



Who let the dogs out?
We did!

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From the Board

Welcome back after what we hope was a relaxing and enjoyable break, something we all needed after a very forgettable 2020.

A BIG thank you must go to all volunteers for their hard work and flexibility in responding to all of the challenges COVID-19 threw at us. WE hope 2021 will be a somewhere near-normal year but no doubt there are some surprises ahead of us. We are confident that both the Board and the Bowls Section will be able to cope with them. Please note that we now have the QR system installed for contact tracing in addition to the sign in and out book.

THERE are still a few 20/21 yearbooks available, so thanks to Mandy Carter for producing them. HOPEFULLY you will have noticed that the Monday Morning Crew (plus others) have been doing a lot of work cleaning up around the perimeter fence line and preparing the ground for a major planting project.

A REDUCED Pennant Season has commenced, so good luck to all teams participating. The Club Championships continue with the Men's and Ladies' Single Finals completed last Sunday. Congratulations to Mandy Carter and Henny Cortenbach on becoming our current Club Champions. Thank you to Jackie MacKay and the Tournament Committee for a very well-run competition.

OVER the next few weeks the Board will be reviewing the future of Tuesday night bingo and we will keep you informed of what is happening. SO thank you to all members for your continued support and we look forward to working with you in 2021.

From Bowls Committee

A big thank you to Neil and Di Johnson and to those members who helped out at our Bunnings BBQ on Sunday the 3rd January. Almost \$1100.00 was raised for the day which was a great effort.

SPECIAL thanks to Don McKie who has agreed to be co-opted onto the Bowls Section Committee. We still have several vacancies on the Committee, so any members who believe they have something to offer the Club by being on the Bowls Section Committee please contact Neville Roper.

THE after game sausage sizzle will continue due to covid19 restraints with the Bistro. Thanks to Alan Dans for the cooking, if anyone not playing Saturday pennant can help Alan by taking the money please contact Neville Roper. Hopefully we can do a roster thereby sharing the load.

JUST a reminder to all pennant players that pennant practice starts at 5pm every Thursday.

ALSO Henny is still conducting practice drills and specialised coaching on Sunday mornings, so why not take advantage of all these practice sessions and improve your Bowls. CONGRATULATIONS TO Graham Lochland on 600 Sat pennant games.

Snippets



Results from 3/1/21 Bunnings BBQ – we will be banking \$1085 profit, plus some surplus drinks and snags back to the club, which is a fabulous result. With the heavy rain in the morning and the changed COVID restrictions/requirements, we were fearing the worst around 11.00am, but the weather cleared, the people came out and MBC cooked and served 'til 4.30pm.

THANK you, on behalf of the Mooroolbark Bowling Club, for everyone's contribution – ordering, picking up, setting up, cooking, serving, cleaning and putting away. With lots of hands on deck the Bunnings BBQ is an easy way to increase the club's bank account. Some special thanks to:



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the BBQ pros who just know; to the first time helpers, I know you will be back again as you had such a good time; and finally special thanks to those who extended their shift to cover busy times or unexpected gaps in the roster. WE may get another bbq later in the year – who knows how the year will pan out. So watch out for notices and we can do it all again.

We're very lucky to welcome Marilyn Bull to the Monday volunteers. A qualified horticulturist she has organised the removal of the noxious privet along the back fence, and this new garden area will be planted out with taller plants to 4m at back and smaller up to 1.5m at front. There will be a temporary screen on the fenceline until the new garden is established.



Unfortunately we've still not recovered Beryl's bowls despite Neville Bosley's best efforts!!

From Tournament

NYE triples was so successful we're doing it again on Sun 21st Feb, 3 games, 2-B triples, rotating positions. Lunch after the 2nd game. This replaces the 5th Feb smorgasbord. ENTRIES are open for the MOOROOLBARK CLASSIC on Mon 8th March. Flyers and entry forms are in the clubhouse. CONGRATULATIONS to all our newest champions so far. Photos and more details are on the website under GALLERY button. ENTRY forms are on the noticeboard for the remaining championships still to be run, so please have a look and get your entries in - YOU GOTTA BE IN IT TO WIN IT.

The January \$1000 draw is now on, so please get your money in ASAP. Must be in before 27th Jan. Any queries, please call Peter Orger

From Wally the Garden Guru

January - deadhead and fertilise annuals fortnightly, plant autumn flowering bulbs such as nerines and crocus now. Ensure citrus are well mulched and water regularly; cut climbers back after flowering, take cuttings from conifers (yes it does work). Plant ageratum, alyssum, cineraria, cleome, cyclamen, forget me not, gypsophila, hollyhock, Iceland poppy, lupin, pansy, primula, stock, sweet pea, verbena, viola, and wallflower. Cutback hydrangeas after flowering; boost watering and fertilise indoor plants. Top up any thin spots with mulch, deadhead roses and water regularly, feed tomatoes with tomato specific fertiliser and water regularly. Plant beetroot, broccoli, brussel sprouts, cabbage, carrot, cauliflower, Chinese cabbage, kohlrabi, leek, lettuce, mustard cress and spring onion. **What's new?** for some hydrangea drama plant strawberries and cream variety with its striking red and white lacecap flowers and dark green foliage, from Anthony Tesselar Plants.

That's it folks hope to see you soon, Wally.

From the Sunshine Lady

Trevor Gardoll and Eddie Scott both home and ok. Laurie Kirby has had a melanoma removed which was very nasty.

Condolences to Glenys Godkin on the passing of her mum Olive Carter at the great age of 101 years and 54 days.