

DROMANA BOWLS CLUB WEEKLY BULLETIN 22nd December 2022



# **From The Editor**

### **Hi Everyone**

l would like to wish you all a happy and Christmas and New Year with family and friends. The next bulletin will be OUT ON 5<sup>th</sup> of January 2023.

I also have an announcement to make. I have a new man in my life called Frankie with beautiful blue eyes. Read the bulletin to the end – photo below.

# **From The President**



Hello to everyone and a big HOHOHO.

Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to all of our dear members. May your Xmas festivities be happy, safe and fulfilling throughout all of your meetings, functions and private moments during the holiday period. The Board of Dromana Bowls Club hopes that every member will return fit and well in the new year and looks forward to another year of rejuvenation in 2023.

There is plenty happening today as I write, with a Board meeting followed by 4 separate functions ranging in size from 6 to 30, but all visitors are having a great time and enjoying the hospitality of our great club. And the same applies for yesterday, where another 30 or so people from 2 groups availed themselves of our friendly, ever courteous staff, both on the greens and in the bar. Well done to all our reliable and willing volunteers for the hours you have put in during the lead up to the Festive season. May your Xmas stockings be full of all the rewards and presents you are so deserving of. I have named you all in one way or another in recent times, so I won't try and repeat the process here. The Board and membership appreciate your efforts!

In the lead into Xmas a number of club championship games are currently being played, and I offer my congratulations and commiserations to all those bowlers who have already played their games. Roll on the New Year and let's support our friends and colleagues in their quest for greatness!!

At the moment the club is seeking the services of a new Welfare Officer, as Phil Gannon has reluctantly decided to step down from this position. On behalf of the Board, I thank Phil for his contributions. Any member who feels they are able to help the club and step in to this important and caring role please contact myself at your earliest convenience, as it is important that this role is filled; by definition, the members' Welfare depends on this job being done compassionately and well.

As we all know, and have unfortunately experienced firsthand in recent weeks, that nasty Covid virus continues to hover in the background, and we can no longer assume that it is something

that will be leaving us alone any time soon. As a result of this the Board would STRONGLY recommend the following behaviours/precautions to all members. Please do not attend the club if you are feeling unwell or do in fact test positive for Covid. Please inform a Board member if you test positive, and let any teammates know in order to cover for you during Pennant/Club games. Please don't leave people wondering, or "in the dark". When at the bar, or in the lounge, please be sensible in your proximity to other members or patrons. The Board STRONGLY advises that numbers at the round tables be kept to 6, so please avoid moving chairs around in order to make a bigger circle. Full and active discussions are always great, but at the moment we advise that we keep it to a round table of 6. Feel free to yell across the room at anybody you might want to argue with just the same!

Strawberry Day is fast approaching, with 16 teams so far committed for the event. Phil Gannon would like final numbers in by January 9th, so if you have yet entered, put a team of 3 together right away and join the fun.....the more teams we have, the better the competition and the better the financial rewards for our club. Plus, there will be beautiful D'Alia's strawberries up for grabs throughout the day. Please support this great event!

So that is it. Stay safe and love your Xmas festivities and your club.

**Regards Peter.** 

**Sponsors of the Week** – We wish all our Sponsors a safe and happy Christmas and thank them for their support during 2022. Dromana Bowls Club members – check our list of Sponsors on the web page and visit them if you are shopping.

# **Social Bowls**



## MONDAY - Resumes 9th January 2023

Open Nominated Triples arrive early for a 10.30 am start. List in Match Committee window. Contact: Phil Gannon: 0405773858

### WEDNESDAY EVENING TWILIGHT BOWLS - Resumes 4th January 2023 5.30 pm

A great evening for all level of bowlers. The evenings are magic and it's just great playing in the changing light with music and laughter and good friendship. 5.30pm for 6.00pm start - \$6. Sign the list on the outside board. Contact Di - 0417 397 138 for more information

## THURSDAY – Resumes 12th January 2023

Club Selected – arrive early for a 10.30am start. List in Match Committee window. Contact Chris Bowen: 0418557574



## **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**

\*\*Must observe dates of rounds to be completed by.

Draws are available in folder in clubhouse for Ladies and Mens and Mixed pairs.

Open Triples/Presidents Handicap/Minor Club Champions Entries close: 29<sup>th</sup> January '23rd

Carmel Rowe

## Pennant

All Pennant enquiries to the appropriate chairperson.

MIDWEEK Chairperson Di Washfold 0417 397 138

**SATURDAY** Chairperson Derrik Farr 0415 780 009

#### **MID-WEEK PENNANT**

Please sign the list on the board if you are able to come to the practice on <u>**Tuesday 10th**</u> <u>**January**</u>. Teams will be made up the week prior.

Pennant resumes Tuesday, 17th January.

The Selectors wish all players a safe and happy break.



STATE EVENT PROGRAM AND ENTRIES

are now in the black folder in the hall on the table

Women's Singles Championship of Vic 2022 – 2023 Closing date 1st January 2023 5pm

Men's Singles Championship of Vic 2022 – 2023 Closing date 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 5pm

Women's Fours Championship of Vic 2022-2023 closing date 25th February 2023 5pm

Men's Fours Championship of Vic 2022-2023 closing date 25th February 2023 5pm

Please note: It would be appreciated if entries could be completed at least a day prior to closing as I have to email them to MPBR before due time

# Welfare

David Ferguson is resting at Carrum being spoil by his friend Pat. He will be home on Tuesday. Back in the Alfred for more treatment in January.

Please contact myself – Donna (0407 308 106 email <u>bssdonna@hotmail.com</u>) if you are unwell or know of any Club members struggling.

# Social & Fundraising News

One last request for the year - or plea really - if you have not responded to the survey regarding social and fundraising functions, please help us out by doing so. Return your responses to anyone of the committee. The committee would like to put together a program for the coming year and this needs to be done ASAP to avoid any clash of dates with other activities at the club.

During Happy hour this Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December, raffle tickets for the Hampers will be drawn. Even though you do not need to be there to win it, it would be great to see a good number of members on our final Happy hour before Christmas.

Good luck everyone. On behalf of the committee - Donna, Barb, Amelia, Carl and myself - have a very Merry Christmas and a safe and healthy New Year.

Warm regards to all Michele Castles





## Strawberry Day

Entry numbers are growing.

Make up a team or enter individually to enjoy a great day of competition, fun and strawberries!

Contact Phil Gannon on 0405 773 858

or

match@dromanabowlsclub.com.au





## CANASTA

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> if enough ladies want to join us 12.30 start





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.

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

Photos for the Newsletter or Club records: photos@dromanabowlsclub.com.au Check the Barefoot bowls rosters for greens and BBQ We need your help to make these nights a success.

See you all soon - Donna



Meet my new man "Frankie"

