



# Who let the dogs out? We did!

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## From The Board

#### Hello Members

You know we are well into the year when pennant has finished, player numbers increase for social bowls and the autumn/winter program of maintenance and projects commences for the Monday Morning Crew. It is also good that members can once again plan for their trip up North now that the easing of COVID restrictions allows free interstate movement.

Hopefully for those members who are eligible to attend and vote, you have received your AGM notification letter (22nd May at 10:00am); if not please contact Eric Atkinson (0488 222 706 or eric.atkinson@bigpond.com). If you are thinking of volunteering for one (or more) of the various sub-committees or Officer positions the nomination forms will be next to the nominations box in the main room. There are a number of positions to be filled and we encourage you to consider what you can do to help the Club continue to be successful. Unfortunately we have had to postpone Volunteers Day which was scheduled for 20<sup>th</sup> April due to a number of members coming down with COVID (including some organisers). We will advise new date as soon as we can.

You may be aware that we have recently changed our security provider as part of the Boards ongoing service providers review. This, like most changeovers, has had a few minor teething issues regarding member access to the club. If you find that your access swipe card is not opening the front door could you please let Eric Atkinson know.

The Point of Sale referred to in the last Barkers Byte has been installed in the bar and is currently being customised to suit our needs. We are looking forward to this being operational as this will be an enormous benefit to all bar staff.

The Yarra Ranges Council held a successful (they said they were very pleased) "Grand Day on the Green" at the Club on Monday18th April when 45 Grandparents and Grandchildren attended in the afternoon and all seemed to have a good time bowling and generally having fun. Some of the Grandparents even took application forms. Thanks to all the members who helped, they had a good time too.

The Club Championships have been completed and congratulations to the winners and finalists and thanks to Jackie MacKay and her team for running the Championships. Finally we hope you all have a Happy Easter and see you soon. Board of Management –April 2022



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## Sunshine Lady

80th birthday cards have been sent to Hugh McCulloch and John Neagle.

Unfortunately, on Friday April 1<sup>st,</sup> Kay Rawlingson was going to see her granddaughter at the Kilsyth Basketball stadium when she had a nasty fall and had to spend the night in Maroondah Hospital. She is on the mend now, but from the Club we wish her all the very best!





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#### **From Tournament**

Our major events for the year are almost over. Caladenia Day is coming up on 30/4 and is already closed with 36 teams (108 players). It is a Tier 4 BA ranking event for the first time, so we should see some top-notch bowlers on our greens. Thanks to all the volunteers; without you these days wouldn't happen. The Wed monthly 2-4-2 ran for the second time in April and again was well attended. Thanks to Rex Menser and his team for taking on this event, and who unfortunately had a few problems to deal with when one team was a no show and another member had entered twice. Our championships have now concluded and you can see photos of all the winners on the website under the GALLERY page. Well done to all entrants and congratulations to our new champions.

Upcoming events: Anzac Day Mon 25/4 Presentation Day Sun 15/5. Entry sheets are in the clubhouse.

\$685 was raised for the RCH Appeal on Good Friday 15/4. Thanks to all bowlers and special thanks to Don McKie, Beryl Turner, Ann Ingram, Jenny McDonald, Graham Storm, Peter Orger, Barrie Brown and all the Friday bowlers throughout the year.

#### Garden Guru

Hi, everyone, it's April already and time to plant primulas, pansies, viola and Iceland poppies for winter flowering. Lift and divide bearded iris. Plant hyacinths and tulips in pots so they can be brought indoors and enjoyed in spring. It's time to cut back Cannas (really hammer them.) Plant new lemon trees now and use sulphate of potash around drip line. All your vegie beds should be clear now so dig in some manure and plenty of compost. Lift dahlia corms and store in a dry place. Plant aquilegia, (if you don't know what they look like there are some against the tool shed wall) Californian tree poppy, Canterbury bells, carnation, hollyhock, larkspur, lupin, nasturtium, oriental poppy, pansy and stock. Prune fuchsias when flowers die to encourage new blooms. When we finally get some rain fertilise your lawns. Pull out tomato plants and cut up for the compost heap. Plant vegies now, give it two weeks for beds to settle down. Plant broad beans, beetroot, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, lettuce, onion, parsnip, radish, silver beet, spinach and turnip. That's all for now. See you on the bowling green. Wally.

#### \$1000 Draw

Congratulations to the March winner of the

\$1000 draw Susan Swift. The draw will recommence when Pennant starts in October.

Welcome to our new members and visitors If you see an unfamiliar face around the club or on the Green, go up and say hi and introduce yourself. We have so many new members coming to join us, who are busily practising and getting coached, by a number of our assistant coaches. They are really enjoying it. We also have a few visitors from local clubs enjoying our social games on Wednesday afternoons and Friday mornings. Please make them all welcome to our great club.



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