



DROMANA BOWLS CLUB

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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From The President

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Good afternoon, good evening or good morning as the case may be when you are reading this (with apologies to Jim Carrey in The Truman show).

First up some results from the wonderful world of bowls over the Labour Day weekend. Firstly to Main Ridge on Saturday and Sunday, where the MPBR State Pairs were held on some lush greens of 13.5-14 second speed, a nice challenging test of line and weight for all concerned. Di Washfold and Sandra McColgan both played in composite teams on Saturday, and while coming away with mixed results, both enjoyed the day and as always gave of their very best. Well done to both of these fine bowlers for continuing to fly the flag of our great club in such a high standard of competition, Di as a willing late addition to a team in trouble, and the evergreen Sandra who as always skipped from the front, unable on this occasion to take out the big prize; may I add that this is something which she has done on many occasions in the past! Well done to both ladies on their continued involvement and commitment to tournament play on the Peninsula, and beyond.

FOOTNOTE: In the interest of historical accuracy, and those who know me best will attest to the fact I'm pedantic in this, I was WRONG in my reporting of Di's victory in the Champion of Champions event. She did in fact defeat Jan Richardson, a very well-respected bowler across the Peninsula, on her home turf at Karingal. This makes Di's score of 25-21 all the more commendable. There you go every body, I have done my penance!

On another successful note, but without necessarily winning anything, mention should be made of Graeme Abblitt's team who finished Runners-up in the same State Fours event, making it through to the Sunday finals round and in fact progressing to the decider after two good wins earlier. Bowling against one of the best Fours teams on the Peninsula Graeme, along with Nino Bonora, Pete Gordon and Andrew Wain, came within a nasty jack displacement of taking their opposition from Rosebud/Rye to a very close-run thing. In the end the better team won, but our fellows did themselves proud with their efforts, drawing a number of very positive comments from the MPBR luminaries and small crowd present. Nearly, nearly, nearly.....! Anyway, enough of that. Well done to all Dromana bowlers for their contributions last weekend, and congratulations to the winners who once again proved that numbers on the scoreboard will always tell the story in the end.

Also last weekend Keith Jones and Jim Rossi competed in the MPBR Novice Pairs event, and while winning one and losing one in the first round, they were unable to proceed to the finals. The benefits of such competitions at different venues still outweigh the disappointment of losing, so now boys you can shed that Novice tag and move on to bigger and better things next year.

The Club Championship events continue unabated, and as I reported last week the competition is on

in earnest to take out any one of the numerous titles on offer. Decided this week were the Triples Championship, won by Graeme Abblitt (s), Wayne Hewett and Andy Wain, over Sandra McColgan (s), Derrik Farr and Frank McColgan. In the Novice event, Peter Brace defeated Keith Jones in a very entertaining match. Congratulations to both players, the future of Dromana Bowls Club is certainly in good hands if your performance on Today is anything to go by! Stay tuned next week for more results and photos as the games continue to be run and won!

And in VERY late news I have just heard that Jean Wells has defeated Jim Rossi in the final of the Minor Championship. Well done both of you in reaching the final, and congratulations to Jean on your very first title as a bowler. May it be the first of many!

Guess what time it is? It is almost AGM time, that is what it is. The countdown for nominations, proxies, Directors' reports, Financial statements et al begins around the end of this month, culminating in our 37 th Annual General Meeting on Saturday, May 6 th . Any member wishing to nominate for any of the positions on the Board should acquaint themselves with the job descriptions available for perusal on the club's portal, or better still talk to a current Board member to get an idea of what life is like in the world of administration. Dromana Bowls Club is a free and open entity, with all members having the right to pursue any position they desire: none of us have a mortgage on any administrative position, so if you feel like you have something to offer, and can make a difference to the direction of our proud club, please by all means have a go. The club will only be the better for a constant re-invigorating and "freshening up" of the Board, and indeed selection panels, sub- committees and so on. Over to you the members, but just remember to keep your eyes on that timeline, which will be published in this column next week. The Board is also interested in any nominations the general membership may have for "Club Person of the Year." Please contact myself or any other Board member if you have any names you would like to put forward for consideration.

As you will no doubt be aware the new dishwasher has been fully installed and it is ready to go, so please avail yourself of its abilities when it comes to washing crockery, cutlery etc. We are no longer using the disposable paper cups, so when finishing up your drink or meal please rinse your utensil as necessary, and place in the dishwasher in readiness for the next wash. Please avoid simply rinsing (or just leaving) dirty cups and leaving them to lie dormant in the sink, that only means some other kind hearted soul needs to do a lot of extra stacking and loading. The instructions are clearly visible, if you are in any doubt please see Amelia in order to clarify any problems or issues. You will also notice that we have recycled an old fridge from one of the back sheds, and against all expectations it works perfectly! It is currently temporarily situated by the water fountain in the main lounge, while the big stainless steel fridge in the kitchen, many years past its normal lifetime, is de-commissioned as of now. The club is hopeful of obtaining a grant in the near future to replace it, so let's keep our fingers crossed with that one.

Progress is also being made by two small committees currently dealing with Mornington Legal and the Shire regarding issues that are oh so familiar to us all, but at this stage not to the degree that I am likely to shout: "Hold the presses!!!". Not yet anyway!

That just about wraps it up for another week. I look forward to seeing as many people as possible about trivia night next Friday, followed shortly after by the next Music Makers event. Let's all band together in the best of spirits in order to promote and deliver these events in a way that will shine a light on Dromana Bowls Club in the best possible way, both to ourselves and the local community in general. Best wishes for another week .Regards Peter.

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Welfare

Bron and Tony Evens have covid and both are doing well.

Please contact Donna Cartwright - **0407 308 106** Or Barb Souter **0425 712 764**

Social Bowls

MONDAY

Open Nominated Triples arrive early for a 10.30 am start.

List in Match Committee window.

Contact: Phil Gannon: 0405 773 858.

WEDNESDAY EVENING 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: 0418 557 57

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

TRIPLES

RUNNERS UP :

Frank Mc Colgan, Derrick Farr, Sandra McColgan
WINNERS :

Andy Waine, Wayne Hewett, Graeme Abblitt

MINOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Jean Wells defeated Jim Rossi.

NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP

Peter Brace defeated Keith Jones



House Report

Social and Fundraising

PIZZA AND MUSIC TRIVIA NIGHT: Friday 24th March. We need more teams. Make up a team or just put your name down on the list. friends, family and neighbours welcome.

This was one of the more popular events as voted for in the survey - so please come along and join us for a fun night. A maximum of 6 per team, \$15.00 per person and payment into the Bendigo bank Social account.

AUCTION AND AFTERNOON TEA

Another popular event. Sunday 23rd. April. 2.00. \$10.00pp

DONATIONS PLEASE:

NEW GOODS

USED GOODS IN EXCELLENT CONDITION

ANTIQUES

VOUCHERS/GOODS FROM BUSINESSES

PLEASE - NO CLOTHING or SHOES

See one of the committee regarding delivery to the club - Michele, Donna, Barb, Amelia or Carl. Goods will be received two weeks prior to the event.

An attendance booking sheet will be going up soon along with more details of what promises to be another fun afternoon and a chance of buying that thing you always wanted. - Michele Castles



You must be present to win it!



Mondays 1pm

Come and join the fun afternoon



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.**

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See you soon Chris Whitwell