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## Beaumont Bowling Club Inc Newsletter No. 83 February 2023

### Dear Members

We are now fast approaching the end of the pennant season and if the current trend continues, we could have six sides playing finals.

This happened last year; however the difference this year is we will win some flags.

Let's keep the momentum going!!

### New Members

New members since the last newsletter: -

- Stefan Metanowski – Associate Member
- Rosie Metanowski – Associate Member

Welcome Stefan & Rosie, I look forward to seeing you around the club soon.

### Left Handed Bowls Sale

Who said "No-one wants left handed bowls?"



Just to clarify, the orange shoes were not part of the transaction

## On & Around the Greens (Dennis Reid)

Since the last report and from the third week of December a lot has been happening to our greens.

Spraying for Couch Mite, 2 applications of liquid fertiliser and granular fertilizers and 2 applications of wetting agent with organic matter.

B and C greens were top dressed with 5 tonne of soil added after being punched with 8mm solid tines.

A green was punched with solid tines and gypsum and magnesium added to all greens.

Since post renovation work all greens have been scarified and groomed.

Plugs have been positioned in the bare areas to speed up the recovery.

Interesting to note that during the plugging it was noticeable that the turf roots were starting to go deeper which is a result of the "Air2G2" being used in December.

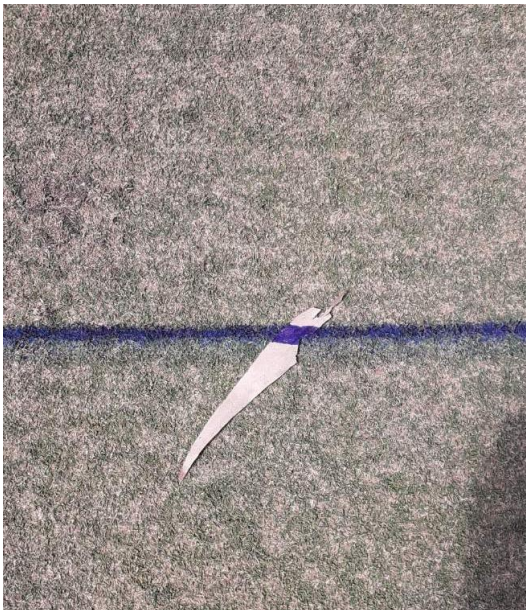
Also it appears that we are not getting as much pooling of water after watering times.

The most disappointing aspect has been the slowness with the spreading of runners which should have shown more significant growth. However we are now starting to see more improvement in the last week or so.

We will continue using A and C greens for pennants and will bring back B green as it shows improvement to the overall coverage.

## Line Marking Hazards

Any good Line Marker will tell you that it is hard enough maintaining a straight line let alone having to deal with unexpected hazards!!



One very observant member couldn't help but notice. To quote a well-known phrase, "Just one lousy leaf".

## **Recent Theft**

Unfortunately, at 2.15am on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February the Club was visited by a low life character who had great delight in stealing all of the copper piping in the garden beds on the western side of B & C greens and copper pipe at the entrance of B & C green pedestrian gate.

The culprit has been caught on our security cameras, copies taken and submitted to Police on their instruction. Investigation into further upgrading our security system will now take place.

In the meantime, we are arranging for replacement works to be undertaken (a very expensive annoying process!!!)

## **New Shade Structures**

As mentioned previously, a Grant application has been submitted to the Community Recreation and Sports Facilities Program for \$45,000 to install new shades on B & C greens and we are now waiting for a decision from them - expected late March.

Prior to this, Dave Thomas, Ian Campbell, Brian Purdie & Derrick Witt will visit Shadeform to discuss the intricate details of the new shades, expectations of what is required by BBC (i.e. removal of existing shades, cutting of concrete etc.) and cost confirmation.

## **Club Championships**

The club championship rounds are progressing at a very steady pace with finals looming. Keep up the good work. This year's presentation night has been pencilled in as Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April – more details to follow.

## **Night Owls**

Night Owls over the last few weeks has seen between 110 & 136 happy souls which is a great result. Our last Night Owls for the year will be Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Social Winter Bowls will commence towards the end of March once pennant finals are out of the way.

## **Club Tournament**

Our Club Tournament on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April is gaining momentum, however we really need to push the event to all & sundry to make sure we achieve the great success of last year. We are still accepting raffle donations and so far the response has been terrific. One generous donor who wishes to remain anonymous has donated a Weber Q BBQ (very much appreciated).

## **Swingin' Willies**

Tickets are selling fast to this great event. If you haven't already purchased tickets, get in quickly to avoid disappointment.

Simply click on the link at the bottom of the attached poster, select "Another Evening Rinkside" & follow the prompts.

## **Birthdays**

A very happy birthday to all who have celebrated and all who will celebrate a birthday during the months of January & February and in particular, a smiling Jan Miller who achieved a milestone 3 score & 10 recently.

## **New Dishwasher**

In case you hadn't noticed, a new dishwasher was installed in the kitchen last month. The old machine donated by a past club member Mrs. Ella Baker in 1998 was starting to break down with repair costs spiralling. Consequently a decision was made to replace the aging machine (not bad service for 25 years). Please treat the new machine with respect & with any luck we might get another 25 years.

## **Working Bee**

On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 9 cubic metres of grass clippings were removed from behind the western fence on "A" green & placed in a skip provided by Mega Skips then deposited at the Monastery (as per previous arrangements) on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

Huge thanks to Chris N, Brian P, Dave T, Denis R, Merv L, Viv L and Ian C for their help with this job.

We have investigated alternative solutions including removable bins, however due to access restrictions & cost factors we believe that every 12 months one or maybe two 9 metre skips with some working bee labour is the best outcome.

## **Bistro**

What is the latest news regarding the return of the Thursday night Bistro I hear you say?

Well our hard working team of Lyn Witt, Cathie Roff & Jan Chinnery have been researching various options & hopefully will have some positive news soon. In the meantime they are looking at some other options to fill the gap.

## **Sponsors Corner**

### **Great Scot Handyman Services**

Focus is on small to medium sized handyman jobs in and around the eastern suburbs. My Builders Licence (BLD 270195) allows me to take on all types of work in and around the house with the exception of plumbing and electrical work. I have carried out work for many Beaumont Bowling Club members over the last 8 years and there is a 20% discount available to members on my hourly rate

**Martin Easson**

## **Historic Day**

Check out members Chris Davidson, John Whelan & Ian Williams who featured in "Southern Star" magazine published by Southern Cross Care (see attached)

## A Joke to finish

A father was passing by his son's bedroom and became astonished to see the bed was nicely made and everything had been picked up. Then he saw an envelope propped up prominently on the centre of the bed. It was addressed, "Dad"

With the worst premonition, he opened the envelope and read the letter with trembling hands:

"Dear Dad,

It is with great regret and sorrow that I'm writing this. I had to elope with my new girlfriend because I wanted to avoid a scene with you and Mum.

I've been finding real passion with Barbara and she is so nice even with all her piercings, tattoos and her tight motorcycle leathers.

But it's not only the passion Dad – she's pregnant and Barbara assures me that we will be very happy. Even though you don't care for her since she is so much older than I am, she already owns a trailer in the woods and has a stack of firewood enough for the whole winter, She wants to have many more children with me and that's now one of my dreams too.

Barbara taught me that marijuana doesn't really hurt anyone and we'll be growing it for ourselves and trading it with her friends for all the cocaine & ecstasy we need. In the meantime, we pray that science will find a cure for aids so that Barbara can get better – she sure deserves it!!

Don't worry Dad, I'm 15 years old now and I know how to take care of myself. Someday I'm sure we'll be back to visit so you can get to know your grandchildren.

Your Son,  
John

P.S. Dad, none of this is true. I'm over at Billy's house. I just wanted to remind you that there are worse things in life than my report card which is in the centre drawer of my desk.

I love you!

P.P.S. Call when it's safe for me to come home.

*Dave*





## Historic day

After playing Bowls for a combined 69 years, four Southern Cross Care Retirement Living residents did their communities proud at the inaugural Inter-Village Bowls Competition.

Held at Living Choice Fullarton on Monday 10 October, Southern Cross Care was represented by Christine Davidson from Coach House Mews, and John Whelan, Ian Williams, and Brian Webber from Carmelite.

The Victoria Grove team won, Southern Cross Care team finished second by only three shots, while Living Choice Red finished third.

The group said it was a fun day and they enjoyed playing as a team.

**“We all like the companionship (of Bowls) and (the) challenge to play against other clubs,” John said.**

**“We were pleased to finish second because we played against some tough competition.”**

John, Chris and Ian play pennant bowls for The Beaumont Bowling Club in Adelaide’s South East, while Brian plays social bowls at The Adelaide Bowling Club.

Watched on by fellow residents and staff, the group said they were grateful to the event organisers and that they’re looking forward to future similar events.

Lawn bowls is a popular form of physical and social activity in Australia. There are currently in excess of 250,000 registered lawn bowls members in Australia.

However, the increase in popularity of social bowls has seen the number of participants increase to over 500,000 nationwide.



HAPPY 70<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY



BOWLER 5AM.



# **BEAUMONT BOWLING CLUB INC**

**71 DEVEREUX ROAD LINDEN PARK**

Invites you to

## **“ANOTHER EVENING RINKSIDE”**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**THEY ARE BACK AGAIN BY POPULAR DEMAND**

## **“THE SWINGIN’ WILLIES”**



The “Swingin’ Willies” are a 6 piece outfit formed from members of “Acoustic Juice”, now recognised as Australia’s leading corporate act. A combination of traditional electric, acoustic & bass guitar, double bass, percussion, keyboard & killer violin, they are truly a dynamic & professional array of talented musicians.

Versatile in their performance, the Willies have a repertoire that stretches from British 60’s Rock, 70’s Australian Rock, Country & Irish Rock, American & West Coast Sounds. Their ability to adapt to any requirement musically is unsurpassed in the Australian Music Industry, but more importantly their emphasis is all about having fun.

**Doors open 7:00pm – Band from 7:30**

**Bring a plate of food to share – Bar facilities at great prices**

**Tickets \$35 per head through “Trybooking”**

<https://www.trybooking.com/CFNSH>