Valentine Bowling Club Co-Op

Club Newsletter

April 2022

Monster Seafood and Easter Egg Raffle

Wednesday 13th April

Tickets on sale 5pm

Drawn 7pm

ANZAC DAY · 25 APRIL

Lest We Forget

Service at Valentine Bowling Club - 12 noon

President Ted's Report

*Members are reminded that renewal fees are due on or before 30 April 2022 with the fees as follows;

Full Bowling Members $110.00

Associate Bowling Members $50.00

Social Members $10.00

Lockers $10.00

For full and Associate Bowling Members payment is to be made to either Peter Lynn or Anna Harris on days as per the information shown on the noticeboard.

*Our monster seafood raffle is to be held on Wednesday 13 April 2022 with tickets on sale from 5pm and the draw at 7.00pm.

*We will again be celebrating Anzac Day commencing at 12.00 noon followed by the usual popular lunch.

*Effective from 1 April 2022 we have changed our major sponsor to Belle Property with the main contact being Anthony DiNardo so welcome to them.

Cheers,

Ted

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Lakers Low-Down

Three Threes are still being played with 1 of our sides still in the competition. Our grade 3 Team #2 team have been rolling along nicely with just the one loss.

A Handicap Pairs introduction event was played on Sunday 6th March with 18 sides competing. The weather held off and competition winners were Gerard Mulhearn and Terry Anderson with 3 wins +23 margin. Runners up were Craig Godbee and Kel Wilson 3W+20 with John Roberts and Ray Pymble also unbeaten in third with 3W+19.

Nomination Sheets are now on the Notice Board for the Men's 2022 Single Gender Pennant. First Round is scheduled to commence 13th August 2022.

Club Championship nominations for Men's Major Pairs, Men's Major Fours, Mixed Fours and Men's Handicap Pairs are also now on the board for entry.

Mattara Carnival is once again on this year, sponsored by David Lloyd Funerals. Events starting on 25th July with most finals to be played Friday 5th August 2022. Entries are now open and posted on the board. Also, the NDBA website has a direct link to enter your team in directly.

I'd also like to welcome some new members to the club. Roger Davies, Pete Murray transferred in from Kotara and Andrew Hanlon who has transferred in from Raymond Terrace.

I'll be taking some annual leave during April 2022. Membership renewal is due by 30th April. We are accepting renewals via cash or eftpos. Please see myself during the week or around gala times. In my absence, George Simpson may be approached. Full Bowling Members are $110 and those who have lockers, please add $10 for the year. Great value.

See you on the green.

Peter Lynn

Bowls Coordinator

Women's Bowls News

VWBC will be hosting the LMDWBA Pennant's Finals on Sunday 21st August, 2022, and will strive to make it a successful and memorable day for all competitors who have succeeded in reaching the pinnacle in this competition. Our Club will welcome all the competitors, officials, visitors and interested parties to our wonderful surrounds and ensure that everyone enjoys the camaraderie that this event engenders.

VWBC Annual Subscription fees for 2022/2023 are now payable prior to the 30/4/2/22. Full Bowling Member $110.00, Associate Member $50.00. Fees are to be payable to Anna Harris or Peter Lynn, please do not pay at the bar. Annual locker fee $10.00 is also due.

VWBC will hold our Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers on the 21st June, 2022 in the function room, commencing at 10.00am. Morning tea to be served at 9.30am. All nominations must be received by the Secretary by 2.00pm on Tuesday the 24th May, 2022, Duly signed by the NOMINEE , the PROPOSER and the SECONDER.

Our teams are enjoying playing at Invitations Days again after 12 months of cancellations due to COVID 19. VWBC team of Judy White (skip) Bernice Wilkins, Margaret Bates had a great win at Redhead Invitation Day recently.

The Semi Final of the Club Championship triples are now to be played with Donna Owen's Team to play Maggie Johnston's team and Carol McCrohon's team to play Vicki Fletcher's team. These should be very competitive games.

VWBC mixed bowls are well attended competitive and a lot of fun, on a Sunday once a month.

Congratulations to Charlestown Ladies Grade 1 who reached the Final of the State Championships. The Final was a thriller and Charlestown played excellent bowls to become runner up to Cabramatta in the last few ends.

Our Club is recovering from crisis over the past two years and your support and ongoing attendance

Women's Bowls News continued….

will ensure we get back to the situation where we were the "go-to" place for family celebrations, Club activities, and where we can welcome our friends, neighbours and competitors to enjoy our hospitality and surrounds

For those who are not well, we wish a speedy recovery, and look forward to catching up at the Club.

GO VALENTINE !!!

Irene Robinson.

Communications Officer

Finance Director's Report

Regrettably the Club is still struggling financially, with the Operating YTD loss now $(100) K, and the net YTD loss now $(296) K.

Whilst trade has picked up in the Club, our Bistro sales are still well below previous years, February being 75% of 2020 and only 67% of 2019.

More concerning our Gross margin has dropped sufficiently in the Bistro whilst our operating costs have gone up.

These poor trading results, together with the pay out of entitlements to several long serving staff members has forced us to increase our borrowings by $200K to now be $340K.

This figure is still well within our total borrowing capacity so your Board is comfortable with this increase.

Following the resignation of our CEO we are undertaking a review of all operational procedures in the Club, with the aim of modernizing and making them more efficient.

The Board is very confident that this review coupled with the appointment of a new CEO, which we are in the process of finding, will turn these adverse results around.

Colin Taylor Finance Director

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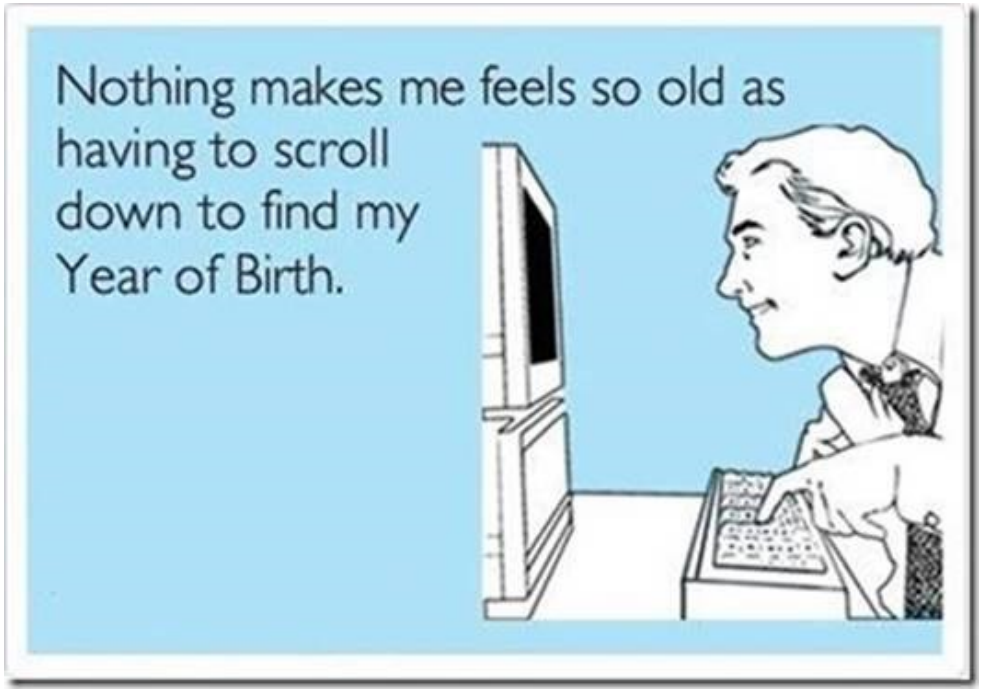

Bowls Umpire Report

There has been a significant change to the Conditions of Play for men's Singles events.
In future the number of shots required to win a game of singles will be 25 shots up. The previous number of 31 shots is no longer the case . This change affects both Open Men's Singles and Minor Men's Singles events.

George

Email your buy, sell, swap, recipe, joke or other information for the next Newsletter to:
barbara.bell1@optusnet.com.au

Valentine Lions Club News

Well, another month has come and gone and it has been a particularly busy one for our members, with an incoming election night process and social dinner being held at the Parkes Bistro located in the Boolaroo Bowling Club premises on the 2nd kicking off for the month activities.

The annual Valentine Lions Clean up Australia Day event was again organised for Bennett Park Valentine on the morning of Sunday 6th March. Club members and some local residents helped clean the area of any rubbish, including Allambie Park and Croudace Bay Sports fields. Our club catering team, arranged a BBQ sausage sandwich to all the hard workers.

On the 15th March our Club held a joint dinner meeting with the Toronto Lions Club at their 'home base', Toronto Diggers and both clubs welcomed our District Governor as the guest speaker for the evening.

The Cerebral Palsy Association, Valentine headquarters, of which our club has had a long association with, approached our club to assist with a very generous offer they had received from Big W. This offer entailed providing the CPA with $100,000 worth of new clothes, shoes and toys that were not sold due to the Covid Pandemic The request from CPA was for our club to help with the logistics of unpacking crates and hanging various clothing apparel in size and gender. Their clients/ parents and carers were then invited to visit their Valentine premises over three days to view, be fitted and take away free any item that they wanted. Our members attended the CPA premises from 17th to 20th March helping wherever they were required. Our catering team also provided a BBQ for attendees on each day. The event went extremely well and many CPA clients went away with new wardrobes of clothes!

At the end of the event, a large amount of clothing was still available and will now be sent to Lismore to assist with relief following the devastating floods in the area.

Our club has also decided to donate $1000 to the CPA to help them with purchase of art supplies for their upcoming Fete.

ANZAC DAY - The Lions sponsored commemoration service will again be held in Allambie Park with a

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small march being conducted within the park, prior to the service commencing at 10.00 at the memorial Flag Area. Please come and join in for this special community remembrance under the Lone Pine in Allambie Park. The Lions will be providing complementary tea and coffee with a wide variety of great Anzac Biscuits following the service.

Our Thursday night meat raffles are continuing strong following the Covid interruptions and we again thank the Bowlers and visiting patrons for their ongoing support.

Until next month, stay healthy and safe.

The Silver Grey fox.

Snooker Club News

The Snooker Club held its Annual General Meeting on Sunday 27th March, 2022. We had over 40 in attendance and was followed by a barbecue lunch. I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the Snooker Club Committee, to thank Mary Jozic for providing us with some delicious after lunch treats, which were very much appreciated. Thanks again Mary.

There were no nominations received for the position of officers, so the standing officers and committee members were re-elected.

President – Andrew Jones

Vice President – Darren Jones

Treasurer – Anna Harris

Secretary – Helen Hickey

Social Committee – Colleen Shearer and Carey Fraser

Membership fees were due and we have had a good response in people renewing their membership. Just a reminder for those who would still like to join the Snooker Club, they will need to do so as soon as possible. Membership fees are $10 and any of the committee will take your details.

It is to be noted that only Snooker Club members are allowed to use the snooker table. Membership cards are available and can be picked up from the Bar staff. The Membership card needs to be shown before the Bar staff will release the snooker balls.

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- You can put cash onto your membership card and use it like a Debit card at the bar and bistro. This saves time at the bar, and also saves getting a pocket full of coins. And you ensure you get the membership discount on your purchases too!

Our library cupboard which is near our snooker table is available for all our members to enjoy, so please continue to make use of this great facility.

Weekly Activities At Valentine Bowling Club

Monday : Euchre Club meets 6:00pm $2 entry. New members welcome

Tuesday : Ladies Gala 9:30 am

Trivia on Tuesday evenings, starting at 6:30 pm. Come and join the fun.

Wednesday : Men's Gala Mufti 9:30 am start and 1:00 pm start.

Men's raffle 1pm

Happy Hour 4:00 pm til 5:30 pm.

Texas Holdem Poker. Register at 6:00 pm and games start at 6:30 pm.

Snooker Club Raffle sales from 6:00 pm drawn at 7:00 pm

Courtesy Bus runs 3:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Membership draw is between 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm

Thursday : Ladies Gala 9:30 am

Texas Holdem Poker. Register at 6:00 pm and games start at 6:30 pm.

5:00 pm Twilight Bowls - mixed, mufti, during daylight saving.

Valentine Lions Club raffle tickets on sale 5:30 pm. Drawn at 7:00 pm.

Friday : Men's Gala. Mufti. 9:30 am Men's raffle 1 pm

Texas Holdem Poker. Register at 6:00 pm and games start at 6:30 pm.

Raffle tickets for our Social Golf and Fishing Clubs on alternate Fridays go on sale from 6:00 pm.

Membership draw is between 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm

Courtesy Bus runs 4:00 pm to 9:30 pm

Saturday : Men's Gala 1:00 pm start. Uniform Men's raffle 5pm

Texas Holdem Poker. Register at 6:00 pm and games start at 6:30 pm

Sunday : Meat raffle tickets on sale from 5:00 pm drawn at 6:00 pm

Membership draw is after the raffle

Courtesy Bus runs 3:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Our Courtesy Bus phone number is 0423 456 225

Club Phone No. : 4946 7232

Club website : valentinebc.com.au

Ladies Club Website: valentine.bowls.com.au