



Who let the dogs out?  
We did!

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### From the Board

Thank you to the 78 members who attended the Bowls & Club AGMs on Sunday 16th May; both meetings appeared to run smoothly, so well done to all. Sadly we had to say goodbye to three Directors (Stephen Rawlingson, Drew Pallot & Jim Michael) all of whom have completed the eight year tenure they are allowed under the Club Constitution. However we do welcome Tony McDonald and Eric Stevens onto the Board and Eric has agreed to take on the role of Finance Director. We are currently talking to other members who have expressed interest in the remaining position and an updated organizational chart will be displayed once all appointments have been finalised. We also thank Drew Pallot for his time as Bar Manager, he deserves a well earned rest from this demanding and sometime stressful job. Bob Richardson has been appointed Bar Manager and we wish Bob well in this role. Congratulations go to Brian Birthisel who was granted Life Membership at the AGM for his 30 plus years of hard work and dedication to the Club especially with things relating to the bar.

We are looking forward to recommencing Members Friday Nights in the next few weeks (aiming for Friday 2nd July) and once the

logistics of organising the kitchen/helpers roster and complying with the remaining COVID restrictions (mainly food related) have been resolved we will confirm the date.

So we look forward to seeing you either in the Clubhouse or on the greens in 2021/22 and don't forget if you can find a little time to volunteer for one of the many jobs that keep the Club going please do so.

### From the Tournament Committee

Well, the final championship of the season was played on 2nd May. Men's 100 Up winner in a very close game was Ron Morton. R/Up Gary Roberts. Ladies' 100 Up winner is Jackie MacKay. R/Up Mandy Carter.

PRESENTATION Day on 8th May consisted of 2 Games of 2 Bowl Triples followed by afternoon tea and presentations. The power plays on each game were popular with many loud cries of "POWER PLAY" heard throughout the green. A slideshow of the winners and some appropriate music added some extra sparkle to proceedings. Thanks to everyone who took part in the championships. Photos (thanks to Peter R) are now on the website under GALLERY/2020-21 CHAMPIONS. Post Covid, we hope for bigger and better entries next season - you have to be in it to win it! Anyone who wasn't present for their award can collect it from Jackie. Thanks to all the helpers, especially Beryl and the ladies for the lovely afternoon tea.

THE syllabus for the coming season is being worked on, with draft championship dates set. Once pennant dates are confirmed, the syllabus will be finalised ready for the printers.

WE will be playing something different on Sat 29th May. SCROUNGERS is very popular interstate, with each club having slightly different rules. We've made the rules as basic as possible, and you can find them on the EVENTS page of the website. They'll also be available to all players on the day. A few of us gave it a trial run on Sat 16/5 and it was fun and certainly encourages good draw bowling. We would like to increase player numbers on Saturdays, so if feedback is good, we plan to play it more regularly. Everyone is welcome. Mufti. Put your names on the entry sheet. Usual green fee applies.

A big welcome to Helen Scott who has joined the Tournament Committee.

### Bits and Pieces

Don't forget when doing business with any of our sponsors to let them know you're with Mooroolbark Bowls Club. Giving them feedback let's them know their sponsorship is appreciated and encourages them to keep supporting us.

VOLUNTEERS desperately needed for the bar. If we can't man the bar, and have to pay a barman, you can expect the cost of drinks to rise. It only takes a couple of hours once or twice a month, and isn't hard work. See Rob Telling or Drew Pallot if you can help.



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### From Coach Henny

I will be conducting Coaching Clinic's on the last Sunday of each month during the off-season from 10:00am til Noon. Starting Sunday 30th May with a session on "how to find your line and weight control advice". All members welcome.

### From The Editor

I've been reading some old copies of newsletters from 1996 that were given to me and one thing I notice is the many names mentioned who worked so hard for the club in many different committees, and are still working hard. There are too many to mention, but just to pull a couple out: Steve Rawlingson, was Men's Section Vice President. George Hume built the pinboard notices wall. Alan Dans was still cooking back then when they had opening night dinners, and Melbourne Cup Eve dinners (only \$12.50pp). Alan was also the Men's Pennant Sponsor handing out vouchers to the highest winning rink each Saturday. Graeme Storm was Greens Manager. Many more names, crop up over and over again. Where would the club be without those volunteers? To keep our great club running successfully, we need more

volunteers. If you have time, I'm sure we have a job for you.

### From the Sunshine Lady

Get well to Stuart Harris, out of hospital after shoulder surgery and Michael Tull who is in Maroondah Hospital. John Drummond is now home. Card and birthday wishes to Tony McDonald for his 80th Birthday.

### From the Garden Guru

Continue planting annuals i.e. primulas (they self seed everywhere), pansies and Iceland poppies for winter flowering. Now is the time for azaleas and camelias to go in, also plant spring flowering bulbs. Cyclamen look good in a pot indoors. Plant hollyhock, Lobelia pansy, polianthus, stock, lupins or your life may depend on it (*A favourite Monty Python reference from Wally*). Order bare rooted fruit trees for winter flowering. Plant lilliums now for summer flowering. Order roses now for planting bare root specimens over winter. Get secateurs sharpened and lawnmower serviced. Plant trees to get established before winter. Vegetables:- sow seeds of Brussell sprouts, cabbage, broadbeans, carrots, garlic, early onion, rhubarb, shallots and snow peas. If you are really keen sow a green manure crop of peas or oats to improve soil. What's New :- pansy plentifall trailing yellow from Floriana spreads 60cm across with bright yellow blooms.

Happy Gardening. See You On The Bowling Green... Wally

### In Memoriam (from a July 1996 newsletter)

The club was saddened to learn of the passing of one of our most valued members. Someone Else died and has left a void impossible to fill. Someone Else was expected to do everything. Any member will tell you, if there is a job to be done Someone Else will do it. If we need volunteers then surely Someone Else will volunteer. When we looked for a committee person, Someone Else would stand. Someone Else set a wonderful example, but who is going to take over now? When you're asked to help, just remember, we cannot ask Someone Else to do it anymore, so just VOLUNTEER YOURSELF!

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