinks per club consisting of singles, pairs, triples & fours with 8 to 10 clubs participating.

I will provide further updates regarding our hosting date going forward.

Xmas Raffle

Thank you to all who have donated items for the Xmas raffle – very much appreciated. Don't stop donating; we can still do with some more. There are still raffle books waiting to be collected by members. Please collect them, sell them & return the money to the bar & place the butts in the box on the information ledge.

The raffle this year will be drawn on Saturday 10th December at the club after pennant bowls.

Xmas Dinner

Bookings for the Xmas Dinner on Saturday 3rd December are filling fast. Book now to avoid disappointment. Tables of 8 only.

Birthdays

A very happy birthday to all who have celebrated and all who will celebrate a birthday during the month of November.

The Locker Boy

If you have ventured into the locker room in the last couple of days, you will notice that the old timber lockers plus the walls have received a fresh lick of paint. You might also notice that the floors have also received a few spots of paint as well. Now I know that a lot of you have often said just what does this new locker boy do? Well take a bow Robert Pope, the locker room has never looked better. The only problem Robert tells me is there may be an issue with opening some of the lockers due to paint sticking. If you have a problem with your locker, don't see me, go and see the Locker Boy.

On The Sick List

Bernie Murray continues to make good progress after his nasty accident at Penola. Since last reported, I am told that he suffered 5 breaks in one leg & one in the other plus various serious tissue injuries. Despite all this Bernie is confident he will be back on the greens early in the New Year.

My sincere apologies to Lesley Pope who has just undergone some very serious brain surgery. I announced at the club a couple of weeks ago that unconfirmed reports were that it was likely Lesley wouldn't be coming home from hospital after the operation. I can happily confirm that those reports were unfounded & that Lesley is in fact home & making good progress. We look forward to seeing you back at the club soon.

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Some Whinging About House-keeping Matters

We have had contract cleaners at the club twice a week for some time now. Unfortunately they are now unable to clean having taken up full time jobs. Cathie Roff is now negotiating with new cleaners & hopefully we will have someone on board soon. The current cleaners have offered to stay on until we find a new contractor.

In the meantime I am calling on all members to do your bit as follows:-

- When leaving the table, please take your glass or empty bottle back to the bar
- Please use the coasters provided, however if the table needs a clean, grab a damp cloth, clean it & follow up with a dry cloth
- Return your chair back to the table
- If you move any of the tables or chairs in the carpeted areas for any reason, please return them to the original locations (there is a laminated layout sketch above the information ledge & also on the wall adjacent the coffee machine). It's not that hard!!
- When chairs & trestle tables are used for pennant bowls or for any other reason, please put them back from where they came. Chairs are generally in stacks of six facing the windows. There are very clear laminated photos & instructions on where & how they are to be placed pinned to the windows. Once again, it's not that hard!!
- Please use the yellow sack truck/chair lifter to move chairs, do not drag them across the floor – it is so much easier.
- When using trestle tables please use the release catch on the underside of the table top when laying the top flat. Do not slam the top down; fold it down gently holding the catch open with one hand until the table is flat then release the catch.
- When returning the trestle tables to the end of the hall please release the brakes from the castors & stack the trestles table top against table top
- If you see used coffee cups, plates, spoons lying around, don't just walk past them, take them to the kitchen, give them a wash & put them away
- If the kitchen benches look like they need a clean, well give them a clean (cleaning materials are under the kitchen sink)

Not much to ask I would have thought. Thank you all in anticipation.

A Joke to finish

The Woke Brigade and Plant Based Food Army are now claiming that cows emit more pollution than cars! When asked for a comment, a somewhat bemused dairy farmer said “If you believe that, I’ll make a deal with you.

If you lock yourself in a garage with a running car overnight, I’ll do the same with one of my cows and we can discuss the outcome in the morning”

Dave