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#### From The Board

#### Hello Members

With the weather warming up it is good to see lots of members and visitors around the Club, social bowling or just having a quiet drink at the bar. The greens and gardens have that early spring feel and are looking good for Opening Day on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September, so well done to the Monday Morning Crew and Greenkeepers.

The \$1,000 draw restarts in September so please make sure you have paid for the month or if you prefer for the season (7 draws); this is a big help to Bob Richardson who is running it again. Thanks Bob. This is a good revenue earner for the Club and you could be the lucky winner.

Our financial situation always improves at this time of the year as annual fees come in and this year is no different. July was a good month for the Club and in particular, the Bar. The warm weather, Sunday Dance afternoons and good numbers of social bowlers are a big help.

Most Pennant playing Members have paid their annual fees but if you are unfinancial by the start of Pennant practice then you will not be able to play as you will not be covered by insurance. If for some reason you are unable to pay by that time, please speak to a Board member or the Bowls Section President.

Hope to see you on the green or at the Bar. Board of Management –August 2024

#### **Tournament Committee**

Just a reminder to any player who has begun playing bowls in the past 2.5 years and who have not played Pennant regularly at Division 5 or above. We have a social event specifically for you, being played on Tuesday evenings from 6pm starting 10th September. There are still positions available, if you are unsure if you qualify, please call me on 0449 508 384.

Closing date for the event is 3rd September. For everyone else, please keep your eyes out on the Notice Board for upcoming Championships, they should start appearing by Opening Day. We are hoping for a great interest in this year's events. If you haven't tried your hand, give it a goit's a great way to learn the game and hopefully improve your game. David Scott Tournament Manager

#### **Yellow Jacks**

If anyone has yellow jacks, could you please return them to the Club. We only have 3 left!

#### First Aid Course

This will be held on Thursday September 26<sup>th</sup> at 1.00. It is an Accredited Course including De Fib. It normally costs \$70 to attend, but the Club will pay half of this, being \$35.

Also on this day, at 3.00 we will be holding Extinguisher Training with no cost. All Welcome.

Contact Rob Telling Ph: 0418 858 848 if interested in attending.

## **A Big Thank You to Frank Limb, Rick Bennett and Mandy Carter** for representing our Club by playing in the John Snell fundraiser at Lilydale.

#### **Practice matches** against other clubs starting:

For Saturday Pennant14/921/95/1012/10For Tuesday Pennant1/108/1015/10

If you wish to play in any or all of these games, please put your name on the sheets as soon as possible at the club so the selectors can organise teams.

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Organ Transplant Recipients – At Mooroolbark on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August, Brian Donovan (himself a recipient) hosted 9 Victorians who are practising for games coming up in Canberra next month. Congratulations to all involved. Rob Telling President

## **COACHES CORNER**

#### Mooroolbark Bowls Club Coaches, Buddies & Members

From: Jim Hampton New Introductory Bowlers System PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME BADGES FOR THE NEW BOWLERS & FOR THOSE WHO MAY HAVE MEMORY CHALLENGES.

The Bowls Committee has introduced a system to link New Introductory Bowlers with two Coordinators and Coaches. This system is designed to support and encourage new members to bowling. Lyn Cameron will coordinate referrals to and from Membership (Geoff Lade) to Mandy Carter (Coordinator Buddy system) and myself. With your assistance, we hope to support and track New Introductory bowlers; and make sure they understand how the Club works; and that they are coached and supported during their Membership Free 12-month bowling period. This should assist in retaining new bowlers at the Club.

When a new application for membership by a new bowler is received under this scheme, they will be invited to attend an information session with Coordinators and then referred to one of our nine coaches for Introductory bowling. This coaching is offered for three or four sessions to teach the basics, with the aim to progress to social bowling. They will have a buddy appointed by Mandy Carter, who will assist the new Bowler to understand systems, resources and contacts at the Club. The Coach and Buddy's Coordinator, will be advised who the referral to is, plus their name, phone number or email. They will also be advised who the Buddy is to be. Coaches may receive up to three referrals a year, on current stats with 9 Coaches participating.

Coaches are to contact the new bowler to arrange coaching asap. We have lost a number of new bowlers by failing to follow-up on "Putting a Bowl in their hands."





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Please feel free to contact the Buddy at any time, or if issues arise contact Lyn or myself. We need to know what is happening, as some New Bowlers lose interest if not supported. If Coaches cannot receive new referrals for some reason, please let me know.

We are trying to enhance communication to benefit the Club and the new Bowlers.

This system is additional to the frequent requests Coaches receive from members who need help. This system is not intended to interfere with your ability to assist members, but rather make sure new bowlers are supported. It may even encourage some Members to seek coaching. We need to be informed if a New Bowler shows promise or wishes to receive ongoing coaching, or decides to change their membership category i.e to move to full membership so they can play Pennant for Barkers!

The good news is that we might find an "Aron Sherriff"! The bad news is if they decide to go elsewhere!

I spoke to Henny today and he is progressing slowly, but in a leg brace and a wheelchair. No weight bearing at all yet. Specialist appointments next week. He seems to be in good spirits and looking forward to a return soon.

Also, we are recruiting Buddies for New Introductory Bowlers. Anyone interested should contact Mandy Carter who is the appropriate Coordinator. Pius Bonjui, Rex Tait, Mandy Carter, Ken Tripp and Colin Musgrove are involved at present. So, we will need more when the weather improves. Soon we all hope!

Yours sincerely

Jim Hampton - New Intro Bowlers Coordination for Coaching

#### HAVE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CHANGED?

Please contact membership officer Geoff Lade PH: 0403 111 630. The new membership book 2024/2025 will need your correct contact numbers.

#### **New Members**

We welcome Sonia Gunn, Darren Lloyd, Lee-Anne Atkinson, Vicki Shanahan, John Gardeniers

#### \$1000 Draw

September will be the first draw. There are 4 numbers still available, first in best dressed. \$20 per month or preferably \$140 in one go to prevent me chasing up payments. I am at the Club on Friday afternoons around 5pm. Cheers Bob Richardson

#### **Sunshine Lady**

Cards were sent to: Ross Tolliday – 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Gerry Allen – Get Well Ann Staggard – Get Well Peter Meyer – Get Well





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# What are the answers that New Introductory Bowlers require?

Here are a few questions: Send answers to Jim Hampton on <u>allenvale2162@gmail.com</u>.

There is a big prize for the best entry.

New Introductory Bowlers Coordinators: Lyn Cameron, Jim Hampton and Mandy Carter

What is the KISS principle?

- 1. How and when can I play social bowls?
- 2. When is the Clubhouse open?
- 3. Where does my swipe card work?
- 4. What time does the bar open?
- 5. How do I enter a social game?
- 6. Do I have to enter any lists or entry form to just practise?
- 7. Where are the Jacks/Kittys and Mats?
- 8. Why are they named Jacks or Kittys?
- 9. Where is a list of the coaches available?
- 10.Can I have a cup of tea or coffee at the club?
- 11. Where can I get some milk?
- 12.Can I have a biscuit? Where are they?
- 13. Where can I get bowls' rings?
- 14.Are they free?
- 15. Where is the Club Website? What is on it?

- 16.Do I need a password to read what is on the website?17.Who rakes up the bowls in a social or Pennant game after each end?
- 18. Where can I stand on the rink?
- 19. What is the difference between social and Pennant bowls?
- 20. Where are the teams listed in the Clubhouse for Tuesdays and Saturdays Pennant bowls? And when are they listed?
- 21.If I cannot play after I put my name down to play/or become unavailable, who do I call and when?
- 22. What is the phone number of the person/persons responsible?
- 23. Where are the Members' Handbooks or phone numbers?
- 24. Which rinks can I practise on before social or Pennant games?
- 25. How do I get to an away Pennant match with my team?
- 26. Where can I get some score cards to record my practice games?
- 27. What is Bowls etiquette and where can I find it?
- 28. Where are the yellow Jacks and why are they used on the plastic green?
- 29. What is the Barkers Byte?

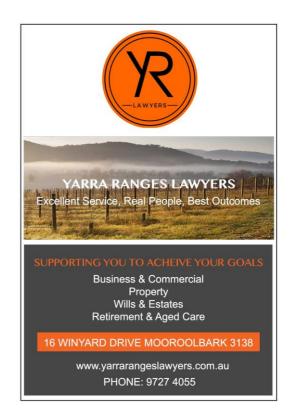




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- 30. Where can I sit in the Clubhouse?
- 31. Where is Bay 13?
- 32. Where is the First Aid kit?
- 33. Where is the "LOANER BOWLS REGISTER?"
- 34.In which direction can I bowl on? Which way is North / South?
- 35. Who is the Membership Secretary? My swipe card does not work?
- 36.Can I request some help from a coach? Any Coach?
- 37. What is the phone number of the Club?
- 38.Do we get a discount at any of the fast-food outlets around the Club?
- 39. What time do the gates to the Bowls Club open?
- 40.Do I have to purchase a uniform to play social bowls or practise?
- 41.Do I have to wear a uniform if I play in Championships or Novice events?
- 42.0f what does the Club uniform consist? Can I wear my boots when bowling?
- 43.If I play Pennant how much do I pay each game? Who do I pay it to?

44. Why do members wear name badges? The answer is not so they can remember who they are!



## YARRA RANGES LAWYERS





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### **Sunday Live Band Gig**

Another wonderful day at our club on Sunday with the amazing Jimmy Darvidis performing live. We had almost a full house with some pulling out due to sickness. We will definitely have Jimmy back again. Thank you to everyone who attended. Thank you to the bar volunteers who were just amazing. Thank you to the members who set up the room and reset the room the next day. Thank you to my Son-In-Law who also helped. Please have a look at the pics. Gayle











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#### Garden Guru

Hi everyone. August is an exciting month for gardeners, offering the perfect balance of conditions. The soil is still cool enough for planting bare rooted crops and it's also time to start sowing the first warm season seeds. It's an ideal time to begin seeds indoors – veggies like tomatoes, chillies, eggplant, capsicum, beetroot, broccoli, brussel sprouts, carrots, cauliflower, globe artichoke, onion, radish, rhubarb, shallots and silver beet. Marj lets me use the spare bedroom. I'm very lucky! Also, it's time to plant Peony tubers, Dahlia tubers and bare rooted Roses. These three outside of course.

There is a wonderful Australian wild flower, called Billy Button with tall stems and a yellow pom-pom flower on top. Very appealing!

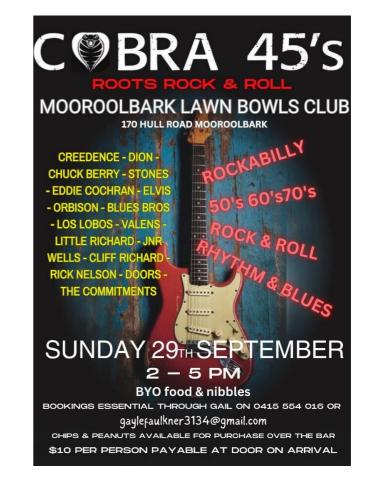
It is the time to plant Cosmos seeds (inside). Try Cosmos Kliro, a beautiful white flower with a yellow centre. Also, sow seeds of Calandula (keeps aphids away, Candytuft, Cleome, Cornflower, French Marigold, Gazenia, Nemesia, Lobelia, Pansy, Primula, Stock and Viola.

That's all for now! See you on the bowling green. Wally

#### **Monday Morning Crew**

Monday morning crew has been kept busy cleaning up after an intruder ran amok in the outdoor areas of the Club. Ring numbers and markers were strewn about everywhere, rubbish bins broken and thrown over hedges and shade covers removed.

Everyday maintenance jobs such as replacing flat tyres on barrows and mower, fixing food trolley wheels, replacing sleeper edging around tanks and installing advertising signs has kept us all busy.







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### JELLIS CRAIG REAL ESTATE

As we roll into the vibrant spring season, the team at Jellis Craig is thrilled to connect with the Mooroolbark Bowls Club community! We're delighted to share that our recent merge from The Real Estate Professionals to Jellis Craig is in full swing. This transition marks an exciting chapter for us, allowing us to bring even more resources and expertise to our valued clients right here in Mooroolbark.

Spring is traditionally a bustling time in the real estate market, and this year promises to be no different. With the energy and momentum building, we're eagerly anticipating some outstanding results for our clients. Whether you're looking to buy, sell, or simply stay informed about the local market trends, we're here to help.

We'd love to stay in touch and keep you updated on the latest developments in the property market. Patrick and I, Regina, are keen to connect with all members of the Mooroolbark Bowls Club. We encourage you to reach out to us directly or drop your details on the form we've placed at the bar. By doing so, you'll receive personalized updates and market insights tailored to your interests.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with the Mooroolbark Bowls Club and supporting the community we cherish. Here's to a successful season on and off the greens!

Best regards, Regina and Patrick Jellis Craig Real Estate

### **SKILLS TRAINING WEEKLY SESSIONS**

Bowls Drill Sessions at Mooroolbark to commence on Monday afternoons on 9.9.2024, until Pennant starts on 19.10.24.

Managed by Frank Hargreaves and Gerry Allen.

Sessions commence at approx. 2.30 pm through until 5 pm depending on interest.

These sessions are great for skills improvement, so come along.

There will be self - assessed skills sessions offered as well.

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