Valentine Bowling Club Co-Op

Club Newsletter

June 2022

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Welcome to Belle Property our major sponsors who were in attendance at the Club on 31 May 2022 for the launch of their signage at our facility.

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Rob Gray, Shae Hartigan, Anthony Di Nardo, Lorraine Davies, Sarah Bennett and Geoff Cairns

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Lakers Low-Down

We're now just a month away from the New Bowling Year 2022/23. Looking forward to a busy and successful year ahead.

I've had a call from our suppliers and they have confirmed that our new shirts have been packed and now in transit. They are due to be received around mid-June. Looking forward to seeing everyone decked out in the new threads.

Last month I reported on the 2021 Zone Minor Pairs being played. In a close quarter-final section, Kel Wilson lost just the one match to Peter Baker from Beresfield. Peter went on to win the Final. Great effort from Kel and our warm congratulations. A great experience. Many more opportunities will come his way.

Men's 2022 Single Gender Pennant teams have been entered to Zone. We'll be fielding 1 x 1 Division side, 1 x 2 Div'n, 1 x 3 Div'n and 2 x 4 Division sides. Nominations to play are still open. First Round is scheduled to commence 13th August 2022.

Club Championship nominations for Men's Major Pairs (closing 11/6), Men's Major Fours (closing 18/6), Mixed Fours and Men's Handicap Pairs remain up with good numbers nominated already. Other Championships to commence

Welcome to Paul Hassab who has recently decided to again take up bowls after a 50-year layoff. Please welcome Paul when you see him around the club.

A second hoodie order is due to be placed early June. If interested, please put your name down on the list or let me know personally so you won't miss out. This will be the last opportunity to obtain one.

See you on the green.

Peter Lynn

Bowls Coordinator

Women's Bowls News

Congratulations Sharon Gilmore winning the Past President's Consistently for the third year, defeating Margaret Hobson. This was a great game with rain at the commencement. Past Presidents Velma McArthur, Joyce Sullivan, Betty Searant and Gwen Gould were present to hand on the Trophy.

The 4 teams who played at Soldiers Point Blue Water Carnival enjoyed catching up with the many teams who attended from Sydney, Central Coast, Hunter and Newcastle. Best performed team game 5, Sue Armstrong, Paulette Bignell, Denise Miller, and Irene Robinson. Sixth Best overall winners were a composite team Maggie Johnston, Valentine, Lorraine Hey East Maitland, Jan Sutherland Soldiers Point, Maree Vincent Boolaroo.

The teams who attended Norfolk had a wonderful experience.

Thank you to Glenda Morgan organising pennants practice and our 6 teams will be playing to bring flags home.

Our ladies had a delicious meal at VBC to celebrate Jenny Elks and Jill Gillies turning 70 at our 0 birthday celebration on the 31st May. Happy birthday.

VWBC. are looking forward to Belle Property sponsorship.

Don't forget our Annual General Meeting is on Tuesday 21st June at 10am.Donations will be accepted for the Big Morning Tea charity.

For all who are not well we wish a speedy recovery and look forward to catching up with you on the green.

Irene Robinson

Communication Officer.

Finance Director's Report

Unfortunately, the Club recorded its worst ever Year End Result at April 2022.

Whilst the result is subject to final audit the net loss will be in excess of $430K, with the operating loss (i.e., before depreciation, interest, government grants and any other non-operating item) being in excess of $70K.

Obviously the Covid crisis badly affected our results, with revenue in all areas being less than 70 % of pre covid levels.

Whilst our bar sales and poker machine revenue are improving our Bistro sales have not. This coupled with greatly reduced gross margins plus higher labour costs have heavily contributed to the overall loss.

Your Board remains confident that the newly appointed CEO, together with other management and staff will turn this around.

We are continuing to review the way the Club is operating and making changes wherever improvements can be achieved.

Our currently borrowings remain at $340K and we have the ability to borrow more if required.

We thank our loyal members for their support during this very difficult period.

Colin Taylor

Finance Director

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Meet Our CEO

GEOFF CAIRNS

Geoff was born in Sydney on 23 May 1974 after which time his family moved to the Central Coast. He attended Gorokan Primary School and then North Lakes Secondary School where he attained his Higher School Certificate in 1991.

His early employment was in administration and sales roles and in 2013 he joined Doyalson Wyee RSL Club doing bar general duties progressing to Bar Supervisor in that year.

In 2015 he was promoted to Duty Manager, 2016 Beverage Operations, 2018 Beverage Divisional Manager and 2019 Gaming Divisional Manager.

Geoff is a single dad with three children, Ava 15, Toby 6 and Finn 5.

Please make Geoff feel welcome at Valentine Bowling Club.

Did You Know ...

- Each purchase of coffee is registered on your membership card and after buying 10 cups your 11th cup will be FREE

- 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!

Email your buy, sell, swap, recipe, joke or other information for the next Newsletter to:
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Joking Around

A recent study has found women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it.

I may not be that funny or athletic or good looking or smart or talented. I forgot where I was going with this.

I love approaching 80, I learn something new every day and forget 5 other things.

A thief broke into my house last night. He started searching for money so I got up and searched with him.

Just remember, once you're over the hill you begin to pick up speed.

You don't realize how old you are until you sit on the floor and then try to get back up

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Valentine Bowling Club - Social Golf Club

TOUKLEY GOLF CLUB 8th May 2022

Event Individual Stableford

Golf Mart all we slice is the price

Starters: 44

Golf Mart all we slice is the price

'A' Grade: 18 'B' Grade: 12 'C' Grade: 13

New Members / Visitor: Matt Stokes

Macca Mug	Golf-Mart Voucher	Rich Moolman	Mug	Dave Cunneen

Individual Results

	'A' Grade		'B' Grade		'C' Grade
1st	Rich Moolman 47 CB	1st	Greg Price 41	1st	Dave Cunneen 43
2nd	Andrew Bonarias 47 CB	2nd	Ben Burns 39	2nd	Bruce Miller 40
3rd	Ryan Wolferden 37	3rd	Doug Hore 35	3rd	Dave Hull 39
4th	Phil Northey 35	4th	John Burns 34	4th	Mick Johnston 35
5th	John Duke	5th	Mitch Thompson	5th	Ces Kearney 33

Team Results

1st	
2nd	
3rd	
4th	
5th	

Indivudual Efforts 3 x Golf Ball Prizes

	Par 3 Nearest to Pin	Par 4 2nd Shot Nearest to Pin
'A'	Greg Boggis *	Ryan Wolferden
'B'	Ben Burns	Ben Burns
'C'	Nil	Mick Dennis
	Longest Drive	**Veterans Longest Drive**
'A'	Ryan Wolferden	Adrian Elward
'B'	Ben Burns	
'C'	Rod Conry	

Valentine Lions Club News

The above photo is an extremely proud moment for your local "Blue Shirt Brigade members" of The Lions Club of Valentine.

Valentine Lions have taken out **The AUSTRALIAN Top Service Project Award** at the recent National Convention in Melbourne. (Our District Governor, Glenys is pictured accepting the award).

Our Lions motto of "Where there's a need, there's a Lion" motivated our entire club's members, families and friends to address the need of Homelessness, Unemployment and especially the hardships of people suffering from the effects of Domestic Violence. The Covid pandemic exacerbated the dilemma that many vulnerable people were experiencing.

In partnership with SURVIVORS R US at Cardiff and 2 generous Grants from the NSW Government we were able to prepare and distribute Dignity/Care Packs to men, women and children, fill and distribute Food and Christmas Hampers, provide Christmas Toys and School backpacks to children of families in need. SRU were also the beneficiaries of our 2021 Christmas Raffle.

We would like to thank the generous patrons of Valentine Bowling Club (and the VBC itself) for your wonderful support of all our projects…….especially this one!

Social Golf Club news

Hi to all members and Guests — we finally completed the 10th Anniversary of the SARGE'S Golf Tour. The tour should have been played 2 years ago but unfortunately Covid Hit and postponed it twice. The Sarges Tour was to celebrate the life of our past Treasurer Graeme Sargent who was instrumental in creating the time sheets and other formats of the monthly Golf Games, So the tour was born and participating members have organised a tour over the last 10 years to different venues and all have been successful. This last tour was organised by Rod Conry and Darren Grainger so we thank them for their effort.

NOTE:- Out of all the tours only 5 members have been on all the tours.

David Hull (Redman), Mick Dennis, Phil Northey, Richard Royle, Russell Cusak.

This tour was at held at Wollongong hence the red shirts of all the starters in the photo.

21 starters this time and was enjoyed by all—the next tour is to Mudgee.

PS. Richard Royle won the event in the Gong (only 7 starters finished due to rain and mud)

Its now known that Richard is a mud walloper.

Regards

Greg Sullivan (meggs)

Social golf club's last game was held at Toukley 8th May with 44 starters.

Macca mug went to Dave Cunneen and the Golf Mart voucher to Rich Moolman.

2022 Sarges tour travelled to Wollongong 30th April to 3rd May with 22 starters.

Next game is Merewether on 19th June followed by a BBQ and the AGM at Valentine, all golf club members welcome.

Snooker Club News

We are now up to the quarter finals in the Snooker Competition for 2022, and good luck to everyone.

Just a reminder to those members who are going to our night at Newcastle Greyhounds, that it is on this Saturday evening 4th June, 2022. We don't know as yet what time the bus will be leaving the Bowling Club, but it will be late afternoon. We have to wait until we're advised by Newcastle Greyhounds for the first race time to be announced and when the gates open. This information won't be available until later in the week. I will be in contact with everyone by email as soon as we have a time.

Please come down to our Wednesday night meat raffles, we look forward to seeing as many members as possible, to support the Snooker Club and buy raffle tickets.

Helen Hickey Secretary.

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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.

Roll Up Times on our Greens

Monday	12 Noon
Tuesday	1 pm after Ladies
Wednesday	4:30 pm
Thursday	1 pm after Ladies
Friday	1 pm
Saturday	10 - 11 am Skills
Sunday	10 am

East West in the mornings and North South in afternoons.

Saturday skills lessons are available to all bowlers.

Weekly Activities At Valentine Bowling Club

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

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