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## From The Board

Hello Members

Hopefully those members who are eligible to attend and vote at the AGM have received their AGM notification letter (21st May at 10:00am); if not could you please contact Eric Atkinson (0488 222 706 or [eric.atkinson@bigpond.com](mailto:eric.atkinson@bigpond.com)). If you are thinking of volunteering for one (or more) of the various sub-committees or Officer positions there is still time to put in your nomination. Forms are next to the Nomination box at the Bar. They close at 5:00pm on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

All the Club Championships have now been completed and congratulations go to the winners and finalists. A big thank you goes to Jackie MacKay and her team for running the Championships, a big job well done.

Our application for a State Government Sporting Club Grant has been successful and we have received a very welcome \$5K.

The greens and grounds continue to look at their best, thanks to the hard work of our greenkeeper and the Monday Morning Crew and the recent warm settled weather. Our visitors are always very complimentary.

You will be pleased to hear that we have extended both the greens and cleaning

contracts for Agturf and Stephen Rawlingson for a further 12 months.

Last week we hosted the Benetas management team (which includes the local St John's Rise retirement village) where they enjoyed a game of bowls, a drink at the bar and a general team bonding session. They said they had a great time and were looking forward to the on-going relationship we are developing with St. J. R.

On Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April as a follow up to the Celebrate Mooroolbark stand/tent, we held a 'Try Bowls Day'. The weather was perfect and we had quite a few visitors, a number of whom expressed interest in becoming Introductory Members.

Ron Morton has offered to do a jewellery cleaning/polishing service at the Club with proceeds going to the Club (see separate article for details). So thanks Ron we appreciate it!

We held our regular ANZAC Day event and Service on Sunday which was well attended, with money collected going to the Croydon RSL. Again, many thanks to Jackie MacKay and her team for the bowls, Beryl Turner for the room set up and those helpers in the kitchen and bar and to Rob Telling our M.C. for the day. A very moving occasion and a successful day. Hope to see you at the Club.

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## Tournament

The finals of the last 2 championships have been run and won.

Mixed Pairs winners: Jackie & Ian MacKay.  
R/Up Matt & Carlie Brackstone.

Presidents Handicap winner: Ian MacKay. R/Up Dave Stuart. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everyone who entered. See MBC website for photos of all our winners for this season.

Presentation Day is on Sat 13th May, 2B triples, single entry, stick draw, 3 games of 6 ends followed by afternoon tea and championship presentations. It will be a fun day with rotating positions, power plays and lucky card draws. Cost is just \$5 to cover afternoon tea. We would love to see as many members as possible attending as well as the winners from this season's championships. Mufti - all welcome. The entry sheet is in the clubhouse. If you don't wish to play, you can put your name down for afternoon tea, or just come for a drink with your mates.

We're now busy working on next year's handbook. Fitting in 11 championship events, between other major events, pennant dates and Vic Open isn't easy. It is especially hard when we don't get dates for the 23-24 pennant season



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or the Vic Open for several more months. One major change will be the Mixed Pairs. Bowls committee has suggested this should run after pennant finals, so we plan to run it twice a week (Mon and Thur evenings) in April. This will finish it quickly before the weather turns. We will continue the trial of the HCap Open Fours & Triples, and the Random Ladies Pairs.

Good bowling! Jackie

### Good Friday Competition

This year the Club raised \$825 for the Royal Children's Hospital. 54 people competed in this event. Don McKie would like to thank the following members: Beryl Turner, Ann Ingram, Kay Neagle, Jen Carter, Graham Storm, as well as the barman, Bob Richardson for their help on the day.

### New Members

The Club would like to welcome:  
Robyn and Matthew Goward, Miles Probert,  
Leonie Nanscawen, Sylvia Condon,  
Phil Benizzi, Brian McDermott,  
Brad Strauss, Jack Hele,  
Eric Brearley and Adrian Frost

### Sunshine Lady

Cards were sent to:

Ron Moreton – 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Trish Bosley – 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Mary Warr – 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Jo Nyhuis – Sympathy Card (Hans)

### Garden Guru

Hi everyone, gardening in Autumn can be delightful with plentiful harvests and still warm soil. Why not try green manure instead of leaving beds empty during winter. Give it a try and dig it in just before flowering. If some have already blossomed snip off and put in the compost heap. It will certainly improve the overall health of your soil. You will be giving your spring vegie garden the best kick start for a bumper harvest of highly nutritious produce. Time to plant hyacinths and tulips. Also lift and divide bearded iris. Fertilise your lawns, pick a day when rain is forecast to save you time watering in. Prune fuchsias to encourage new blooms. Vegetables:- plant broad beans, beetroot, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, lettuce (try iceberg, by far the best), onion, parsnip, radish, silver beet, spinach and turnip. That's all for now see you on the bowling green.  
Wally

## Volunteering is a Work of Heart

There is nothing more special  
than a team of merry workers  
who go out of their way  
To make their bowling club  
beautiful for others

Thank you to the Monday Crew  
For all that you do.

### Monday Morning Crew

Not a lot to report this month, just the usual weeding, mowing and trimming going on. Some of the crew are working on removing all the weeds from the area between the front of the container and the south fence. This could take quite a while as it is quite thick with weeds and the soil is not in the best condition. However, we will give it a go as Wally has plans to make the area into a flower bed.

As noted, not a lot out of the usual happening, at this stage nothing is broken, nothing is leaking, so all good.

We are still after some timber to repair the backs of several bench seats around the green, so if anyone can help please give me a call.  
Geoff Bull Ph: 0427 700 113



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## New Fundraising Venture – Jewellery Polishing Services



Ron Morton has kindly offered his Jewellery Polishing Services at our Club. All the proceeds are going to the Mooroolbark Bowling Club.

### Prices:

\$6 per ring

\$8 per bracelet

\$10 per chain

\*Only solid gold and silver items, not plated.

Ron will be commencing on Friday May 12<sup>th</sup>, then Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup>, Friday May 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday May 26<sup>th</sup> at 4.00 pm each day.

Any enquiries phone Ron Morton  
0407660224

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## Home from the Cherry Blossom Trail!

Tokyo, Takayama, Kyota, Osaka and other places in between. Being part of such a different culture, the youth in Cosplay on a Saturday night, so elaborate!



John and I tried to upstage them in our Kimonos (John thought he was in Rome in a Toga, easy to do).



Unfortunately, not entertained by a Geisha girl as they only have intelligent conversation and we didn't qualify. But did pick up Covid.



We did however attempt the Onsen mineral baths, Origami, Washi papermaking & gold leaf painting.  
Cheers, Geoff



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## ST JOHNS RISE MOOROOLBARK

Brought you by BENETAS

Has joined us at the Mooroolbark Bowls Club. A lively energetic team from Benetas joined us for a morning of Bare Foot Bowls and a very enjoyable team building day.

Some superb bowling on a beautiful sunny day to welcome St Johns Rise. View the new advertisement board that has been erected on Green 1.

St Johns Rise is located on Hull Rd Mooroolbark and is only a hop, step and a jump away from the Club. We are looking forward to a long relationship with St Johns Rise and meeting our new neighbours who reside here who are keen to bowl or socialise at the club.

If you are looking for a beautiful place to live, St Johns Rise is nestled in peaceful suburbia close to the centre of Mooroolbark.

All brochures are available at the Bowls Club.

For all enquiries or tours please contact Caron Pendry 8706 2910



**BOWLS**  
**My husband took up Bowling**  
**And he bragged upon the phone**  
**About some wench called Kitty**  
**Whom he couldn't leave alone**  
**He played with Kitty**  
**He stayed with Kitty**  
**He picked her up without a hitch**  
**He missed Kitty**  
**He kissed Kitty**  
**He even lay beside her in the ditch.**

**So I took up Bowling to**  
**Win my hubby back**  
**And found what he could do with**  
**Kitty**  
**I could do with Jack.**

(Thanks Coral)