DROMANA BOWLS CLUB



From The President

A big hello to everyone,

Only 16 days to go till the AGM, and 15 days till the Presentation Night. Please make sure you support the Club at both events, and it goes without saying that I look forward to seeing you all there. Tomorrow night, which is Friday of course, our Happy Hour is on as usual, with the Members' Draw currently approaching the \$200.00 mark, if in fact that figure hasn't already been reached. The weeks pass so quickly I can't keep up to date with the current cash pool, but one thing I know for certain: You have got to be in it to win it! So, let's see everyone in attendance to make sure someone takes home the prize this week.

Immediately preceding Happy Hour the club is hosting 25 or so Barefoot bowlers for some late season activity on the greens, and we hope the weather will be kind to them and we don't run out of warmth and light too early. Any member who would like to come along for an hour so in assisting these visitors on the greens would be most welcome to attend, anytime between 3.00 and 6.00pm. Never forget what a rich source of potential membership is available to us through the Barefoot Bowls program, as demonstrated by the amount of new faces we now see regularly around the club. Certainly, these new faces are now a key element of our growing club because of their involvement in this outstanding community program, staffed and managed of course by our own people!

It was a real shame that we couldn't get the Auction off the ground after much hard work and planning, but let's hope that the social committee's alternate activity, date to be announced, will meet with a greater level of support. At least those items which have been kindly donated will be put to some good use in the very near future.

It would appear that the dreaded Covid virus has made a bit of a re-appearance over the past week or so. Best wishes to those of our members who are suffering in varying degrees with this awful malady, we look forward to seeing all of you up and about in the near future. Please everyone continue to look after yourselves and pay attention to all precautionary measures, and above all keep in contact with each other to let your friends know how you're doing.

Good luck in advance to our champion ladies, Sandra McColgan and Di Washfold, as they represent the MPBR in their respective competitions over the next two weeks. The best wishes of all at Dromana go with you both as you travel to Bendigo. Good bowling!

Anyone wishing to obtain a proxy vote for the AGM can do so by either contacting myself or any other Board member, or else you can print off a copy of said form as presented at the bottom of this Newsletter. Your voice is important!

So, for another week, enjoy your bowling, your socialising, and stay well.

Regards Pete





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Welfare Report

To our members - that have the dreaded bug "Covid". Get well soon - (on the upside you won't need the booster).

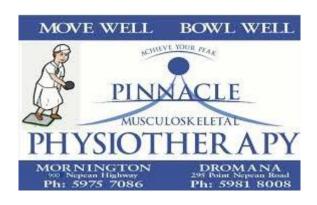


Special report on our much-missed member Lou Taylor. He is still <u>NOT</u> well enough to receive phone calls but if you want to get in touch with him, he would love a note in the post.

SPONSORS OF THE WEEK



Ethan from Mosstek working on Vivienne's computer.









A list for nominations of selectors for 2023/24 pennant season for both midweek and Saturday is in match committee window alongside pennant playing list.

Please give being a selector your consideration, you will be informed and supported with your decision.

Carmel Rowe Bowls director

Social Bowls

MONDAY

Open Nominated Triples arrive early for a 10.30 am start. List in Match Committee window.

Contact: Phil Gannon: 0405773858

WEDNESDAY TWILIGHT BOWLS

A reminder Twilight Bowls is on WEDNESDAY evenings.

Register about 5.30 for a 6.00 start - earlier if all are present.

Please remember to sign the list beforehand.

All bowlers are welcome to join this friendly, relaxed group and enjoy bowling in the lovely evenings with the music in the background. Don't miss the fun.

Enquiries: ring Di 0417397 138

THURSDAY

Club Selected – arrive early for a 10.30am start.

List in Match Committee window. Contact: Chris Bowen: 0418557574

SATURDAY

Club Selected - arrive early for a 10.30 am start List in Match Committee Window Contact: Phil Gannon: 0405 773 858

Thanks Phil Gannon



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To be held Friday 5th May at 7pm (after happy hour). Members and partners welcome.

Light supper supplied. Please put your names on list which is at match committee window. Many thanks...

Carmel Rowe

Social & Fundraising News

AUCTION AND AFTERNOON TEA

As you will all be aware by now, we have unfortunately had to cancel the auction planned for this Sunday 23rd April. Bottom line for cancellation - just not enough people booked to attend. However, many items have been generously donated to the club for fund raising purposes. People who have donated and are happy for us to use these donations in a different way please email Donna bssdonna@hotmail.com OR pick up your items by Thursday 27th April. Given the variety of items donated, the committee has come up with a plan for the best possible fundraising use of the goods. With this in mind a four-step plan has been put together:

- O We will be running a raffle over the winter months with 6 plus prizes. The reason for an extended selling period is for us to be able to make tickets available to all club members and visitors. During the next few months members will be coming and going on various trips or on the colder days and evenings or perhaps hibernating. The prizes will be displayed throughout the selling period and a prize list is available.
- O Some of the items that have been donated are of quite high value and we will first offer these items up for a silent bid from the members this will be done by email, giving everyone an opportunity to pick up a bargain while returning a reasonable profit to the club which will have been the intention of the donor.
- O For smaller and /or secondhand items there will be a "help yourself" table. Donations for the chosen item can be made into the honesty box provided.
- O Lastly any items deemed suitable by the committee for Christmas hamper raffle will be retained until later in the year.

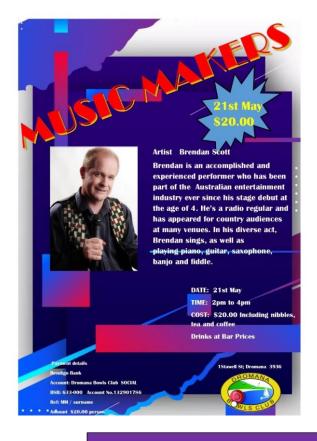
The above plan will be put into place over the next couple of weeks and more information will be available as we move forward.

Before moving away from this topic, I would like to make special thanks to Donna and Barb who have put in a lot of work for this particular function.



Brendan Scott

Brendan Scott is an accomplished and experienced performer who has been part of the Australian entertainment industry ever since his stage debut at age 4. He's a radio regular and has appeared for country music audiences at many venues. In his diverse act, Brendan sings, as well as playing piano, guitar, saxophone, banjo and fiddle.





BOOK NOW LET'S MAKE **THIS FUNCTION** A SUCCESS

VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

For information on board meetings, games, pennant teams and ladders.

> **Browse our new Club History Archive** And check out our Sponsors details.

Photos for the Newsletter or Club records:

Reports and items for the Newsletter: newsletter@dromanabowlsclub.com.au

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FRIDAY

Canasta - Monday 1.00pm -



All Welcome



See you all soon - Donna.

Royal Children's Hospital Tournament Inf

