

Hi \*IFName!\* welcome to the fifth edition of 'One Up/One Down' the newsletter of the Melbourne Bowling Club keeping you up to date with what is happening around the club.

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# One Up ...



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## VOL 154 **Melbourne bowling Club Newsletter** No:5

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### **Practice matches start at 1pm on Saturday 2 September**

This year there will be five practice matches prior to the start of the season proper which begins on Sat 7 October.

Format for the first practice day is:

1pm there will be a short opening ceremony

followed by:

- 2 games of 10-12 ends. Winners to play winners losers to play losers in the second game.
- Play straight through
- There will be no formal voting on this day. A chance to get the cobwebs off the bowls.
- At conclusion of play there will be finger food to have with your drinks.
- It is hoped everyone will stay on for a while and socialise with new members and catch up with those members you have not seen through the winter

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### **Remaining practice matches**

Sat 9 Sep 1pm start	<b>Internal club games at MBC.</b> Voting on performance by players required.
Sat 16 Sep 1pm start	<b>Internal club games at MBC.</b> Voting on performance by players required. <b>or Bundoora Challenge.</b> 12 top side aspirants required
	<b>Internal club games at MBC.</b>

Sat 23	Voting on performance by players required.
Sep	<b>or Visit to Queenscliff.</b>
1pm start	Top side aspirants encouraged to participate & others who are interested.
Sun1 Oct	<b>Internal club games at MBC.</b>
1pm start	Voting on performance by players required.

## REMINDER

**IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY, please fill in your pennant and practice match availability .**

This can be done by **updating the listing at the club** by ticking your name to indicate your intention to play and by also nominating which practice days you will be attending. **Alternatively you can do it online** [\\_\\_\[HERE\]\\_](#)

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## Welcome to new members

The board would like to welcome the following new members to the club. **Will Hamilton-Coates, Anton Schwars, Sara Rodger** and **Matt Ellul** who has recently arrived from Perth. Welcome to you all and we hope to see you all regularly at the club, especially on Thursday club night a great time to meet members.

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## Club Championships

The Match Committee have now scheduled the singles and pairs as follows:

- Club Singles (men & women) (first 2 rounds) for play on Sunday 8 October
- Club Pairs (men & women) (first 2 rounds) on Sunday 29 October.

Lists for the above two events will be on the board by the first practice match.

Details on the remaining three: Triples, Presidents and Minor championships will follow up later.

However please note that the triples this year will require members to enter a team rather the match committee creating teams from individual entries.

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# *Social 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 **BUSTED 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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### **New members night Thursday ( 5 October) 7pm**

Prior to the start of pennant on Saturday (7 October) the board invites new full members as guests for dinner. This night will also include the traditional announcement of the sides prior to the first round of pennant.

As this will be an organised sit down meal members will need to register their intended attendance. Registration list will be posted shortly on the board.

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### **Trivia corner**

First trivia question

**Q:** 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.

**A:** The lead in a four when the team has the mat. Three deliveries out of nine. Jack and two bowls. The three positions when playing two bowl triples when the opposition has the mat.

### Current question

Who has won the most club singles championships at the Melbourne Bowling club?

If you think you know the answer go the Melbourne Bowling Club website and enter your answer.

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

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## BV Championship events

If you are interested in entering any of the following BV events add your name to the lists on the club notice board.

**Closing dates listed refer to the date the club has to have them lodged by. You will need to ensure that you have listed your name 2 days prior to the date listed.**

Currently on the notice board are:

- Over 60's women's and men's singles (entries close 26/9)
- Novice women's and men's singles (entries close 3/10)
- Over 60's men's pairs (entries close 3/10)
- Men's triples championship (entries close 3/10)
- Men's and Womens's singles (entries close 31/10)
- Men's pairs (entries close 31/10)
- Under 25 men's and women's singles (entries close 3/10)
- Mixed pairs (entries close 2/1/18)
- Men's fours (entries close 16/1/18)

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## Defibrillator (heart starter) training

The club is still looking for members to undertake training in how to use the defibrillator. If you are interested in learning how to use the defibrillator contact [Peter Curwen-Walker](#).

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# Club Helensvale's National 5-a-side competition

4th – 7th September 2017

The annual Club Helensvale \$60,000 National 5 A Side Challenge is one of the biggest events on the national calendar. With a massive prize pool on offer and a first place cheque of \$20,000 up for grabs, twenty powerhouse teams from six states across the nation compete.

This event was the first of its kind ever held in Australia in 2007 and has grown in strength and profile each year since. With a high quality field of Australia's The total prize pool is \$60,000, paying down to 6th place. It makes for an intense competition with each team striving to be crowned the supreme club of the Nation – taking with them the \$20,000 first place winners cheque.

It has been five years since Melbourne has participated in this by invitation only event having competed in the initial years of the competition. The Melbourne team is made up of **Shane Fordham, Curtis Hanley, Michael Simms, Scott Mortimer** and **Ben Fearn**. We wish them all the best in a competition loaded with star studded individuals but it is how the team jells that counts.

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## Carpet Bowls

The results of the last Thursday night carpet bowls competition saw **Whitey** making his first appearance since returning from China take out the night. Some were mumbling beginners luck.

**Whitey** 5 d **Rocky** 2

**Jacko** 5 d **Fluffy** 3

**Ewen** 5 d **Kevin** 1

**Keith** 5 d **Sue** 0

Then

**Whitey** 5 d **Jacko** 2

**Ewen** 5 d **Keith** 4

**In the final**

**Whitey** 5 d **Ewen** 2

After Thursday night meals during the summer season the carpets might be brought out occasionally if the mood is right.

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## Around the club

As from Tuesday 5 September the club will be open 7 days a week.

Thursday night meals will resume on Thursday 7 September and continue over the summer season except for the Christmas break.

The Jack High room has now been setup to be able to be used as a members only bar when required.

A second pool table will be coming into the club for groups coming to bowl during the summer season.

For new members the club polo shirts are currently being printed. They will not be available until late September. If you do not have a Melbourne top, either borrow one, wear your previous club's top or wear a white polo or shirt during practice matches

Remember pants and shorts no longer have to have the word Melbourne down the leg. This means you can purchase a style that suits you that is Bowls Australia approved from any bowls outlet.

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## **Sundry maintenance around the club**

The old stained and worn carpet in the hallway leading to the Jack High room has been replaced and improves the entrance to the toilets significantly.

Thanks to **Chris Hutchison** and **Leigh Clark** the disabled toilet floor has been resurfaced to seal the previous porous surface that was causing problems for cleaning.

The kitchen linoleum has had the joints resealed and the main entrance now has a large inset mat just inside the doors replacing the worn out carpet. This is a high quality bamboo based mat is designed to trap dirt from shoes.

There has been an increase in security around the club with another four cameras installed along with additional monitoring.

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### **Approaching birthdays**

26 Aug	Dale	Wood
27 Aug	Paul	Gamble
27 Aug	Glenn	Gidman

### ***Are you still to register for 2017-18***

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28 Aug	Raphael	Graham
6 Sep	Gary	Brown
8 Sep	Stephanie	Borgo
9 Sep	Grant	Hopwood
9 Sep	John	Mahon
9 Sep	Jeff	Nixon
11 Sep	Luke	Grogan
17 Sep	Carmel	Jackson
19 Sep	Michael	Sims
21 Sep	Barry	Mc Gregor
22 Sep	Grahame	Fraser
24 Sep	Jesse	Hastie
26 Sep	Byron	Coonerty
30 Sep	Kate	Limond

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