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Dear Members

Winter

Winter has been harsh this year and the greens have been frequently closed. Our greens staff do all they can to keep them open but with this amount of rain they can't work miracles. If you come for a roll, please check the white board first to see if any green is open. We thank everyone for their cooperation as we head towards pennants when we want our first class greens available again.

Hayden funeral

It was so saddening to hear of Denis's death but so heartening to see so many members at the funeral. There would have been at least 50 from Beaumont there. This tells me two things. Firstly Denis (and Peggy) have made a huge contribution to our club and are so respected. Also, it reminds me that we are a big extended family. We look after each other, care for each other and are there when they need us. It makes me very proud to be part of this club.

Chair of Selectors

Shane has told us of his horrible health news, pancreatic cancer. He has also indicated he will continue as chair of selectors and bowl when and if he can. We appreciate his openness and admire his commitment. Should there come a time when he needs time off, we have contingency plans in place for selectors. All the best for the coming months Shane.

Ladies selectors

The board has approved the nomination of Leonie Trimper as chair of selectors for Thursday teams. We have also approved her suggestions for selectors: Liz Ormston, Noeleene Bertshinger, Carolyn Franklin, Pauline Brandon and Glenda Davidson. We thank these people for their availability and wish them well in their deliberations. Remember to consult widely and often.

Coaches

We acknowledge that finding club coaches is very difficult, particularly when we don't have Premier league teams on Thursday or Saturday. None the less we are on the lookout for a Ladies playing coach and a club coach. If you know anyone who may be interested, please let Leonie or Viv know.

Mentors for developing bowlers

This project had some success last season, and many appreciated the support given by senior players. This form of informal coaching can continue again if there is demand. If you are a developing bowler, in your first few years of playing, and would like some one-on-one mentoring, we have experienced bowlers available to assist you. Register your interest with Tom or Viv.

Strategic Plan review

Many thanks to the team who reviewed our strategic plan and provided feedback to the board. This group is also willing to investigate upgrading this plan for the coming 3 years. Thanks folks.

Bistro

Don't forget to support our Thursday night Bistro when you can. It's not cold inside with the air cons. Bookings with Cathie Roff please.

Uniform working party

Unfortunately, we don't have a model to show you yet, but it is very close.

Night Owls Planning

A group of bowlers has already met to consider what we can do to maintain and improve interest in night owls. It's a way off yet but the commitment to help improve the club is appreciated.

Pennant Numbers

We have lost a few players from last year and some are still undecided. If you are in the undecided group, please let us know quite soon as we need to submit teams by early August. We will do everything we can to retain the 3rd ladies team, even consider a merged team with another club. But at this stage we do not have the numbers to submit 3 teams by ourselves. So, some arm twisting is needed please.

Our Saturday 6th side is also in jeopardy. A few new players would assist us to retain this team. Do you know any potential players?

Sick List

It is fabulous to see Jock Jamieson up and about again, and I hear that Philip Pledge is doing pretty well also. Brenton Key is doing Ok and is staying busy and positive. If you too are on the sick list, please don't battle it on your own. You have friends here at the club who want to help you. Just let us know.

Stay warm and dry, and for those going on holidays, enjoy!

Tom

