



The Springers News

Clifton Springs Bowling Club

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MAY 2021

Mixed Social Bowls:

Saturday—1.00pm
Wednesday—1.00pm

Nominated Men's Triples:
1st Wednesday of Month

Nominated Mixed Triples:
4th Thursday of Month

COACHES:

Rick Webb 0411 406 339
Rob McCubbin 0411 146 710
Wednesday 11.00 am



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It is that time again end of month time for another Springers.

As you all would be well aware we have started our Friday night members draw again and it is hoped a few more of our members will come along and support these nights. They are run for you and to allow us all to get to know each other better.

The social committee have put on a couple of snack nights for you all at a very cheap price so you will have something to eat as you chat. At the same time encourage you to come along. The weather is not the best of a night time but we have really good heating within the club to keep us all comfortable while we are present.

Our AGM was this Sunday just gone. We did not have a lot of members attend, however there was still a good roll call. We did ask for nominations from the floor for Sponsorship Director and the vacant positions on the Match Committee and both Selection Committees. The only position filled was the Mid- Week Selection committee vacancy. Thanks to Paul Webb and Mary Jakobi for nominating for this position, with on a vote from the floor Paul Webb was duly elected. We are still looking for members to nominate for the Sponsorship Directors position and Saturday Selection Committee along with more members to help out within the Match committee. It is your Club if you want it to prosper you need to consider and/or urge others who you think can do the tasks to nominate. If you are a new member and feel you would like to help on Match Committee that would be great we can handle a few new members to learn from others, so do not be afraid to ask if you can assist on this Committee.

The whole Club wished Mary Jakobi a great, great Happy Birthday last Friday April 30th. Mary reached 89 on this day and believe me she still looks great. Well done Mary we are all wishing you the very best.

Our memberships are due for renewal and rather than send out a renewal notice to all members we are asking you to use this reminder as your renewal notice.

Membership fees this coming year are as follows ;

- **Full Member** \$175 gives full rights including to play pennant and all Club events
- **First year Full Member** which includes all of the above is \$100. If you were a first year member last year and want to get full membership rights your fee this year will be \$175.
- **30 Years and Under**—\$50 for full membership including right to play pennant and all Club events
- **Social Plus**— \$100 allows member to only play social bowls
- **Social member** - \$10 is as a non- bowling member

You can forward your subscriptions to Bendigo Bank **BSB 633 000 A/C 140 113 887** please put your name on reference. Further enquiries Contact **Alison Aitken 0438 261 244**

Last Wednesday I played social bowls and it was great to see so many new members playing. I was a little disappointed in the number of senior members of the Club not playing. Would be truly lovely to see a good mix of new and old at our social days and help our new members gain more experience.

The Board will be arranging a Friday night soon where we will be asking an experienced first aid person to come along and give us a run down on how to use the defibrillator, We did this 2 years ago and we now think it is time to do it again. I know myself, I would be hesitant to try and help if the situation arose because of my uncertainty on what to do. Really this is not good enough and we must all become more coherent on how to operate our defibrillator. I will advise when this will occur and hopefully we will get a good roll up on the night.

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The last 3 Mondays we have had a learn to bowl afternoon for non-bowling ladies within the community. It has gone along really well and the ladies seem to be enjoying their bowls. Thanks to all members who have helped out. We will be having another similar day this Monday coming May 3rd at 2pm and if you know of any ladies who would like to have a go at bowls please encourage them to come along. All are welcome.

We now have sensor lights in all our toilet areas so when you enter and depart you do not have to touch the light switches they see you coming and turn on when you arrive and off when you depart. Simply amazing this new technology.

If any of you are interested in playing Indoor Bowls this year please contact Jan Townsend.

I thank you all for your support throughout the year 2020/21 and I hope you give me similar support in this new year.

....President Barry

MIXED TRIPLES TOURNAMENT: THURSDAY 29TH APRIL. Special Thanks to our Sponsor for the wonderful day's bowling — **JAN'S ENGRAVING**.

Fantastic Raffle prizes with thanks to: White's Fisheries Drysdale, Clifton Springs Golf Club, Wine and Food donations.

Next event: Thursday 27th May.



Winners: Alan Nettley (s), John Bickerton, Brenda Bickerton.



Runners-up: Gary Bailey (s), Gary Williams, Marilyn Williams.



Consolation: Dave Leggett (s), Mark Christos, Nancy O'Brien.

At the Board Meeting recently during discussion re updating our Working With Children card register it was suggested that a notice be placed in the Springers Newsletter asking for any member who holds a current WWC card and is willing to have their name included on our register to please advise the Club via email stating their relevant details:

admin@cliftonspringsbowls.com.au

Many thanks, Alison Aitken



*To Bill Pratt
Wishing you congratulations and best wishes on
your 99th Birthday From all your Bowling
Friends at Clifton Springs*

BILL PRATT member of Leopold Bowling Club.
Here is Billy being interviewed by Graham Boxall,
during the
**Men's Nominated Triples on Wednesday 7th April,
2021.**

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO AGM 2 MAY 2021.

Welcome Members to our AGM which brings season 2020/21 to a close. As you are all well aware it was a very testing year for the Club with a full 12 months of COVID19

COVID19 certainly restricted many movements within the club with lockdowns etc. This also had a huge effect on our revenue. However as from our financial report we have pulled through remarkable well and we thank all members who continued to support our bowls days etc. Friday night members draws during the year were obsolete and this really did not allow us to get our Social committee up and running which normally would allow our members to socialise and have a bit of fun. I honestly believe our social committee play a very important role, not in necessarily making big profits, but encouraging members to come along and an enjoy the night. Even if they only break even on expenses but bring more members out to socialise they have played there part.

I congratulate all winners of our major events throughout the year with special congratulations to our club Champions Sue Smith and John Baker. The Bowls Director and Match Committee have done a tremendous job getting most of the events completed with so much disruption through COVID. Well done for you efforts. We really need more people to put up their hands and help out with match committee duties. The old saying many hands make light work. If you really want this great Club to go ahead in leaps and bounds we All need to put in and do your little bit,

During the year there were lots happening apart from actual bowls. We have still had the opportunity to be able to complete tasks which needed to be done within the Clubhouse. The disability toilet (Glens Office) was completed along with a newly renovated match committee area and more storage space made available. Both men's and ladies toilets also had minor changes. Under the verandah outside new concrete was laid along with a small section of artificial turf and blinds fitted to the east side of the verandah. All looks good. We should all be happy with these changes and hopefully we will apply for more grants this coming year to improve our club. Would be great in future to see maybe overhead lighting etc. This would truly put our Club up with the best.

Due to a change of sponsorship on our uniforms we had to decide what we would do as far as a new uniform and should we have a uniform without a sponsor. To make the actual cost of the uniform reasonable to members and at a price that was quite a bit less than the actual costs involved we decided to look for sponsors and put their logos on the shirts and jackets. As usual we did have a few grumbles about the final product but overall most members were more than happy with the final product and also the material used. Personally I think they look great and already we have a pennant flag wearing our new uniforms. Many thanks to our sponsors and please support them when you can.

Alan Smith took over the Bar Managers role this year from John Burt and I thank Alan and all his volunteers for providing such a n efficient service to all our members. New member cards were issued this year where members can swipe their cards on bar purchases and obtain credits on their cards. The cards look very professional and members should display their card when purchasing items from our sponsors. Just to show them we are supporting them.

We have a lot of silent workers within our Club who go about their tasks weekly without any fuss and if not for their efforts our club would truly suffer. I am not mentioning names for fear I may miss quite a few. Many thanks to all these people, you know who you are. I am referring to the mowing of lawns, garden group, bird cleaning crews, garbage bin put outs, our welfare officer, Newsletter editor etc it just goes on.

Many thanks to our coaches this year, in Rick Webb and Rob McCubbin. I am chuffed that Rick Webb has signed on for next season and please give Rick your full support. Rob has done a great job with all the new bowlers we have had through the Club this year and judging by their progress we have quite a few pennant players in the making.

Selection Committee, OMG what a thankless task really. On behalf of the board I thank you all for your professionalism and dedication. The rungs are now on the Board with a pennant flag and all divisions being very competitive throughout the year. This is a combination of good selections along with good coaching. Please members understand the selection committee looks at ability and does not necessarily look at peoples requests, Such as I want to play with this person. I think we should all be happy that we are healthy enough to be able to play bowls and be prepared to play bowls where we are selected.

I honestly believe that the Clifton Springs Bowling Club is going ahead in leaps and bounds and this does not just happen without the support and cooperation from all our members.

Membership is on fire with over 40 new members this year and our overall total membership passing 200 members. This is just magnificent.

I truly thank the Board that you appointed for their dedication and support throughout the year. We would not be where we are today without your input. It would have been easy to drop off the radar in a year with so much controversy re COVID but you all were determined to make this club the best and you have all certainly achieved that. I thank you from my heart.

Our Bowls Director Graham Boxall is retiring from the Board this year. His reasons for this he wants to practice more to take my place in the top side. All jokes aside Graham you have been a tower of strength on the Board and just generally within the Club. The dedication you have shown to this club is a credit to you and on behalf of all members of this club we thank you for your tireless efforts over many, many years. It is now time for you to enjoy your bowls without having to worry about others.

It would be truly remiss if I did not also mention our Administration Officer Rosemary Sexton. Rosemary is a little dynamo within the Club she is the one who dots the eyes and crosses the t's. Rosemary puts more hours into the running of this club than anyone else within. The support you have given me over the past couple of years makes me look better than what I am. I truly appreciate and I am sure most members alike appreciate the countless hours you put in.

Clifton Springs Bowling Club is a great Club going forward and for me to be part of such a Club is very rewarding and an honour to me to be involved I thank you all for giving me that opportunity to lead your club into 2021.

Barry Oswald,President

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At Annual General Meeting, Sunday 2nd May 2021, the following positions were confirmed for Season 2021-22:

Board of Management

President	Barry Oswald
Admin Director	Rosemary Sexton
Finance Director	Sue Smith
Membership Director	Alison Aitken
Property & Assets Director	Edwin Kostrz
Bowls Director	Marilyn Fisk
Sponsorship Director	Vacant

Match Committee

Jan Townsend, Lindsay Barker, Gary Williams, Marilyn Williams, Steve Biffin

Saturday Selection

Ed Kostrz, John Baker, John Burt, Rick Webb, 1 vacancy

Midweek Selection

Jan Townsend, Bev Uprichard, Catherine Mitchell, Wendy McAlpine, Paul Webb.

UPCOMING EVENTS: MAY 2021

5-May	Wed	Mens' Nominated Triples	10.00am
27-May	Thu	<i>Mixed Triples</i>	10.30am
31-May	Mon	Indoor Carpet Bowls competition commences.	6.30 for 7pm start
2-June	Wed	Men's Nominated Triples	10.00am



MONDAY NIGHT INDOOR PENNANT 2021

Indoor Carpet Bowls will commence Monday evenings (7-9pm) for 9 weeks from 31 May.

Format is Round Robin Pennant, Home & Away at venues in Bellarine.

Rules and Conditions are set by VIBBA.

Registration \$10 pp Mat fee \$5.

Teams consist of 4 players per mat, total of 4 teams to play home and away each week.

Fixtures and guidelines will be available closer to commencement.

List for interested players is posted on notice board. Close of Entries **13th May**.

Once mats have been laid we will conduct social games each Friday evenings. Come along and enjoy, it's a great deal of fun.

Enquiries: Jan Townsend 0437 070 424



Message from Bev & David Uprichard from Darwin:

Now this is what we call a small shower up here but still very warm about 27° I've never seen rain this heavy. The thunder was deafening, and the lightning frightening.Bev & David

Bureau Report: Top End residents enjoyed a final wet season burst last night with showers and thunderstorms impacting much of the Top End and Peninsula district of Qld.

In the 24 hours to 9am this morning, Cape Wessels recorded 61 mm, Darwin recorded 35mm and Croker Island recorded 24 mm. Conditions will quickly dry out, right on time for the official start of the dry season on the 1st May.

