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Melbourne Bowling Club's Jubilee.

The members of the Melbourne Bowling Club spent a happy and gay time at their pavilion, Windsor, on Thursday evening. They were the guests of the President (Mr B. H. Pascoe) at a smoke social in honor of the club having reached its jubilee year. Records show that the club commenced actual operations in 1863, and it is claimed that it is the oldest established bowling club in Victoria. The club has undoubtedly made a name for itself. It has had success and prosperity practically right along the line, and its grounds and appointments are evidences of the zeal, industry, and business-like methods that must have characterized the actions of the earlier members of the club. The "younger fry" members must be deeply sensitive of the great things achieved by the pioneers, for at the re-union on Thursday evening they cheered themselves hoarse at every toast. In fact they cheered so much that they got tired of hearing themselves cheer, and they went on strike! Headed by a little throng sitting in the sou'-west corner of the room behind clouds of cigarette, cigar, and tobacco smoke, they demanded that there be less speechifying and more musical items. The President, in dignified language, assured the youthful spirits that he was hurrying on the speech making part of the programme as quick as he could, and music in plenty would follow after. This promise satisfied the youthful spirits behind the tobacco smoke in the sou'-west corner, and they showed their appreciation by giving one loud, long, and fervid cheer.

Many visitors from kindred clubs were present.

President Pascoe gave an interesting resume of the history of the Melbourne Bowling Club since its inception.

The toast list was as follows—

The Visitors, proposed by Mr C. Andrews, responded to by Dr R. Harrold (South Australia) and Mr L. Waxman (Victoria),

The Melbourne Bowling Club, proposed by Mr Arthur Warner, re-

proposed by Mr Arthur Warner, responded to by the President (Mr B. H. Pascoe), Mr G. W. Sims, and Mr G. Sims.

The Victoria Bowling Association, proposed by Mr W. Bald, responded to by Mr A. R. Clarke (Vice-President), and Mr A. Thackwray (chairman of the Match Committee).

Trophies were presented by Cr Embling, and he also moved a vote of thanks to the donors.

The President was cordially thanked for his hospitality.

The musical portion of the proceedings was under the direction of Mr C. G. McIntosh.

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