

Functions at Melbourne Bowling Club

Established 1864



2019/2020 Season

The Club

The Melbourne Bowling Club, the oldest in Australia, encourages all visitors to come & enjoy a game or two of lawn bowls. As an incorporated member's club, the Melbourne Bowling Club is a place for members & guests. The Club was founded in 1864 and since then has been a place where members have come to bowl & socialise. We ask that all visitors & guests abide by rules of the Club and act in a way that is mindful of the Club's environment, and respectful to members and other guests.

You don't have to bowl to enjoy our facilities, you can hire the Clubroom (for large groups up to 300) or the Jack High room (for small groups up to 50) for any variety of events including; birthdays, engagement parties, weddings, reunions, awards nights, product launches, corporate training, workshops, team building plus fund-raising (trivia or games night) to name just a few.

Our Licence Rules and Regulations

As an incorporated club, and to comply with our liquor license, all visitors to the Club are required to sign in. We will provide a sign-in sheet for your event, or alternatively you can provide a list of attendees. We use a system of wristbands to ensure guests have complied with these requirements.

For each event at the club we require someone (usually the host or organiser) to sign up as an Access Member.

An access member becomes a member of the club for the duration of the event and is the contact point for any issues during or after the event.

The Club is a fully licensed venue, therefore **NO BYO** food or beverage.

The Melbourne Bowling Club practices and enforces the Responsible Service of Alcohol, and as such does not serve shots or doubles.

The Melbourne Bowling club has a zero-tolerance policy regarding drug use, and as such, anyone suspected of using drugs at the club will be removed, no refunds will be given in that situation.

We welcome and encourage groups celebrating their Stag and Hen's parties, however the last available time slot for these events is from 2.30-4.30pm.

Bowling Events

- Bowling sessions are allocated in two hourly intervals, longer by arrangement
- We provide all the equipment (bowls, mats and jacks)
- A Bowls Host is on-hand to explain how to play, how to bowl and assist you during your session
- *In December the minimum booking is 1 rink with a maximum of 10 guests*

Bowls Season- \$20 per person (\$200 per rink) (Sep-April)

Winter Season- \$10 per person (\$100 per rink) (May-August)

Please note that we do not accept individual payments for group's over 10, the host will be responsible for the group's payment.

Room Hire Only Events

The Clubroom

- The Clubroom can comfortably accommodate up to 120 guests for a seated meal, or up to 300 guests for a cocktail/stand-up function
- The Clubroom can be configured in various ways, including lecture style. It can also be divided into two smaller areas if necessary
- Tables in the Clubroom are round and seat 8 people only
- The Clubroom includes a dance floor and small stage
- AV equipment includes; cordless microphone, DVD player, iPod connection, large screen and projector with an HDMI connection

The Jack High room

- The Jack High room seats up to 28 guests, depending on configuration, or can accommodate up to 50 standing, if utilizing the courtyard as well
- The Jack High room has access to a sheltered courtyard with heaters
- Event duration- half day is 4 hours; full day is 8 and evening booking are 5/6 hours
- The Jack High Room also features a TV, projector and Wi-Fi

Please contact the club for room hire fees/minimum spend requirements.

Bar Service

The Club's well stocked bar has a wide variety of tap and bottled beers/cider and quality wines by the glass and bottle.

You can run a tab during your event as well as a cash bar depending on your needs.

Drink Packages - Minimum 40 guests

Basic- 3 hours \$50 per person

Includes: tap beer/cider, house wine and soft drinks

Premium- 3 hours \$80 per person

Includes: all beer (tap/bottle), All Cider (tap/bottle), all wine, All RTDs and soft drinks

- Catering must also be ordered to qualify for a drinks package
- Drinks packages are only available to groups who bowl
- All drinks packages are served by the glass
- Drinks packages are only valid if they apply to the entire group

Finger Food Packages

Finger Food Package 1

Chicken Kiev Balls

Party Pies with Tomato Sauce

Party Sausage Rolls with Tomato Sauce

Mini Dim Sims with Soy

Vegetarian Spring Rolls with Sweet Chilli (V)

\$11 per head + \$100 surcharge for Groups under 60

Finger Food Package 2

Cheeseburger Slider

Classic Shepherd's Pie with Tomato Chutney

Mac & Cheese Croquette (V)

Prawn Wonton with Sweet Chilli

Cocktail Falafel with Cucumber Yoghurt (V) (GF)

Vegetable Samosa (V)

\$17.50 per head + \$100 surcharge for Groups under 40

Finger Food Package 3

Vegetarian Sushi Bits with Wasabi and Soy (V) (GF)

Selection of Vietnamese Rice Paper Rolls (GF)

Panko Prawns with Mayonnaise

Cocktail Falafel with Cucumber Yoghurt (V) (GF)

Lamb and Rosemary Pies with Tomato Chutney

Mac & Cheese Croquette (V)

Cheeseburger Slider

\$24.50 per head + \$100 surcharge for Groups under 30

Finger food is delivered to your table or rink on platters, if you require wait staff to circulate the food throughout your group there will be an addition charge.

Finger Food Additions

Individual canape items can only be added to an existing package

Cheeseburger Slider with Pickles, Onions, Relish, Mayonnaise

\$4.50 per head

Malay Style Chicken Satay Skewer, with Peanut Sauce (GF)

\$4 per head

Selection of Mini Pizzas

\$3 per head

Dessert Canapes

Selection of Filled Profiteroles (2 per serve)

\$3 per head

Selection of Petit Four Tarts and Cakes (2 per serve)

\$7 per head

BBQ Packages

Build a Burger

150g Beef Burger

Grilled Bacon, Cheese

Grilled Onions, Tomato, Lettuce

Brioche Roll

Pickles, Condiments

\$15.50 per head +\$100 for groups under 50

BBQ Package 1

The Classic BBQ

150g Beef Burger

Beef Sausage

Coleslaw

Garden Salad

Grilled Onions

Burger Rolls

Condiments

\$18.50 per head +\$100 for groups under 50

BBQ Package 2

Mixed Grill

150g Beef Burger

Lamb Cutlet

Marinated Chicken Tenderloin

Pork and Fennel Sausage

Potato Salad with Bacon

Garden Salad

Selection of Condiments

Ciabatta Rolls and Butter

\$32.50 per head +\$100 for groups under 30

BBQ Package Add-Ons

250g Jacks Creek Sirloin Steak

\$17 per piece

110g Pasture Fed Striploin Steak

\$7.50 per piece

Salmon Fillet Centre Cut

\$12.00 per piece

Marinated Prawn Skewers

\$6 per head

Marinated Chicken Tenderloin Skewers

\$4 per head

Select a Salad

Adding any salad is \$4.50 per head

- Potato Salad with Bacon, Grain Mustard, Spring Onion and Mayonnaise
- Traditional Coleslaw
- Pasta Salad, Roasted Vegetables, Semi Dried Tomato and Pesto
- Caesar Salad, Cos Lettuce, Bacon, Eggs, Parmesan, Croutons and Dressing

Something Sweet Add-Ons

Individual Pavlova, Strawberries, Kiwi Fruit, Passionfruit cream

\$7 per head

Gluten Free Apple and Walnut Cake

\$7 per head

Selection of Petit Four Tarts and Cakes (2per serve)

\$7 per head

Fresh Cut Seasonal Fruit

\$5 per head

Carvery Buffet Option

Carvery Package 1

Slow Roasted Meats

16 hour Medium Rare Roasted Beef

8 hour Roasted Loin of Pork

Basted Chicken Fillet

Hot Buttered Corn Cobettes

Roasted Jacket Potato with Bacon and Spring Onion Garnish

Garden Salad

Selection of Bread Rolls and Butter

Condiments

Fresh Cut Seasonal Fruit

\$38 per head minimum of 30 people

Carvery Package 2

Traditional Christmas Luncheon

Roast Turkey

Medium Rare Roasted Beef

Hickory Smoked Leg Ham

Whole Australian Prawns

Chef's Selection of 3 Salads

Traditional Condiments

Selection of Bread Rolls

Steamed Plum Pudding and Custard or Individual Pavlova

\$46 per head minimum of 15 people

All dietary requirements can be catered for given enough notice.

FAQ's

Is there parking available on site?

On-site parking is limited; however, you're welcome to utilize it, we suggest using public transport to get to & from the Club. Close public transport options include:

- Windsor Train Station on the Sandringham line
- Trams No: 5, 6, 64 & 78

We have never bowled before; do we get instruction?

Yes, one of our bowls hosts will be on hand to show you how it's done and to answer any questions throughout the day.

What if it rains?

You may get wet, but you'll likely still be able to bowl. If you can't bowl and come to the club, you will be charged \$5.00 per person. Any difference between that and your deposit can be transferred to a bar tab or refunded. We have various activities to keep you occupied including darts, pool and table tennis.

All catering that has been ordered and confirmed will need to be paid for regardless of cancellations due to rain.

What happens if I need to cancel?

If you cancel more than 14 days prior to your event, your deposit can be refunded or transferred to another date. If you cancel within 14 days your deposit will not be refunded but can be transferred to another date.

Deposits for cancelled Events in December will not be refunded.

Costs & Payments

- To secure your event a deposit is required, until the deposit is received the date/time may go to other interested parties
- For events with catering, final numbers and payment must be made no later than 3 days before your event

- Your deposit is non-refundable, but is transferable if you cancel less than 14 days prior to your event
- All outstanding amounts are to be paid on the day, at the conclusion of your event

Booking Terms and Conditions

- All guests/visitors to the club are required to sign in, in order to meet our liquor license. You can provide a list of guests or we will provide sign-in sheets
- All guests/visitors will be issued with wristbands to show they have signed in
- Any damage incurred is the financial responsibility of the host
- Melbourne Bowling Club has a zero-tolerance policy for drug use. If anyone is suspected of drug use on the property they will be asked to leave. No refund will be given in this case
- Management reserves the right to end any function if proper behaviour is not observed, including the removal of any guests. The bar may also shut earlier than advised if guests exhibit anti-social behaviour
- For events with food provided by our in-house caterer, full payment & final numbers plus any special dietary needs are required 5 days prior to your event
- A chef surcharge of \$100 is added to smaller groups, you do not get a private chef for your event
- The Melbourne Bowling Club practices & enforces the Responsible Service of Alcohol. As part of this we do not sell “shots” or “doubles”
- Car parking at the Club is very limited and at times restricted to members only on Thursday nights and Saturdays
- The Club provides all the equipment required to bowl, as well as instruction at the start and assistance as required during your 2-hour bowling session
- Bowls are best played in teams of 4. We suggest you organise your groups this way to maximise your time and enjoyment while bowling

- If your event includes private use of a room, any decoration or music is to be arranged by the host. Blu tac only is to be used on the walls and strictly no glitter or confetti
- The Club has basic audio-visual equipment. Please arrange a site visit prior to your event to ensure equipment is compatible with your requirements
- Payment of any outstanding monies is due at the conclusion of your event. We accept cash or credit card (AMEX, Master card & Visa)

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the club on (03) 9510 5321