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Working Bee Sunday 13 August

9am to 1pm (sausage sizzle 12:30)



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Put your name down on the list on the notice board at the club and help get the club in spic and span order for the coming season. There are many varied jobs.

A more complete list will be circulated next week but following are some of the tasks

Cleaning – washing:

- all the rink boundary pegs and numbers
- the painted seats at the end of each green
- the fly wire and louver windows in the toilets
- cleaning silverware in the trophy cabinet.

Painting:

- the retaining wall along the fence line of Bowling Green street next to the Campbell green

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- the outside windows of the billiard room (scrape & paint)
- the front fence (requires preparation to remove last of graffiti marks. We are yet to establish new colour of fence but it will most probably be darker (any suggestions)?
- to seal the floor of the disabled toilet.

Rubbish removal to bin from:

- around back gates near “Cutters” shed
- the walk way between 134 Union St (House) and 136 Union St (club rooms)
- from upstairs
- from Jack High storage area
- sundry areas around the grounds

Enter your Name on the list to assist in allocating work and also for catering

On the day the “project managers” will be **Kev Lehane**, **Andrew Jackson** and the **Ewen Wilson**.

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Christmas in July and Trivia night

All who attended the trivia night on Saturday 29 July had a very enjoyable, sociable and friendly night.

(more photos on the website and Facebook)



The last of the happy crowd left at about 12:45am. This signaled the conclusion of a very successful night. Check the website or Facebook for a full range of pictures.

Sponsors - Christmas in July & trivia night

The organisers and board of the Club thank the sponsors for their generosity in providing prizes for our Christmas in July and trivia night.

The prizes included the first three places in the trivia competition; best dressed and best dressed runner up and also the “ubiquitous club raffle” as well as spot prizes. In total well in excess of 30 prizes were distributed throughout the evening.

Our generous sponsors were:

Astor Theatre

Bromley & Co

Chapel Convenience Store

Cisco's World of Coffee

Decor home wares

Jig's Kitchen

Kevin's Farm Fresh Poultry

Paint Spot

Parlour Diner

Peter Curwen-Walker

Q Nails & Waxing

School of Seven Bells Café

Seutika Pharmacy

Staple Café

Tommy Ruff

Windsor Tattslo

The generosity of the local Windsor Traders contributed to the roaring success of the night. Please consider these businesses when you are heading down Chapel Street for a meal or shopping in general.

What makes the night

We must all thank the friendly smooth talking **Whitey** for MC'ing the night and delivering the 60 questions, some easy and many nasty> His definite adjudicating style of – “I have the answers so I am right” when it came to marking the answers. A number in the audience were expecting one of his epic poems. Not to be, maybe next time? Obviously everyone who attends the night and the way they engage in the evening makes the atmosphere on the night. However prior to the night those ‘Table captains’ who made sure they had full tables are critical to ensuring a scintillating evening. Eleven full tables was the result. Well done all.

The organising committee of **Sue Cole, Kini Meadows, Kate Limond, Jade Nicholson, Justin White** and **Chris Hutchison** hatched the plan to resurrect Christmas in July. Along the way **Kev Lehane** became the decorating gopher, up and down ladders and **Andrew Jackson** and **Kev** assisted **Whitey** in trawling Chapel St a couple of Saturday mornings. **Chris** opened a number of doors for the team and **Bear** sorted the generous contribution from Décor.

On a final note by the end of the night a number of people were lobbying for another trivia night in Nov or early December. Was it the alcohol of the night talking or will it happen? Wait for the next installment.



Corporate Bowls Competition

Starts Wednesday 20 September



Corporate (barefoot) bowls competition - competing for the BUSTARD NUT trophy

The Wednesday night corporate bowls competition will be up and running again this season. Actually it is intended to have two seasons. A spring season starting Wednesday 20 September and an autumn season starting late February.

The season is over 6 weeks of round robin competition of two games a night followed by a 7th week where everyone plays off for the final position on the ladder and the ultimate reward -- the **BUSTARD NUT**.

The office will be taking all enquires and registrations for this competition from Tuesday 8 August.

Byron Coonerty and **Chris Hutchison** have agreed to facilitate/manage the nights however more members are welcome to join the team.

Key details:

Starts: Wednesday 20 September

Format: Teams of 4 - 2 matches a night of 7 ends

Catering: Sausage sizzle provided during the evening

Eligibility Team members must not have previously played pennant : competition.

Cost: \$50 per team per week

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Interstate member passing through

Below are some of the members at the club on a recent Wednesday night who a drink with **Geoff Maher**. He was on his way from some 'Home and Away' sounding place called Sunrise Beach in Queensland to Thailand.



Back row: **Digger, Fluffy, Declan, Alan, Kini** Front row: **Mel, Janine, Jacko, Lucas, Whitey, Geoff** (the loud one!)

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Trivia corner

A weekly trivia question will be appearing on the website from the beginning of August. The first correct entry will be added to the trivia honour board in the members section of the website. Below are the instructions/rules of the competition

Instructions/rules

1. Answers will only be accepted by online submission via the Melbourne Bowling Club website.
2. Once you have won three times you will have 'won' a four week spell from getting the trivia weekly nomination unless you submit or have submitted a question that is published.
3. Anyone can submit a question to be considered for selection as the weekly trivia question. When submitting a possible question or answering you need to provide your name (not published) and also the online identity that you wish to be known as.
4. When lodging trivia questions preference will be given to the following question categories
 - Bowls focused questions
 - Melbourne Bowling Club questions
 - Windsor district questions
 - Victorian related questions
 - Anything else

6. An honour role of trivia questions including the answer along with the online identity of the creator and successful member will be listed in members section of the website.

The first question is:

List the circumstance(s) including the type of competition and what position you would be playing if you were responsible for 33% of the deliveries for your team during one end in a bowls match.

Link to website to lodge your trivia answer [\[Here \]](#)

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RSA training reminder

The board has agreed to sponsor up to 6 members to undertake the responsible serving of alcohol (RSA) training course. The aim is to re-establish a member's bar roster to enable the club to be open at times when it is not economic to have paid staff employed. Also to help out on tournament days or when there is a mad rush to the bar straight after pennant. It is hoped that we will have enough RSA qualified members to open the front bar for members in the busy social bowls periods now that area has heating and cooling. Contact **Ewen** if interested.

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Defibrillator (heart starter) training

The club is still looking for members to undertake training in how to use the defibrillator. There is a list up on the notice board and/or have a word to **Peter Curwen-Walker**. The training, which will be a short session at the club, will most likely be run late August prior to the bowls season starting.

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Umpire and measure training

We can never have too many umpires or measurers. These courses are good to do even if it is just to understand the rules of bowls so you know when someone is pushing the boundaries that little bit too far. **Peter Curwen-Walker** is the contact person for this. Have a word to him if you are interested,

The Sandbelt region has published dates for upcoming courses.

- Measurers course **Sunday 10th Sept** (venue Burden Park)
- Markers course **Sunday 22nd October** (venue tba).
- Umpire's course dates have yet to be confirmed

Applications will need to be at BV by Sept 1 for the first course so that applicants can receive their Manuals prior to the courses for pre-reading. More details will be sent to applicants.

Re-accreditation - there are four members that require re-accreditation before the season starts. **Peter** will follow you up but those in this position should have received information directly. If you are one of these please put in an application ASAP to BV so the Sandbelt region panel can arrange dates and venues for assessment.

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Member looking for replacement partner for pairs

Dean Thomas is looking for a replacement for the Bendigo pairs on the 26th – 27th Aug as his teammate has pulled out. If you are interested you can contact Dean through the club.

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Juniors looking for sets of bowls

Junior members **Hamish Clayton, Cameron Gustin** and **Lachlan Powning** are coming down to the club to practice for their schools competition. The next major competition for them is toward the end of October. At present they use our sets of barefoot bowls. Does anyone have a set of bowls that are more up-to-date that they no longer require and would be prepared to donate to our new junior members?

If you have such a set available please contact either secretary **Sean** or Pres **Ewen**.

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Seeking ideas for grant application to the 'Stronger Communities Programme'

The Stronger Communities Programme supports the Australian Government's commitment to deliver social benefits in communities across Australia. The programme will fund small capital projects in each of the 150 federal electorates. Grant applications open on 7 August and close on 28 September.

The board has been considering possible alternatives to submit but are now **asking members** of the club to **put forward suggestions** prior to the Board making a final decision on a submission at the next board meeting (31/8).

Below is a brief summary of the guidelines

To be eligible the project must

- deliver social benefits to the community
- have at least \$5,000 in eligible expenditure
- be of capital expenditure in nature.

For each project, the grant amount will be up to 50 per cent of eligible project costs. Grants can range from \$2,500 to \$20,000

The projects listed below are a guide (not exhaustive) of the types of projects that are eligible:

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- fit out, alterations and/ or extensions to existing premises
- modifications to leased buildings or grounds for example refurbishing where you have support from the owner
- upgrades, construction and fit-out of community spaces
- fit-out of community centres
- kitchen upgrades and equipment purchases such as computers, TVs and furniture and fittings.
- shade cloth for protection against summer sun

Please forward any suggestions to [Ric Lawler](#) directly or through the office.

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August birthdays

1 Aug	Emily	Smart
5 Aug	Graham	Zbijowski
10 Aug	Jerome	Coles
11 Aug	Ray	Gordon
12 Aug	Paul	Titcombe
13 Aug	Geoffery	Boucher
13 Aug	Jake	Guest
13 Aug	Pauline	Kelly

Are you still to register for 2017-18

[Click here to renew
membership online](#)

Please note: All members who have yet to renew for 2017-18 now have the earning of loyalty points frozen

17 Aug	Aaron	Good
19 Aug	Justine	Stokes
22 Aug	Hamish	Clayton
22 Aug	Alan	Stone
23 Aug	Raza	Shahabedin
26 Aug	Dale	Wood
27 Aug	Paul	Gamble
27 Aug	Glenn	Gidman
28 Aug	Raphael	Graham

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The Bowls Show filmed at Melbourne

Two episodes of The Bowls Show were filmed at the club on Wednesday 5 July. These episodes will be shown on Sunday, July 30 and Sunday, August 6 at 3.00pm on SBS. Spread the word.

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until payment of subscriptions. In the event that membership is **unpaid as at 6/8/17 members prices will no longer be available** but will be reinstated once the membership has been paid.

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Additional heating/cooling

The club rooms now have split heating/cooling systems throughout the areas downstairs. The work included installing units in the Jack High room, billiards room and also in the area at the kitchen end as well as servicing the existing units. The additional heating was much appreciated by the Christmas in July attendees.

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