Hi *IFNamel*, welcome to the 12th 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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Season opens Sat 1st Sept

BBQ provided from 12 noon Official opening at 12:50pm Practice games start 1pm

Club practice on Thurs 30 Aug Notify your practice match availability NOW!!

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

You can now notify the match committee online of your practice match availability via the following link.

https://mailchi.mp/9c7f5ac61cfd/practice-match-availability

Alternatively you can email your availability to the match committee on match@melbournebowlingclub.com

Make the selectors job easier inform them of your availability.

Match committee for 2018-19

Gordon Lowing (Chair)

Sean Ingram

Greg Hogan

Chris Hutchison

Bryce Young

*** Greens will be open on Thursday 30 August for practice. *** Meals being served from 6-8pm a-la-carte menu

Get down and make yourself **VISIBLE** to the selectors.

The **third** and **fourth sides** will be playing their **home games** down at **Elwood** (previously known as **Elsternwick Park)** for this season. The Watson will be replaced from early December with a tiffdwarf surface. Up to then the Watson will be used for social bowls on Saturdays to cover for some of the revenue the club will lose once the Watson is out of action.

Practice game schedule

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.

Pick My Project - State Government initiative

VOTE NOW IF you haven't already. It doesn't matter where in the state you live you can vote for our projects.

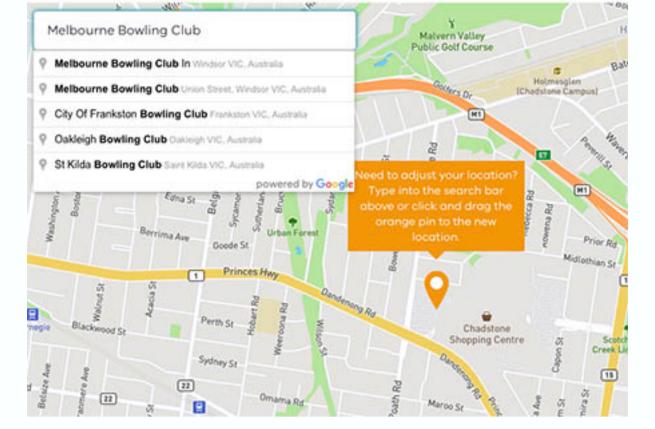
Voting is based on community areas. The local community area is defined as being within 5km of your nominated location. Your nominated location does not have to be your residential address.

IF you live further than 5km form the Melbourne Bowling Club you can change your nominated location from your residential address by moving the location "pin" on the map provided.

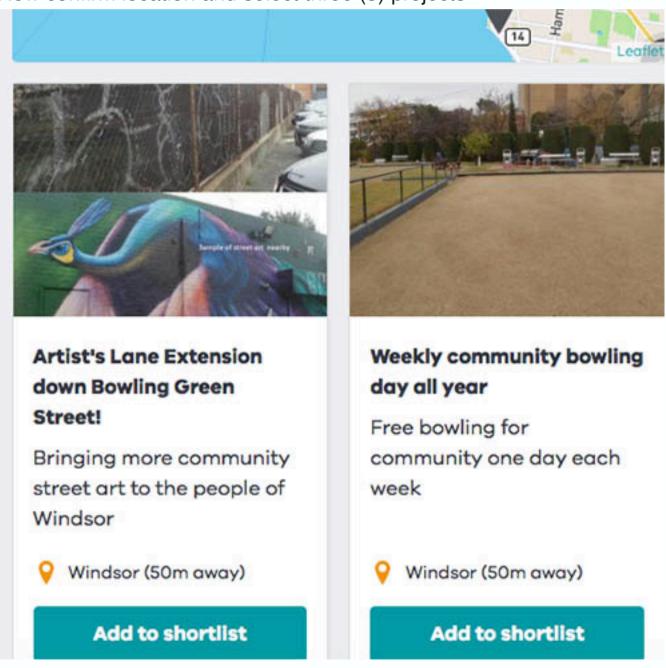
Click on the current location pin (green highlight)



Answer Yes to question "Do you want to change your local community" Then key in Melbourne Bowling club and press enter



Now confirm location and select three (3) projects



As well as voting yourself spread the word. Marshall the numbers to vote for our two projects.

(note:you need to vote for 3 projects in total)
the link to vote is below

The link to the projects and voting

The benefits to the club

- 1. Is the upgrading of the practice greens to all weather status and encouraging locals to come on in
- 2. Fence line along Bowling Green Street becoming a feature and wind break for the club as well as promoting the community of Windsor.

Southern Indoor Bowls - Big win & Great 2nd half of season

Last week was our final winter trip to the warm delight and oasis that is SIBC over winter. A place you can bowl in shorts and polo when outside the wind is whipping and the rain beating down as it was for this last game. There was some consideration to having some fun and turning the teams upside down to give the leads a skip role but our opposition was second on the ladder and with the game being vital for them to make the finals it was to be an all serious night with pride and the MBC colours on the line.

This week **Titters** was joined by **Al B** as lead, **Simon** as second and **Byron** at third. Over on the other rink **Milan** took the reigns as skip with **Seth** leading, **Kev O** as second and **Mr Consistent Matty G** third.

The rinks went opposing ways as the game settled into the first few ends.

Titters crew built a steady lead with end after end of pressure and good bowls meaning the opposition was left with very difficult conversion attempts to score. After 10 ends they had built it to a 16 to 5 lead. Conversely Milan and Co. we're being tested and Beau had built a handy lead over them.

But that slowly changed and Milan started to shine with some great draw bowling as skip. With his boys building good heads to work with the score started reversing. This saw them edge into the Beau lead and then cross over to them leading and just keep going...and going!! Eventually taking them to a convincing 27 to 17 win. Awesome congrats to Milan who is certainly a great addition to the club, mistake his quiet demeanour at your peril!!

Over on **Titters** rink Beau showed their steel and resolve, and why they sat second on the ladder, as they fought back hard. The won each end after the tenth to claw back to within two shots going into the final end. It eventually came down to the last bowl and with Beau holding three (one touching) after some fortuitous jack movement. It was up to **Titters** with the very last bowl of the season for MBC. His draw skills came to the fore when he popped it inside the other two bowls only allowing the opposition one shot to see an incredibly close tussle won by **Melbourne 16 to 15**.

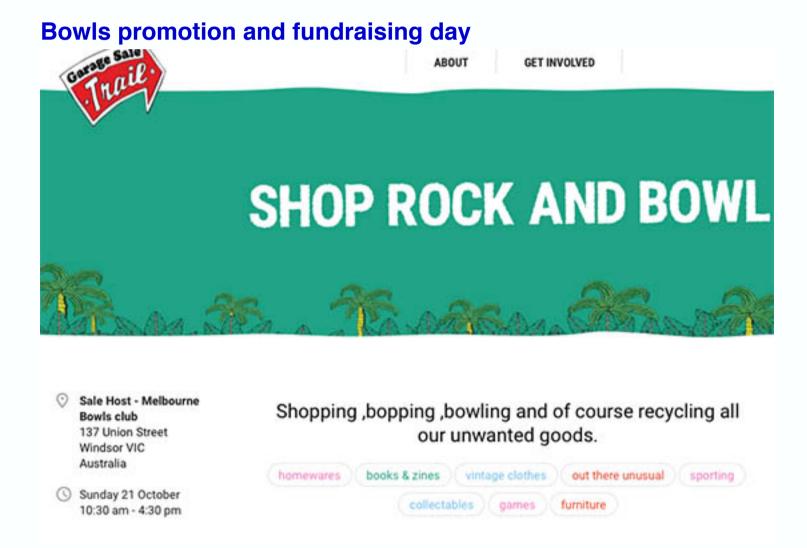
As noted last week our season has been a bit like Essendon in the AFL with a

poor start but turning it around to arguably be the form side. We beat all teams in the second half of the season and did ourselves proud despite the seasons earlier misgivings. Next year is locked that MBC will be playing so it might be a long way away but don't doubt we are ready and primed to have a red hot go next year and see some finals action. Thanks to all who asked how we went and showed an interest. Until next year...

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2018 Australian Indoor Championships

Our very own Matty Ellul and newly joined Max Goldsmith were playing up at Tweed Heads. Max got through to the last 16 where he went down narrowly 8-7, 7-6 to Pete Bonsor.



The club is going out to the public on **21 October**. Last time we had an open day a couple of hundred came along. This day will be a fundraiser where members can donate goods for a gigantic garage sale (state wide organisation) and a free try bowls day as part of BV Bowls Month. Visitors will also be able see top bowls during the day as the first two rounds of the club singles will be played.

FOR it to be SUCCESSFUL we will need volunteers to help set up on Saturday after pennant and sell and help out on the greens the next day. When asked the answer should be yes glad to help the club!

Last Thursday week **Gunter** and **Laura** put their combined hands up for another turn and delivered in spades again. Thanks for doubling up over the winter dinner series guys. Last night **Alan** put up his hand again (for the 3rd time) to cater for the meal. He has been a great support helping many of the teams over the winter months making sure that we had all weeks covered and helping out providing guidance on the new kitchen equipment. As **Jacko** has said without Alan's support it wouldn't have happened.

The culmination of the carpet bowls competition was held with 11 members entering the inaugural MBC Carpet bowls singles Championship. If it is not the inaugural, it is the first time since 1993 when the carpets were last used. The major sponsor for the night was Byron Coonerty. We thank him for his contribution of increasing the prize money. The perpetual trophy was provided by Jacko, a very impressive silver cup with the MBC crest in colour on it. The event will in the future be known as the Secretary's Carpet Bowls Championship. There were some extremely close matches with the winner being decided on by the last bowl in the match. This was also true for the final between Kini and Irwin. Irwin was holding shot with an extremely hard shot required by Kini to get to the jack to force an extra end. Kini came through with a weighted shot moved the shot bowl and took the jack but unfortunately moved it to just within reach of Irwin's back bowl.

Results

Bye Bye	Byron 1		
Simon 6 Seth 0	Simon 6	Simon 2	
Andrew 7 Darcy 2	Andrew	Ewen 3	Ewen 4
Ewen 4 Whitey 2	Ewen		Kini 2
Bye	Bill 7		
Bye	Keith 2	Bill 0	
Bye Bye	Kini 4 Eric 2	Kini 6	

Club singles & pairs championship dates

Singles first 2 rounds Sunday 21 October

entries close Tuesday 16 October draw published Thursday 18 October

Pairs Sunday Sunday 11 November

entries close Tuesday 6 November draw published Thursday 8 November

Entry lists on cub notice board

Around the club

Need uniforms

Kini Meadows will be at the club on **Tuesdays from 5pm to 7pm** for anyone who wants to buy any uniform items. New members receive a Melbourne shirt as part of their coming to the club.

New roof

The scaffolding is in place to replace the roof. Besides getting rid of the leaks and the corresponding buckets on the first floor it will improve our water harvesting by getting rid of all the flaking paint that gets washed into the system each time it rains and so blocking the system.

There will be a slight inconvenience over the next week. Hopefully no longer.



Solar panels

The solar panels are scheduled to be installed either the first or second week of September.

Upcoming events

Put the following dates in your Diary

- 1. Official opening of the Greens Sat 1 Sept 1pm
- 2. AFL grand final day at the club Sat 29 Sept

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

- 3. Calling of the sides & New Pennant members night Thurs 4 Oct
- 4. Garage Trail & Try Bowls Day 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. We have entered the Garage Trail as an individual and so will be holding 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. Details on the delivery of items by members will be published closer to the day. Any questions please speak to Kini.

5. 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 <u>www.vicopen.com.au</u>

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
26 Aug	Dale Wood	9 Sep	Liam Pickering
27 Aug	Glenn Gidman	11 Sep	Luke Grogan
28 Aug	Raphel Graham	13 Sep	Jocelyn Cannington
2 Sep	Dean Thomas	17 Sep	Carmel Jackson
6 Sep	Gary Brown	17 Sep	Paul Loomes















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