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# Beaumont Bowling Club Inc Newsletter No. 92 – March 2024

#### **Dear Members**

Well our pennant season is now complete with some very pleasing results:-

- Saturday Division 5 East played in the grand final against Walkerville at Modbury on Saturday 23rd
   March. Unfortunately we went down in a nail biting finish by just 3 shots. Disappointing, however, we will be promoted to Division 4 next season which was one of our goals at the start of the year.
- Saturday Division 6 East unfortunately went down to Sturt in the 1st semi-final but just 3 shots a great effort regardless.
- Wednesday Division 3 East unfortunately went down to Sturt in a preliminary final by a very narrow margin of 6 shots. A great effort considering that at one stage during the season we were looking at a possible relegation.
- Wednesday Division 4 Central unfortunately went down to Millswood in the preliminary final by 15 shots. We were clearly outclassed on the day but a great effort regardless.
- Thursday Division 3 North unfortunately went down to Two Wells at Woodville in the first semi-final by 13 shots. A great effort ladies.

On top of these pleasing results, we managed to keep Thursday Div 1 ladies in Div 1 (finished in a creditable 5th place) and our Wednesday Div 1 men in Div 1 (finished in 6th spot missing out on competing in the finals by 6 shots only) - another two goals we set ourselves at the start of the year.

What a great season!!

# **Presentation Night and AGM**

Some dates for your diary: -

- Presentation Night Friday 12th April (details to come shortly via email)
- AGM Wednesday 8th May

#### On & Around the Greens

Our greens & surrounds continue to improve as we head towards hosting 10 rinks of pennant grand finals on Wednesday 3rd April and of course our tournament "The Ray White Norwood Classic" on Sunday 7th April. There is no doubt in my mind that we were chosen to host the pennant finals firstly because of the condition of our greens and secondly because of the great job we did when we hosted some finals last year.

It is also worth mentioning that we were just recently asked to host some finals of the Super Challenge on Sunday 7th April. Unfortunately we had to decline the offer due to a clash with our tournament.

It is worth mentioning that for the first time in its 82 year history, the PAOC v SPOC Intercol Bowls match was held at Beaumont on February 15th (had been Adelaide Bowling Club since its inception)). I am hopeful that this will continue well into the future.

Sincere thanks to James Gregory and Dennis Reid for producing the best greens in Adelaide.

# **Club Championships**

The Club Championships have now been completed apart from the final of the Handicap Singles which should be completed soon.

- Men's Champion Richard Kent (runner-up Mike Hocking)
- > Women's Champion Cathie Roff (runner-up Sally Nicosia)
- Men's Pairs Champions Paul White/Bill King (runners-up Neville Kirby/John Whelan)
- > Women's Pairs Champions Viv Leaker/Noelsey Bertshinger (runners-up Sonia Coultas/Janet Williams)
- ➤ Mixed Pairs Champions Mike Hocking/Sue Hughes (runners-up Dennis Reid/Viv Leaker)
- > Drawn Pairs Champions Richard Kent/Carolyn Franklin (runners-up Howard Melbourne/Jud Thomas)
- Handicap Singles (still to be played Neville Kirby v Jenny Tregoning)

Congratulations to all the winners & commiserations to the runners-up. Thank you to Alan Freeman for organizing the competition this year.

# **Night Owls**

The Night Owls season wound up on Tuesday 19th March with a great crowd of some 96 souls. The theme for the night was "Come along dressed with your best hat" and the array of hats were hilarious.











A great finish to the season with a wonderful group of Night Owlers who have consistently been with us all year - you are all so much appreciated.

A special mention to Hazel & Pete Evans who are heading back to the mother country. They have been coming back to Adelaide each year during the summer months for years now and are regular Night Owlers. They have also been extremely helpful by filling in for pennant bowls regularly when asked which on many occasions has obviated a forfeit.

Another special mention to Mike & June Smith and Bev McLeod who have also filled in this year. I am eagerly awaiting your membership nomination forms to bowl with us next year?

A big thank you to Merv Leaker & your team of helpers who have regularly stepped up to the plate each Tuesday.

#### **New Shade Structures**

We are still in discussions with Shadeform regarding the remaining shade structures to "A" green and the northern end of "C" green.

Hopefully we will have some pricing to us before the next board meeting on Monday 8th April. Watch this space.

## **Social Bowls**

Social Bowls will commence on Saturday 20th April. The format this year is yet to be advised however I can tell you that Robert Pope (Locker Boy) has agreed to be the coordinator this year supported by Graeme Langsford. On behalf of the club, thank you Graeme for your efforts over the years. Robert will also be ably supported by a great team of helpers.

#### On the Sick List

Ian Omond continues to keep in touch with the club and recently called in to the club to say hello. He promises to be playing bowls again soon and we wish him well as he continues to battle some very serious health issues.

Gerhardt Huebner has been struggling with on-going health issues that have prevented him playing pennant bowls for much of this season. He is hoping to be able to join us for social bowls soon. Look after yourself Gerhardt and we look forward to seeing you back at the club soon. Philip Pledge has had some fairly serious heart procedures recently & is well on the mend. Dennis Hayden & Claire Turnbull both have new hips and Jane Nehmy has just had shoulder surgery. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

# **Birthdays**

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

#### **Job Position Vacancy**

Job Title: Locker Boy

Location: Beaumont Bowling Club

Terms: Full Time

Remuneration: Attractive with potential bonuses
Responsibilities: Cleaning of the Locker Room & Paint Store

Qualifications: Must be reasonably intelligent although not a necessity
Candidate Requirements: Familiarity with a vacuum cleaner & broom would be handy

Be able to interpret questions such as "When will the rooms be cleaned?"

Be courteous at all times to the President & not answer back

Training: On the job training will be provided

Promotion Opportunities: The right candidate has the potential for promotion to President

#### Applications in writing to the President



Happy to have this fellow again, but be aware, the rules have changed!!

## Sponsor's Corner



Trish and Nicola from **Burnside Physiotherapy** are keen to visit the club to explore and impart their knowledge regarding osteoarthritic hips and knees, balance and low back pain management, topics which may be relevant to all of us (supreme athletes that we are?). Dick Pledge will provide an update soon on when this is likely to happen. Trish and Nicola also remind us that they offer a 10% discount to all members of the club who utilise their services.

#### A Joke To Finish

A Doctor who had been seeing an 80 year old woman for most of her life finally retired.

At her next checkup, the new Doctor told her to bring a list of all the medicines that had been prescribed for her.

As the Doctor was looking through these his eyes grew wide as he realised Grandma had a prescription for birth control pills.

"Mrs Smith, do you realise that these are birth control pills?"

"Yes, they help me sleep at night", she said

"Mrs Smith, I assure you there is absolutely nothing in these that could possibly help you sleep", said the Doctor.

She reached out and patted the young Doctor's knee and said, "Yes dear I know that, but every morning I grind one up and mix it in a glass of orange juice that my 16 year old Granddaughter drinks, and believe me, it definitely helps me sleep at night".

Dave