

Hi *IFName!*, welcome to the 10th edition of 'One Up/One Down' the newsletter of the Melbourne Bowling Club for the 2018-19 season, keeping you up to date with what is happening around the club.

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The Club



**Working Bee
THIS WEEKEND**
Saturday & Sunday
11 & 12 August

needs you

Add your name to the attendance list on the club notice board. If you can't make it down ring the club 9510 5321 and ask the staff to add your name to the list for one (or even both) day(s).

There are many tasks to undertake this year. We are looking for members to contribute their time and help to keep the club in spic and span order. Put it in the diary AND on the board at the club.

start: 9:00am through to 1pm both days
Sausage sizzle from 12:30pm

On Saturday a **major cleanup of the back area** to get rid of the tip like atmosphere that is along the back fence will be targeted. A **25 cub metre bin** will be onsite. We need as many people as possible to move the rubbish. Also we will need members to **assemble seven heavy duty picnic tables**. the timber for each weighs 200Kg. These are solid beasts.

There are lots of other tasks to keep you busy when you come. Check in with **Rick** or **Ewen**

Help get the club ready for the coming season. The members are the club.

Southern Indoor Bowls - SO so close, down by 2

Another week at SIBC and this week we took on Burwood who have become undisputed ladder leaders having now stretched clear of everyone else on the ladder by some margin.

With **Ash Harvey** enjoying the sunnier climate of the Gold Coast it was **Titters** who took the skip role with **Milan** stepping up to third, **Byron** at two and **Simon** as Lead. Over in **Hollywood's** rink the late withdrawal of **Mick P** saw **Brad Chegwedden** stand in, his first game at SIBC in twenty years, **Kev O** as two and the dead eye **Al Burness** as lead.

Hollywood's crew got off to a slow start and were struggling and unable to get on the board albeit containing the scoring to small end wins by the opposition. In contrast on **Titters** rink it was more like a T20 scoreboard. On just the second end with good bowls in the head and all past the jack **Titters** was able to push the jack back the 12 inches or so we needed and a six was registered!!

After a couple more exciting ends that rink settled down into a hard fought battle as Burwood proved why they are ladder leaders with solid bowls and end after end of pressure.

This saw them slowly close the early gap **Titters crew** had built but never by enough. Some great bowling at second by **Byron** proved decisive as well as great skipping by **Titters** which saw a final score and win to the Dee's of 19 to 16 on 18 ends.

Hollywood's crew set about their task of fight back and worked closer and closer. The team fought hard and bravely and the final end nearly saw glory with incredible bowls by both skips but in the end it just wasn't enough to get it done and to achieve that win on the big board we desired. Final scores were in Burwood's favour at 20 to 15 and 17 ends and thus they also won on the big board ending our remote but up until that point still alive finals hopes.

Finals are only the top two teams for each nights competition (SIBC is played Monday to Thursday) thus offering eight teams in the finals. So we now have two weeks to go. We will still be fighting hard with pride on the line. The season

has been somewhat akin to Essendon in the AFL and **we are clearly one of the form sides now** but the slow start to the season has paid toll to our hopes...this year!! Watch out 2019!!!!

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The 2018-19 season is approaching

Availability sheets have now been posted on the club notice board for the practice games through September.

Make the selectors job easier put your name on the weekly lists.

Make yourself **VISIBLE** to the selector show up to the practice games.

Sept 1st - Opening Day Games will involve teams comprising players from various sides.

Sept - 3rd - 6th Helensvale 5 a side (Ellul, Fordham, Young, Hanley-McKinnon)

Sept 8th - St Kilda at Melbourne (all sides)

Sept 15th - Queenecliff at Queenscliff . Scratch match at Melbourne for those not wishing to travel

Sept 22nd - Moonee Valley at Melbourne (premier only?) Possible game at Elsternwick Park against Elsternwick Park

Sept 29th - AFL Final

Sept 30th - Sunday social game at Melbourne

Note (i)- Queenscliff is **open to anyone** who wants to come down and stay the night. all costs are at player's expense. Accomodation available on Friday and Saturday night. All details shortly.

There are quite a number of new members joining the club at present.

Publication and introduction of new members will be published shortly.

Thursday night - Don't miss a great night out

To all those who have stayed in doors on the cold winter nights rather than coming down to enjoy the warmth and conviviality of MBC Thursday club nights you have missed a series of amazing meals cooked by a variety of club members. Come along for the last three nights before we swing into the summer menu schedule. **It will be worth it.**

Last Thursday **Alan** fronted for his second turn and yet again showed what can now be done in the revamped kitchen providing an excellent meal of chicken cacciatore followed by an almond and cherry tart with chantilly cream. Thanks **Alan** for providing yet another great variant on the Thursday night meals. This week **Quentin** (one of our star darts players & new to the club) is running the show in the kitchen. Rumour has it the the meal will be Coq au Vin with mash,

green beans in garlic & butter followed up with cream brûlée.

As he has to go off and play darts for the club the

meal will be served this week from the earlier time of 6PM

Ewen will be his assistant/dish pig for the night.

Carpet bowls will be on the agenda again along with **Jacko's** raffle.

After **Quentin** there are only 2 nights left with **Gunter** and **Laura** volunteering for the 23/8, (their second stint) so just next week to fill. **Now calling chefs to take control of the kitchen on the 16/8.**

Results for last weeks carpet bowls

With a nice even number of 8 entrants it meant there were no byes. The final ended up being between **Bill & Irwin**. With **Irwin** taking out the night. He was in rare form with convincing wins all the way through.

Fluffy "state indoor pairs champion" **Ingram** having finished darts challenged the overall winner.

Irwin had **Fluffy** kneeling on the floor from the first end. A close tussle ensued but **Irwin** came out on top with a 7 to 5 win.

Overall results

Seth 2

Ewen 8 Ewen 8

Kini 2 Jacko 1

Jacko 9 Ewen 11

Eric Bill

Bill 8 Bill

Keith 10 Keith

Lucas 6

Carpet bowls championship - Thursday 23 August

Be in it to win it.

\$2 entry to be paid on the night.

6 PM start

winner 50% of prize pool

runner up 30% of prize pool

third 20% of prize pool

Club nights -

An alternative during social bowls peak

Feedback has been **extremely limited** regarding the suggestion of having

club night dinner on Tuesday's and free BBQ for members after practice on Thursday's for the period from Melbourne Cup day until Christmas.

Suggestion:

For the period from Melbourne Cup Day through to Christmas that the sit down meal is moved to another night. The initial suggestion being Tuesday. This night may conflict with 3 rounds for those bowling in the night Southern Districts competition that we have re-entered this coming season. Would this matter?

On Thursday we would use the Demon's Den as the private members lounge and the club would provide free BBQ (sausages, hamburgers & salad) to members in the front courtyard. As there are no beer taps in the Demons Den Happy Hour prices will extend to stubbies. The BBQ would be on from 6pm through to 8pm. The bar in the Demons Den would be functioning from 6pm.

Thoughts and comments would be appreciated.

Ewen (President)

Around the club

Computer for member use

A computer has been set up in the club room next to the trophy cabinet for use by members. It is linked to the printer for those that require it. Members are encouraged to use it but please refrain from using it to download films etc as this effects our download costs.

Contributions from members welcome/desired

If you are representing Melbourne or know a member who has performed in an event please forward the information even a bit of a story to web@melbournebowlingclub.com From there it will appear in the newsletter and maybe Facebook, our website and possibly a brief tweet. At present we have our roving reporter **Simon C** providing the weekly updates on the Southern Indoor Bowls results. More of this type of news would be great for members to hear about. The editor can't print what he doesn't know about. It might be surprising to know how little he knows about what is happening around the club. Don't wait to be asked get those emails coming in!

Upcoming events

Put the following dates in your Diary

1. AFL grand final day at the club - Sat 29 Sept

Watch the grand final on the big screen at the club on 29 Sept

2. Calling of the sides & New Pennant members night Thurs 4 Oct

3. Garage Trail - Sun 21 Oct

This is an annual event held throughout the Australia in October, this event actually runs the same weekend as the Try Bowl Day. As Stonnington is not contributing this year we have just found out we can't be officially listed in the Garage trail marketing. However we are still intending to hold a Garage sale with our Try bowls day

The garage sale allows the club and our members to let go of anything they no longer need by selling it on the day and making a few \$\$ for the club.

4. 70's Night - Mon 5 Nov

70's night to be run on the eve of Melbourne cup. The night will be a stand up not a sit down event. Traditional 70s inspired canapés will be served. Either a DJ or a band will be playing appropriate 70s tunes. Everyone is encouraged to dress up for the evening. More details closer to the date.

Umpires and measurers required

The club is still looking for members to take on the umpires role for the club.

Spread the load become an umpire or measurer. Contact club secretary **Byron** or **Ewen** for the registration form. The club pays the expenses for doing the course.

Vic Open 16 -23 November

Entries for the Victorian open are now open. It is being held in the Greater Shepparton Region. Over \$50,000 in prize money.

[Register Here](#)

For general website information click here www.vicopen.com.au

Still to renew your membership Click here!

Online payment is the club's preferred method for existing members. The traditional paper based method **through the office** is still available for those who would prefer not to pay via online.

Membership privileges such as the earning of loyalty points and members prices have now ceased for those who have yet to renew their membership.

New members need to lodge their form directly with the office.

Full members intending to bowl can, at time of paying their subscription (or prior to the beginning of the season) pay a lump sum of \$100 to cover green fees for the season. This also includes entry fees to any club championship events entered. The alternative is to pay weekly green fee of \$7.00 during the season and pay for entering club championship events.

Approaching birthdays

Date	Member	Date	Member
10 Aug	Jerome Coles	16 Aug	Matt Green
12 Aug	Paul Titcombe	17 Aug	Sara Rodger
13 Aug	Geoff Boucher	19 Aug	Justine Stokes
13 Aug	Pauline Kelly	22 Aug	Alan Stone
15 Aug	Nicholas Szabo	26 Aug	Dale Wood



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